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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 2nd August 1866.

Read the following papers:—

From J. D. ROBINSON, Esq., Collector of North Arcot, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Palmanair, 17th May 1866.

Statement showing the amount of arrears, due to the undermentioned Yeomiahdar, in the District of North Arcot.

Number of Certificate.	Name of the Pensioner.	Amount of pension per annum.	Date of Government authority.	Nature of the grant.	Period for which arrears are due.	Total amount of arrears.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
86	Mahomed Sheriff.	RS. A. P. 42 3 2	17th July 1847.	For maintenance.	From July, Fusly 1260, to 30th Sept., Fusly 1275, after deducting the allowance for eleven days in Fusly 1265.	RS. A. P. 614 5 1

Column 8.—Explanation of the cause of suspension of payment.

This Yeomiahdar, whilst himself in receipt of an allowance of Rupees 42-2-3, was giving life-certificates for three Gosha female pensioners, and was Vakil for three others. Under the instructions conveyed in the Proceedings of the Board dated 3rd February 1851, the pensions of all Gosha females, whose ages exceeded fifty, were stopped until they appeared for muster. As the six women just alluded to were among those who did not attend muster, the allowance of this pensioner, who had certified their existence, and been their Vakil, was also suspended. Under the modified rules, communicated with Extract from Minutes of Consultation dated 30th September

Register No.	Yeomiah.
25	96, Ruffha Begum.
26	96, Sakana Begum.
24	100, Sahebani Sahiba.
138	86, Nurja Begum.
131	86, Apna Sahiba.

1858, No. 1,329, the allowances of the five females noted in the margin were then continued to them. The allowance of the remaining woman, Hussein Begum, No. 8-157, has also been subsequently sanctioned by Government in their Order, dated 12th April 1864, No. 613.

The Collector is not sure that Government might not fairly withhold payment of these arrears, which amount (Column 7) to a large sum. This pensioner found it easy enough to produce the necessary papers, so long as the allowances were paid to his clients without challenge; but from the time that verification by muster and other personal proofs were required, he has done nothing towards vindicating the good faith of his former offices, and now claims the accumulations of years of a suspicious inactivity.

As the responsibility of proving the identity of these six women rested with the Yeomiahdar himself, and it was long before some of them were identified by muster, and others were only proved to be the proper parties by some evidence after their death, the Collector would not recommend the payment of the arrears, but would solicit that the sanction of Government may be obtained for the revival of the allowance, which, under the terms of the grant, is to continue only during the term of his natural life.

From the same Officer, dated Palmanair, 26th June 1866, No. 167.

1. In re-submitting the Yeomiah Arrear Statement, returned with the Board's Proceedings of the 18th instant, No. 4, 166, I have the honor to observe that the Yeomiahdar, therein referred to, found no difficulty in furnishing the life-certificates for the female Yeomiahdars in question, and yet, when the existence of these same women became doubtful in consequence of their continued non-attendance for muster, he, as their Vakeel, and with his own honesty impugned as certifying witness, took no steps to satisfy the requirements of the Government Orders, by neglect or deceitful intention on the part of the Yeomiahdar, I am quite ready to waive my objections, and to request that they recommend to Government that all the arrears should be paid to him.

1. Resolved that the foregoing papers be submitted for the orders of Government.

2. The Yeomiah in question, amounting to Rupees 42-3-2, which the Collector recommends should be revived in favor of Mahomed Sheriff appears in the Moyenzabitah for Fusly 1223, (A. D. 1818-19,) of the Collector of North Arcot, as an hereditary allowance granted for the maintenance of the family of Hazi Shaik Ally Pealay in Hizri 1207, and this Moyenzabitah was sanctioned by Government, in their letter dated 23rd April 1819. The continuance of the Yeomiah to the present incumbent Mahomed Sheriff, was sanctioned in Extract from Minutes of Consultation, No. 813, dated 17th July 1847.

3. The Collector now states that payment of this Yeomiah to Mahomed Sheriff was stopped in Fusly 1260, because he was the Vakeel of certain Gosha ladies, whose pensions were subsequently satisfactorily cleared up) having been felt as to their actual existence; and Mr. Robinson punishes him for his not taking a more active part in establishing the identity of the Gosha ladies for whom he acted as Vakeel.

4. It appears to the Board, however, that Mahomed Sheriff was not responsible for the non-conformance of the Gosha ladies to the Board's orders of 3rd February 1851, No. 245, and to the subsequent orders of Government, dated 30th September 1858, No. 1,329, regarding the appearance and identification of Yeomiahdars. The pensions were stopped in consequence of the uncertainty then felt as to the actual existence of these ladies; but as the fact of their identity was established, Mahomed Sheriff could not have been guilty of any deception, when he certified that they were alive, and as his Yeomiah was not left undrawn through any neglect of his own, there is no reason why all the arrears should not be paid to him.

5. The Board accordingly recommend that the Collector be authorized to pay to Mahomed Sheriff (subject to the audit of the Accountant General) the arrears of Yeomiah due, from 12th July 1850 to 30th June 1866, amounting to Rupees 673-14-4, and to continue to him the annual allowance of Rupees 42-3-2 from 1st July 1866.

(True Copies and Extract.)

M. A. W.

Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Copy to the Collector of North Arcot.

Exd. J. Wright.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
27th August 1866.

