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1	From the Acting Magistrate of Malabar.	13th January..	Forwards a letter posted from Madras by a relative of Nayagath Moideen, one of the deported Moplah Prisoners, confined in the Jail at Masulipatam, and reports that he and several other Moplahs left the District for Madras.
2	Order thereon.....	21st January..	Communicate the foregoing to the Commissioner of Police with a request, that he will watch the movements of the parties and report to Government if there be occasion. Forward the papers also to the Officer in charge of Masulipatam Jail, who will be on his guard and prevent any communication with the Prisoner.
3	From Magistrate of Police in charge of the Establishments.	16th January..	Submits for sanction a Bill for making two Silver Seals for the use of the Royapettah and Town Police Courts, amounting to Rupees 39-8-1.
4	Order thereon.....	21st January..	Sanction the foregoing Bill.
5	From Honorable Company's Acting Solicitor.	14th January..	Under circumstances stated, is of opinion, that there is no person who can at present give the Honorable Company a proper conveyance of the piece of land at Triplicane, required by the Commissioner of Police, and that the land may if absolutely necessary be taken under the Provisions of Acts XX of 1852, and I of 1854.
6	Order thereon.....	21st January..	Desire the Commissioner of Police to report whether there exists any actual necessity for taking the land, and if so, to submit the usual specification for insertion in the Gazette.
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7	From the Post Master General.	5th December.	Reports that surplus Postage Labels remaining in the hands of the Judicial Authorities under the contemplated arrangement of remitting Postage Stamps, on account of Peons' batta, cannot be cashed by the Officers in charge of Post Offices as suggested by the Sudr Udalt.
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8	From the Accountant General.	3rd January..	With reference to the Labels alluded to in the foregoing communication, is of opinion, that they can be cashed at the nearest Hoozoor or Talook Treasury, the Labels being added to the stock in hand and retailed with them where the Treasury was one at which Postage Stamps are sold, or if not being sent to the Hoozoor with the next Revenue remittance.
9	Order thereon.....	21st January..	Desire the Accountant General to issue the necessary instructions for giving effect to the course recommended by him in regard to cashing the Postage Labels.
10	Extract Minutes Consultation in the Marine Department.	14th January..	Under circumstances stated deem it undesirable to adopt the proposal of the Inspector of Prisons, for transferring the present Jail rooms at Cochin, to the Master Attendant and Post Master, at the place and sanction a separate Estimate amounting to Rupees 880 for the erection of a Master Attendant's Office.

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11	Order thereon.....	1857 21st January..	Communicate the foregoing to the Inspector of Prisons for his information.
12	From the Acting Magistrate of Malabar.	5th January..	Forwards copies of a correspondence and the Depositions taken in the matter of an outrage committed on the Six Islands, the dependencies of Mauritius, from which it appears that the Schooner Alexander Auguste touched at the Islands on her way from Mauritius to Cochin, when the Captain was made Prisoner by the Indian Coolies on them, and forced to take them to the Malabar Coast; and also that the Coolies previous to the arrival of the vessel had murdered an Overseer. States that steps are being taken for the apprehension of the Coolies who perpetrated the crime and requests to know before what Court they are to be tried for the offence. Solicits attention to one of the Depositions given by a female, and intimates that he is in correspondence with the Governor of Mahé relative to two ships now lying at the Port and engaged in the clandestine trade of conveying Coolies from the Coast.
13	Order thereon.....	22nd January.	Observe that the Vessel anchored in the Cochin Roads on the 2nd of October last, but that it was not until the 24th December next, that the matter of the outrage was brought to the notice of the Authorities by the Captain, and that as there is reason to suspect that the Vessel has long been engaged in the clandestine shipment of Coolies, it is probable that an apprehension of the discovery of this violation of the Law may have weighed with the Captain in maintaining silence on the subject for so long a period. Forward the papers to the Honorable Company's Solicitor for his opinion as to the jurisdiction to which the offenders are amenable as also for any observations that may occur to him on the case.
