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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 2nd July 1858.

No. 29. Read the following letter from Lieut. Colonel W. G. WOODS, Adjutant General of the Army; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Ootacamund, 14th June 1858, No. 1079.

SIR,

I have the honor by order of the Commander in Chief to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council copy of letter from Major Hughes, Commanding Field Force, dated 7th Instant, with its enclosure, relative to rebel Beamapah, Carcoon to the late rebel Beam Row Moondegee.

Lieutenant General Sir P. Grant begs that he may be favored with instructions with respect to the disposal of the prisoner who has turned Queen's Evidence.

From Major J. E. HUGHES, Commanding Field Force; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Ootacamund, dated Camp at Ginnugayri, 7th June 1858.

SIR,

I have the honor to report to you for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief that amongst the number of rebels that were captured at Copul on the 1st June 1858, and subsequently tried by a General Court Martial convened by my order under Act XI of 1857, was one Beamapah, Carcoon to the late rebel Beam Row Moondegee.

The Court having found him guilty of rebellion against the State, sentenced him to be blown away from a gun, but recommended him to mercy on the fact of his having been found without Arms, and from his stating that if his life were spared he would give the Government much valuable information.

I have approved and confirmed the sentence but have suspended the execution, pending the favorable consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief with a view to mitigation of capital punishment.

Shortly after he was made a prisoner, by surrendering himself, I questioned him aside but in the presence of two witnesses as to the cause of the rebellion. Finding that he could afford much information that might be beneficial for the Government to know.

I requested the Magistrate Lieutenant Taylor, Deputy Commissioner Raichore Doab, who was present in the Camp, to take down his deposition which has been done and which I beg leave to enclose.

The prisoner Beamapah I am taking with me to Bellary together with 42 other rebel prisoners sentenced to imprisonment for different periods.

I regret to say that I felt myself compelled for the benefit, and future tranquillity of the country to confirm and carry into execution the sentence of death awarded by the Court on 77 rebels, 76 by being shot by musketry and one by being hung.

A considerable number of prisoners were, on inquiry being made previous to the assembly of the Court, released, and those against whom little or no doubt of being implicated and actually taking part in the rebellion, were tried and convicted.

Translation of a Declaration made in writing by Bheem Row, Goomastah of Moondurghee Bheem Row the late rebel, before the Deputy Commissioner, Raichore Doab, on the 4th June 1858.

I am Bheem Row, Goomastah of the late rebel Moondurghee Bheem Row, all that I am aware of regarding the previously concerted plans in connection with the getting up of the rebellion, I herein disclose.

1. About 3 months ago the Nurgoond Rajah first brought about the suggestion of rebelling against the State and in prosecution thereof first concerted with the Dummul Dessaye then with the Humgee Dessaye and then got the advice of Moondurghee Bheem Row who said what will we be able to do? When the Nurgoond Rajah replied that the people of Thongul and other places would join, and that they would be able to bring together a great Force, (Jumneurt) the Dummul Dessaye then began collecting men in his Elaka and Moondurghee Bheem Row at Hospett, Camlapoor and other places, when this was in progress Bheem Row began to think of taking possession of the Thanna of Copul and about 2 months ago sent for the son of Burma

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No. 32. To the Resident of Hyderabad, dated Fort St. George, 26th June 1858, No. 858.

SIR,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to forward for your information, the accompanying copy of a communication from Major Hughes, Commanding Field Force, dated 7th Instant, respecting the rebel Beamapah, Carcoon to the late rebel Beam Row Moondegee.

2. The Magistrate of Bellary to whom this man will be made over by Major Hughes, has been instructed to procure from him all the information he can in regard to matters connected with the disturbances at Copul, and to report how far his statements can be relied upon.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Judicial Department

No 858

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Dated 26 June 1858.

Read the following letter from
the Adjutant General of the Army.

(Here enter 14th June/58. 121079)

Resolved that copies of the
enclosures to the above commun-
-ication be furnished to the
Government of Bombay, the Resi-
-dent of Hyderabad and the Magis-
-trate of Bellary.

2. His Excellency the Com-
-mander in Chief will be requested
to instruct Major Hughes to make
over the rebel Beamapah to the
Magistrate of Bellary, who will
be directed to procure from him
all the information he can in
regard to matters connected with
the disturbances at Copul, and
in submitting his report thereon,
to state what reliance can

⊕ Mr Pelly's
hunt is called a Hunter
is called to those parts
which relate to the
Auriferous regions - He is
aware that this mine ^{was} once rich and
by the late rajah of Shorapur in
his confessions.

Dispt. 20th M. S.
with 1. Encl.

Judicial Department

No 857

To
The Secretary to the Govt. of Bombay

Sir,

I am directed by the Right
Honble the Governor in Council
to forward for the information
of the Govt. of Bombay, the ac-
companying copy of a commun-
ication from Major Hughes
Commanding Field Force, dated
7th instant, respecting the rebel
Beunapah, Carcoon & the late
rebel Beun Row Moondjee.

2. The Magistrate of Bellary,
to whom this man will be
made over by Major Hughes,
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Sept. 20th M. S.
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Mr. P.S.D.

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can be relied upon.

Forb. St. George,
26 June, 1858.

File No. 1290.

at 26 June/58.

The copy to the Govt. of
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disturbances at Cape, and to
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 can be relied upon.

[Signature]

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The President of
 the Board of
 Management

at Cape 1858

at Cape 1858

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