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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
11th March 1875.*

No. 149. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th January 1875, No. 18 :—

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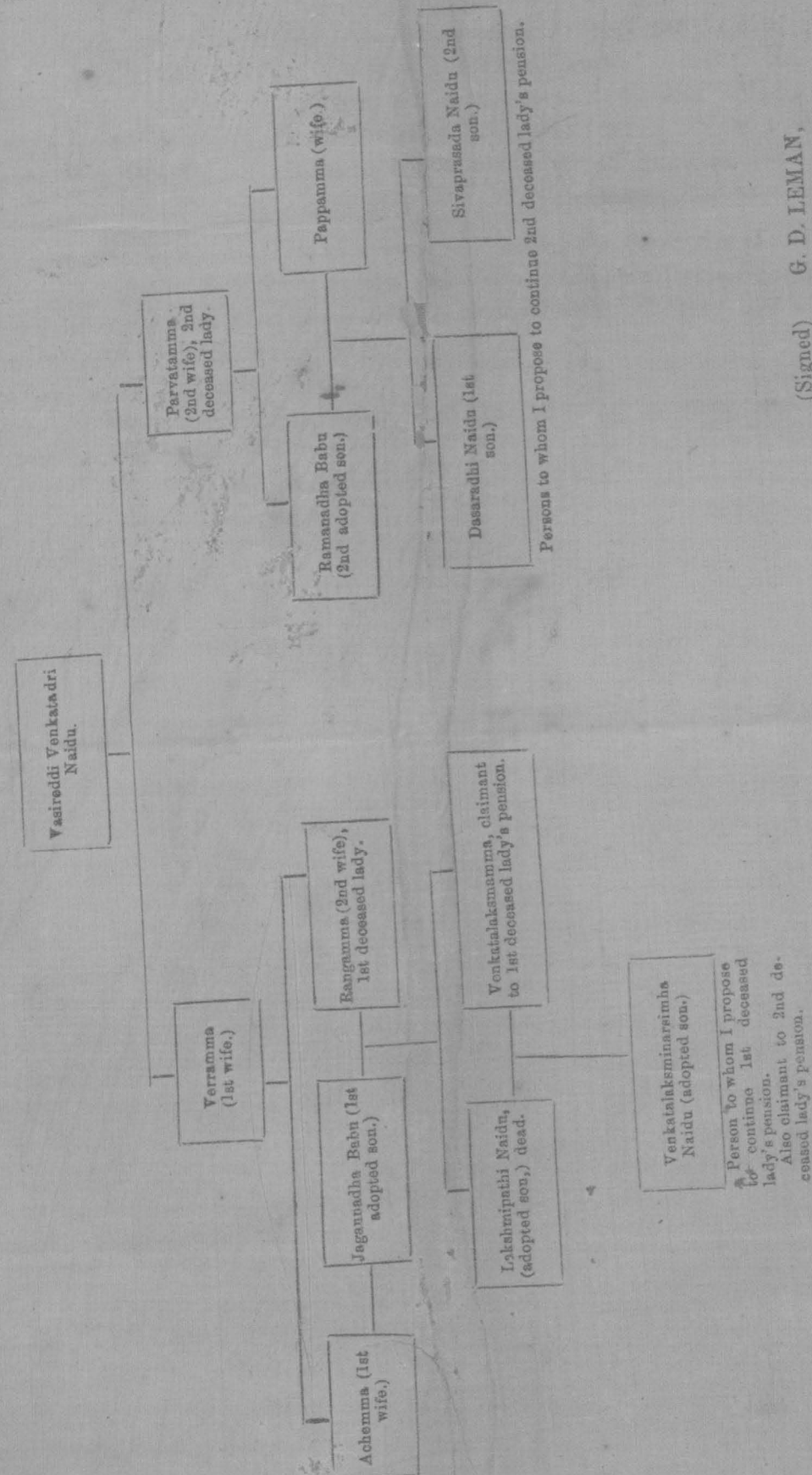
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(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed)

H. E. STOKES,

Acting Secretary.

No. 150.

ORDER THEREON, 11th March 1875, No. 403.

Miscellaneous.

HAVING in view the liberal allowance drawn by Lakshmipathi Naidu, the Government do not consider it necessary that

any portion of the allowances, of which the lapse is now reported, should be continued to him, but they resolve to recommend Rs. 150 per mensem being allowed to the sons of Ramanadha Babu.

2. This sum added to that drawn by their mother, Pappamma, will be equivalent to the allowance granted to their father.

(True Extract.)

