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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 22nd November 1866.

No. 519. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd October 1866, No. 7,612.

Read the following:—

Board's Proceedings, dated 28th June 1866, No. 4,408.

Read also the following letter from the Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Ootacamund, 18th August 1866, No. 213.

1. In pursuance of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 4,408, of the 28th June last, I beg to forward copy of a letter from my Acting Sub-Collector, which supplies the further information called for in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the above communication.

2. I solicit the sanction of the Board for the continuance of the pension hitherto enjoyed by Accummal, to her heir and son, Ponnumalay Naick, out of consideration for the poverty of the Dhully family.

From the Acting Sub-Collector of Coimbatore, to the Collector of Coimbatore, dated 6th August 1866, No. 141.

1. In reply to your letter of the 17th ultimo, directing me to submit information on the points noticed in the Board's Proceedings of the 28th June, No. 4,408, I beg to quote the following three cases from the list forwarded by you to the Board of Revenue, with your letter of the 10th March 1866, in which the pensions of the female members of Poligars' families in Udumalpettah Talook have been continued to their heirs:—

I. One Tappamal, widow of a Dhully Poligar, was in receipt of an allowance of Rupees 85-14-0, and on her death, it was continued to her son, Yettapa Naick.—*Vide* paragraph 4 of letter from Principal Collector, Mr. Sullivan, to the Board of Revenue, dated 20th July 1826, and list forwarded with it, which received the sanction of Government, bearing date the 10th April 1827. This pension is now enjoyed by Moothoocomara Naicken, great grandson of the original grantee, as per sanction of Government, dated 16th November 1865, No. 2,813.

II. Andy Ammal, a member of the Jellyputty Poligar's family, had an allowance of Rupees 85-14-0, and on her death, her son, Periasamy Naick, was allowed to enjoy it.—*Vide* paragraph 7 of Principal Collector Mr. Sullivan's letter above quoted. This pension is now enjoyed by Tiroomala Naick, grandson of the original grantee, as per sanction of Government, dated 28th January 1831.

III. Moothoonala Condammal, of the Mangalam Poligar's family, was in receipt of a pension of Rupees 85-13-11. She died in 1839, and her stipend was ordered to be continued to her adopted son, Chinnavaloo Condama Naicken.—*Vide* letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 17th September 1840. The last incumbent died in 1860, and a reduced pension was continued to his widow, as per sanction of Government, dated 21st September 1860, No. 1,071.

2. Adverting to paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings of 28th June 1866, No. 4,408, I am unable to say whether these Poligars' pensions should be considered hereditary grants or not. As remarked by the Board in paragraph 14 of their Proceedings of the 31st October 1865, No. 6,993, these allowances have, in many cases, been continued undiminished on lapses, while in other cases a different course has been pursued. Considering, however, the reduced circumstances of the surviving members of the deceased Accummal's family, I would recommend that her pension be continued to her son, Ponnumalay Naick.

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

2. The Board recommend that the pension of Rupees 64-6-3 per annum, enjoyed by the late Accummal, who died on the 13th March 1866, and was a female member of the family of the Dhully Poligar in the Coimbatore District, be continued with arrears to Ponnumalay Naick, her son and heir, who possesses no property except "a small quantity of dry land of inferior quality," and has eleven of his late mother's dependents to support.

3. The earliest correspondence on the Board's records at all connected with this pension is noted in the margin. It appears from these papers that on sundry objections raised by the Civil Auditor to certain payments made by the Principal Collector of Coimbatore in Fusly 1234 (1824-25), and on the suggestion of the former Officer, the Collector forwarded to the Board a revised list of pensions, which were then being paid to the families of the late Poligars of the Southern Division of Coimbatore, in which list the name of the present deceased is entered.

From Civil Auditor, dated 20th April 1826.
" the Principal Collector of Coimbatore, 20th July 1826.
" Board of Revenue to Government, 15th March 1827.
" Government to Board of Revenue, 10th April 1827.
" Board of Revenue to Civil Auditor, 19th April 1827.

4. Respecting the origin of these pensions, the Collector observed as follows, in his letter dated 20th July 1826:—

"After the Poligar rebellion in 1800, the families of the principal culprits "were secured and for some time kept in confinement, and a daily allowance "made for their subsistence. When released, this subsistence was continued to "them, and has been paid for twenty-five years." "The exact authority for "these allowances is not known here, as the Southern Division of Coimbatore then "formed a part of the Collectorate of Dindigul; and no separate record of the "transactions of that Division is extant. The only document forthcoming on the "subject, is a list furnished by the Cutwal of Dindigul, under whose charge the "families were when transferred to the jurisdiction of Coimbatore. This list shews "the amount of pension granted to each member of the family, and this continued "to be the rule of payment from 1800 until last year, when, having some reason "to suspect that pensions were drawn for females who were not in existence, I "caused inquiry to be made and ascertained that such was the fact."

