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... those ill-fated men, ... the Moorshoold-abad pensioners, who in these hard times have not a single resource under the canopy of the Hindostany heaven, are reduced to such miseries, as God relieve mankind from; nor do their circumstances, or the sufferings of the wretched, affect in the least either the Nazem, or his Nath, or the Begums, or any of the men in power, or any of the officers of justice; and yet, were even that sum which is fixed, to be distributed properly, and according to the rules of common sense and commiseration, numbers of people would thereby get a sufficient subsistence, and pass their lives in some comfort. But such is their hard fate, that their rulers and administrators, regardless of the tears of mankind, and unmindful of the fear of God, remain entirely insensible; being themselves incapable of any sense of honour, and fearless of any danger from the publicity of the facts; whilst, in matters which cannot conduce to either their happiness in this world, or their safety in the other, they spend thousands and thousands, nay lacs and lacs, and never abate from their vanities and misdemeanours. ...