

Revenue (1897) Department.

ROUTINE SERIES.

G.O., No. 519

DATED 15th March

[Despatch Abstract.]

Petition from Mr. G. C. Roche Victoria
of Taticocum regarding the management
of his property disposed of by Para 2 (C.R.)

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From *Halim Esq. D.S.*
Ag. Private Secretary
H. E. The Governor.

Dara 2 (C Rule).

2. With reference to his
 appⁿ for a copy of his petition
 of the 5th inst. the petitioner is
~~not~~ informed that a copy will
 be furnished to him on
~~the pet.~~ his producing
 of 4 two-anna copy stamp
 papers and one cent for
 stamp of one anna value.

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Dated 6th March 1897.

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SUBJECT.

Transfers a petition dated 5th
 March 1897 from *G. C. Roche Victorin*
Anticorin, Linnerville St. plaining
that Government may take over
his property & direct his affairs.

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To the pet^r. des. 28-3-97

(By order)

L. S. M.

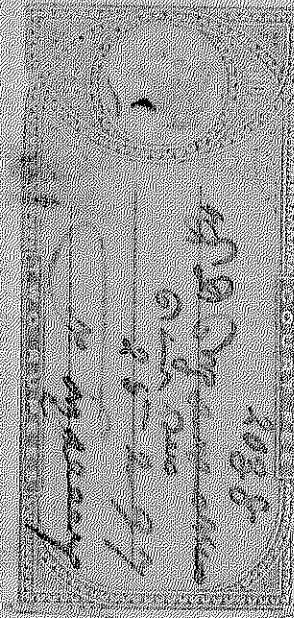
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Suticorin 5th March 1894

H. C. W. C. Havelock.
G. C. M. G.

REVENUE DEPT.

Governor of Madras.

The humble memorial of G. C. Roche Victoria of Suticorin, Linnocely

Most Respectfully Sheweth,

1. That Your Excellency's memorialist who is a native of Suticorin was doing business in Colombo from 1871 to 1885 and again in 1891 & 92. His principal business were Boat Contracts and supplies among which may be mentioned the old Reclamation works from the Customs Gate up to Wather's foundry and in all he reclaimed about 22 Twenty two acres of land now used as coal sheds.
2. In 1891 & 92, he had the Contracts under J. W. D. for widening the Hirilipane Canal Commonly known as Layards folly. He also got the contract for demolishing the old military building and clearing site for the construction of the new Post & Tel office.
3. Your Excellency's memorialist left Ceylon for good at the early part of 1893 and owing to some family grievance and misfortune he was disheartened to such a degree that he had to entrust all his affairs including even the household management

to his only brother J. M. D. Roche Victoria
H. - Owing to his increasing weakness
and failing health Your Excellency's
Memorialist thought to be prudent
and on the 12th Sept 1896 made his
last Will & Testament, and subsequently
on the 16th Decr following wrote a
Codicil to the said Will and he
delivered both the documents to
Rev Fr Perthuis S.T. the present
Parish priest of Suteorni under seal
with instructions to be retained at
Suteorni with the Parish priest for
the time being. The said documents
were delivered on the 18th Decr last.
5. - At present I have 9 mine
children, 4 boys + 2 girls. My
eldest daughter who was married
in 1891 died of child birth on
X^{mas} night 1892. The present
eldest boy who is about 20 years
old is employed in an office on
a nominal salary. He does not
seem to care about anything else
but his own. All the other children
are minors; the 2nd Boy is a
student in St Joseph's College Dublin.
The 3rd is a girl and is betrothed
to be married in a few months more.
The next 3 boys + the little girl
(yet) attend school and the
last 2 boys are 4½ + 2½ years old.
And another addition to the family
is also shortly expected which
may bring the total to 10 children.
6. With irrepressible regret and
pain I witness the very unsatis-
-factory (to use mild words) state
of my poor loving children

