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No. 146. Read the following letter from W. ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of Madras Police; to the Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 27th August 1861, No. 1,289.

General Department.

I have the honor to submit the Returns of Gang and Highway Robbery for the first half year of 1861. The half year has been an excessively unfavorable one from the obvious causes of drought and consequent high prices.

Gang Robbery.—2. The Return of the year is on the whole unsatisfactory. The Returns from Cuddapah exhibit 230 cases of Gang Robbery, being an increase on the preceding half year of 103; but 83 of these cases were merely attempts and unsuccessful, and of the rest a considerable number were robberies of grain committed in the fields and back yards of houses by gangs of men.

3. The pressure caused by drought was the principal source of this lawlessness which has now been effectually arrested as already reported to Government.

Highway Robbery.—4. Cuddapah under the head of Highway Robbery also shows unfavorably.

5. In Bellary crime has likewise been rife; an increase appears of 40 Gang Robberies and 42 Highway Robberies. The same causes have doubtless operated in producing this increase.

6. In some other Districts too there has been an increase of Highway Robbery and the operation of the Police, as exhibited in the number of convictions obtained, is still unsatisfactory.

7. One hundred and ninety-one persons were convicted of Gang Robbery, and 163 of Highway Robbery.

Statement showing the number of Cases of Gang Robbery committed or attempted in the undermentioned Districts during the six months from 1st January to 30th June 1861.

Districts.		Committed.				Attempted.	Total.	No. of Cases in column 5, in which parties have been apprehended and No. of such parties.		No. 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.			Operation of Police in regard to Cases occurring prior to the half year under report.					Remarks.
		No. of Cases.	Value of property said to have been Stolen.			No. of Cases.	No. of Cases in cols. 2 and 4.	No. of Cases.	No. of Parties.	No. of Cases.	No. of Parties.				No. of Cases in which parties have been apprehended.	No. of persons apprehended.	No. of persons convicted by the Courts.	Value of property recovered.		
1		2	3			4	5	6	7	8	9	10			11	12	13	14		15
			Rs.	A.	P.							Rs.	A.	P.				Rs.	A.	P.
Ganjam	Gang Robbery.	4	151	7	6	1	5	1	8	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Vizagapatam		...	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Godavery District		3	124	1	4	.....	3	3	28	.....	.....	4	2	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Kristna District		3	1,070	14	0	.....	3	1	9	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Cuddapah		145	35,303	10	5	85	230	54	201	3	5	71	6	0	18	163	4	118	2	0
Bellary		69	42,884	0	0	20	89	28	221	.....	.....	38	12	0	5	20	.....	31	4	0
Kurnool		3	297	11	0	1	4	1	4	1	.....	.....	...	...	1	1	1	629	0	0
Nellore		30	4,164	8	2	9	39	19	127	.....	.....	103	0	6	1	1	1	.....	...	...
Chingleput		5	2,219	12	11	.....	5	2	46	2	46	216	3	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
North Arcot		18	6,681	13	10	3	21	9	62	1	2	63	6	2	2	2	5	9	0	0
South Arcot		19	4,162	11	7	1	20	8	24	6	16	278	9	8	3	11	2	89	0	0
Salem		56	3,737	0	0	3	59	32	166	1	6	224	0	0	2	2	.....	.....	...	...
Coimbatore		27	1,640	14	2	1	28	19	136	6	33	166	14	1	1	1	.....	1	8	0
Trichinopoly		15	1,883	9	6	1	16	8	65	.....	.....	20	0	10	1	3	.....	5	12	0
Tanjore		17	8,233	11	8	1	18	7	69	4	10	179	2	2	2	17	.....	540	12	0
Madura		2	2,457	6	10	1	3	2	9	.....	.....	3	7	0	1	1	1	.....	...	...
Tinnevelly		1	20	3	9	.....	1	1	18	.....	.....	.....	...	...	2	19	19	.....	...	...
Malabar		22	5,873	6	0	2	24	15	131	5	27	203	11	3	4	11	7	33	10	0
North Canara		3	1,451	4	0	.....	3	2	12	.....	.....	162	7	0	2	9	1	13	0	0
South Canara		12	2,391	1	7	.....	12	9	47	1	4	90	0	0	1	8	.....	36	8	0
Total		456	1,24,749	4	3	129	585	201	1,383	30	150	1,824	13	1	46	279	41	1,507	8	0

Statement showing the number of Cases of Highway Robbery committed or attempted in the undermentioned Districts during the six months from 1st January to 30th June 1861.

