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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 12th October 1858.

No. 30. Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel G. BALFOUR, Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines; to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 21st September 1858, No. 346.

SIR,

I have the honor to enclose a report from the Principal Commissary of Ordnance on the subject of a Lascar carrying 200 Rounds of Rifle Ammunition from Vellore to the Arsenal, Madras, having been attacked and robbed at Streepermatore, and I recommend Government to urge prompt measures for the apprehension of the robbers.

From Major G. W. Y. SIMPSON, Acting Principal Commissary of Ordnance; to the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines, dated 21st September 1858, No. 3759.

SIR,

To enable me to carry out the instructions conveyed in your letter No. 5387, dated 17th September 1858, I have the honor to report, that I requested Captain McBride to send about 200 Rounds of Cartridges Rifle Musket, to be examined and tested, by a Lascar of this Arsenal and to direct him to come here by the road, (as not less than 5 tons of Gun Powder can be sent by Rail; should less be sent a charge is made for that quantity.)

2. The Lascar arrived this morning reporting that he had been robbed at Streepermatoor, and made the accompanying statement.

Statement of Store Lascar Veerasawmy, No. 1855, attached to the Grand Arsenal, Fort St. George.

Lascar Veerasawmy makes the following deposition:—

On the 18th Instant, I was despatched from Vellore in charge of 200 Rounds of Ammunition packed in a wooden box, covered with wax cloth; Captain McBride gave me one Rupee in advance, and told me to proceed to Madras as quickly as possible.

Yesterday, the 20th Instant, at 4 A. M., I got to Streepermatoor, 6 men immediately attacked me, and took my jacket, and the package I had in charge from me, and struck me with their fists. I went to the Choultry and complained to the Duffadar and Peons, who afforded me no assistance, but said if I would bring the parties who had attacked me to them, they should be apprehended and recommended my going to Madras and to make my complaint there.

The deponent bears no marks of having received ill-usage, but he looks disordered and his story appears probable.

(Signed) G. W. Y. SIMPSON, Major,
Principal Commissary of Ordnance.

No. 31. ORDER THEREON, No. 1399; dated 7th October 1858.

The immediate attention of the Madras Commissioner of Police and of the Magistrate of Chingleput will be directed to the case of robbery here reported. Copy of the Store Lascar's statement will be furnished to those authorities.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Order No. 1399

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To the Secy }
7 October 1858. } Secy to Govt

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To the Comr of Police Madras Comd by the
" Mag of Chingleput } Dy Secy
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