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## *Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 4th June* 1868.

No. 81. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th May 1868, No. 3,356 :—

Read the following paper from the Collector of North Arcot, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chittoor, 27th March 1868.

*Statement of lapsed Dehat Inam recommended for renewal in the District of North Arcot.*

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| 42 | Ready money allowance of Rupees 13-13-0 per annum in lieu of the Melcuppam Dehat Inam village in Wallajah talook. | Nabob Wallajah, as per Purvanah of 21st Shawal Hiziri 1187, granted by the above Nabob. | Hereditary. | Nanni Bibi, died on the 4th July 1857, is descendant from the family of the original grantee. | The full allowance of Rupees 13-13-0 was enjoyed by the deceased. | *Heirs of the deceased.* First son, Patchamiya, age eleven years and eight months. Second son, Nannumiya, age ten years and eight months. Husband, Ummersha. Have no other subsistence but this allowance. |

Remarks.—Nanni Bibi, a Dehat Inamdar of Melcuppam, was in receipt of an annual allowance of Rupees 13-13-0, under the orders of Government, dated 1st February 1853, No. 127, communicated with the Board's Proceedings, dated 17th February 1853. She died on the 4th July 1857, leaving two infant sons noted in column 7. This allowance was, in consequence of the minority of the sons of the deceased, not claimed by them until the 22nd of April 1864, when Patchamiya, the eldest son, addressed a petition to the Board praying that his mother's allowance may be continued in his name. On the receipt of the Board's Endorsement, No. 1,400, thereon, the records of the Huzoor connected with this case were examined, and a discrepancy in the age of the deceased was therein found as returned in the Collector's register and in the life certificate granted by two of the Inamdars of Melcuppam, viz., Khadar Mohideen, No. 39, and Mahomed Kasim, No. 44, and submitted to the Collector by the Tahsildar of Wallajah. In the former (the Collector's register), her name appears to have been registered on the 18th February 1856, when she is said to have been thirteen years and six months old; and in the latter (the certificate given by the Inamdars), which is dated the 26th May 1856, her age is set down as fourteen years and one month. Thus there is a very slight difference of some four months between the two entries. But besides this, there is a more material difference arising out of the report of the Kazi of Arcot town. Before the Kazi, Khader Mohideen, No. 39, and Shaik Hussain, No. 31, deposed that the age of the last incumbent at the time of her death, which took place on the 4th July 1857, was twenty-six years, and that she left two sons, Patchamiya and Nannumiya, aged seven and two years respectively. As Khader Mohideen, who deposed before the Kazi, is the same person who deposed before the Tahsildar of Wallajah, and as his statements on each occasion were contradictory to one another, his Inam allowance of Rupees 13-13-0 was discontinued by the late Deputy Collector M. Venkatrutna Pillay from 1st October 1864.

The discrepancy above pointed out in the age of the last incumbent gave rise to suspicion, as the last incumbent could not have a son of seven years of age when her own age at the time of her demise was only fifteen years as per Collector's register ; and the identification of Patchamiya became therefore indispensable. The case was accordingly referred to Mr. Price, the then

Head Assistant Collector, for strict inquiry and report. From the report of that Officer it appears that three authentic witnesses were examined on solemn affirmation, who deposed that Nanni Bibi died at the age of fifteen, leaving two infant sons, Patchamiya and Nannumiya, of whom the first was one year and the second twelve days old; that Khader Mohideen, No. 39, who has fallen under suspension, is of the Soony or Labbai caste, and understands only Tamil; that the Kazi being ignorant of that tongue had his deposition written by an agent in Tamil, and thus it would appear was not read over to him; that he therefore had no means of challenging the accuracy of the report to the Huzoor respecting Nanni Bibi, although his statement of facts before the Kazi was to the same effect as that given before the Tahsildar of Wallajah. It is therefore evident that the Kazi's report must have been incorrect, and that the legal heir to Nanni Bibi's allowance is her eldest son Patchamiya.

The hereditary nature of this Inam was disallowed in the Orders of Government noted in the margin, when Patcha Bibi and Hussain Bibi, the daughters of Syed Bibi (deceased), one of the Inamdars of Melcuppam, applied for the continuance of the allowance in their names.

Government Order, dated 5th July 1867, No. 1,504.
Board's Proceedings, dated 1st May 1854, No. 180.
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 20th June 1854, No. 715

In another case, however, the Government in their Proceedings, dated 18th November 1867, No. 2,717, granted for life an allowance of a similar nature to Sheik Isaph on the demise of his father Shaik Hussain, on the ground that the family of the deceased was suffering from extreme poverty.

Under these circumstances, and as the family under report is poor, having no other means of livelihood, the Collector begs to recommend that the Board will, in consideration of the applicant's poverty and the present hard times, be pleased to accord sanction for the payment of arrears, amounting to Rupees 165-12-0, from 1st January 1856 to 31st December 1857, as the last incumbent did not draw her allowance for one year, six months, and four days before the date of her death, owing to her omission to produce her life certificate, and to authorize the continuance of this allowance in the name of Patchamiya as in the instance above quoted.

