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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	410	Press ~~Mis.~~
265-66. Dated	13-2-	1868.

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No. 265. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 30th January 1868, No. 747 :—

Read the following letter from the Collector of Madras, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 16th January 1868, No. 14.

1. Mr. Thornhill, the late Acting Collector of the district, appointed one Pathri Runga Row, an Accountant in my Office on 15 Rupees, to act as Vernacular Clerk on 20 Rupees from the 1st September last, in the place of one Kalander Buksh Saib promoted. Runga Row accordingly received the higher rate of pay for September and the following months up to the end of December.

2. The Accountant General has now, however, objected to Runga Row's promotion on the score of his not having passed the necessary Test to entitle him to hold a post of Rupees 20, and has ordered the recovery of the sum drawn by him for the above months in excess of the pay of his substantive appointment.

3. It appears to me that Runga Row's case is not one coming under the Rules of the Uncovenanted Civil Service Examination, as the Board will see from what follows.

4. Runga Row entered the public service as far back as 1844, in which year he was appointed a Gumastah in a Muttah then under the management of Government. This appointment lasted only a few months; but, in 1847, he was permanently appointed to the post of Raktavan, in the Madurantakam Talook of this district. He continued in that appointment until 1858, frequently acting, however, as a Gumastah, or in other such appointment; in September 1858 he was appointed permanent second Gumastah in the Office of the Police Ameen at Pulicat. In August 1859, he obtained two months' sick leave, and not being quite recovered and fit to return to duty, he applied for an extension, forwarding at the same time a medical certificate given him by an Apothecary at Wallajahpett.

5. Mr. Shubrick, the then Collector, endorsed the application to the effect that Runga Row should produce a proper medical certificate before any more leave could be granted. This endorsement reached Runga Row on the 3rd November 1859, twelve days after the expiration of his leave, and before he could obtain a proper certificate, Mr. Shubrick sent an order, dated the 10th November 1859, ordering Runga Row's removal from office, as it appeared that the sickness he was suffering from was incurable, and that it was not likely that he would ever again be fit for public service.

6. Runga Row seems to have appealed to Mr. Shubrick against the opinion he had formed of his illness, but to no effect.

7. Mr. Cunliffe, however, who succeeded Mr. Shubrick, after considering that Runga Row was fit for the public service, re-appointed him to various acting appointments, and eventually, on the 1st July 1862, confirmed him in the appointment of Devastanam Gumastah in the Collector's Office; in this appointment Runga Row continued until 1st November 1863, when he was appointed third Clerk in the Treasury on 15 Rupees a month, and in June of the same year was transferred to the Vernacular Account Department on the same salary, and in this last office he is at present employed.

8. The Board will thus perceive that, but for the erroneous opinion formed of Runga Row's illness by Mr. Shubrick, his service would have been a continuous one since 1844, and therefore the calling upon him now to pass the Test, as required by parties who have only been in the service since 1859, seems rather a hardship, and I, therefore, beg the Board will obtain the sanction of Government exempting him from the Rules of the Service Examination.

Submitted to Government, with the Board's recommendation that Runga Row be exempted from the General Test Examination.

No. 266. ORDER THEREON, 13th February 1868, No. 410.

Miscellaneous.

Sanctioned as recommended by the Board.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General.
,, the Commissioner for Uncovenanted Civil Service Examinations.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 30th January 1868

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No. 747.

Recommending to Government exemptio of P. Rungarow, Acting Vernacular Clerk, in Madras Collector's Office, from the General Test Examination.

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