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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2781 Press ~~Mis.~~

73-74
Dated 5-11- 19 1868.

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No. 73. Read the following letter from the Commissioner of the Neilgherries, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Ootacamund, 13th October 1868, No. 8 :—

1. I have the honor to forward my Manager's application to be exempted from further Special Test Examinations.

2. His position here is one requiring peculiar qualifications, and I am glad to say that I have heard the European residents speak of him in high terms.

3. Considering the nature of his duties, I think that he, as compared with other Tahsildars on the plains, is placed at some disadvantage here in regard to studying for Special Tests.

4. Visitors when they come here are always in difficulties with servants, or supplies, or something, and they have got into such a habit of looking for the aid of the Tahsildar, that I cannot well refuse them his assistance, for the present at any rate; much of his time out of office is taken up in this way.

No. 74. ORDER THEREON, 5th November 1868, No. 2,781.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government are unable to comply with the Commissioner's recommendation.

2. Adverting to the present circumstances of Ootacamund, the Government desire that the Commissioner will at once put a stop to the system under which Ramiah Naidoo's time has been taken up in meeting the requisitions of private persons for supplies, &c.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Commissioner of the Neilgherries.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Ootacamund
13th October 1868

To,

R. A. Dalyell Esqre
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Madras.

Sir

I most respectfully beg leave to submit my application through my Superior to be exempted from further Special Test Examination and trust you will lay my case before the Government for their favorable consideration

2 My not having completed the Test is a bar to my being made a Deputy Collector and I therefore now beg to explain my inability to pass the required Test and I venture to hope that the Government will see good reason for making my case a Special one.

3- I am a public servant of 20 years standing- have been for a considerable period in the Revenue, Police and Judicial Departments- and thus acquired sufficient experience and knowledge to be able to discharge with credit, the duties of the Kind of Post- I hope to get eventually

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Govt. of {1868} Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE COMMISSIONER OF THE NEILGHERRIES.

Dated November, 5th.
Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 5th November 1868, No. 2,781.

NOVEMBER.
Nos. 73-74.

Neilgherry Tahsildar.—[Commissioner's recommendation to exempt him from passing the special tests declined. Present system of meeting the requisitions of private persons for supplies, &c., by the aid of the Tahsildar, to be discontinued.

4- I have had opportunities of Serving under nearly 20 able officers of great official experience- They all speak well of me as may be judged from perusing the accompanying Pamphlet- Mr Face & some of them especially Messrs J. P. Kin= =dersley and Mr Fisher endeavoured to get me the place I am now seeking before ever the test rules came into operation viz 1st May 1863

5- In 1857 during the Nannartha Sawants' disturbances on the Goa frontier in North Canara I was employed as a Clerk under the then Special Commissioner Mr J. D. Robinson for nearly 9 months.

6- The difficulties and dangers which attended the Officials connected with this Field Service, may be seen from the voluminous official Reports, then Submitted to Government.

7- This important correspondence is in my hand writing alone, because it was as is well known to Mr Thackeray whom was then in the District difficult to supply other hands, from the fact of the Surround= =ing roads having been rendered unsafe by the Mutineers, and provisions for food having become scarce.

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8. I formed one of the party of the Camp who on 2 nights, and on one Even= =ing were suddenly fired at by the Enemy

9. As I have been spared by the Grace of the Almighty and have undergone perilous work at a time when a large number of Rebels had to be executed- I trust this Special Service coupled with the Satisfa= =dischage of my duties in all the Posts I have filled will induce the Government to Extend to me the indulgence shewn to some in my position of being exempted from further Test Examination and to confer on me the post of a Deputy Collector at least in the Salt- Department either in Madras or elsewhere in recognition of my long honest and efficient Service.

10 I have passed the following Tests

1. Modified Special Test for Tahsildars
2. Revenue Lower Grade for Huzur Sheristadar
3. Higher Grade translation in 2 Languages Canarese and Telugu.
4. Higher Grade Precis Writing in English.

and I appeared in the last Examina= =tion for Criminal Higher Grade.

11- I would gladly do more for my

my own credit sake if I had time, but I assure you, without taking Special leave which I can ill afford I can not find time. Though I am not doing any thing important every day on the Hills my services are in constant requisition from morning to night: the public expect to find meat all times from 7 A.M. to 8 P.M.; for Revenue Magisterial, Registration taxing and Supplying purposes.

