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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 4th August 1857.

No. 12. Read the following letter from A. PURVIS, Esq., Magistrate of Rajahmundry ; to E. MALTBY, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Cocanada, 18th July 1857, No. 182.

SIR,

I have the honor to report the apprehension at Rajahmundry yesterday, of four men who gave their names as in the margin,* travelling with 2 women and a pony.

- 1 Kissenjee.
- 2 Ramapatab.
- 3 Jeevamanejee.
- 4 Ruganaut.

Three of the men were armed with swords. On examination before my Head Assistant, who is now at Rajahmundry, they all declared themselves to be Natives of the same place, Lowaghur in the Jeypore country,

which place, they state, they left seven months ago travelling via Benares, Gya, Juggernaut, &c., and are now on their way to Ramaswarum.

2. Although the examination has not satisfactorily established these men to be Sepoys of the Bengal Army; the general appearance of all, but more especially of two of them, is such as to lead to the belief that they are so. They have but a few pice in their possession, and state they have hitherto made their way by begging. A quantity of papers were found on one of them which on examination turned out to be bonds for different sums, lent at Juggernaut and elsewhere. This man declares he collects sums for the pagoda at Juggernaut, receiving a per centage, and that it is the money so procured that he has lent. The appearance of one of the swords is such as in some degree to lead to a belief that it has lately been sharpened.

3. It appears to me that these people are characters who should not be allowed to be at large at present, and I have therefore, under the instructions contained in your Circular of the 10th Instant, detained them in custody, pending the receipt of the orders of Government regarding them.

(Signed) A. PURVIS,
Magistrate.

No. 13. ORDER THEREON, No. 910 ; dated 29th July 1857.

The party alluded to in this letter are to be detained in custody till further orders.

(Signed) E. MALTBY,
Acting Chief Secretary.

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John St George, Esq
29th July, 1857.

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To the Magistrate of }
Rajahmundry } Dated 29th

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