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Mellore

J. Carmichael Esq.
As. Secretary to Govt
Rangoon India

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Honored Sir

On the occasion when Roakchi
Narayana Prasad the Insary Deputy of this
District was granted 2 months leave
the Government in their order No 1879 dated 16th
May 1874, were pleased to appoint me back
for him.

my higher Department
being sent George.

Special

Order, No 82,

The appointment was however cancelled
on some report of the Collector and Mr. Sharkey
was nominated in stead as per order No 1071
dated the 31st Idem.

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that, as

on to October

had not

Inspector Weir

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When I heard the fortune of paying
my respects to your honor in 1872, on being in-
duced to go by Mr. Pennington while in
the Madras Office. I explained all the circumstances
connected with the Collector's report and showed
you

in receiving no general conduct with
distrust and on several opportunities
that occurred I did not feel myself
justified in recommending him for
promotion to a Tahsil of higher grade.

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you a copy of my manuscript report regarding
me. You were then satisfied with me and
kindly promised to hear me in mind. I
waited afterwards for a year in the full
hope of meeting with success but my fortune
has been otherwise and many a Junior's
claim has been preferred whenever time
- for any arrangements had to be made.
C. Vengal Pillai for instance the Sub-
- Division Sheristadar of Trivendrum who
name was also gazetted in the same
occasion as acting Deputy Sheristadar of
Salt in that District has again been
appointed now.

When I again paid my respects
to you in 1873 in the Government office
you were again pleased to assure me
that you would hear me in mind and
advised me to try and produce a good
impression on the mind of the Collector.
As usual and with a greater care
I went on discharging my duty - not to

occasion of the flood of the 25th 26th October last
I was called on special duty by the Collector
and there I completely satisfied him
He has been pleased to send many of my
reports to Government and Board and
taken of appreciation of my labor & he has
further been pleased to promote me by
appointing me as the Dy. Tahsildar of the
large and important Gudalur Taluk.
When the appointment of a special Deputy
Collector for the purpose was under contemplation
I expected that my claims would at least be considered, but a perfectly Junior
Servant in the service viz. D. J. Dorasamy
Mudali the Dy. Tahsildar of Bellary Taluk has
been gazetted.

I have been a Tahsildar from 1866
and prior to that as an Accountant in the Revenue
Board office and as the Head Clerk in the
Head Revenue Collector's office in this District.

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Order, No 82,

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The total period of my Service is the
16 years.

I request therefore under these circumstances that you will be graciously
pleased to lay my case before

His Excellency the Governor

I beg to remain
Respectfully Sir

Your most obedient

R. Barclay

No 1217. Nellore Collector's Office,
Camp - Kristnapatnam.
10th May 1875.

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With reference to his letter No. 331
of 21st February 1872 respecting the Lashildan
Bashkuchari, the Collector of Nellore is
requested to state whether the present
reputation of that officer stands any higher
than it did - on application has been
recently received from him for promotion
to the Sd Collector grade.

16th April 1875

Sd D. F. Carmichael
Secretary to Govt

For
The Collector of Nellore

in viewing his general conduct with
distrust and on several opportunities
that occurred I did not feel myself
justified in recommending him for
promotion to a Tahsil of higher grade.

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Sd George
Special
Memo, No 82,
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To
The Collector of
Mellor

16 April / 75 No 82

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Mellor Collector's Office,
Camp - Kristnapatnam.
10th May 1875.

From,
The Collector of
Mellor

To,
The Secretary to
Government
Revenue Department
Fort Saint George.

Sir,
Adverting to your official
Memorandum, dated 16th ultimo, No 82,
I have the honor to state that, as
Tahsildar of Kaval, down to October
last N. Bashikachary had not
improved his reputation. Messrs Weir
and MacKenzie, under whom he im-
-mediately served, concurred with me
in viewing his general conduct with
distrust and on several opportunities
that occurred I did not feel myself
justified in recommending him for
promotion to a Tahsil of higher grade.

2. But on the occurrence of the

Great Flood, I ordered Bashi Kacherry down to the inundated villages of the Kallore Taluk on the north bank of the Pennar. He was the first responsible officer on the spot, (which he only reached by swimming the Maldevi stream still in flood) & he acted with the utmost activity, energy and good sense. He rendered most excellent service there until relieved of the chief responsibility by the presence of a superior officer when his zeal perceptibly flagged. Observing this, I at once gave him a fresh mission to the inundated villages on both sides of the river in the Atmakur Taluk stretching to the extreme west of the district, then Tahsildar of which had proved himself incompetent to meet the crisis.

