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Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 12th March 1862.

No. 182. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 28th January 1862, No. 654:—

Read the following letter from G. THORNHILL, Esq., Acting Collector of the Kistna District, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Chepauk, dated Juggiapett, 19th December 1861, No. 316:—

SIR,

1. With reference to the Proceedings of the Board, dated 28th ultimo, No. 6,610, communicating Order of Government, dated 26th idem, No. 2,217, and calling for a report on the Petition of Munsurudowla Meerza Jayanul Abdin Khan to Government, relative to the shares of pension to be allotted to the several members of the family of which he was recognized as head, under the Orders of the Government, dated 10th July 1860, No. 1,173, I have the honor to report for the information of the Board that on the death of Kutubudowla in February 1860, Mr. Knox, the then Collector, in proposing the grant of a reduced pension of 125 Rupees a month in the name of the Petitioner, his son by the Shadi wife, recommended that a sum of Rupees 62-8-0, or one-half of the above, should be allowed to the deceased's sons and daughters by Nikka and Mootta wives according to the proportion given at the foot of the Tabular Statement, forwarded to the Board on the 12th May 1860. This proposition was set aside by the Board, who, in their Proceedings, dated 8th June 1860, No. 2,729, nominated Fatta Alli Meerza Khan, son by the deceased's Nikka wife, as head of the family for the reasons therein given, and proposed the continuance to him of the entire amount of the deceased's pension, Rupees 350, for the maintenance of himself and his father's family.

2. The Government accordingly sanctioned the amount of pension, but referred the question of the title to the headship of the family to the Government Agent at Chepauk, who having decided it in favor of the son by the Shadi wife, the Government confirmed him as head of the family, and directed that the pension should be registered in his name and be paid to him.

3. As neither the Government nor the Board settled the shares of pension to be assigned to the different members of the family, the Collector called upon the recognized head of the family to submit a scale of pensions for approval.

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4. He accordingly submitted a *scale*, as per margin, in which he proposed to allot 31 Rupees monthly to the sons of the Nikka and Mootta wives. Fatta Alli Meerza, the eldest son by the Nikka wife, and the representative of that branch of the family, declined to receive this, and appealed to the Board, who called for explanation in their endorsement on Petitions Nos. 569 and 572 of 1861.

5. I endeavored to effect an amicable adjustment of the various claims, and suggested the allotment of 50 Rupees monthly to Fatta Alli Meerza, and the other children by Nikka and Mootta wives who looked to him as their head. Munsurudowla, the head of the family, as acknowledged by Government, agreed to this, and I reported on the subject to the Board by letter, dated 22nd March 1861, No. 65.

6. Fatta Alli Meerza, however, still refused, and proceeded to Madras to lay his case before the Board, who decided* that 62 Rupees monthly should be paid to him and the members of that branch of the family represented by him, and the remainder to Munsurudowla.

* Paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings of the 8th April 1861, No. 1,819.

7. It is against this order that the Petitioner Munsurudowla has now appealed to Government, and the points requiring the orders of Government, are—1stly, the share of the pension to be paid to each individual member of the family of the late Kutubudowla as enumerated in Petition under report; and 2ndly, whether the head of the family is to disburse his or her share

to each individual member separately, a privilege which is said to attach to the headship of the family, or whether Fatta Alli Meerza, the Nikka son, is to be allowed to receive the sum alloted to his branch of the family, and distribute it amongst the different members, a privilege he claims from having been designated head of the family by the Board in their Order, 8th June 1860, No. 2,729, and from his having been named also by the Board in Proceedings, No. 1,926, dated 12th April 1861, as the person to receive Rupees 62-8-0 of the pension.

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In Cons, 27th November 1861, No. 7,544.

Ordered to be submitted to Government, with reference to their Order, dated 26th November 1861, No. 2,217. The Board recommend the adoption of the course pointed out n their Proceedings under date 12th April 1861, No. 1,926, copy of which is herewith submitted.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL, *Sub-Secretary.*

No. 183. ORDER THEREON, 12th March 1862, No. 542.

1. The Government consider the allotment approved by the Board in their Proceedings, dated 12th April 1861, to be just and fair and confirm it.

2. The pensions will as usual be paid by the recognized head of the family to the several recipients. If, however, he is irregular in his payments, the Board may at once authorize the disbursement of any particular shareholder's portion by the Collector.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

Memo- on Rep. 327-

The Board reply to G.O. 26 November 1861- No. 2217 wherein they had been requested to report on an application from Munsoor-ud-Dawla a member of the Masulipatam family regarding the rates at which he shd make allowances to the members of his family-

This individual was recognized as the head of his branch of the family in G.O. 16 July 1860- No. 1173 and the pension of 150 Rs per mensem was directed to be paid to him-

The claims of Futtah Alli Meerza Khan to the head-ship of this branch had been advocated by the Board and this decision of Govt recognizing his younger brother gave rise to endless disputes and appeals. Some of the latter were disposed of in the Petition dep^d on 26 August 1861- The whole subject was then fully reviewed and while Govt declined to reconsider their previous order recognizing Munsoor-ud-Dawla as head of the family- they also required to interfere with an arrangement made by the Board of Revenue by which his opponent and those members of the family who sided with the latter were to receive as their share of the pension 62 Rs per annum-

The application on which the Bd now report is virtually an appeal

against that decision for though he does not directly refer to it, Munsoorudaula now asks Govt to let him distribute the pension in such a manner that out of 19 shares, 15 may be enjoyed by his and 4 by his opponent's party - or about 118-8-0 for himself and 31-8-0 for his opponent monthly -

The Board adhere to the arrangement proposed in their Proceedings of 12 April 1861. No 1926 - Copy of which is now before Government for the first time - They would give 62 Rs. to Fattai Ali Mirza Khan monthly and the rest to the present Appellant - They observe that in his original report on the last incumbents death Mr Knox recommended this amount to Fattai Ali Mirza Khan though he would have limited the entire pension to Rs. 125 -

Orders are requested, Shall the arrangement proposed by the Board, and already approved by Govt in the Petition Dept, stand? or pass what shd be the decision

GJL
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Memo for orders

No. 654.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Sub-Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.,
with copy of Board's Proceedings of 12th April 1861.
Copy to G. Thornhill, Esq., Acting Collector of the Kistna District.

W. 542.

Exd. J. Wright,

Rec'd July 1860 No. 84-88
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From Govt
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Pol. Dept. Govt. Miscl.
No. 374.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 28th January 1862.
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No. 654.

Submitting with reference to the Order dated 26th November 1861, No 2217, a letter from the Collector of the Kistna District relative to the shares of pension to be alloted to the several members of the family of which Mansurdowla Meerza Abdin Khan was recognized as head.

Ans. 542 of 1862.