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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, from 10th to 16th September 1859.

No. 41. Read the following letter from P. GRANT, Esq., Magistrate of Malabar; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Judicial Department, Fort Saint George, dated Calicut, 23rd August 1859, No. 75.

Having received a requisition from the General Commanding the Southern Division, and the Brigadier Commanding Cannanore, wishing to be informed of the number of unserviceable pieces of Ordnance scattered through the District, the Heads of Police were called on for information on the subject, in regard to their respective Talooks.

2. This has been embodied in the enclosed Statement, in which is entered the names of the owners of the pieces of Ordnance, the localities in which they are now to be found, as well as the length and calibre of each piece.

3. In the aggregate there are 79 pieces, many of them unserviceable, and others of such small calibre as not to demand any special notice on that head.

4. My chief object in writing to Government, is to draw their attention to the fact that several of the Rajahs or pensioned feudatory chiefs, and certain Moplahs are in possession of Guns.

5. All are, I believe, loyal subjects, and under present circumstances, I would not advocate any direct interference in the matter, beyond a general registry of the pieces, and a promise on the part of their owners, that they will not move them from one place to another without the sanction of the local authorities, to whom they shall be prepared to deliver them at once, on a requisition to that effect on the part of Government being made.

6. Suspicion of inimical feeling to the Government attaches to the heir apparent of one of the parties entered in the List, but I deem it proper to avoid discussion on such a point in a public letter.

No. 42. ORDER THEREON, 13th September 1859, No. 1241.

Belonging to	Serviceable.	Unserviceable.
Native Princes and a Tangul...	24	6
Certain Moplahs...	4	11
The Railway Company	0	5
Captain Bremen..	1	0
Government and unowned....	9	19
Guns...	38	41

From the Statement submitted with the above letter, it appears that there are 79 pieces of Ordnance scattered over some Talúqs of Malabar—part of them serviceable and repairable, but all old and of small calibre.

2. Government approve the proposal of the Magistrate that these pieces should be registered, and direct him to grant Licenses for them, containing conditions that the cannon are not to be moved from one place to another without the sanction of the local authorities, and that they shall be delivered up at once on requisition to that effect being made by the Magistrate.

3. Orders have already been issued—27th July 1858, No. 469, Political Department, paragraph 4—for the destruction of unserviceable cannon, the property of Government, lying about the country. Resolved that copy* of the Statement received from the Magistrate of Malabar, be forwarded to the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines.

* In M. S.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT;
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

No 247.

Returned to the
Chief Secretary to
Government with
reference to the Proceedings
of Government No 1241.
dated 13 September 1859.

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Acting Asst: Genl &
Actg Dpty Mast.
Genl

Asst: Genl Office
Fort St George
4 October 1859.

Cherical	30	The Beebee of Cannanore (contd)	Cannanore, to prevent the Bandies going along that road doing injury to the wall	1	6			5	Unserviceable but may if repaired be rendered serviceable
"	31	Ditto	In the Town of Cannanore near the wall of the Palamadom house	1	5	6		5	Ditto
"	32	Ditto	Along the wall of the Moideen Pally Mosque at Vangatha Perro in Cannanore	1	4			4	Ditto
"	33	Ditto	Ditto the wall of the Arabel Shops at ditto in ditto	1	4			5	Ditto
"	34	Ditto	In the town of Cannanore along the wall of Pallyarah house in the Amaidakare Deshom	1	5			6	Unserviceable
Caraay	35	Blacksmith Cannen	In the workshed in the Compound of Cannen's house situated in the Adatila Deshom Eyyavalen Mundhom in the Caraay Talork	1	6			3	Ditto
"	36	Chembotto Tallatil Cannen Panikar	In the workshed of Chembotto Tallatil Cannen Panikar in the Tallaparamba Mundhom of d° d°	1	4	8		3½	Ditto
"	37	"	Lying in the Payanoor Mundhom of d° d°	1	5	9		3	Unserviceable & is not in possession of any one, but is lying
Palghat	38	Madras Railway Company	On District 14	2	5	3½		3½	below the Fort at Caraay
					6	3½		4	
"	39	Blacksmith Jeyendevallapil Chandoo	In the workshop of Vallapil Chandoo situated in the Cherootoonoor Mundhom of d° d°	1	8			6	Unserviceable

Total 79.

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Calicut, 23d August 1859.

R. Grant
Collector

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Palghat	22	Coodravatatha Nair	In the compound of Coodravatatha Nair's house, situated in the Coolavagoot Mundhom of the Palghaut Talook	1	5	6			6	This is only rusty & may be rendered Serviceable
Nedinganad	23	Karroven Makoo	Found in the Fort situated in the Chinangaad Mundhom of Nedinganaad Talook & is now lying in the workshed of Makoo the Blacksmith	1	3	9			3	Unserviceable
Sherinaad	24	The Kereke Kovilagom Raja	On the Eastern Battery of the Kereke Kovilagom in the Sherinaad Talook	1	5	10			3 3/6	Serviceable & are used on the occasion of Festivals in the Kovilagom. They are however old cannon
"	25	Ditto	On a wooden stand near the Western gate of the Kerkekovilagom	3	5	10			3 3/6	
					2	8 4/6			3 3/4	
					3	10 4/6			2 1/2	
Ernaad	26	Kondotty Tungul	In the Ko-Mattom Mundhom of Ernaad Talook	1	1	9		6	2 3/4	Serviceable & are used on the occasion of any Festival in the Kondotty Mosque
					1	6		4 1/2	2 3/4	
					1	2 1/2		6	2 1/2	
					3	2 3/4		3 1/2	1 3/4	
					2	6		3 1/2	1 3/4	
					2	5 3/4		3 1/2	1 3/4	
					2	2 3/4		6	2 3/4	
Cottayam	27	Captain Brennon	In the Compound of Captain Brennen's house, situated in the Tellichery Mundhom of Cottayam Talook	1	3	3	1	4	8	Serviceable
"	28	Government	Erungolly Deshom Cadroor Mundhom of do do	4	4	2				These cannon are buried near the Erungolly Bridge with their muzzles downwards & their measurements could not therefore be ascertained. The length shown is the portion remaining above the surface of the ground
					4	2				
					1	4	2			
					1	1			1	
Cherical	29	Found in the Mundery Mundhom some 20 years ago	In the Talook Cutchery of Cherikul at Pedeom Kovoo	1	3				2 1/4	Unserviceable
"	30	The Bebee of Cannanore	Placed along the wall of the Shops belonging to the Bebee at Mookkeath in Cannanore							