The delay in claiming this allowance is mainly owing to the youth of the applicant. The case is one of those left in arrears by the late Deputy Collector after the Yeomiah Department was dispensed with, and was taken up by the present Deputy Collector after the disposal of other cases of longer standing.

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Submitted to Government, with the recommendation that the grant may be continued to Patchamiya for life only, and that payment of arrears from the 1st January 1856 may be sanctioned.

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No. 82. ORDER THEREON, 4th June 1868, No. 1,549.

Miscellaneous.

1. In accordance with the recommendation of the Collector and Board of Revenue the Government sanction the continuance of the allowance in question to Patchamiya, the eldest son of the deceased, *for his life*, with arrears from date of last payment.

2. The Government consider the explanation of the delay that has occurred in the disposal of this case to be any thing but satisfactory. They do not understand why the inquiries into those cases of lapse should all devolve on the Treasury Deputy Collector.

3. They desire that the Acting Collector will make special arrangements for the early disposal of all the cases still on the file, and to prevent any similar

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accumulations. They see no reason why the several Division Officers should not receive the reports from the Tahsildars of their divisions, and report, with their opinion, to the Collector direct, in view to the necessary reference being made to the Board.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
*Secretary to Government.*

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

No. 3,556.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 7th May 1868.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Copy to the Collector of North Arcot.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

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Rev. Department.

No. 1592.

From Rev. Bd.

Dated 7th May 1868

FOR ORDERS.

Rev. Bd. 7th May 1868. Submitting statement from North Arcot, of lapsed D. Inam, with recommendation that the grant may be continued to Patchanya for life only, and that payment of arrears from 1st January 1856 may be sanctioned.

As a dispensation.

Govt. Sanction requested.

Govt. Sanction to be given in Rev. Bd. Proc. dated 15th June 1868 (under Rule 33 of Standing Orders) to the issuance of a Muchilika to the Inamdar.

Govt. 18th Nov. 68. Continue a Khan Bd. Rec.

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Fort St. George, 1st February 1853 No. 5 to 6.
20 June " 54 - - - - 32-33.
5 July " 67 - - - - 101 & 103.
18 Nov. - - - - - - - - 298-299.

Rev. 1868. Department.

Proc. of Govt. for June

No. 1592.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 7th May 1868.

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No. 3,356.

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C/B Govt 68 R&R Rec. Rep. &c. 28 Nov 68.

lapsed in June 56. the survivors being the widow
2 sons & 2 daughters of the deceased

In the case now reported the claim of the
deceased's continuance & heir of the f.d. 11.
March & 15 Augst 57. for his life - (See f.d. 12th/53
f.d. 17) She died in July 57 leaving a husband
& 2 sons. The claim had not been drawn from
the close of 56.

The Ld & the f.d.s recommend the continuance
of the claim in the name of the children
for his life. The f.d.s direct his recommendation to
the president of Govt. by whom the survivors were
a widow & children & the lapse was reported from the
Court of the Family Claims Office & Claim "to
Plan means of livelihood".

This last argument is not compatible
with the fact that the widow has been undrawn
since 31st Dec/56 - being upwards of 12 years
& the circumstances of the case have nearly resemble



those under f.d. July 58 / a claim was rejected.

Some charge in favor of having all possible
consideration to the cases of these poor Indian
families with small claims. But the respec
that if the repeated declaration of Govt. that these
Pittance claims are not limiting is to be
strictly upheld. The present case is not one in
point. The f.d. is therefore discontinued.

N.B. The f.d.s do not consider

It is quite evident that no family ever
lives on the amount (Rs. 13-13- per annum) if
real. & it is equally certain they would have
other means of livelihood. as they have done
& found it for 12 years.

However this is a husband surviving
& not the part of "Guardianship" for the
children. The arrears from date of the decease
of the late holder like persons to pass to the
survivors. The delay in disposing of these L. Claims
calls for some explicit legislative enactment. & it
is all changed as a "late Govt." Should this
Pay & pensions Dept. also be made over to the P. Works

Revenue Department.

No. 1549.

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 4th ~~May~~ June 1868.—

Read the following
Proceedings of the Board of Revr.

Submitting statement from Natta Breck, of lapsed Dehak Inam, with recommendation that the grant may be continued to Patchamiya for life only, and that payment of arrears from 1st January 1856 may be sanctioned.— } (Here enter 7th May 1868 No. 3356)

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because to exchange of the Treasury Rolls for the year is made an excuse. & think it for the Board to have instituted such special enquiry for the immediate disposal of pahs cases when it was brought on record.

W.B. 15 May 68.

I would uphold the determination of Govt. that Mahomedan Dehak Inam grants are not hereditary.

In the present case arrears should be paid only to the late holder's death; & her children & husband.—

The delays in these Inam & Peishcush cases in N. Arcot are undoubtedly deplorable. Too much power has been given to the Treasury Deputy Collr. I would call on the Collr to make special arrangements for clearing off arrears, as proposed by the Revenue Board

16 May.

The Members of the Board have recommended the renewal of the allowance on a different ground. There is a recent precedent on the ground of poverty only. I should recommend a grant for

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To Board of Revenue Secy &
Accountant General.

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