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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Dated	28-5-	10/1859

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
from 28th to 31st May 1859.*

No. 1. Read the following letter from CHARLES PELLY, Esq., late Magistrate of Bellary ;
to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated 24th May 1859.

The Government are aware that the insurrection of Moondurghy Bheemrow, originating in the Darwar District, was crushed at Copal in the Assigned Districts of His Highness the Nizam's territories. But though the Bellary District was not insulted by the rebels, the suppression of them was effected chiefly by the Troops from Bellary sent out across the frontier at my requisition. Many of the rebels were killed in action at Copal; a large number were sentenced by Court Martial, and the Raichore authorities, to death, and were there executed; and a number more were sent as prisoners to the Bellary Jail. One of these men Marole Bheemrow had been sentenced to death, but his life was spared on condition of his giving information; and I was directed by Government to examine him. He was eventually, on my report, set at liberty.

2. Having thus had much to do with this matter, it has been suggested to me that I might very properly bring to the notice of Government, the circumstances of the men who are still, I believe, in Jail for their crime of rebellion, though with their trial and conviction I had nothing to do.

3. The state of the country is now quite peaceable, and these men might, I think, be admitted to the benefit of the amnesty without danger; as they are, I believe, for the most part but poor misguided men; and a very severe and ample punishment has been already inflicted on the many wretches, who were foolishly induced to follow Bheemrow to their own destruction.

No. 2. ORDER THEREON, 28th May 1859, No. 739.

Resolved, that a copy of the above letter be forwarded to the Acting Judge of Bellary, and that he be requested to state at an early date, in reference to para. 2, what prisoners are now confined in the Bellary Jail for rebellion, their names, countries, sentences, and authority by which the sentences were passed.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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Dated 20: May 1859.

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