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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 22nd June 1858.

No. 64. Read the following letter from G. A. BALLARD, Esq., Special Commissioner and Acting Joint Magistrate of Canara; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated Tinnei Station, June 9th, 1858.

SIR,

I have the honor to bring to your notice that on the 9th March last, certain rebels of the Sáwanth's Bund attacked the Diggi frontier station in this Talook; looted and burned the Chouky and the Choukydar's house attached to it; and seized the person of the Choukydar, and kept him prisoner for about 3 days.

2. The Coeshy Chouky, some ten miles from Diggi, had been burned on the 17th February. The Coeshy Choukydar and servants had fled long before other stations had been attacked and burned; and other servants had fled or moved their stations.

3. The Diggi Choukydar, Kistappa by name, remained at his post; though Sepoys, or other assistance, for which he repeatedly and urgently applied, could not be afforded him, and, between the 17th February and 6th March, though the whole country about was in the greatest confusion and disorder, he collected and remitted to Soupah some Rupees 2,000 of frontier dues.

4. The Choukydar has given in a list of his private property looted or destroyed, in which he estimates his loss at Rupees 643-4.

5. He is a man of above 33 years service, and has I believe borne a very good character. His pay as Choukydar is Rupees 25, and this he has been drawing for about 5 years. He had his wife, family, and personal property at Diggi; and, as far as I can learn, there is no reason whatever to suppose that he has overstated his losses.

6. Under these circumstances I respectfully suggest, that he be re-imbursed for his losses by the presentation to him by Government of the sum of Rupees 650.

No. 65. ORDER THEREON, No. 835; dated 22nd June 1858.

Under the circumstances represented in the foregoing letter, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions the payment to Kistappa the Choukydar of Diggi, of Rupees (650) six hundred and fifty, in compensation of the losses sustained by him when the rebels looted and burnt the Chouky and his house.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

