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No. 66. Read the following letter from F. COPLESTON, Esq., Commissioner of Rajahmundry; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 11th October 1858, No. 48.

SIR,

1. In accordance with the instructions conveyed in the Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 1167, I have the honor to report for the information of Government that, the sentences passed against the rebel chief Corcondah Soobbareddy, and the four others, Corlah Seetaramiah, Corlah Venkata Soobbareddy, Goroogoontla Commereddy and Corcondah Thummereddy, were carried out on Thursday last, the 7th Instant, the two first named at Bootoygodem by me, and the latter by Mr. Blair, whose report is annexed.

2. A Company of the Sappers and Miners from Dowlaswarum, under a European Officer, escorted the condemned to Bootoygodem, and a party of the new Sibundy Corps under Lieutenant Bloomfield, formed the escort up the river.

3. The demeanour of Corcondah Soobbareddy and Seetaramiah, subsequent to the sentences being made known to them, was marked by no particular change of conduct. While journeying to Bootoygodem, the chief laid the blame on his companion Seetaramiah, while the latter charged all upon the former. At the gallows they made some requests about money that was owing to them, but said little else. They seemed, from their manner, sensible at this time, that their own conduct had brought them to this death, although nothing was expressly said to this effect.

4. On being conducted to the drop, they both called on "Naraina" several times, and then remained silent.

5. The bodies were buried at the foot of the gallows.

6. The execution took place at 11½ A. M. Besides the escort and about 50 peons and other officials, there were about 250 people present, all residents I understood of Bootoygodem, and who were most orderly in their conduct.

From J. H. BLAIR, Esq., Subordinate Judge, Rajahmundry; to F. COPLESTON, Esq., Commissioner of Rajahmundry, dated 9th October 1858, No. 174.

SIR,

1. In accordance with the directions contained in Extracts from the Minutes of Consultation, No. 1167, dated 24th August, and 1271 of the 16th September 1858, I have the honor to inform you, that upon the receipt of the death-warrants on the convicts noted in the margin, the sentences were communicated to them on the 18th Ultimo, in open Court, at 4 P. M., in the most public and solemn manner, when all the prisoners declared they were innocent of the crimes of which they had been convicted.

Corcondah Thummereddy, No. 8 of 1858. Commissioner's file.
Corcondah Venkata Soobbareddy, Nos. 5 & 9 of 1858, do.
Gooroogoontla Commereddy, No. 13 of 1858. do.

2. I left this station on the 6th, and the extreme penalty of the law was carried into execution upon Commereddy and Corla Venkata Soobbareddy, at Polavarum, on the morning of the 7th Instant, at 6½ A. M., in the presence of about one thousand persons of both sexes, many of whom, were inhabitants of the neighbouring hill villages.

3. Thummereddy was hung on the same day at Toodegoonta, at 3 P. M., in the presence of about 50 persons; the village is a very small one, containing only about 10 or 12 houses.

4. Commereddy was perfectly callous and indifferent to his fate, the other two (especially Corla Venkata Soobbareddy) did not show the same indifference, but all three, to the last, declared their innocence of any crimes.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) F. COPLESTON,
Commissioner.

No. 67. ORDER THEREON, No. 1516; dated 29th October 1858.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Carbedge.

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