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13th June 1874.*

No. 128. Read the following Petition from MUTLA NARASINGAMMAH GARU, grand-daughter of the late Poligar of Chitwail in the District of Cuddapah, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated 16th April 1874:—

I beg most respectfully to enclose triplicate copies of my memorial for transmission to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India.

2. From a perusal of the memorial your honour cannot but perceive that a great and gross injustice being done to me by the withhold of my claim.

3. The details of my claim is given in my previous memorial to the Secretary of State in 1869.

4. I humbly and respectfully solicit your honour will be pleased to intercede on my behalf, and procure a favourable recommendation from the Right Honourable the Governor in Council to the Secretary of State.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

To

The Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India.

THE humble and respectful memorial of
MUTLA NARASINGAMMAH GARU, grand-daughter
of the late Poligar of Chitwail in the district
of Cuddapah, Madras Presidency

MY LORD DUKE,—That your Grace is acquainted with her valid and reasonable claim for interest due on certain amount of the arrears of her pension, and most humbly solicits that your Grace will be patiently pleased to take the same into candid consideration, and render her that justice which she has failed to meet at the hands of the Honourable the President and Members of the Board of Revenue and the Madras Government to whom she appealed in the first instance.

2. As the Honourable Madras Government, before whom she laid the facts connected with her above claim and the grounds on which she based the same, were pleased to pass an endorsement, under date May 1872, to the effect "that the Government concur with the Board's opinion that petitioner has been treated with extreme liberality," your Grace's helpless memorialist begs leave to state that the Madras Government have rendered her no justice by their above decision.

3. That the decision passed by the Board of Revenue is to the following effect:—

"Petitioner has been treated with extreme liberality, and the Board decline to support this claim to interest, which they believe to be good neither in law nor equity."

4. Before commenting on the incorrectness of the above endorsement, your Grace's memorialist begs leave to bring to your Lordship's notice that the British Government having had for some political reasons resumed the valuable estate of Chitwail Polliem in Cuddapah District, which yielded a very large amount of revenue, were pleased to confer on the memorialist's grandfather who owned the estate a comparatively small pension for his and heirs' permanent and hereditary enjoyment. That on the demise of the memorialist's grandfather Vencatamarauz, his pension was continued to his senior widow Chinna Condammall, and after her death in the name of the junior widow Chinna Vencatammah, memorialist's grandmother. On the death of the above Chinna Vencatammah in November 1830 her pension, which should have been continued to Ramakkammah, memorialist's mother, was, solely owing to the incorrect report submitted by the Board of Revenue to the Madras Government to the effect that the deceased Chinna Vencatammah left no lineal descendants surviving, withheld from the memorialist's mother. But on the memorialist's mother having addressed the Madras Government several times, and the local Government having, after a lapse of fifteen years, been fully convinced that the

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memorialist's mother's claim for pension was well founded, did, on the recommendation of the Board of Revenue who admitted their mistake, sanction the payment of the hereditary pension of Rs. 276-1-8 per mensem to her mother. This she continued to enjoy up to 10th June 1847, and on her demise the Madras Government in 1848 directed the registry of the pension in the name of the memorialist who is continuing to enjoy the same. Thus ends the history of the pension granted to the memorialist's family.

5. That from the above facts your Grace will clearly perceive that although petitioner's grandmother left her heir surviving, and notwithstanding that the Collector also reported that a heir had been left by the memorialist's grandmother, yet the Board of Revenue through inadvertence neglected to notice her claim for a long term of fifteen years; and that when the Government sanctioned the pension they having omitted to sanction the arrears of pension due for the above fifteen years, the above arrears was only ordered to be paid to petitioner so recently as in June 1869 after memorialist's long and continued application on the subject.

6. That, during the interval your memorialist's mother was unjustly withheld of the pension justly due to her, she, in order to maintain herself as becoming to her rank and dignity, was compelled to contract debts to a very large extent at an exorbitant rate of interest. But she having survived only about two years longer from the date, she was obliged to leave the debts to be cleared by the memorialist, who continued paying interest to the creditors of her mother from the year 1848 to 1869. By the above fact your Grace will perceive how troublesome it must have been with the memorialist to meet with the above demand. Although your Grace's memorialist, in her appeals to the Madras Government, represented the matter in full, and prayed for the disbursement to her the arrears due to her mother with interest, yet the Madras Government sanctioned the payment of arrears only, but took no notice of the memorialist's request for interest.