12. My immediate Superiors here are ege witnesses to what I State.

13. I trust from what I have stated for myself, and from what you will gather from the testimonials of my character you will not consider that what I am soliciting is unreasonable, and I beg that you will kindly lay my memorial before the Government with a favorable recommendation on your part that I be exempted from further Examination and be considered eligible for the grade of Deputy Collector, at least in the Salt Department the qualification required for which I believe I do not exceed what I am certified to possess

I beg to remain
Sir
Your very Obedient Servant
J. Ramiah
Commissioner
Nellore

Rec. 8309/68
Ans. 5th Nov. 68
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TESTIMONIALS
OF
CHARACTER
OF
J. RAMIAH NAIDU.

Head Writer J. RAMAYA NAIDOO, *age when first entertained,* 20 *years.*

Establishment.	Date.	Appointment.	Salary.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Remarks regarding punishments, severe or formal reprimands and all special commendations or marks of approbation.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Canara Collectorate.	27th October 1848 to 31st January 1850.	Head Assistant's Writer.	20 0 0	1	3	5	
"	1st February 1850 to 18th July 1852.	Additional Sub-Collectors Do.	30 0 0	2	5	18	
"	19th July 1852 to 13th February 1854.	Do.	35 0 0	1	6	26	
"	14th February to 30th April 1854.	Acting Sub-Collector's Writer.	50 0 0	0	2	15	
"	1st May 1854 to 20th January 1859.	Do.	50 0 0	4	8	20	
Civil Court of Nandial.	21st January 1859 to 26th April 1860.	Head Writer.	70 0 0	1	3	8	
North Canara.	3rd January 1860	Head Clerk.	100 0 0	0	0	0	
Police Dept.	1st May 1860.	2nd Class Inspr.	150 0 0	1	6	0	
	1st November 1861.	1st Class Inspr.	200 0 0	3	0	3	
High Court.	4th November 1864.	Interpreter.	225 0 0	1	0	0	
Madras. ~~Inland~~ Customs Establishment	2d February 1866	Jethwildar	225	2	7	0	
Police Establishment	21st September 1868	General Duty	250 0 0				

Translation of an order from T. L. Blane, Esq. to Ramiah.

You are appointed from this date to be a writer in the Office of the Head Assistant Collector. You will draw a salary of Rs. 20 per mensem. You will join the Head Assistant Collector and act according to his orders.

(Signed) T. L. BLANE,
Collector of Canara.

MANGALORE,
27*th October* $\frac{1848}{1259}$.

Ramaya the English Writer of the Head Assistant's Office has done his work very carefully and well during the 20 months that he has been under me. During this period he has not drawn the full pay of his situation, although well qualified for it.

(Signed.) C. F. CHAMIER,
Head Asst. Collector.

HONORE,
14*th November*, 1851.

Ramaya English Writer in this Office has, during the 9 months I have been in charge, given me every satisfaction. He is careful and painstaking. Has a fair command of English and is in this latter respect and in his facility of composition making a very marked progress. I shall be glad to hear he rises in his Department.

(Signed.) J. D. ROBINSON,
Actg. Addl. Sub-Collector.

HONORE,
28*th October*, 1852.

In delivering over charge of this Office I am happy to acknowledge the abilities and good services of J. Ramaya

as English Writer, and readily subscribe to Mr. J. D. Robinson's favorable estimate of him as a public servant.

(Signed.) A. M. SUTHERLAND,
Ag. Addl. Sub-Collector

14*th February*,
1853.

I have known you now for nearly a year and half, working under me, one year of your service in the Additional Cutcherry, I was away at the Cape. You have been a very steady hard working man always at your post and always anxious to please. I hope you may soon get an appointment in some District near your own Native Country; and if I can help you in this afterwards, I will not forget you.

(Signed.) J. SILVER,
Addl. Sub-Collector of Canara.

HONORE,
23*rd January*, 1854.

Ramaya writer of the Payanghot Cutcherry has given me every satisfaction in the performance of his duties and has been most intelligent and attentive during my short stay in North Canara.

(Signed.) E. D. BINNY,
Actg. Head Asst. Collector.

HONORE,
5*th June*, 1857.

