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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
from 2nd to 8th July 1859.*

No. 59. Read the following letter from W. ROBINSON, Esq., Chief Commissioner of Mofussil Police; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Chittoor, 11th June 1859.

Para. 1. I have the honor to forward the abstract Statement of gang and highway robbery for the whole Presidency during the first quarter of this year.

	Gang robbery.	Highway robbery.	2. Marked improvement is observable during the quarter under review in the number of cases committed.
4th Quarter of 1858..	260	200	
1st Quarter of 1859.	200	139	
Decrease...	60	61	

	By gang robbery.	By highway robbery.	3. The amount of property returned as lost bears a less favorable comparison, attributable, in the case of gang robbery, to the late occurrence at the Railway station of Vellore.
4th Quarter of 1858.	105,533	8,457	
1st Quarter of 1859.	111,660	14,121	
Increase Rs..	6,127	5,664	

4. A very serious case seems to have occurred in Kurnool, 300 Rohillas from the Nizam's country having attacked a village on the border and completely plundered it.

5. The exertions of the Police have been attended with little success, 39 persons concerned in gang robbery were convicted and Rupees 713 (both inclusive of cases of previous quarters) worth of property was recovered or $1\frac{9}{16}$ per cent. of the losses of the quarter.

6. Forty-one highway-men were convicted; and $0\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. of the property lost by highway robbery was recovered.

7. I exceedingly regret the late period at which the statement is submitted; attributable to the circumstances of my Office. I have been constantly on the move for nearly two months, frequently off postal roads that much delay and disappointment has occurred in my receiving these returns, now abstracted.

8. The return from Canara only reached me on the 23rd day after its despatch from Mangalore; and several seem never to have reached me at all and I have had to await the receipt of duplicates.

9. I will use my best endeavours to obviate similar delay in future, and if unsuccessful, will venture to request that these returns may be prepared as before in the Government Office.

Statement shewing the number of cases of Gang Robbery committed or attempted in the undermentioned Districts during the three months from 1st January to 31st March 1859.

to 31st March 1859.															
Districts.	Committed.		Attempted.		Number of cases in column 5, in which parties have been apprehended and No. of such parties.		Number of cases in column 6, in which parties have been convicted by the Courts and No. of persons convicted.		Proportion of stolen property entered in column 3 that has been recovered.		Operations of Police in regard to cases occurring prior to the quarter under report.				Remarks.
	No. of cases.	Value of property said to have been stolen.	No. of cases.	Total.	Number of cases.	Number of parties.	Number of cases.	Number of parties.	No. of cases.	Number of parties.	No. of cases in which parties have been apprehended.	No. of persons convicted by the Courts.	Value of property recovered.		
I	3	Rs. A. P.	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
Ganjam.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Rs. A. P.	...	...	...	Rs. A. P.	Return not received.	
Vizagapatam.....	1	2,738 8 0	1	16	8	157	1	2	461 7 4	8	44	1	6 10 0	This case is under trial before the Subordinate Court.	
Rajahmundry.....	2	68 5 6	2	26	6	26	...	...	...	3	8	...	361 8 0	Gang composed of 300 Rohillas and others from Nizam's country and committed in Calookoola and Jungumwarry Pully of Doopaud Talook.	
Masulipatam.....	9	10,306 13 8	7	16	8	157	1	2	...	8	44	1	6 10 0		
Guntur.....	20	3,487 12 0	6	26	6	26	...	...	...	3	8	...	361 8 0		
Bellary.....	1	2,217 8 10	1	1	1	2	1	1	...	3	8	...	361 8 0		
Nellore.....	14	1,512 14 6	1	15	10	29	1	1	163 0 6	1	1	...	...		
Chingleput.....	2	321 9 4	2	32	6	32	...	...	...	3	5	...	...		
North Arcot.....	28	59,587 0 11	4	32	3	13	...	...	...	3	5	...	...		
South Arcot.....	14	1,283 13 2	2	16	3	13	...	...	...	3	5	...	...		
Salem.....	33	6,933 0 0	2	35	11	78	1	1	19 15 0	5	24	3	24 0 0		
Coimbatore.....	20	5,050 4 4	1	21	8	73	1	4	37 0 0	2	24	3	3 2 8		
Trichinopoly.....	8	2,589 0 0	1	9	5	36	2	7	142 15 11	2	4	...	8 7 0		
Tanjore.....	4	13,354 8 0	...	4	3	27	2	9	104 0 0	2	9	...	...		
Madura.....	6	1,192 6 0	1	7	3	30	1	3	9,034 9 11	1	1	...	...		
Tinnevely.....	7	458 4 0	...	7	4	12	...	...	...	11	44	5	25 6 0		
Malabar.....	1	4 2 11	1	1	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Canara.....	5	554 7 0	...	5	4	33	1	2	5 0 0	...	...	...	...		
Total.....	175	1,11,660 6	225	200	76	567	11	302,686 12 6	36	140	9	429 1 8			

