

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Jurisdiction DEPARTMENT.

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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 31st August 1858.

No. 19. Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, dated 28th August 1858, No. 1185.

The Government have been informed by the Magistrate of North Arcot, through a demi-official communication addressed by that Officer to the Chief Secretary, that gang robberies had recently been greatly on the increase in his District, and that no less than ten had occurred in five days, or from the 10th to the 15th Instant. The gangs are stated to come from other Districts, particularly Cuddapah.

2. Mr. Whittingham had been led to expect from a communication made him by the Chief Commissioner of Police, that one of his Superintendents, Lieutenant Tennant, would be deputed to North Arcot, and he expresses himself very anxious for his arrival, as he represents, that it is not practicable for him with his other heavy duties to devote as much time and attention as are required for the suppression of these robberies.

3. The Government learn that Lieutenant Tennant has just been sent for by Mr. Robinson, to assist him in the enquiries which he is now prosecuting into the state of the Police in the Southern Districts. Captain Hearn, another Superintendent now at Madras, is however, available, and the Government resolve to place his services temporarily at the disposal of the Magistrate of North Arcot for Police duty in the District. Captain Hearn will consequently proceed thither as expeditiously as possible, and placing himself in communication with Mr. Whittingham, will receive his instructions as to the arrangements which he is to carry out for the present. The Magistrate will assist Captain Hearn with such Peons as he may require and will, if necessary, give one or more intelligent Police Officers to accompany him. It will be Captain Hearn's duty to follow up the gangs in question or any others, who may have appeared in the District, to visit the scenes of their depredations, obtain and report to the Magistrate all information procurable respecting the circumstances of the robberies, the quarter whence the robbers are supposed to have come and whither they have retreated, on whom the suspicions of the parties who have been robbed rest, and all particulars likely to lead to their apprehension. When this has been accomplished, Captain Hearn will, until further orders, be employed on any similar Police duty that the Magistrate may assign him. Not being invested with a recognized office, he cannot legally exercise any specific authority, he cannot issue processes, take depositions or make arrests. Every thing of this kind will have to be done through the Native Police Officer in attendance upon him, or through the Native Police Officers of the Talook in which he may be. The Magistrate will make due provision so that no inconvenience be experienced on this account.

4. Captain Hearn will of course avail himself of this opportunity to make himself acquainted with the present state of the Police in North Arcot, and to collect information in respect to it which may be useful to the Chief Commissioner.

5. Mr. Whittingham will understand that Captain Hearn's services can only be made available so long as they may not be required by the Commissioner. To prevent inconvenience, the Commissioner will give timely notice to the Magistrate of his intention to employ Captain Hearn on other duty. To obviate confusion, it is desirable that requisitions from the Commissioner on Captain Hearn for procuring local information or preparing Returns respecting the Police of North Arcot, their condition or emoluments, should be made through the Magistrate.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Chillicothe Aug 21 58

Dear Pycroft,

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the Prosecution -

I am yours
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Wm. J. Harris

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message but as clear as Judicial Department
I could - but if any thing
occurs it must be added
N^o 1188.

Attention is requested to what is said at the
Extract from the Minutes of Consultations
dated the 20th August 1858.

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* Should be made this
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To Chief Comm^r of Police
Magistrate of N. Arcot.
Captain Hearn - Supt of Police

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