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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 19th January 1858.

No. 69. Read the following letter from T. J. KNOX, Esq., Acting Magistrate of Masulipatam; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Vijjaswarum, 13th January 1858, No. 11.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to annex copy of a letter from the Resident at Hyderabad, and my reply thereto, and I trust Government will be pleased to telegraph to the Resident instructions about the prisoners.
2. Their depositions give very little information, and I confess I do not feel sanguine that these men if admitted as Queen's evidence will betray greater villains than themselves.
3. I would earnestly desire the favor of a pardon should be granted them if they said or did any thing by which the leaders of the gang and the purchaser of the booty might be brought to justice.

(Signed) T. J. KNOX,
Acting Magistrate.

From Lieutenant Colonel CUTHBERT DAVIDSON, British Resident, Hyderabad; to the Collector and Magistrate, Masulipatam, dated 7th January 1858, No. 27.
Political Department.

SIR,

1 Abdool Khan veld Sooltan
Khan.
2 Lall Khan veld Mohyudeen
Khan.

1. With reference to your former correspondence regarding the late plunder of Juggiapett, I have the honor to enclose the statement of two persons who were engaged in the robbery and who have since been apprehended.
2. The people declare that if admitted as Queen's evidence they are prepared to give security for their return, and to proceed into the country with a party of 10 or 15 Police to secure the apprehension of others of the party.
3. I shall be obliged by your informing me whether you would wish this plan to be adopted or whether you would prefer the prisoners being sent to you.
4. Of course some little risk must attend the deputation of these people into the country, but I am of opinion that tolerably reliable security could be obtained, and that the plan offers a fair chance of securing the apprehension of many of the gang and possibly some of the plundered property.

(Signed) CUTH. DAVIDSON,
Resident.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) T. J. KNOX,
Acting Magistrate.

To the Resident Hyderabad, dated Vijjaswarum, 13th January 1858, No. 10.

SIR,

1. I had the honor yesterday to receive your letter, dated 7th Instant and its enclosure, I am as you are aware unable to promise the men a pardon for their share in the plundering of Juggiapett, but I am willing to submit to the Government an application on their behalf and I will at once report the case for the orders of Government, but to save time, I will express to you my opinion that it must depend very much on the success of the measures that are taken in reliance on the evidence of these men whether they can be considered to have given information which earns for them exemption from the just punishment of their own misdeeds.

2. Their depositions are very vague and I feel at this distance unable to say that Government would approve of the risk of their escaping altogether, but I think that if they either did point out or honestly attempted to point out, any of the Jemedars or leaders of the gang and the Banian, who purchased the booty; an Officer of your high position and on the spot might feel very confident Government would confirm any promise you might deem it right to make them.

*no Juggiapett no
"Curtain"*

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3. I have the means I think of identifying the leaders when captured quite independant of these 2 persons, I presume the Peons mentioned in para. 2 of your letter would be at once despatched by the Nizam's Government.

(Signed) T. J. KNOX,
Acting Magistrate.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) T. J. KNOX,
Acting Magistrate.

No. 70. ORDER THEREON, No. 100; dated 19th January 1858.

Ordered that the following Message be telegraphed to the Resident at Hyderabad.

"With reference to your letter to the Magistrate of Masulipatam of the 7th Instant, the Madras Government authorize the promise of a pardon to the two men in confinement for the robbery at Juggiapett, on condition of their giving all the information in their power for the apprehension of the other robbers, and recovery of the stolen property.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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Extract from the Minutes
Dated 19th Jan
Read the following
letter from the Acting
Magistrate of Masulipatam.

(Here enter 13th January 1858)

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"the recovery of the stolen
"property."

[Signature]

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