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No. 22. Read the following letter from C. WHITTINGHAM, Esq., Magistrate of North Arcot; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 10th February 1858, No. 9.

SIR,

I have the honor to report for the information of Government, the occurrence of a grain riot at Raneepet at 7 o'clock in the evening of the 19th Ultimo, when grain, &c., to the value of Rupees 314-0-3 was carried away. The plunder of the granaries was committed by the ten persons named in the margin,* nine of whom are Privates of the 3rd Extra Regiment, now stationed at Raneepet, and the tenth its Cutwal. These parties have been, after the necessary preliminary investigation by the local Police, committed by the Criminal Court at Chittoor for trial before the Session Court.

*1 Moottialoo.
2 Chinnien.
3 Veerasawmy.
4 Syed Rajah.
5 Laulummud.
6 Mahomed Khan.
7 Lutchmanasing.
8 Shaik Oomer.
9 Aboodoolrahm.
10 Rangiah Naick.

2. The result of this committal, will be communicated to Government when the decision of the Session Judge in the case is received.

3. As the Acting Head Assistant Magistrate has occasionally communicated direct with Government on important matters connected with the town of Raneepet, which is under his superintendence, I supposed he would immediately have informed the Government of the misconduct of a portion of the newly levied Regiments stationed there, or I should have at once submitted a report on the subject.

(Signed) C. WHITTINGHAM,
Magistrate.

No. 23. ORDER THEREON, No. 210; dated 15th February 1858.

Ordered to be communicated to the Military Department.

2. The Government do not regard the explanation given by the Magistrate for the late transmission of this report to be by any means satisfactory. The riot ought to have been known to him shortly after it occurred, and he should at once have informed Government of it, whether a report had been made to them by his Acting Head Assistant or not. Assistant Magistrates do not correspond with the Government except on emergency, and when they do, Government look to receive further information from the Head of the District.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

No. 210.

Ordered to be communicated to this Military Dept.

The Govt do not expand the explanation given by the Magistrate for the late transmission of this report to be by any means satisfactory - The visit ought to have been known to them shortly after it occurred and the Govt should have expected to have had been made by his Asst Adjt Genl or Asst Magistrate the usual communication to the Govt explanatory and when they do not look to receive information to be transmitted from the Head of the District Police

Fort Monroe 15th Feb 1838

Military Secretary Govt of N.S.W. Sydney

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