

Revenue (1899) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 1113

DATED 16th March. 99

[Despatch Abstract.]

Withholding the memorial to the Govt. of India from J. Ranga Swami Pillai, late Clerk, Deputy Tahsildar's Office, Ootacamund, appealing against his dismissal from the service.

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Revenue (1899) Department.

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From

The Board of Revenue
(Land Revenue)
Madras.

Order No. N^o 1113 dt 16th March '99.

No. 648 Routine.

The memorial will be withheld under Section III, rule 3(V) - quoted below - of the Govt. of India Memorial Rules, and the memorialist informed accordingly.

Dated 8th March 1899

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Enclosures //

Spare copies

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To the memorialist.

" B. of Rev. L.R., with encs

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SUBJECT.

Submitting to Government memorial to His Excellency the Viceroy from G. Rangaswami Pillai, late 4th Clerk, Deputy Tahsildar's Office, Octachund appealing against his dismissal from the service.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
(Land Revenue),

No. 648 Routine, dated 8th March 1899.

Read endorsement of C.J. Weir Esqr., Collector of the Nilgiris, dated 27th February 1899, N. Dis. Petition No. 203 /99, submitting the appeal petition of G. Rangaswami - Pillai, late 4th Clerk, Deputy Tahsildar's Office, Ootacamund.

Resolution.

The Board submits a memorial to His Excellency the Viceroy from G. Rangaswami Pillai, late 4th Clerk, Deputy Tahsildar's Office, Ootacamund, Nilgiris appealing against his dismissal from the service.

2. The memorial is liable to be withheld by the local Government on the ground of its being an appeal from a Government servant drawing less than Rs. 100 per mensem.

(True Extract)

Lonell Davidson
Ag: Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department
with memorials and enclosures.

C.B.

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Ootacamund
23rd February 99.

PETITION

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REVENUE DEPT.

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Revenue Department
Thru the Collector of Nilgiris

Respected Sir

I respectfully beg to submit
herewith my appeal petition
to the Government of India on
the orders of Local Govt. Con-
tained in G.O. No 107 dated the
20th ultimo & to request that
it may be kindly submitted to
the Govt. of India with the favo-
rable remarks of the Local
Government.

For which act of kindness
I shall ever feel grateful &c.

I beg to remain

Respected Sir

Your most obedient servant
S. Rangasamy Pillay
Late Ld. Clerk, by Tahsildar's
office, Ootacamund

It is on Petn. 208
99.

~~Submitted through~~
Submitted through
the Secretary to the
Commissioners of
Land Revenue,
Madras.

for Collectors
27. 2. 99

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Original



23rd February 1899

His Excellency the Right Honorable
Lord Curzon of Kedleston
Viceroy & Governor General
Calcutta.

His the Secretary to the Govt.
of Madras

Revenue Department
& His the Collector of Nilgiris

The humble petition of C.
Rangasamy Pillay Clerk
By Sahsildar of office of Oot-
-cannund, respectfully
sheweth.

That the petitioner respect-
fully begs that the order contained
in the proceedings of the Madras
Government Revenue Deptt.
no 107 of 21st January 1899 ~
"Declining to interfere" in the
matter of petitioner's dismis-
-al by the Collector of Nilgiris
may be cancelled.

2. That the Case against the
petitioner is that Rupees 21
due for books purchased for
Chitali

Forwarded through
the Secretary to Govt.
for Collector

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Chitabale prisoner was entered on the 27th July 98 in the Contingent register and a bill for this and two other items was made out and cashed the next day by Labuk peon Veerasammy who says that he brought the money to the petitioner & was told by him to pay up the other two items, the petitioner taking the remaining Rupees 21.

3. That the Collector finding against the petitioner recovered Rupees 21 from him and dismissed him from public service whereupon the petitioner appealed to the Board & the Court, but both the authorities declined to cancel the order.

4. That the grounds of dismissal urged by the Collector are

(a) That the entry of Rs 21 in the Contingent register on the 28th July 1898 has not been signed by the party to whom it was due and the register with subsequent entries signed was with petitioner for a

a number of days.