And your Grace's memorialist's claim for interest on the amount unjustly withheld, is well founded, deemed it necessary to submit her claim for the same through the Board of Revenue. But to her deep regret and utter astonishment the Board of Revenue were pleased to pass the endorsement annexed to paragraph 3 of this memorial; and that her appeal to the Madras Government against the above endorsement proved to be of no avail.

8. As your Grace's memorialist has none but your Grace from whose hands she can expect justice, she most respectfully begs leave to state that the assertion made by the Board of Revenue to the effect that "Petitioner has been treated with extreme liberality" is incorrect. It is to be observed that the pension conferred on memorialist's grandfather was not a charitable grant, but it was granted in lieu of the valuable estate which was to the benefit of the British Government unjustly sequestered. The arrears that was disbursed to her was in connection with that pension which memorialist begs leave to repeat is not a charitable grant. The act of disbursing the arrears was not an act of liberality but an act of justice; and any act which can be called liberal should proceed from the grantor's own generous spirit without any one urging for his so doing, and that liberality should have been exhibited to one who was not legally entitled to expect such an act of generosity; and, on the contrary, memorialist had every right to expect such act of justice and not liberality as the Board of Revenue are under the impression.

9. And the Board of Revenue further informed the memorialist, "this claim to interest is neither good in law nor equity." With reference to the above assertion of the Board, your memorialist begs leave to be permitted to ask that had the memorialist been in any way overpaid any large sum as the arrears amounted to, and had the memorialist failed to refuse the same for a long time until she was asked first, it is quite certain that the Board or Government will not fail to recover the same either by having recourse to painful or peaceful measure; and in doing so, the interest due thereon will not be failed to be recovered also. Under these circumstances, your Grace's memorialist's claim for interest cannot be considered to be neither good in law nor equity.

10. That from the above facts and reasons it will be evident to your Grace that her claim for interest is well founded, and consequently good both in point of law and equity; and that your

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Grace's memorialist in demanding the payment of the same is doing nothing but preferring a valid claim for what is legally due to her; and the memorialist, therefore, most respectfully solicits that the above circumstances may be taken into patient and just consideration and order may then be issued to the Madras Government for the disbursement to her of interest due on the amount of arrears already paid at any reasonable rate your Grace or the Madras Government may deem it just and benevolent, and thereby relieve your Grace's memorialist who is a helpless female from the troubles of the creditors of her mother, who are threatening to adopt painful measures, and thereby disgrace her.

For which act of justice and benevolence, your Grace's memorialist, as in duty bound, shall ever pray.

NARANAVEERUM,
16th April 1874.

(Signed) *మల్ల నరసింహాచారి మహారాజు.*

No. 129.

ORDER THEREON, 13th June 1874, No. 731.

Miscellaneous.

ORDERED that the memorial received with the foregoing letter be despatched to the Secretary of State for India, and that

the memorialist be informed of its despatch.

(True Extract.)

J. H. M. T. S.
Acting Secretary to Government.

Exd F. R. Bantleman.

To
 Acting Chief Secretary to
 Government.
 Fort Saint George.
 Respected Sir.

I beg most respectfully to
enclose triplicate copies of my Memorial,
for transmission to the Right Honorable
the Secretary of State for India
From a perusal of the
~~Memorial~~ your Honor has been
that a great and gross injustice being done
to me by the withhold of my claim

5/21 The details of my claim is given
in my previous Memorial to the Secretary
of State in 1869.

I humbly and respectfully
solicit your honor will be pleased to
intercede our behalf and procure
a favorable recommendation from the
Right Honorable the Governor in Council
to the Secretary of State.

I remain
Respected Sir
Your most Obedient Servant

15th April 1874



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Mulla Nerrangomah Ganj, grand-daughter of the late Pottur of Chitaval, Coorgah District,—Orders transmission of memorial of — to Secretary of State, and directs intimation of its despatch to memorialist.

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Ordered that the Memorial
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action & that the Memorialist be
informed of its despatch.

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