I have great pleasure in stating t ha t during the short period 5 months you have been under me your duties have always been carried on to my entire satisfaction. Your

knowledge of English is very fair and I believe you are perfectly conversant with both Telugu and Canarese.

(Signed.) H. M. S. GREAME,
Acting Joint Magistrate.

SOOPAH N. CANARA,
12th October, 1857.

I have received your letter informing me that Mr. Ballard has offered you the Head Writership in his office and directed you to go to Masulipatam. Your prospects here are I consider good, as you have shewn yourself both able and willing to do your duty efficiently. If you remain in the District I shall certainly be mindful of your past services when an opportunity for marking my sense of them occurs. You must judge for yourself as to whether it will be better for you to take the chance now offered of raising in the service in your own part of the country, in preference to remaining in Canara. As long as you continue to exert yourself as you have done hitherto you will gain the good will of your superiors wherever you may be and your promotion will follow. If you determine to remain in Canara your past services will never be overlooked; and if you accept the appointment now offered you in your own country you have only to adhere to the course you have pursued up to this time to ensure your success in life.

(Signed) W. FISHER,
Collector of Canara.

COONDAPOOR,
20th December 1858.

I cannot let you leave this part of the country without expressing to you my satisfaction with the manner in which you have always discharged your duties and conducted yourself during the 5 or 6 years I have known you, I have

no doubt you will continue to merit the good opinion and approbation of your superiors by speedy application and increasing usefulness. You have my best wishes, and I shall always be glad to hear of your welfare and success in your new sphere of action.

(Signed) J. D. ROBINSON,
Sub-Collector of Canara.

1st January 1859.

The Head Writer Ramaya Naidoo has been more than 11 years in the Public Service, of which he has served ten years in the Revenue Department in Canara. He is 32 years of Age, his certificates are remarkably good, and during the short time that I have known him I have been very much pleased with his ability and attention to business. He can write an English Letter in good style, and seems altogether a very intelligent person. His experience in the Revenue Branch of the service would doubtless be very useful, if he were made a Deputy Collector.

(Signed) J. R. KINDERSLEY,
Actg. Session's Judge.

KURNOOL,
16th December 1859.

I have the pleasure to Certify that I have found Ramaya Naidu a most efficient Head Writer, he can draft an English Letter remarkably well and has taken great pains with his Office.

(Signed) J. R. KINDERSLEY,
Actg. Civil Judge.

KURNOOL,
23rd January 1860.

As Ramaya Naidu is about to leave the Court I desire to record my high opinion of his able management of the Office

FORM No. 41.

MADRAS POLICE.

SOUTH CANARA DISTRICT.

Roll of Individuals recommended for Promotion as Inspectors of Police.

NAME.	Age.	Present Employment.	For what Class recommended and Why.	Number of Inspectors now in the Force. Europeans and East Indians. 1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	4th Class.	5th Class.	6th Class.	Total.	Natives. 1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	4th Class.	5th Class.	6th Class.	Total.	Total of Europeans & Natives.	REMARKS OF INSPECTOR GENERAL.
Ramia.	33	2d Class Inspector of M. Police in charge of Head Quarters Reserve and office in North Canara.	Recommended for 1st Class. This man left a good appointment at Kurnool to join the Police as 2nd Class Inspector with the hope of promotion hereafter. Since Captain Drever left North Canara he has had the management to a great extent of all N. Canara work and acquitted himself very much to my satisfaction. Lately thanked in orders for his zeal and activity shewn in detecting a case of fraud in the D. P. W. in which all the money stolen was recovered. His conduct on this occasion especially noticed by Captain Walker the District Engineer.	This man is about to be transferred to the Head Quarter Office at Mangalore where we have no highly paid Inspectors.														Inspector Ramaya's promotion was sanctioned in Diary by Mr. Robinson before he left. The usual Roll is now forwarded pro-forma Lieutenant Drever looks upon Inspector Ramaya as one of the best Native Inspectors in the Department. (Signed) W. S. DREVER. 24th Oct, 1861. Sanctioned. (Signed) C. S. HEARN. *8th November*, 1861

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, CANARA DISTRICT. *October* 1861.

(True Copy) (Signed) BAILLIE, LIEUTENANT, *Acting Superintendent of Police.*

COIMBATORE.

17th June 1863.

