

Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 7th April 1857.

No. 30. Read the following letter from J. SILVER, Esq., Magistrate; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated Tinnevely, 21st March 1857, No. 87.

SIR,

With reference to Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 21st Ultimo, communicating with reference to my predecessor's letter of 23rd July 1855, an extract from a Despatch of the Honorable Court of Directors, dated 17th December last, desiring to be informed whether the object for which the assault was inflicted on the Cooly therein referred to, was made to appear in the course of the investigation, I have the honor to forward copy of a letter from my Acting Head Assistant, dated the 20th Instant, reporting that the object of the assault is not clearly apparent from the record of the case, but that he is led to think that a feeling of irritability or anger at Complainant's denial of the theft, was the motive which impelled the Peshcar Ramachendra Row to the assault.

(Signed) J. SILVER,

Magistrate.

From W. H. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector, Tinnevely; to J. SILVER, Esq., Collector, dated 20th March 1857.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated 13th Instant, and its enclosure, a copy of Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date 21st Ultimo, calling attention to the circumstances of the dismissal of "Ramachendra Row,"* Peshcar of Sauttoor, in Tinnevely.

* Convicted of having caused a Cooly, who was suspected of having stolen a Mometry, to be illtreated by a Cavilgar on the 25th June 1855, by striking him several blows on the back with the palm of the hand, while his body was kept in a stooping posture."

2. In reply, I beg to state, that with a view to furnishing the information, therein called for, I have examined the records of the case referred to.

3. The Complainant in the said case appears to have been brought to the Peshcar's own house, who interrogated him as to whether he had committed the theft with which he was charged. On his (Complainant's) denial, the Peshcar ordered the Cavilgar to strike him, adding "you (Complainant) are a thief and bad man," or words to that effect.

4. The direct object for which the assault, (which, I may here remark, appears to have been of a very trivial nature,) was committed, is not clearly apparent, but, on a careful perusal of the documentary evidence taken in the case, I am led to think that a feeling of irritability or anger at Complainant's denial of the theft, was the impelling motive.

5. A more satisfactory conclusion the nature of the evidence does not allow my arriving at.

(Signed) W. H. ARBUTHNOT,

Acting Head Assistant Collector.

(Signed) J. SILVER,

Magistrate.

No. 31. ORDER THEREON, No. 396; dated 3d April 1857.

Resolved that a copy of the foregoing communication be forwarded to the Honorable the Court of Directors in reference to their letter of 17th December, No. 19 of 1856, para: 41.

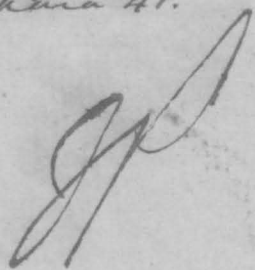
(Signed) T. PYCROFT,

Chief Secretary.

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No 396

Resolved that a copy of the foregoing communication be forwarded to the Hon^{ble} the Court of Directors in reference to their letter of 17th Decr. 10th 19 of 1856. para 41.

By order,
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to Mr of Timmerville Dispd. 6th

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Letter to Mr. 12/4/1857.
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Ref. to Mr. 15/15/1857. P. 42.

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From the Magistrate of
Trinacelly
To the Chief Secretary to
Government
Fort St George

Dated 21st March 1857
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No 87
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W. L. 95. No

Forwarding copy of a letter from the
Actg Secy of the 20th Inst
furnishing the information
called for in the Honorable Court's
Despatch within mentioned regard-
ing the charge of Akhault brought
against the Peshcar Kama
Chendra Row.

With an order