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No. 57. Read the following letter from J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector of Prisons; to E. MALTBY, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Ootacamund, 21st August 1857, No. 345.

SIR,

As report considerably exaggerated the account, of an attempt, at Calicut, to escape, on the part of some prisoners, I have the honor to send a copy of the Sub-Judge's letter, informing me of the same, for your information, if required.

(Signed) J. ROHDE,
Inspector of Prisons.

From W. HOLLOWAY, Esq., Sub Judge of Calicut; to J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector of Prisons, dated 12th August 1857, No. 137.

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you that, about 2 P. M., yesterday, 13 of the most desperate of the Convicts while at work, rose upon their guards, and using their pick-axes and other tools, attempted to make their escape.

2. They were happily overpowered by the peons and villagers, and safely lodged in the Jail about 4 P. M.

3. One Convict is desperately wounded and not likely to recover, the wounds of another compelled amputation of the left arm, several others have sustained injuries not dangerous to life. Some of the peons have also been slightly wounded.

4. I make this short report before ascertaining the complete particulars, which I shall in due course lay before you.

(Signed) W. HOLLOWAY,
Sub-Judge.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. ROHDE,
Inspector of Prisons.

No. 58. ORDER THEREON, No. 1117; dated 1st September 1857.

To be recorded.

(Signed) E. MALTBY,
Acting Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

In copy: 20th September
Judicial 1857 Department

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From

The Inspector of Prisons
Cotacamund

To

The Actg Chief Secretary to the Govt
of
Fort St. George.

Dated 21st August 1857 No. 345
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No. 1386.

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Proving to exaggerated accounts of an attempt made by certain convicts of the Calicut Jail to escape, forwards a copy of the Sub. Judge's letter with reference thereto. No. 1117

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18th Sept. 1857.