3. Placed again on his own responsibility, Bashi Kacherry left nothing to be wished in the performance of the arduous duty entrusted to him.

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He traversed almost the whole ^{of} inundated tract - physically a very difficult operation in the state of the country - doing the needful every where with promptitude and judgment, and he furnished me with a series of very able and valuable reports on the villages he inspected.

4. He certainly proved himself to be a first-rate man to meet an emergency of this nature, and I was so pleased with his conduct that when the Kallore Tahsildar was appointed to act as a Special Deputy Collector, I rewarded Bashi Kacherry by recommending him to act as Tahsildar of the higher grade Taluk of Gudur, where he now is.

5. I wish I could end here; but just before I received the official Memorandum, under reply, a magisterial act of Bashi Kacherry's came to my notice which, if he could not explain it to my satisfaction, I

Considered it would be my duty to report to Government, especially now that the proceedings of subordinate Magistrates are so much less under control than they have been.

6. The facts are simply as follows:-

There was a quarrel between two neighbouring house holders in Gudur town about the width of a wall belonging to one of them which adjoined a narrow lane leading up to the house of the other.

Bashikacherry on the complaint of the latter convicted the former under Section 447 (Criminal trespass) and Section 341 (wrongful restraint) on the ground that he had encroached on the lane and rendered it narrower than it was before and fined him Rs. 20.

The Deputy Magistrate, sitting in Bashikacherry's own Panchayat, on the 13th March, quashed this conviction on appeal. On the 17th March, Bashikacherry disposed of another complaint that

that had been preferred by the same prosecutor against the same defendant, his brother and another ^{1099/6} on the 15th January, charging them with having attacked him while he was raising a wall near his back yard and shoved him by the neck and torn his cloth. Nothing more than this was charged, but Bashikacherry convicted the defendants under Sections 352 and 426 and sentenced them each to 15 days' simple imprisonment. On appeal, the Deputy Magistrate quashed this conviction also, but unavoidably only on the 27th March, too late to save the parties from the to them intense and indelible degradation of confinement in the Common Jail close to their own homes.

7. Bashikacherry's explanation is "the defendants actually took the law into their own hands, and, not even noticing the presence of a Police Officer,

"assaulted the Complainant and tore
his cloth. For such a daring act
at the very Keesbah when a criminal
charge had already been lodged, I
thought in good faith that a mere
fine was not sufficient. The Police
Inspector, P. Devanada Pillay, who
has been in Gudur for years will
be able, if referred to, to satisfy
you that the defendants are men
of reckless character" and again
"when I passed my sentence in the
1st case I had not the remotest idea
that my sentence in the case would have
been reversed, nor did I expect any
reversal from the nature of the
evidence."

8. It is true that Parthasarathy
was not in possession of the Deputy
Magistrate's appeal judgment in
the first case when he passed
sentence of imprisonment in the
2nd case on the 17th March, but the
Deputy Magistrate says "I pronounced
my decision (i.e. on 13th March) in
the

the Taluk Cutcherry openly in the
presence of the parties concerned and
several others, not very far from
the table of the Sub Magistrate?"

9. That Parthasarathy was
ignorant on the 17th March of
the reversal on the 13th of his
sentence in the first case is utterly
beyond the bounds of my belief. On
the contrary, I am satisfied that it
was his knowledge of this fact and
the bad feelings that it roused in
him that led him to pass the vicious
sentence of imprisonment without
option of fine for an offence, which,
even if satisfactorily proved as
charged, was of a comparatively
trumpery character, and certainly
ought to have been met by a fine,
and would, under ordinary circumstances
have been so treated by him.

10. An abuse of authority of the
sort it will be obvious is calculated

to intimidate every respectable
person in the Salag.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant.

James A. Smith,
Collector.

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Bhaktacharya will be informed that while
his character for zeal & ability stands high,
he has been that it is also unimpaired
in other respects as to justify his promotion &
he is in the grade of Deputy Secretary.

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Dec: 1875: 24th
From: 17: 1874.
The Secretary to
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Revenue
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with reference to the
off. Memo 916 11/17,
1875, regarding the
present representation
of the Board of Directors
of the Indian Agency
Salag.

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