

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
5th March 1872.*

No. 43. Read the following petition from C. SHESHIER, late Head Gumastah in the Office of the Sub-Magistrate of Vellore in the district of North Arcot, dated Madras, 10th February 1872 :—

ABSTRACT.—Submitting herewith a Memorial addressed to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, touching his unjust dismissal from the office of Head Gumastah in the Sub-Magistrate's office at Vellore, prays for the transmission of the same to the said authority with its enclosures.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

The Humble Memorial presented by C. SHESHIER, late Head Gumastah in the Office of the Sub-Magistrate of the town of Vellore in the district of North Arcot, to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, dated Madras, 10th February 1872.

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,

THAT Memorialist was dismissed from service on the most unsubstantial grounds, and that not having met with redress either at the hands of the Board or Government, he begs to lay this Memorial before your Lordship for due and kind consideration.

2. On a certain day Memorialist, having had to perform certain ceremonies, went to the bazaar and purchased a large quantity of vegetables, and, for conveying them home, he engaged a cooly or porter. This cooly was a lad of about fourteen years of age and bore the name Murugan.

3. While on the way home, Memorialist together with the cooly had to pass by the house of the Police Inspector of the taluq. While so passing, this Inspector asked the cooly as to what had become of a $\frac{1}{2}$ Rupee which, it appeared, he had given into his hand that morning for purchasing mutton. An altercation then ensued between the Inspector and the cooly, and ultimately the former snatched away and retained forcible possession of the bundle of vegetables belonging to Memorialist, which the cooly was then conveying.

4. Memorialist thereon remonstrated, represented that the bundle belonged to him, that he would be put to inconvenience as it was already late, and he had to perform certain ceremonies; but all was to no effect, and the Inspector would not part with the bundle.

5. Memorialist thereon grew vexed and immediately lodged a complaint before the Sub-Magistrate, saying that the Inspector forcibly took possession of his property, and that he refused to give it up.

6. All the above statements are corroborated by the depositions of the several parties and witnesses before the Sub-Magistrate and the District Magistrate, and your Lordship can judge for yourself whether the Inspector did not by his conduct lay himself open to the charge preferred against him.

7. Nevertheless, owing to the influence of the Deputy-Inspector-General of Police, who unduly interfered in the matter on behalf of the Inspector, which interference has been severely animadverted upon by Government in their Order dated 16th February 1871, No. 174, the case was transferred from the Sub-Magistrate's Court to that of the District Magistrate who finally acquitted the Inspector.

8. In doing so, however, the District Magistrate Mr. Whiteside unwarrantably leaped to the conclusion that Memorialist preferred a false and vexatious charge against the Inspector, and on that ground not only dismissed Petitioner but also implicated the Sub-Magistrate in it, whom also he degraded.

9. On this matter Mr. Whiteside wrote to Government in his judicial capacity, and thus in a manner secured their approbation, though they did not fail to seriously remark on the patent undue interference of the Deputy-Inspector-General of Police, who, there can be no doubt, poisoned the mind of the Magistrate against the petitioner.

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 of the original as the same appears

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Government of Madras,
DEPARTMENT.

Petition No. 392 of 1872.
From Sashiah

Occupation, late Head Quarters
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Sub-Magistrate of
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Dated 10th February 1872
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No 383-50 March 1872
Abstract.

Submitting herewith
a Memorial addressed
to the Right Honorable
the Secretary of State
for India touching
his request for dismissal
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Ordered that the Memorial,
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Dated March 5th.

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G. O., 6th March 1872, No. 383.

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Nos. 43-44.

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Memorial appealing against his dismissal, on
to be forwarded to the Home Government.