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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 17th November 1857.

No. 7. Read the following letter from A. PURVIS, Esq., Magistrate of Rajahmundry; to E. MALTBY, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 28th October 1857, No. 321.

SIR,

I have the honor, in continuation of my previous letters on the subject, to report that since my last letter, nothing further has been heard of the disturbers of the peace in the hill tracts. They have retired further into the hills. They have not, that I can learn, been guilty of any further acts of violence, but the fate of the party whom they carried off from Boottayagoodem, when one of the gangs surrounded the Acting Head Assistant Magistrate, is doubtful.

2. Twelve of the prisoners seized by the party under the Acting Joint Magistrate, have been committed for trial before the Commissioner appointed under Act XIV of 1857, as being part of this gang, and 8 of them, as well as one other, not included in the first, have also been committed to the same officer, on a charge of having been found in arms in open hostility to the Government, its Officers, and Troops.

3. From communications received from the Officer in command of the Detachments of the 7th and 9th Regiments N. I., at Kannapoorum, I learnt with much regret, that fever had suddenly become very prevalent among the men of the detachment, and he strongly urged the necessity of his being permitted to return to cantonments, although it was in my opinion desirable that one Company at least should remain in the talook for the present, yet, under the circumstances of the case, and seeing that in its present state, the detachment would, should necessity arise, be but little able to render efficient service, I consented to the withdrawal of the troops, and they are now, I conclude, on their way to Masulipatam. There is, as I have already reported, a strong body of peons traversing the hill tracts, and I have placed strong Police guards at the Cusba station, at Boottayagoodem, and at Kannapoorum. These arrangements will, I hope, be sufficient to prevent the gangs again assembling in any force, or attempting to come down to the low country. My endeavours to apprehend the leaders will not be allowed to relax.

(Signed) A. PURVIS,
Magistrate.

No. 8. ORDER THEREON, No. 1469; dated 11th November 1857.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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The Magistrate
of Rajahmundry
to

The Acting Chief Secy
to Govt
Fort St. George

Dated 28th October 1857

Recd. No. 1852.

No. 321

A. Enclosure
none

Submitting a
further report on the
present state of the
hill tracts in the
Tandemulla Talook

No. 1469

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