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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 64 — Press / Mis.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 18th January 1862.

No. 128. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th December 1861, No. 6,835 :—

Read the following letter from J. I. MINCHIN, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Chepauk, dated 21st November 1861, No. 130.

SIR,

1. With reference to the Proceedings of Government, dated 7th November, No. 2,127, commenting on the undue leniency shown towards two Gumáshtas of this District, suspended for six months for combining to bring a false charge against the Tahsíldár of the Patticonda Táluq, I have the honor to refer to the Memorandum, copy of which was forwarded to the Board with my letter, No. 95 of the 10th August, and which explains the circumstances of the case.

2. On that occasion the Sarishtadár was dismissed by me, not only for bringing a false charge against the Tahsíldár, but also for the manner in which he had previously conducted the inquiry into a murder, and concealed evidence to favor the prisoner.

3. The conduct of the Tahsíldár while actuated by the best motives in endeavoring to trace out a crime, culpably slurred over by the Sarishtadár as Sub-Magistrate, was in some points slightly irregular, and these irregularities were exaggerated by the Sarishtadár and Gumáshtas into the false charge of concocting evidence, and tampering with the witnesses.

4. As, however, those irregularities gave some foundation for the false charges that were made, I should not have considered myself justified in dismissing the Sarishtadár on this ground alone, and thought that a suspension for six months was an adequate punishment to the two Gumáshtas who abetted him only in that offence.

Submitted to Government together with Board's Proceedings, under date 27th August 1861, No. 4,658, with reference to their Order, dated 7th November 1861, No. 2,127. The Acting Collector justifies his proceedings on the ground that there was some slight foundation, for the charges which the Gumáshtas, whose punishment was commented on by Government, brought against the Tahsíldár of Patticonda.

In Cons. 8th November 1861, No. 7,080.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

No. 129. ORDER THEREON, 18th January 1862, No. 64.

Ordered to be recorded.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,

Deputy Secretary to Government.

No. 4,658.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 27th August 1861.

Read the following letter from J. I. MINCHIN, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Chepauk, dated 10th August 1861, No. 95 :—

With reference to the Board's Endorsement on Petition No. 2,088 of 1861, from Sreeneevasa Row, late Sheristadar of Patticonda, I have the honor to forward copies of the Extract Proceedings of the Session Court of Nundial, dated 13th June last, and my Memorandum thereon, dated 17th idem, showing the cause of his dismissal from service.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Extract from the Proceedings of the Session Court of Nundial.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Memorandum.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Petition.

Ordered that the following Endorsement be passed on Petition No. 2,088 of 1861 :—

" The dismissal of Sreeneevasa Row, late Sheristadar of the Patticonda Taluk in the Kurnool " District, is approved by the Board."

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

To J. I. Minchin, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool,
with MS. copy of Endorsement to Petitioner.

Exd. J. Wright.

Passing Endorsement on a Petition No. 2,088, of 1861.

No. 4,658.

Dated 27th August 1861.

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In Cons. 8th November 1861, No. 7,080.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

Sub-Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to J. I. Minchin, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Dated 9th *December* 1861.
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No. 6835.

Submitting a letter from the Collector of Kurnool explaining the ground for imposing a slight punishment on two Gumastahs who brought a false charge against the Tahsildar of the Patticonda Taluq.

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