14	From the Member for Madras of the Legislative Council.	8th January..	Transmits two copies of the Penal Code at present under consideration before the Council, and submits certain observations with reference to the Draft Act for the punishment of abuse of Authority, forwarded by this Government.
15	Order thereon.....	22nd January.	Bring the above letter and the correspondence to which it refers, to the notice of the Honorable Court.
16	To Secretary at E. I. House.	22nd January.	Transmit 3 of each of the Gazettes in which notices relating to the Insolvent Court have been inserted during the past month.
17	From Acting Collector of Malabar.	3rd January.	Requests that the Indents for certain Accoutrements supplied to the Malabar Police Corps, may be directed to be passed by the Military Board.
18	Order thereon.....	22nd January. 1856	Desire the Military Board to pass the Indents.
19	From the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.	16th Decr.	Reports that Cunchy Christniah's conduct does not appear to have been brought under the Board's notice either in connection with Mr. Elliot, during his employment in the District of Madura, or on account of any other circumstance.

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20	Order thereon.....	1857 22nd January.	Order the foregoing to be recorded.
21	From Register to the Court of Sudr Udalut.	1856 24th Decr.....	Intimates that Cunchy Christniah was not Sheristadar of the Zillah Court of Cuddapah, and is now out of employment.
22	Order thereon.....	1857 22nd January.	Order the foregoing to be recorded.
23	From Commissioner of Police.	1856 23rd Decr.	Brings to notice that there are several men in the Police Force whom, from their old age and infirmities, it is desirable to Superannuate and requests that a Medical Officer may be nominated for examining them. Submits that every Candidate for admission into the Force shall be medically examined and shall be of an age varying from 20 to 30 years.
24	Order thereon.....	1857 22nd January.	Direct that the men referred to, present themselves for examination before the Garrison Surgeon of Fort St. George. Request to know whether the Superannuation Pension Fund prescribed by the Act XIII of 1856 can be said to have been established, and whether the men to be invalidated have contributed towards it. Approve the suggestions in regard to the admission of Candidates.
25	From Commissioner of Police.	22nd January.	Forwards as directed a revised copy of the Boundaries of the three Madras Magisterial Police Districts.
26	Order thereon.....	22nd January.	Communicate the foregoing to the Honorable Company's Solicitor with reference to E. M. C. of the 19th Instant.
27	From the Acting Deputy Translator, Sudr Court.	21st January.	Solicits the patronage of Government to his Tamil Translation of the revised Edition of the Circular Order of the Court of Sudr Udalut.
28	Order thereon.....	23rd January.	Submit the foregoing publication for the report of the Tamil Translator to Government.
29	From Inspector of Prisons..	6th January..	With reference to an Estimate for constructing a new Guard room for the Jail at Cuddapah, is of opinion that the house at present occupied by the Jailor can be given up for the purpose, while the Jailor can be accommodated in the Bungalow behind the Jail.
30	Order thereon.....	23rd January..	Intimate that Government are not prepared to sanction the construction of the Guard room, and authorize Mr. Rohde to make such arrangements as may be sufficient for the purpose.
31	From the Agent at Vizagapatam.	12th January..	Forwards for sanction an Indent for ammunition required for the use of the Sebundy Local Corps at Nursepatam for 1857.
32	Order thereon.....	23rd January..	Desire the Military Board to cause the Indent to be complied with.
33	From Register to the Court of Foujdaree Udalut.	14th January..	With reference to the sentence of imprisonment on a charge of Torture, passed upon Gopal-sawmy attached to the Garrison of Ongole by the Joint Magistrate of Nellore, intimates that the Judges concur with the Session Judge in considering the evidence totally insufficient for conviction.

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34	Order thereon.....	1857 23rd January..	Regret that the Proceedings of Mr. J. Minchin, in the case should have been hasty and ill-considered and his judgment given on inadequate grounds. Furnish the Dresser with copy of the letter of the Foujdaree Court containing their opinion in his case.
35	From Mr. Carrau, Calcutta.	8th January..	Advise the despatch of 60 copies of the Index to the Decisions of the Sudder Dewany Adalat from 1792 to 1855, and send a receipt of their value and postage amounting to Rs. 616-4-6.
