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FOR ORDERS.

Ist Assistant Secretary
H. Brownlow
Ist Asst.

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Exemption from the Process writing before trade of the Dy. Asstt. of Coimbatore Coll's Office

Revenue Department.

Miscellaneous No. 7401

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 14th August 1875.

Read the following

To

A. Wedderburn Esquire

Collector of Coimbatore

Most Honored Sir,

I, Narasimma Chary, 2nd Accountant, beg most respectfully to approach your honor with the following lines and request that your honor will be pleased to support and represent my case to the Board of Revenue for their favorable consideration in view to my prayer being granted.

After having volunteered long

in this office for a place without succ=
=ess. I was first provided with a post in
the D. P. W. in 1856, and remained
there till 1860, when I was taken into
Account Department of the Collector's
office in consideration, it would appear,
of my past hard services as a Volunteer
for the long space of 14 years. During
this period, I performed a good deal of
office work in connection with the
preparation of several important
accounts and returns, such as, Journals,
Ledgers, &c., then in existence, in
the Mahratta language, a language
which was then in vogue and in learn=
=ing

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=ing which, although my own native
tongue is Tamil, I had spent a
greater part of my younger days as had
been usual with most young men of
the day.

The English language was, of
course, then in its infancy and there
were not so many schools as now
are to give us the benefits of an English
education and thus I had little or no
opportunity of acquiring a good and
systematic education in that now
highly essential language. But and
after my appointment in the
public service, however, I lost no
opportunity

opportunity whatever of gaining as
much knowledge of that language as
I could and as was necessary for prac-
tical use Ex: Gr: Drafting letters,
remarks and explanations on subjects
connected with the Treasury and Accounts
Departments: with the aid of this know-
-ledge I passed through some minor
grades in the office and rose to my
present position of 2nd Accountant
on a salary of Rupees 45 and I
believe I have invariably given
satisfaction to my superiors in the dis-
-charge of my duties — a fact which
will

will be borne out by the testimonials
in my possession and which have been
granted to me by the several gentlemen
under whom I have served. Here I
would also beg your honor to kindly
refer to the favorable mention made
of me by Mr Lilly in his report on
the inspection of this Treasury embodied
in Board's Proceedings of the 24th June
1870, No 4386, and to the testimonials
granted to me by your honor and your
honor's predecessor Mr Grant from the
former paper it would be clear that
on me have devolved the entire duties
of the Head Accountant and I get
through them well. Further I need hardly
mention

mention that your honor yourself has
passed the several marginally noted
Memos and Proceedings in my favor.

4th August 1868 Dem. Official
2nd April 1873
8th July 1874
5th February 1875

In January 1869, when I put in
an application for exemption from the
Account Test, on account of my inability,
owing to my pretty well advanced age
(39) and want of leisure which my
onerous office duties could not afford me
for study, your honor kindly recommended
it for the favorable consideration of
Government, who however, to my mis-
fortune, declined to sanction, remarking
that it should have been submitted
to them through the Board of Revenue.

× Vide their order No 3987 of 16th Febry 1869.

After

After this with great difficulty I
studied for the above examination and
as your honor, I believe is aware, have
successfully passed in it, but am
sorry that this success is only partial
and does not, nay cannot, render me
fully eligible for the office of Head
Accountant (which is the only one
above my present position and which,
having been in the Department for
years working hard and assiduously,
it is but just and fair that I should
aspire to on its becoming vacant) unless
and until I get over another barrier
before me, viz, the Precis Writing Test

Higher

Higher Grade, for which I once went up,
but failed. From what I have stated
above it will be plain that I cannot
be expected to possess a sound theoretical
knowledge of the English Language,
which most of my younger colleagues
do and which is absolutely necessary
to enable me to pass the several exami-
=nations of these days, and that it is
entirely to my practical knowledge
of the language and experience in the
account system that I owe my
success in the Account Test. I do
not therefore consider it derogatory
to my position if I confess the truth
and