(b) That the petitioner was more likely to be guilty than the peon who, if he had misappropriated the money would either have a false signature or pretended to have lost the acquittance book and not returned it to the petitioner the same evening.

(c) That the petitioner was in embarrassed circumstances and was trying to raise loans.

(d) That the petitioner could not have always been in the Court but have often come out.

(e) That petitioner was of bad antecedents.

5. (a) That petitioner always overloaded with work as he was willing to do it only failed to notice the omission of the signature in the pressure of business so thinking that the peon would have got it as usual.

(b) That the peon is likely to have had the sum in question & taking advantage of petitioner's inattention gone away with the money intending afterwards if necessary, to declare that he had paid it.

(c) That the Collector was satisfied that petitioner's debts which were

were otherwise settled & that out of \$21 and attaches no importance to the circumstances inasmuch as the person was in embarrassed circumstances given up to drinking and with a large family to protect should have made use of the sum in question.

(d) That the Collector's presumption supported only by the plea that the petitioner was likely often absent from the Court is groundless and besides has no bearing on the case.

(e) That petitioner's antecedents which were only 13 cases of small fines in the office in 6 years & 2 of private insult are such as will create no aggravation of any guilt & avail nothing against the petitioner (vide para 11 of the enclosure under the note to B.S.O 262 which is quoted in para 10 of the review petition to the Board of Revenue dated the 21st Oct 98)

6. That petitioner instead of being guilty has always borne an unimpeachable character (vide copies of testimonials) and the suggestion added as a postscript in the collector's proceedings was the outcome of bad feeling against petitioner by interested persons in the Muzur office and that the present case is only based on presumptions not distinctly deducible from the evidence adduced.

7. That petitioner of his own accord innocently requested that the case might be submitted for Collector's orders & that the Collector came to an unfavorable conclusion reluctantly as he says.

8. That petitioner if he had meant to misappropriate the sum in question could have very safely without fear of detection done it out of about \$232 then lying with him for a month or of 50 to 60 a month spent & replenished daily.

9. That the petitioner's father served Government faithfully in the military Dept & obtained an honorable pension & petitioner anxious to follow in his footsteps entered the Revenue Department and under tempting circumstances, for instance, when he was in charge of the Sub treasury at Gudalur where the daily balance was so high as from 20 to 30 thousand Rupees, he did his duty to the complete satisfaction of his Superiors and even in the present matter he is so strongly convinced of his innocence that he firmly believes

believes that if he had been
subjected to a criminal pro-
secution he would have been
honorably acquitted.

10. That the orders of the Board
& of the Government on peti-
tioner's petitions instead of
being based on proved grounds
or on conclusive evidence
have not even very slightly
indicated the reasons that
have led those authorities
to this unfavourable conclusion
whereas simple fairness
to the petitioner & the rules im-
peratively require a distinct
discussion of the evidence
and a statement of grounds
for their decision.

11. That the formal disposal
of the case by the Board and the
Government viz. that they decline
to interfere in the matter gives
room to a doubt whether they
bestowed their best consideration
on the facts as represented in the
petitions and Her Majesty's Court.
Such disposal cannot give any
satisfaction to miserable victims
like the petitioner to the working of
interested combination on the
part of persons in whose favor
such petitioner's unfortunately
do not happen to stand and that
petitioner is extremely willing
to

to abide by any orders which the
Government of India after an
impartial scrutiny of the facts
may be pleased to pass.

12. That petitioner respectfully
begs that his previous petitions
which contain a clear expo-
sition of the real facts of the
case may be kindly perused
and justice in the shape of
favourable orders to the peti-
tioner restoring him to his
appointment with his back
pay may be done him, pro-
tecting him in his present
distressed circumstances &
placing him under an
eternal debt of gratitude
to the benign Government.

Your petitioner's remains

P. Rangaswamy Pillay
Late L. Clerk Deputy
Sahibdaris office
Ootacamund

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