Those who know you best say that you are honest and hard working and intelligent. Maintain these qualities, and you are sure to get on. I for one shall be glad to see your advancement. The papers are returned with thanks.

(Signed) P. GRANT,
Collector of Coimbatore.

In speaking to Mr. W. Robinson I stated merely what I know, and just only what I had found in my dealings with you, that you have in all respects been prompt and ready and active, and I felt personally relieved, from the knowledge that you were in charge of the office while neither Superintendent nor Assistant Superintendent were here. I am much obliged for a sight of your papers, which only prove that I was not wrong in my good opinion, I hope we may yet, for some time work in one another's neighbourhood.

(Signed) C. G. WALKER,
Head Assistant Magistrate.

COIMBATORE,
3rd June 1863.

RAMIAH,

Though I have not hitherto replied to Capt. Drever's letter or your's, I have taken the most likely measures in my power to use them in forwarding your views. Your claims to promotion rest on merit and not on favour, and would have little doubt of your success, but for the very short period during which there will be a possibility of advancing you, on account of the approaching test examinations. Though you think you could not pass the probability is you could, but it is just possible you may obtain your wish before it becomes necessary to qualify under the rules you allude to. When I hear what your chances are I will

let you know. Adhere steadily to the path you have hitherto followed, and make your integrity and industry clear to your countrymen, so long as you continue to merit the marked approbation of your present superiors and your old friends you will find none of them wanting in wish to serve you when opportunity offers.

(Signed.) W. FISHER,
Resident of Travancore.

MARQUILLE,
31*st March*, 1864.

Quite so, I congratulate you on having so good a friend.

(Signed.) W. S. DREVER,
Deputy Inspector General of M. Police.

Thanks for letting me see your testimonials:—That is a nice letter from Mr. Fisher. I suppose he knew you well in N. Canara. From what I know of you, these papers are just what I would expect, stick to Mr. Fisher's advice and there's no fear of your getting on.

(Signed.) A. T. ROLLAND,
Asst. Supt. of M. Police

13*th February*,
1864.

J. Ramiah Naidu to be probationary Interpreter in the Canarese and Telugu languages from the 4th Instant.

(Signed.) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Acting Registrar.

MADRAS, HIGH COURT,
7th March, 1864.

J. Ramiah Naidu is confirmed in the appointment of Telugu and Canarese Interpreter but for the present commencing from the 1st instant he will only draw Rs. 225 monthly

MADRAS,
24*th January*, 1865.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Registrar High Court Appellate Side.

COIMBATORE DISTRICT.

30*th January*, 1865.

J. Ramiah Naidu served in the Madras Police from May 1860 to January 1865. His conduct during that time was "*most exemplary.*" His high character gained him early promotion to the highest subordinate grade, viz. 1st Class Inspector. For 3½ years he has held the important post of Head Quarter Inspector of the Coimbatore District which he resigns on promotion to an interpretership in the High Court at Madras. The zeal and integrity with which he discharged his duties gained for him the respect and esteem not only of his departmental superiors, but also of the Magistracy, and indeed of all with whom he became acquainted. A man of superior mind and education, *thoroughly* honest, trustworthy, and indefatigable in the discharge of his duties. *A most valuable* Public Servant.

(Signed) T. WELDON, CAPT.
Supt. of Police.

Approved.

(Signed) W. ROBINSON,
Inspector Genl. of M. Police.

31*st January*,
1865.

Capt. Weldon's testimonial has left me nothing to say, I can only, and do hereby, most heartily endorse all he has recorded in Ramiah's favor. I will only add that Inspector Ramiah first joined the Police under myself as Superintendant in North Canara in 1st May 1860 that he was transferred to Coimbatore on 1st March 1862, that in the arduous and difficult post of Head Quarter Inspector which he has most ably filled from the first, he has by his wonderful tact and temper not only made many friends, *but no enemies,*

a marvellous fact considering the nature of his work and the independant manner in which he did it.

(Signed.) W. S. DREVER,
Deputy Inspr. Genl. M. Police.

COIMBATORE,
31*st January*, 1865.

Approved.

31*st January*, 1865.

(Signed.) W. ROBINSON.
Inspr. Genl. of Police.

CAMBRIDGE SQUARE.

HYDE PARK, LONDON,
17*th May*, 1865.

