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No. 54. Read the following letter from M. C. CHASE, Esq., Acting Joint Magistrate of Masulipatam; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Bezoarah, 7th January 1858, No. 2.

SIR.

1. I have the honor to report to you in accordance to the orders of Government conveyed in Circular letter No. 798, para. 1, that on 2nd October one Sheik was forwarded to me by the Head of Police of Nundegamah and that on 9th October another Sheik was also forwarded to me by the same Officer. These admitted that they had served in the Loodianah Regiment a portion of which mutinied at Benares on General Neill's first arrival there, and as they were unable to produce any "discharge certificates" or to give a satisfactory account of themselves, I detained them in custody, sending them for this purpose to the Masulipatam Jail.

2. On 19th October I addressed the Officer Commanding the Loodianah Regiment and on 27th October I forwarded Descriptive Rolls of these prisoners, and again on 10th December I wrote asking for information as to these prisoners, but to none of these communications have I up to this date received any reply.

3. I fear the detention of these men should have been reported to Government at an earlier date, but I have awaited a reply to my letters to the Officer Commanding the Regiment as it is possible the men may not be Bengal Sepoys.

4. In company with the Sheik who was apprehended on 2nd October were two Brahmins, Natives of the Umballa District, they had evidently travelled in company from Hydrabad; another Sheik who was also apprehended at Nundegamah managed to effect his escape from the Peons and has not since been heard of; but the four I have mentioned are now in custody in the Masulipatam Jail.

(Signed) M. C. CHASE,
Acting Joint Magistrate.

No. 55. ORDER THEREON, No. 90; dated 18th January 1858.

The Government approve the proceedings of the Acting Joint Magistrate of Masulipatam, and direct that the men referred to be kept in custody until further orders.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Ordered that the following letter be despatched.

No. 56. From T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government, of Fort St. George; to the Secretary to the Government of India, dated 18th January 1858, No. 91.

SIR,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to forward the accompanying copy of a letter from the Acting Joint Magistrate of Masulipatam, dated 7th January 1858, and to solicit the orders of the Supreme Government in regard to the men of the Loodianah Regiment, referred to by Mr. Chase.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

No 90

The Court approve the proceedings of the Acting Joint Magistrate of Manickpatam, and direct that the men referred to be kept in custody until further orders.

Resolved that the following Letter be despatched

18th January 1858.

To The Secretary to the Govt. of India

(See entry No 9).

Copy to A.S Joint Magistrate Manickpatam. Dispt. 16/1

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To the Secretary to the Government of India

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to forward the accompanying copy of a letter from the Actg. Joint Magistrate of Maunli-putam dated 7th Janry. 1858, and to solicit the orders of the Supreme Government in regard to the men of the Coodiamah Regiment referred to by Mr Chase.—

I have &c

For Chief Secretary
18 January 1858.

Copy to Mad. P.
Municipality

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To
The Secy to the
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Dated 18th Jany 1858.

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