36	Order thereon.....	23rd January..	Direct that the above receipt be sent to the Accountant General for adjustment.
37	From Accountant General...	16th January..	In reply to a call made upon him submits that the Judicial receipts remitted by the District Moonsiffs, should be paid into the nearest Talook Treasuries, a receipt being obtained for the same from the Thasildar, which should be forwarded to the Zillah Judge for transmission to the Collector, and that the Moonsiffs should be allowed to withdraw money from the Talook Treasuries on granting a receipt countersigned by the Zillah Judge to the Thasildar. In regard to the salaries of the District Moonsiffs, proposes that they should be paid by the Thasildar under orders from the Collector to whom a Memorandum specifying the amounts to be disbursed to the Moonsiffs should be furnished by the Zillah Judge and that the receipts obtained by the Thasildar for the payment of the same should be transmitted to the Collector.
38	Order thereon.....	23rd January..	Review the previous correspondence on the subject. Approve the arrangement proposed by the Accountant General and direct him to issue the necessary instructions for carrying it into effect provided the Collector have no objection to urge against the measure.
39	Extract Minutes Consultation.	1856 20th Decr.....	Refer for consideration a Plan and an Estimate amounting to Rupees 370 for making and fixing wood railings with doors, to the entrance passage of the Lunatic Asylum.
40	Order thereon.....	1857 23rd January..	Communicate the Plan to the Medical Board with a request that they will report whether they consider the work sufficient to provide for securing the Patients.
41	From Acting Magistrate of Malabar.	15th January..	Forwards further Depositions taken from certain individuals connected with the case of a murder at the Six Islands. Recommends that the Government of Mauritius be urged to examine into the miserable condition of the Coolies on the Islands. Intimates that steps are being taken to bring the Captain R. Rodriguez engaged in the clandestine removal of Coolies from the Coast to these Islands, within the reach of Law, and brings to notice that under the protection of the French authorities at Mahé an organized system of exporting Coolies from Malabar is going on.
42	Order thereon.....	23rd January..	Forward the paper to the Honorable Company's Acting Solicitor in reference to E. M. C. of the 22nd Instant, No. 88.

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43	To the Secretary to the Government of India.	1857 23rd January..	Transmit Copies of certain despatches forwarded to the Honorable Court.
44	From the Acting Collector of Malabar.	9th January..	Reports that the two Peons who were entertained in connection with the Poodanagarom Ameen's Cutcherry at Palghaut, have been dispensed with from 1st October last.
45	Order thereon.....		Order the foregoing to be recorded.
46	From Lieutenant Colonel Colbeck, Magistrate of Police.	20th January..	Solicits authority to purchase a Clock for a sum of Rupees 100, for the Royapettah Police Court.
47	Order thereon.....	24th January..	Sanction the foregoing expenditure.
48	From the Magistrate of Trichinopoly.	1856 30th Decr.....	Reports a case of an abuse of authority, tried by his Head Assistant and requests to know whether he is to report even trivial cases of the description.
49	Order thereon.....	1857 24th January..	Intimate that all cases of abuse of authority whether trivial or otherwise should be reported to Government.
50	From Commissioner of Police	20th January..	Solicits sanction for the payment of the charge incurred for two brass Seals, amounting to Rupees 35.
51	Order thereon.....	24th January..	Sanction the foregoing charge which is however noticed to be very high.
52	From the Commissioner of Police.	21st January..	Solicits sanction for the re-payment to him of Rupees 82, the amount belonging to certain individuals embezzled by a Police Taliair and which he has disbursed to those individuals, and also for submitting a Bill for the money, Rupees 40 due to Fatma Bee, likewise embezzled by the Taliair when the sum is paid to her.