RAMIAH.

You must not suppose from my silence hitherto that I have forgotten you, though I have been a year in England we have only now settled ourselves. I shall always be glad to hear of your welfare and trust that you are still giving that satisfaction to your superiors which is the surest ground for your future promotion. I am sending you by the out-going mail a gold ring with your initials engraved on it, so as to make it useful as a seal and I hope you will like this little token of regard and remembrance and of the interest I take in you.

Tell me how you are getting on and what your son is doing at school. You cannot do better than by giving him the best education in your power; you have I know some knowledge *of the truth*, which I trust will grow in you and in him also, for then you will find comfort when other things fail, and fail they will in some way or other. My daughter desires to be kindly remembered to you and with every wish for your happiness believe me your sincere friend,

(Signed.) W. FISHER.

Extract from a statement submitted by the Collector of Chittoor to the Board of Revenue dated 16th September 1865.

I have known J. Ramiah Naidu for many years. He was with me through all the arduous work connected with the rebellion in North Canara, and has since that time steadily worked his way up by his own ability, industry and integrity to the comparatively easy and well paid post which he now holds. His testimonials which are very numerous and various speak in the very highest terms of his business qualification and moral character. Bringing as Ramiah Naidoo will to the post a very varied training and experience, he would I feel sure turn out a first rate Tassildar and Sub Magistrate. Holds good testimonials from the following gentlemen.

C. F. Chamier, Esq., J. D. Robinson, Esq., A. W. Sutherland, Esq., J. Silver, Esq., E. D. Binny, Esq., H. W. S. Græme, Esq., W. Fisher, Esq., J. R. Kindersly, Esq., L. C. Innes, Esq., Capt. E. L. Hankin, Capt. W. S. Drever, P. Grant, Esq., C. W. Walker, Esq., A. T. Rolland, Esq., Capt. T. Weldon and W. Robinson, Esq.

(True Copy)

(Signed) J. D. ROBINSON,
Collector of North Arcot.

has transacted his business & occupying as he has done a post which calls for considerable exertion, tact and judgment he has acquitted himself to the satisfaction of all persons as I know who has come in contact with him - I have very great pleasure in testifying to the high opinion I have been thus enabled to form of his official character.

J. W. H. St. Gordon
Capt 4 Inf.
Chief Constable

N.W.C. Office. Rupert's River 12th 1864.

The Governor in Council considers that the activity shewn by Sergeant Jackson from the time of the capture of the Chinese Convict to the escape from the Fort & Factory creditable to that officer.

Signed R. J. Settle
Chief Secretary.

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I succeeded Sergeant Jackson in the Police, in the superintendence, housekeeping and Storekeeping, and to the duties allotted by Instructions and Correspondence. I have to bear testimony to the correct & satisfactory manner in which he has performed those duties.

Signed. P. Grant
Collector
Fort Garry

Signed. A. Norquay
Collector

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 5th ~~Nov.r~~ 1868 - Read the following letter
from the Commissioner, Nellgherries

Requests the favorable consideration of Government of Ramiah Naidoo's application for exemption from passing further Special Tests

(Here enter 13th Act 1868 N: 8)

The Govt are unable to comply with the Com.rs recommendation.

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2: Adverting to the present circumstances of Dot. and the Govt desire that the Com.rs will at once put a stop to the system under which Ramiah Naidoo's name has been taken up in meeting the representations of private persons for supplies &c.

Nelgherries.

Madras Collr's Com.rs Letter dated 5th Nov.r 1868

Nelgherries 5th Nov.r 1868

Sir

I have the honor to report that it is the intention of Govt under no circumstances to appoint a man a Dr Coll.r who has not passed the Test for that situation. Dr Huddleston, list of candidates for the Office was revised on this under standing, all non-passed men have been struck out - Dr Hewetson & other Asst Dr Coll.rs were removed because, after trial, they failed to pass the required Test.

I have &c

J.C.

I do not understand that there is room under any circumstances for a departure from the rule which requires candidates for a degree to attend at least two courses. There is now a case before Govt. but of the decisions in those cases I think the rule ought to be adhered to & should not be departed from in the case of young gentlemen of those professions who know nothing practically.

A. Gr. A.

I do not see how I can make any exception. The rule was intended to [illegible]

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