No. 669. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 2nd August 1866, No. 5,298.

Read the following papers:—

From the Collector of North Arcot, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Palmanair, 17th May 1866.

Statement shewing the amount of arrears due to the undermentioned Yeomiahdar in the District of North Arcot.

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Government, in their Order dated 12th April 1864, No. 613.

The Collector is not sure that Government might not fairly withhold payment of these arrears, which amount (column 7) to a large sum. This pensioner found it easy enough to produce the necessary papers, so long as the allowances were paid to his clients without challenge; but from the time that verification by muster and other personal proofs were required, he has done nothing towards vindicating the good faith of his former offices, and now claims the accumulations of years of a suspicious inactivity.

As the responsibility of proving the identity of these six women rested with the Yeomiahdar himself, and it was long before some of them were identified by

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muster, and others were only proved to be the proper parties by some evidence after their death, the Collector would not recommend the payment of the arrears, but would solicit that the sanction of Government may be obtained for the revival of the allowance, which, under the terms of the grant, is to continue only during the term of his natural life.

From the same Officer, dated Palmanair, 26th June 1866, No. 167.

1. In re-submitting the Yeomiah Arrear Statement, returned with the Board's Proceedings of the 18th instant, No. 4,166, I have the honor to observe that the Yeomiahdar, therein referred to, found no difficulty in furnishing the life-certificates for the female Yeomiahdars in question, and yet, when the existence of these same women became doubtful in consequence of their continued non-attendance for muster, he, as their Vakeel, and with his own honesty impugned as certifying witness, took no steps to satisfy the requirements of the Government orders, by procuring their attendance, or shewing that he had been acting *bona-fide* in their interests.

2. If the Board are still of opinion that the Yeomiah was not left undrawn through any neglect or deceitful intention on the part of the Yeomiahdar, I am quite ready to waive my objections, and to request that they recommend to Government that all the arrears should be paid to him.

1. Resolved that the foregoing papers be submitted for the orders of Government.

2. The Yeomiah in question, amounting to Rupees 42-3-2, which the Collector recommends should be revived in favor of Mahomed Sheriff appears in the Moyenzabitah for Fusly 1228, (A. D. 1818-19,) of the Collector of North Arcot, as an hereditary allowance granted for the maintenance of the family of Hazi Shaik Ally Pealay in Hegira 1207, and this Moyenzabitah was sanctioned by Government in their letter dated 23rd April 1819. The continuance of the Yeomiah to the present incumbent, Mahomed Sheriff, was sanctioned in Extract from Minutes of Consultation, No. 813, dated 17th July 1847.

3. The Collector now states that payment of this Yeomiah to Mahomed Sheriff was stopped in Fusly 1260, because he was the Vakeel of certain Gosha ladies, whose pensions were withheld at the same time, in consequence of some uncertainty (which was, however, subsequently satisfactorily cleared up) having been felt as to their actual existence; and Mr. Robinson thinks that the arrears of Mahomed Sheriff's pension should not be disbursed to him, as a punishment for his not taking a more active part in establishing the identity of the Gosha ladies for whom he acted as Vakeel.

4. It appears to the Board, however, that Mahomed Sheriff was not responsible for the non-conformance of the Gosha ladies to the Board's orders of 3rd February 1851, No. 245, and to the subsequent Orders of Government, dated 30th September 1858, No. 1,329, regarding the appearance and identification of Yeomiahdars. The pensions were stopped in consequence of the uncertainty then felt as to the actual existence of these ladies; but as the fact of their identity was established,

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Mahomed Sheriff could not have been guilty of any deception, when he certified that they were alive, and as his Yeomiah was not left undrawn through any neglect of his own, there is no reason why all the arrears should not be paid to him.

5. The Board accordingly recommend that the Collector be authorized to pay to Mahomed Sheriff (subject to the audit of the Accountant General) the arrears of Yeomiah due, from 12th July 1850 to 30th June 1866, amounting to Rs. 673-14-4, and to continue to him the annual allowance of Rupees 42-3-2 from 1st July 1866.

No. 670. ORDER THEREON, 27th August 1866, No. 2,221.

Miscellaneous.

1. Sanctioned as recommended by the Board.
2. The Collector will report by what authority payment of this Yeomiah was discontinued, and why it was not renewed when all the Yeomiahdars' clients had proved their identity.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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The Quomah has been treated very harshly in my opinion. I certainly it was the fault of Mr. B. who have collected orders from Mr. B. as to the continued suspension of the Quomah as soon as the allowance of the free labor were paid to them under Co. 30 Sept 58. - A collector should be

23rd April 1817 to 29th July 1817 - 21-22nd Sept 1817 - 9th April 1818 - 19th April 1818

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Per: 1866. Department.
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No. 2121
PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 2nd August 1866.

Depy Secy
Recy

No. 5,298.

Receipt

Recommending that Collector of North Arcot be authorized to pay to Mahomed Sheriff arrears of Yeomiah, amounting to Rupees 673-14-4; due to him from 12th July 1850 to 30th June 1863, and to continue to him annual allowance of Rupees 42-3-2 from 1st July 1866.

W. moved order

Notified from stopping a man's name for an indefinite period as in this case - named of one on the list of names of trustees to stay, but would not. Every case of the kind is put before the collecting committee. Will

I have a report which he made to the Secy of the Station the 2nd of the month.

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