

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 29th April 1859.

No. 30. Read the following letter from A. HATHAWAY, Esq., Acting Magistrate of Salem; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Oosoor, 8th April 1859, No. 134.

Sir,

With reference to my letter of the 28th Ultimo, No. 120, and the Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 22nd Idem, to which it related; I have the honor to mention, for the information of Government, that I have done all in my power to render Lieutenant Tennant's presence in this District beneficial.

2. I have temporarily made over to him, my most experienced Sub Officer of Police, and a Daloyet; and have taken measures, for the delivery to him, of statements, showing the gang robberies committed in each Talook during the last three months; the names of the parties robbed, and of the villages in which they lived; also of the amount stolen, and recovered, and of the parties suspected.

3. I have also issued Circulars enjoining that every aid be given to him.

4. During the settlement, which I have just brought to a termination, I examined all the Monegars and Moonsiffs, as to their ability to read and write; and there is now a book for each Talook, with remarks upon them all.

5. A Toty register, was also opened; in which the rightful owners of the Merass are entered; as well as the parties actually performing the duties of the office.

6. These will be made over to Lieutenant Tennant, who will thus be enabled to prepare the ground for the future introduction of the new Village Police.

7. To check the prevalence of gang robberies, at least eight more Tannahs are requisite, and were a body of eight picked men, on a monthly salary of 7 Rupees, allowed for this purpose, I think much benefit would ensue.

8. Several of my Daloyets have been sent to strengthen the hands of the Police.

9. Two persons have lately been selected as Deputy Collectors for this District; but of their qualifications I am ignorant.

10. With the promised reduction of the assessment, the management of the revenue of this District will be easy enough; but to cope successfully with crime, I am of opinion that the presence of an active Officer, either European or East Indian, is essential.

11. By the Native Officials, who have risen to the rank of Tahsildars or Sberistadars, physical activity is rarely developed.

12. I also think that much more crime would be detected, if, by either the Judges going on circuit; or by the location in the District, of a Criminal Court, justice could be brought nearer to the people.

13. At present, the delay, expense, and inconvenience, attendant upon a prosecutor having to go to the Subordinate Court, prevent many persons from coming forward; and in many instances, arrangements are made with the accused, who yield up a portion of their plunder retaining in quiet the remainder.

No. 31.

ORDER THEREON, No. 561; dated 25th April 1859.

Communicated to the Chief Commissioner of Mofussil Police.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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Communicated to
Chief Commissioner of
Municipal Police.
J.P.

John H. George
23rd April 1839

To the Ch. Comr of the Police - Sir P. 2.

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