53	Order thereon.....	24th January..	Comply with the foregoing request.
54	From the Commissioner of Police.	13th January..	Requests that the increase sanctioned to the Police Force, may be allowed to take effect from the 1st of February next. Brings to notice the omission by mistake in the statement of the Establishment of 7 Jemadars and 8 Conicopolies whose services cannot be dispensed with. Proposes to transfer to the House of Correction the Writer, Schoolmaster, and the other servants employed at the House of Industry, when the latter Institution is abolished. Suggests that a certain allowance for forage to the Darogahs as in the case of Jemadars, and also to the Constables and Inspectors, at the rate of Rupees 4 to each Darogah, and Rupees 10 to the latter Officials be granted. Submits for consideration the desirableness of allowing a monthly sum of Rupees 7 to each of the Constables and Inspectors until accommodation can be provided for them. Recommends that a graduated scale of payments be allowed to the Inspectors varying from 70 to 150 Rupees instead of an equal rate of payment of Rupees 100 each. Points certain mistakes made in Mr. Elliot's Report as regards certain members of the Police Force. Names the additional stations at which he intends to post Police Guards. Intimates that accommodation is necessary to the Guard to be attached to the Vepery Police Court.

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55	Order thereon.....	1857 24th January..	Direct that the increased scale of Establishment for the Police take effect from the 1st Proximo. Will bring the omission of the Jemadars and Conicopolies to the notice of the Supreme Government and solicit their sanction for their retention as well as for the grant of forage allowances to the Officials referred to at an aggregate monthly charge of Rupees 322. Grant authority in the meanwhile for the retention of the Jemadars and Conicopolies. Will also recommend the graduated scale of allowances proposed for the Inspectors, to the Government of India, and authorize the entertainment of these Officers on those salaries with the proviso that the original arrangement of Mr. Elliot would be reverted to, should the proposal be disapproved. Are not prepared to sanction the rent for the accommodation of the Inspectors and Constables and will enquire whether quarters are provided them in Calcutta. Approve the new Tanah stations and authorize Colonel Boulderson to rent Buildings for the accommodation of the Peons at the stations at a monthly charge of Rupees 30 until Tanahs can be erected. Direct the Commissioner to submit a revised statement of the alterations and additions to the Police Establishment as approved in these Proceedings.
56	From Government of India..	1856 21st Novr.....	Transmit copy of a Despatch from the Honorable Court regarding a proposed general re-organization of the Police of India, and request to be furnished with the observations of this Government on the suggestions therein contained.
57	Minute by the Right Honorable the President.	1857 1st January...	Submits his views on the suggestions contained in the Despatch forwarded with the foregoing communication.
58	Minute by the Honorable Sir H.C. Montgomery, Bt.	5th January..	(Same as the above.)
59	Order thereon.....	24th January..	Direct the despatch of the following letter.
60	To Government of India...	24th January..	Intimate that the Madras Government feel highly gratified in receiving the Despatch; and that they have on former occasions expressed their views on the subject to which it relates. Submit however certain observations in regard to the system of re-organization proposed and the suggestions made by the Honorable Court in respect to the formation of the Police Corps.
61	Extract Minutes of Consultation, Department Public Works.	12th January..	Forward the letter submitted by the Superintending Engineer through the Chief Engineer, in explanation of the delay that is taken in the completion of the Cells for the accommodation of European Convicts in the Penitentiary.
62	Order thereon.....		Order the foregoing to be recorded.
63	From Acting Civil Judge in charge of the Subordinate Court of Mangalore.	17th January..	Submits for orders a list of the property remaining unclaimed in the Court.
64	Order thereon.....	26th January..	Direct that the property be sold by Public Auction and the proceeds carried to public account.

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65	From Commissioner of Police.	1857 20th January..	Submits for sanction an Estimate for the repair of 105 dangerous Wells situated on public ground, amounting to Rupees 1540, with a request that the sum may be advanced to him.
66	Order thereon.....	27th January..	Comply with the foregoing request.
67	From the Principal Sudr Ameen of Tellicherry.	19th January..	Submits for orders an Inventory of the property of a certain deceased Hyderabad Merchant, remaining undisposed of, and states that an amount of Rupees 472-0-3 has been already realized on a portion of the same.
68	Order thereon.....	27th January..	Direct that the property remaining undisposed of be sold by public auction and that the proceeds with the amount already realized, be carried to public account.