5. The Civil Auditor's Statement of Retrenchments, the revised pension list above alluded to, and the Collector's letter which accompanied it, were submitted to Government with the Board's remarks; and the decision of Government on each retrenchment was recorded in the appropriate column in the Statement, and returned to the Board with a letter dated 10th April 1827.

6. The pensions have accordingly been continued on that authority, and the Government will perceive from the letter of the Acting Sub-Collector of Coimbatore, dated 6th August 1866, which forms an enclosure to that of the Collector now submitted, that in the case of these Poligar pensions in the Coimbatore District, it has been usual to continue either the whole or a diminished pension to the heirs of widows and other female members on their decease. In the present case, the Board have recommended the continuance of the whole pension, as proposed by the Collector, in consideration of the poverty of the Poligar's family.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 22nd November 1866.

No. 520. ORDER THEREON, 22nd November 1866, No. 3,184.

Miscellaneous.

1. These pensions are clearly not hereditary, and should be gradually reduced as circumstances permit.

2. The Government sanction the continuance to Ponnumalay Naick of a pension of Rupees 60 per annum.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
" the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 4,408.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 23th June 1866.

Read the following letter from P. GRANT, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Ootacamund, 12th May 1866, No. 119:—

1. In reporting the death, on the 13th March 1866, of Accummal, a member of the family of Dhuliy Poligar, in Oodoomalpettah Taluk, in this District, I have the honor to forward the triplicate Statement of lapses, called for in the Board's Circular of the 22nd May 1855.

2. Accummal was in receipt of a pension of Rupees 64-6-3 per annum, under the sanction of Government, dated 10th April 1827.

3. I beg to recommend that the pension granted to the deceased be continued to Ponnumalay* Naik, her (deceased's) heir and son.

* Aged forty years.

4. Accummal, the deceased, left no property with the exception of a small quantity of dry land of inferior quality. She had eleven dependents who now look to her son for support.

5. The Tahsildar's Urzee, reporting the death of the pensioner, dated 23rd March 1866, was received at my office, with the Treasury Deputy Collector's Memorandum, on the 3rd April, and the Sub-Collector was requested, on the 10th of the same month, to afford information regarding the circumstances of the deceased's family, and his reply was received on the 2nd instant.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Report of lapses of Inams, &c., in the District of Coimbatore, under the Board's Circular, dated 22nd May 1855.

Poliput pension.	1	Case.
Dhuliy, in Oodoomulpetta Taluk.	2	Taluk and village.
Rupees 64-6-3 per annum, or Rupees 5-5-10¼ per mensem.	3	Extent and nature of the entire Inam or Yeomiah.
Sanctioned by Government, under date the 10th April 1827.	4	When and by whom granted.
None.	5	Sunnuds or other documents in support of the grant.
In lieu of Poliput resumed.	6	Nature of the grant, charity or service; if service, nature of the duty prescribed by the grant.
Accummal.	7	Name of the original grantee.
Accummal was the last holder, and the original grantee, died on the 3rd March 1866.	8	Name of the last holder, and the relationship in which she stood to the grantee, and the date of her decease.
The whole allowance, viz., Rupees 64-6-3, was enjoyed by the deceased.	9	Share enjoyed by the deceased, and that held by the other members.
Ponnumalay Naik, son and heir to the deceased and eleven others.	10	Family left by the deceased, and the name of the parties.
There seems to be no property for their support, with the exception of a small quantity of dry land of inferior quality.	11	Means of subsistence possessed by the family.
Recommends the continuance of the whole amount of pension in the name of Ponnumalay Naik, as he and other members of the family are dependent upon the pension alone.	12	Recommendation, and the grounds thereof.
Forwarded to the Board of Revenue for confirmation by Government; the pension itself is small and does not appear susceptible of reduction.	13	Further remarks.
	14	Recommendation of the Board of Revenue, and the grounds on which it is founded.
	15	Decision of Government.

Ootacamund, 12th May 1866.

(Signed) P. GRANT, Collector.

1. Before submitting for the Orders of Government, the recommendation made by the Collector in this letter, the Board wish to know whether there is any precedent for continuing the pension of a female member of the Dhully Poligar's family to her heir.

2. The Board observe that the pension in question was a maintenance allowance paid to a member of the Dhully family after their Poligarship had been resumed, in consequence of the Poligar's rebellion, and they doubt whether it can be regarded as a hereditary grant.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary.

To the Collector of Coimbatore.

Esd. J. Wright.

Dated 28th June 1866.

No. 4,408.

Requesting further information on the recommendation made by Collector of Coimbatore to continue the pension of the deceased female member of the Dhully Poligar's family to her heir.

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