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D. F. CARMICHAEL,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
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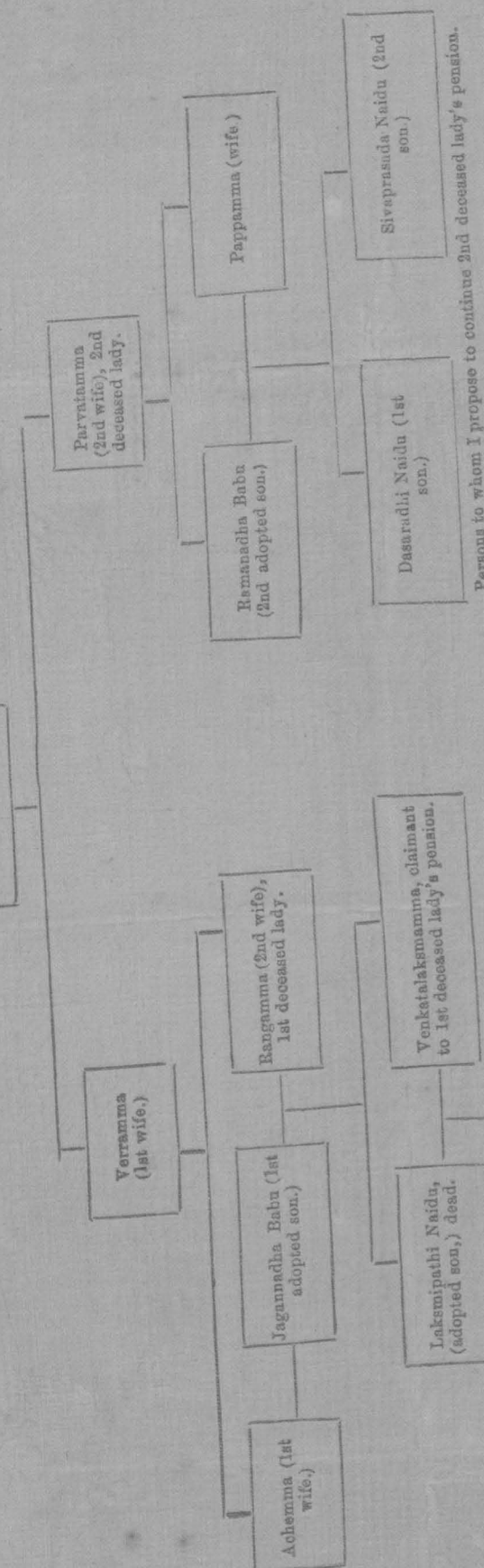
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Exd. A. Grubert.

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Memo for Orders

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adopted son of Jagu-
mashon Baboo.

2. Ramanandhoo Baboo was however de-
clared entitled to such
property as Venkatadri
could dispose of and had
given him after Jagu-
mashon came of age, but
as this practically gave
him nothing, the whole
property having passed
into the hands of Govern-
ment who bought it on
account of arrears, the
Govt.

Note.
See page 11 of H.M.
decs in Council as
reported in the
pamphlet put up.

Note.
See in No. 25th March
No 237

Note. F.M.C. 466
See in No. June/33 para 3
& letter to Govt. of India
d: 17th March 47
No 357.

Govt. with the permission of the
Rome Authorities granted him a
life pension of 300 Rupees and on
his death continued half of it to his
widow Papamma who had two sons
and little or no private means to
support & educate them on.

3. Venkatadri & Jagannatha left
widows whose maintenance was a
charge on the estate & as such was
paid first by the Sudder Court
while litigation was still going on
& subsequently by Govt. when the
estate passed into their hands.
The death of two of these widows
is now reported, 1. Parvathamma a
widow of Venkatadri who received
Rs 202-8- a month & 2. Rangamma
widow of Jagannatha who
drew Rs 157-8 a month.

4. From the amount given
above of the origin of these allowances
it will be seen that the Board
are correct in describing them
"as personal to the grantees &
not held in lieu of resumed lands"

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See letter from Wm. Thackeray
d: 16 Jan'y 73 No 57

I had be inclined to
act as ^{very} proposed
(para 6) M 7/2

I would be liberal
in Ltt cases.

5.2.

Section fail to see
any ground for continuing
these Pension - & bonds of
adoption - discontinue -
My very clearly out
LIFE Pension & maintenance
allowance 5/2 PM

the legitimate children of
Ramanadha Baboo, who drew
a pension, they have never been
declared entitled to any allowance
in lieu of their father's resumed
lands, though on the principle
on which one was allowed to
Jaganadha's heirs (even though
adopted) they have, what
seems, a sound claim.

8. It is submitted that the Gov^t of India might be applied to sanction the full amount of Raghunatha Baboo's pension being continued to his sons, that is to say \$5000 of Papoosamma's allowance now lapsed, plus the 150 allowed to their own mother Papamma but for life only. For the continuance of the other allowance to Jagannatha's descendant there do not seem such good grounds. Orders are requested -

Memo
for orders

Pension enjoyed by
deceased Parvathamma
ma & Rangamma
of Vasireddi family
only in Krishna Dist

Revenue Department.

No. 403

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 11th ~~February~~ March 1875.

Read the following Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue

Recommending to continue pension
enjoyed by deceased Parvathamma of Vasireddi
family - Krishna Dist. as a hereditary grant to family
of Ramanatha, one of the adopted sons of Sundar
Nukatachri Naidu, and to register it in the name of
Dacarathe Naidu eldest son of Ramanatha. Also to
continue pension enjoyed by deceased Rangamma to the
representative of Rangamma's husband

H. E. 5th Jan'y 1875 N. 18

Having in view

the liberal allowance drawn
by Lakshminipati Naidu, the
Government do not consider
it necessary that any portion
of the allowance, of which the
lapse is now reported, should
be continued to him, but they
resolved to recommend Rs 150

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for mensem being allowed
to the sons of Ragunatha Baboo.

2. This sum
added to that drawn by
their mother, Bapamma, will
be equivalent to the allowance
granted to their father, ~~and~~
the Govt will recommend the
full amount being made
perpetual.

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this - and will
state it ~~+~~

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14 To the Order of Revenue 12 1/2
to the Accountant General

S. B. B.

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Having enjoyed by
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members of the
Vancouver family
Kistner District

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