(Signed) W. ROBINSON, Chief Commissioner of Madras Police.

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Statement shewing the number of cases of Highway Robbery committed or attempted in the undermentioned Districts during the three months from 1st January to 31st March 1859.

Districts.	Committed.		Attempted.		Number of cases in column 5, in which parties have been apprehended and No. of such parties.		Number of cases in column 6, in which parties have been convicted by the Courts and No. of persons convicted.		Proportion of stolen property entered in column 3 that has been recovered.		Operations of Police in regard to cases occurring prior to the quarter under report.				Remarks.
	No.	Value of property stolen.	Rs. A. P.	Number of cases.	Number of parties.	Number of cases.	Number of parties.	Rs. A. P.	No. of cases in which parties have been apprehended.	No. of persons apprehended.	No. of persons convicted by the Court.	Value of property recovered.	Rs. A. P.		
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Ganjam.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Return not received.	
Vizagapatam.....	1	46 8 0	1	1	1	1	1	1 12 0	1	1	1	7 14 0	No case in the last quarter of 1858.		
Rajahmundry.....	1	1 12 0	1	1	1	1	1	3 4 0	13	61	2	119 1 0	The Prisoners have been sentenced to 14 years, imprisonment, each.		
Masulipatam.....	3	127 14 8	3	13	26	2	2	6 4 0	3	13	...	...			
Guntur.....	13	2,846 0 9	13	21	30	2	1	10 0 0	...	...	...	...			
Cuddapah.....	21	2,160 4 0	21	5	3	1	1	15 12 4	...	...	...	...			
Bellary.....	5	128 2 8	5	25	32	1	7	...	...	...	...	...			
Kurnool.....	25	2,646 7 8	25	3	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	...			
Nellore.....	3	660 7 3	3	19	6	1	4	...	...	...	...	...			
Chingleput.....	18	2,329 1 4	1	12	22	1	1	...	...	...	...	...			
North Arcot.....	11	169 14 1	11	15	47	1	1	...	...	...	...	...			
South Arcot.....	15	2,120 0 0	15	4	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...			
Salem.....	4	29 5 7	4	4	8	1	4	...	...	...	...	...			
Coimbatore.....	4	264 14 0	4	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...			
Trichinopoly.....	1	33 10 0	1	1	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Tanjore.....	7	258 15 0	7	4	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Madura.....	4	282 12 10	4	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Tinnevely.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Malabar.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Canara.....	1	15 3 0	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Total.....	137	14,121 4 10	2	139	227	51	25	219 5 0	27	123	16	133 9 0			

to first March 1859.

(Signed) W. ROBINSON, Chief Commr of Mofussil Police.

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Comparative Statement of Gang and Highway Robberies in the Districts under the Madras Presidency during the 4th Quarter of 1858 and 1st Quarter of 1859.

