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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 13th October 1857.

No. 55. Read the following letter from A. PURVIS, Esq., Magistrate of Rajahmundry; to E. MALTBY, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Rajahmundry, 7th October 1857, No. 284.

SIR,

I have the honor to submit a further report of proceedings against the gangs of Marauders referred to in my letters of the dates* noted in the margin.

* 24th September, No. 272.
26th do. 275.
1st October 282.

2. The Acting Joint Magistrate learning that, from the state of the roads, there was no probability of the Detachment from Masulipatam reaching Yernagoodem for 7 or 8 days, thought it, in communication with the Officer in Command of the Sappers, best to advance at once, and they left the place named on the morning of the 2nd Instant for Nagavarum, a place in which some 200 of the gang were reported to have located themselves. Notice had, however, apparently been given them, for they had decamped before the arrival of the party.

3. On the following day, they advanced to a village called Gurugumillee; a few armed men were captured in the line of march, and a small party awaited the arrival of the Detachment at the village just named, but they ran off as soon as their fire was returned by the Sappers. Many of the gang were evidently lurking about, and several times during the night, a party of them made their appearance in the vicinity of the camp, and fired on it. Their fire was of course returned, but without result on either side; Gurugumillee itself was deserted.

4. The party remained at Gurugumillee, the following day, endeavouring, though without success, to seize some of the gang who were evidently in the jungles close at hand. Yesterday they moved to Chintalagoodem, and to day were to reach Kopillee, in which place, it is reported, that the leader of one of the gangs has located himself. I fear, however, that the result will be much the same as it has hitherto been, and that the place will be evacuated on the approach of the troops.

5. Every endeavour is being made to gain intelligence of the whereabouts of the leaders, and rewards have been offered for their apprehension. There is no reason to believe that any Rohillas have entered the District, but that assistance has been afforded to the Marauders by the Zemindar referred to in my letter of the 26th Ultimo, is tolerably certain.

6. The hill tracts in this District, east of the Godavery, continue perfectly quiet, and I have every confidence that such will continue to be the case.

7. I have not yet heard of the arrival at Yernagoodem of the two Companies of sepoy from Masulipatam. It will be necessary that they should remain in that vicinity for the present, to check any attempts of the Marauders to come down into the low country, or towards the high road.

8. I propose submitting a further report in a day or two, with my views as to the course to be adopted to secure the peace of the part of the country in question, and apprehension of the Marauders; in the event of the present attempt not being successful.

(Signed) A. PURVIS,
Magistrate.

No. 56. ORDER THEREON, No. 1331; dated 13th October 1857.

It is observed that the Magistrate has not stated who the Zemindar is, to whom he again refers in p. 5 of this letter. Information on this point is desired.

(Signed) E. MALTBY,
Acting Chief Secretary.

Exd. H. Morgan.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
dated 13th October 1857

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