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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 21st September 1858.

No. 17. Read the following letter from P. GRANT, Esq., Acting Magistrate of Malabar ; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Judicial Department, Fort Saint George, dated Calicut, 2nd September 1858, No. 117.

SIR,

With reference to your Telegraph communication, dated 27th Ultimo, I have the honor to
Dated 31st Ultimo, No. 230. submit, for the information of Government, copy of a letter this day
† Dated 2nd Instant. received from the Joint Magistrate of Cochin, and my reply† thereto, as regards the transmission of the Six Island prisoners.

2. Under the circumstances stated by Mr. Cullin, I have deemed it proper to have the Lubine party sent on first to Madras. The Chouette party will follow so soon as the whole are apprehended.

From E. CULLIN, Esq., Joint Magistrate of Cochin ; to P. GRANT, Esq., Acting Magistrate of Malabar, dated 31st August 1858, No. 230.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt, this morning, of your letter of the 28th August 1858, No. 250.

2. The whole of the survivors of the Lubine party (five men) are in custody, and I am prepared, agreeably to the orders of the Government, to despatch them at once via Chowghaut and Paulghat to Madras, under a suitable escort.

3. The Government has now ordered that both parties, the Chouette as well as the Lubine party shall be sent to Madras. Only 2 men and 2 women of the Chouette party have up to this date been re-apprehended. There are, consequently, at present 7 men and 1 woman of the Chouette party at large, and it may be weeks before they are all re-apprehended. I have reason to believe that they are dispersed over the provinces of Travancore and Cochin (a large tract of country.) They were released on their own recognizances, as reported in my letter noted in the margin, and as the only tie on them is a Pychit granted by themselves, it is, I am afraid, a matter of doubt whether the whole of them will ever be again secured. Releasing them on their own recognizances was a matter of necessity. They could not find sureties for their re-appearance, as many of them belonged to places remote from British Cochin, and being at such distances, far out of my reach, I was unable to call them in after the expiration of six months to renew their recognizances as directed in para. 3 of the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, dated the 22nd August 1857, No. 1063.

Vide letter from Joint Magistrate, 11th August 1858, No. 205, para. 3, and letter 17th August 1858, No. 210, para. 2.

From Joint Magistrate of Cochin to Acting Magistrate of Malabar, 30th June 1857, No. 151.

Vide order of Government in respect to the Lubine party, dated the 10th January 1858, No. 101.

4. The Six Island prisoners were first taken into custody in January 1857, and after having been for months in confinement, it became a matter of necessity to release them on account of their failing health.

5. General Cullen, the British Resident, has, in compliance with my request, issued instructions to the several Police authorities in Travancore and Cochin for the early apprehension and delivery of the persons belonging to the Chouette party, and I hope the efforts now being made to secure them will prove successful. General Cullen was furnished by me with a Descriptive Roll of the persons to be re-apprehended.

6. I now solicit orders as to whether the five men of the Lubine party should be despatched at once to Madras, or retained here until the whole of the others (Chouette party) shall have been re-apprehended.

7. Authenticated copies of depositions will be forwarded to you at an early date.

Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 21st September 1858.

From P. GRANT, Esq., Acting Magistrate; to E. CULLIN, Esq., Joint Magistrate of Cochin,
dated Calicut, 2nd September 1858, No. 2559.

SIR,

In reply to your letter dated 31st Ultimo, No. 230, I have the honor to state that under the
circumstances set forth by you, the Lubine party had better be sent on first to Madras. The
Chouette party may follow so soon as the whole are caught.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) P. GRANT,
Acting Magistrate.

No. 18.

ORDER THEREON, No. 1260; dated 15th September 1858.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Jud. L. to Mag. 13th Dec.
No. 2 of 1858.
P. Grant.

Judicial 1858.
In L. to Mag. 21 Sept.
Department.

From
The Actg. Mag. of Cochin
To
The Chief Secy to Govt.
Jud. Dept.
Fort St. George

Dated 2nd Sept. 1858.
Received

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Submits with reference
to Telegraph Communication
of 27th Ultimo copy of a letter
from the Jt. Mag. of Cochin
and his reply thereto as
regards the transmission
of the six Island Prisoners.

To be recorded.
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Thos. J. Grant Esquire,
To, Acting Magistrate of Malabar,
St. Jago.

Chief Clerk of the Government
Judicial Department.

Sir,

Dear Sir,

With reference to your
Memorial Communication dated 27th

11th, I have the pleasure to
be the information of Government