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and to make my success in the pure Accounts
Test to be practically of any use to
me, I solicit that in consideration of
many disadvantages I had to contend with
in my early days and during my past
service, of my age (now 46 years) of my
long and faithful service, and of the fact
that the Head Accountant's place is the
only one that I can reasonably expect
for my promotion in the office, I may be
recommended for exemption from the
Precis Writing Test, Higher Grade. This
test, I trust, your honor will endorse my
humble opinion is not so necessary in
the case of an accountant one mostly

to

to deal with figures as the word denotes-
or at any rate of one in my position, —
though it is certainly a requisite qualifi-
=cation in Indexers, Record Keepers &c. and
may not perhaps be thought unnecessary
among English correspondence Clerks
drawing higher salaries and I should
therefore be inclined to think that
if my case is fully represented and
supported there might not now exist
that objection with Government to —
allowing a relaxation, in my favor,
of a Test not very important in my
case, which certainly did when an
application for exemption from even
an absolutely necessary Test was made
and

and therefore refused.

Government have been so kind as to
sanction a relaxation of the examin-
=nation Rules in the case of several
old servants under Special circumstances
and they have so recently as within the
past few months extended that boon
towards young servants, much juniors to
myself and whose claim for exemption
is much inferior to my own, notwithstand-
-ing the nature of their official duties
required a fulfilment of the Test from
which they were exempted; for instance,
Laminathiah Dy: Talukdar and Sub-
Magistrate of Talavady has been ex-
=empted from Translation and Precis Writing

Tests

Facts. Now that the Accountant General has retrenched the acting allowance drawn by me lately when I was appointed to act as Head Account-ant, I most respectfully beg that your honor will, in consideration of the foregoing facts, be pleased to represent my case to the higher authorities as one deserving of the concession prayed for for their kind consideration and favorable orders.

Fully believing that your honor will comply with my humble and reason-able request.

I beg to
Coimbatore } (Sgd) Narasimma Chary
28. July 1875 } 2nd Accountant

I know no person more thoroughly competent for the office of Head Account-ant than the present Dy Accountant Narasanna Chary who has had many years of experience in the duties of the office and I therefore second as strong-ly as I can his petition in consideration of his age and valuable services that he should be excused passing the pre-scribed special test knowing as I do that he is fully competent to write a good letter in English and make out an intelligible state-ment of facts in any case that comes within his province.

I would also solicit that the retrenchment

retrenchment of the Accountant General on the Acting allowance which he drew for 2 3/4 months during the absence of the actual Head Accountant and which has been made on account of his not having passed this test may be withdrawn as he performed the full duties of the post.

28 July 1875. (Sgd) J. C. Winscom
By Collector.

(True Copy)

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Forwarded to the Board of Revenue Madras.

The Collector concurs with this endorsement and hopes for the favorable recommendation of the Board of Revenue. The applicant was very favorably noticed by Mr Lilly in para 25 of his report on District Treasuries in the year 1869-vide Board's Proceedings No 4286 of 24 June 1870.

Coimbatore Collector's office
3rd August 1875. (Sgd) A. Wedderburn
Collector

Submitted for the orders of Government.

2. The Board support the Collector's recommendation that Narasimma Chetty may be exempted from passing the Previous Writing test Higher Grade, to make him eligible for the post of Head Accountant for his practical knowledge of accounts eminently fits him.

3. The Collector should report when it was that he acted as Head Accountant and had his pay retrenched. It was within the Board's competence to sanction his temporary exemption.

(True Copy + Extract)

(Sgd) H. Stokes
Ag Secretary

To The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

Copd/C.

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His Excellency the Govr in Council
Pleased to Appoint Maximum Cleary
Dep. Asst Commissariat Clerk to Him
from passing the Test in French writing
Higher Grade —

1 Feb. Board of Accts 18 Sept
1 Sec. Treasurer and Genl Staff

10 Sept 75.

Ottawa 13th Dec 1875
Provisional Certificate
No 3259.
Department of Inland Revenue
Ottawa 3 Dec 1875.

Maximum Cleary — Assistant in Comptroller Cole's office — Reported Well versed — in the Examination from passing Public Writing Test, Register Page 1 supplied authority issued to Govt. Cole to report re-appointment make from the day of this Certificate as a former occasion when he ranks as Head Accountant 10th Sept 1880 Cole 1875