Districts.	Gang Robbery.						Highway Robbery.					
	4th Quarter of 1858.			1st Quarter of 1859.			4th Quarter of 1858.			1st Quarter of 1859.		
	Cases attempted and committed.	Amount of property stolen.	Rs. A. P.	Cases attempted and committed.	Amount of property stolen.	Rs. A. P.	Cases attempted and committed.	Amount of property stolen.	Rs. A. P.	Cases attempted and committed.	Amount of property stolen.	Rs. A. P.
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Guntoor.....												
Cuddapah.....	21	14,570 5 0										
Bellary.....	17	958 10 0										
Kurnool.....	6	2 10 0										
Nellore.....	17	1,121 14 4										
Chingleput....	1	514 13 6										
North Arcot....	22	25,140 4 0										
South Arcot....	13	1,912 5 6										
Salem.....	57	16,301 0 0										
Coimbatore....	28	3,014 5 10										
Trichinopoly..	9	655 1 0										
Tanjore.....	49	35,901 11 7										
Madura.....	6	647 14 8										
Tinnevely.....	14	4,926 11 0										
Malabar.....	1	156 4 4										
Canara.....	2	372 5 2										
Total.....	260	1,05,533 15 11	200	1,11,660 6 230	47,156 9 989	40,922 7 6	200	8,457 2 11	139	14,121 4 10	12	8,285 13 169
Net.....				30	6,164 2 359	40,992 7 630						
Office of Chief Commissioner of Mofussil Police, } Chittoor, 11th June 1859.												
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No. 60.

ORDER THEREON, 8th July 1859, No. 940.

1. With this letter the Chief Commissioner of Mofussil Police, forwards statements exhibiting the number and particulars of gang and highway robberies throughout the Presidency during the 1st quarter of 1859.

2. The Government are glad to observe that there has been, on the whole, a marked decrease of both descriptions of crime. The results, however, in respect to number of persons captured and convicted, and the proportion of property recovered, are less favorable.

3. The Northern Sirkars still continue remarkably free from grave crime, the number of cases entered against the whole five Districts being only gang robbery 3, and highway robbery 5. Decided improvement is observable in Cuddapah, hitherto so fertile in crime, and in Coimbatore. In Tinnevely the statement shows a decrease of 50 per cent, and in Tanjore the change for the

		Gang Robbery.	Highway Robbery.	
4th quarter, 1858..	..	49	3	
1st quarter, 1859..	..	4	1	
		—	—	
	Decrease..	45	2	

has been obtained under either head in the quarter under review. In Nellore, South Arcot and Madura, there has been no material change. There is still a large amount of crime in Salem though it is satisfactory to observe an improvement in this respect over previous returns.

4. The Government refer to their Proceedings dated the 9th and 18th June 1857, and to the order of the Court of Directors in paragraph 15 of their Dispatch, No. 5 of 1858, that a half yearly report on Mr. Whittingham's conduct; as the Officer in principal charge of the Police of North Arcot, should be transmitted to them; which order was duly communicated to Mr. Whittingham and to the Commissioner of Mofussil Police, by the last of whom the half yearly report was to be submitted to the Government.

5. The Commissioner of Police will now be desired to explain, why the periodical report which he was desired to make, has not been furnished.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

Read the following
Letter from the Chief
Commissioner of
Mofussil Police - } were sent to
dated 11th June '59.
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The change for the better is still more striking.

Gang Robbery	Highway Robbery
4 th quarter '57. - 49	3
1 st quarter '57. - 4	1
December - 45	2

about 0 1/2 per cent.

In Belary and ~~the~~ Arcot crime is on the increase and is very prevalent.

In the latter District the proportion of property recovered is still miserably small, and not one conviction has been obtained under either head in the quarter under review. In Bellary South Arcot & Madras ~~the~~ there has been no material change. There is still a large amount of crime in Salem, though it is satisfactory to observe an improvement in this respect over previous returns.

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To the Chief Commr of the
Madras Police - 3 Disps 14.

For of ~~last~~ 8 July
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