Your Excellency's Memorialist means his
his younger children especially the
paternal feeling for whom makes
Your Excellency's Memorialist pen
these lines to Your Excellency directly
in his debile state not ^{having} soul to
dictate or suggest any points in this
memorial which even if not fairly
written surely Your Excellency will
overlook the defects for the sake of
my loving little creatures.
7. But whom shall Your Excellency's
Memorialist will blame for the unsatis-
-factory state of his children? How
can his only brother be blamed when
it is utterly impossible to devote even
a fifth part of his time to his brother's
affairs; because I. He is the Chairman
of Municipal Council. II. He is the
Prober or rather Dubash at Darley
Butler & Co. III. He is the proprietor as well
as the manager of a Senna Press IV. He
is the manager of a Tanning Factory
about 10 miles from Suteorni.
8. Your Excellency's Memorialist is not
capable of managing his household
affairs with satisfaction. There may
be birds of prey besides whom perhaps
there are none to mention.
9. To come to the point what will Your
Excellency's Memorialist do to bring up his
his children with plain food, decent
dress, good Recreation, and proper education
until they attain their majority. Only
one way is reserved and that is
to entrust them and their properties
in the hands of our Benevolent British
Boat, and this must be done without
any further delay to avoid further

Revenue (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.



From *W. L. E. Esq. 229*
Ag. Private Secretary to
H. E. the Governor.

Order

No.

Dated 18 March 1897.

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SUBJECT

*Transfers a letter of 6 March 1897 from Mr. J. C. Roche Victoria, Subicome, Linnately St. in Conti-
 nation of his previous petition.*

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L. A. J.

10. As this is the final decision of Your Excellency's memorialist he entreats with due respect on behalf of Her Gracious Majesty whom Your Excellency represents in this Presidency to instruct the St. Collector of Linnately to make necessary arrangements on the matter and see that Your Excellency's memorialist if possible be deputed his Sub Collector or Assistant to do the needful. To appoint a petty official to be the assignee pro tem.
11. Your Excellency will pardon Your memorialist when he says that his failing health and debility if continued for another fortnight perhaps he will not have the satisfaction of having seen his children safe in the hands of our worthy Govt. Therefore he can spare no time to be lost to carry out his intention.
12. Your Excellency's Memorialist gets at present a monthly house rent income on 10 of his properties to Rs 142-8. His old residence which is soon expected to be rented may bring from 75 to Rs 125. per month which if added to the above will safely answer all the requirements of the children more than enough.
13. The value of Your Excellency's ~~memorialist's~~ ^{properties} may safely be put down to Rs 30000 Rupees thirty thousand.
14. Further particulars will be made known to the St. Collector or his Deputy.
15. Your Excellency's memorialist subscribes with the full hope of meeting with success and will ever pray

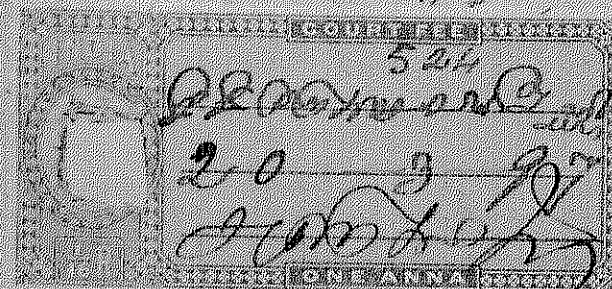
W. L. E. Esq.

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Inte coram 6 March 97
 Private Secretary to
 H. C. The Governor of
 Madras, &c
 Sir, REVENUE DEPT

In continuation of my
 letter of the 5th Inst, I respectfully
 beg of you to be good enough
 to insert at the commencement
 of my petition to His Excellency
 the following words in lieu
 of what is written in the said
 petition, viz "May it please
 Your Excellency"

As I did not take a
 copy of the ^{said} petition I'll thank
 you to favor me with
 one at your convenience

Awaiting for your
 kind reply

I remain Sir
 Your most Obedt Servt

W. S. S. S.

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READ AGAIN G.O., No.
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LETTER OF GOVERNMENT

STATEMENT WITH DETAIL

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