Cochin	12	Vanien Tinappen Kongance	In the warehouse belonging to Soprajee situated at Calvetty in Cochin	1	4			4½	Serviceable
Palghat	13	Krishna Shetty	In the work shed of Krishna Shetty situated in the western side of Kopom Unsshom in the Palghat Talook	1	3	6		2¾	Unserviceable
"	14	Chetty Moya	In the work shed belonging to Chetty Moya, Situated in the western side of Kopom Unsshom of Palghat Talook	1	4	4		2¾	Ditto
"	15	Carpenter Shamy	D° D° belonging to Shamy D° D° of D°	1		10½		2¾	D°
"	16	Arishappa Pillay	D° D° belonging to Arishappa Pillay situated in the Eastern side of D° D° of Ditto	1	2	7½		2¾	D°
"	17	Vadivassa Routhan	D° D° belonging to Vadivapa Routhan, situated in D° D° of D°	1	"	10½		2¾	D°
"	18	Government	In the premises of the Sub Collectors office situated in D° D°	5	6 6 6 6 6			4¾ 4¾ 4¾ 4½ 4¾	These cannon are united in the gun work their muzzles Commanded. Should they may be rendered serviceable
"	19	Ditto	In the workshed near the Bridge over the Kaundy river on the western side of D° D°	2	6			4¾ 4½	Unserviceable
"	20	Showry Mothoo Pillay	At Arikarathervvathia Bazaar situated in the western side of D° D°	1	6			4½	D° & said to belong to Government
"	21	The Madras Railway Company	In the workshops of the Madras Railway Company situated on the western side of D° D°	3	6	2	3	4	Unserviceable

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List of Unserviceable Ordnance in the District of Malabar

Talook	Names of Owners	Locality of Ordnance	Number of Cannon	Feet	Inches	Feet	Inches	Diameter of the Bore Inches	Remarks
Calicut	1 The Zamorin Raja of Calicut	In the Kovilagom, or Palace of the Zamorin Raja situated in the Kasbah Mutshom of the Calicut Talook	3	1	4⅜	7½		1¼	Serviceable
				1	4⅜	7½			
				1	4⅜	3⅜			
"	2 The Raja of the Poorbia Kovilagom of Calicut	In the Poorbia-Kovilagom or Palace, situated in the Panangarah Mutshom of do do	1	2	10			2	Unserviceable
"	3 The Zamorin Raja of Calicut	In the Arakil Paramba (garden) situated in the Beypoor Mutshom	1	7	4⅜			3⅜	Old & slightly injured
Cartinaad	4 The Vaiha Raja of Cartinaad	In the Fort situated in the Buddagherry Mutshom of Cartinaad Talook	2	5	7½			4	Serviceable & in use.
				5	7½			4	
"	5 Do do	In the Fort at Cramongalom Mutshom of Cartinaad Talook	1	6	2½			3½	Ditto
"	6 Do do	In the Kootyporam Kovilagom situated at Tolely in Kootyporam Mutshom of Cartinaad Talook	1	4	9			3½	Ditto
"	7 Do do	In the Kovilagom situated in the Kootyporam Mutshom of Cartinaad Talook	1	2	6¾			2½	Ditto
"	8 Do do	In the Pullichan Kanniyal Poorady Fort situated in the Kootyporam Mutshom of do do	4	3	2			2½	Ditto
Cochin	9 Government	In the Cochin Sea Custom House	8	5	6½			4½	Unserviceable
				5	2½			4	
				5	10			4½	
				5	"			5	
				5	7½			4¾	
				4	10			3¾	
				7	1			5½	
				2	6			4	
"	10 Ditto	Around the Fort at Cochin	8						Ditto & are used for tying the Cables of the Flag Staff at Cochin.
"	11 Vanien Timappen Rongunee	In the warehouse belonging to Cromwelly Timappen, situated in British Cochin	2	4				4½	Serviceable

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In a letter from the Magistrate of Malabar dated 23d August 1859.

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List of Unserviceable Ordnance in the District of Malabar.

Vide Proceedings 13 September 1859 No 1241

Sq. D.
16 Sept 1859
No 1054

From of Govt 16 Sept 1859
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From
The Collr & Magistrate of Malabar
To
The Chief Secretary to Government Judl Dept, Fort St George

Dated 23d Augt 1859
Recd
No 75
Enclosures
Wanting.

Forwards a List of the pieces of Ordnance in this District & the names of the parties in whose possession they are to be found

With an Order.

No: 1241 – 13 September 1859.

From the Statement submitted with the above letter, it appears that there are

Belonging to	Serviceable	Unserviceable	
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Certain Moplahs	4	11	15
the Railway Company	5		5
Captains Spencer	1		1
Govt & mounted	9	19	28
Guns	38	41	79

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Gen Mr Genl.