Districts.		Committed.				Attempted.	Total.	No. of Cases in column 5, in which parties have been apprehended and No. of such parties.		No. 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.			Operation of Police in regard to Cases occurring prior to the half year under report.					Remarks.
		No. of Cases.	Value of property said to have been Stolen.			No. of Cases.	No. of Cases in cols. 2 and 4.	No. of Cases.	No. of Parties.	No. of Cases.	No. of Parties.				No. of Cases in which parties have been apprehended.	No. of persons apprehended.	No. of persons convicted by the Courts.	Value of property recovered.		
1		2	3			4	5	6	7	8	9	10			11	12	13	14		15
			Rs.	A.	P.							Rs.	A.	P.				Rs.	A.	P.
Ganjam	Highway Robbery.	1	38	8	6	...	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Vizagapatam		9	2,035	8	0	...	9	1	8	1	8	763	6	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Godavery District		3	70	12	0	...	3	3	6	1	1	26	14	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Krishna District		25	730	14	0	...	25	5	26	1	3	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Cuddapah		90	9,410	9	0	14	104	40	151	8	31	494	2	6	13	63	1	139	0	0
Bellary		78	6,988	0	0	10	89	23	82	7	25	50	7	0	4	9	.....	6	0	0
Kurnool		29	1,093	4	2	...	29	17	45	11	21	53	14	7	1	3	2	.....	...	...
Nellore		57	3,086	3	2	8	63	26	96	3	4	142	6	11	3	4	.....	9	15	6
Chingleput		5	894	12	3	...	5	3	8	2	8	1	6	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
North Arcot		50	1,729	6	10	2	52	22	94	4	8	18	3	3	8	37	20	14	1	1
South Arcot		80	1,844	9	9	2	98	39	77	27	9	656	14	6	2	10	6	.....	...	...
Salem		34	1,760	0	0	...	34	15	42	3	9	63	0	0	4	19	.....	22	0	0
Coimbatore		12	658	5	5	1	13	12	45	3	8	63	12	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Trichinopoly		11	529	10	0	...	11	6	13	.....	.....	.....	...	...	1	2	.....	.....	...	...
Tanjore		7	1,550	8	6	2	9	2	4	.....	.....	13	3	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Madura		8	194	10	5	1	9	5	20	.....	.....	21	10	0	2	3	3	.....	...	...
Tinnevelly		.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Malabar		4	94	2	4	...	4	4	4	2	2	1	3	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
North Canara		3	15	1	3	...	3	2	8	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
South Canara		2	160	2	6	...	2	1	14	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
Total		527	23,097	15	2	40	569	226	744	73	137	2,370	7	7	38	154	32	242	0	7

Comparative Statement of Gang and Highway Robberies reported in the Madras Presidency during the 1st half year 1860 and 1st half year 1861.

	Gang Robbery.								Highway Robbery.							
	2nd Half year 1860.		1st Half year 1861.		Increase.		Decrease.		2nd Half year 1860.		1st Half year 1861.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Cases attempted and committed.	Amount of property stolen.	Cases attempted and committed.	Amount of property stolen.	Cases.	Amount of property stolen.	Cases.	Amount of property stolen.	Cases attempted and committed.	Amount of property stolen.	Cases attempted and committed.	Amount of property stolen.	Cases.	Amount of property stolen.	Cases.	Amount of property stolen.
		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.
Ganjam ...	6	245 11 0	3	151 7 6	...	...	3	94 3 6	6	28 8 0	1	2 0	...	...	5	41 8 0
Vizagapatam ...	0	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	...	9	2,005 8 0	9	7012 3	...	2024 12 0	...	...
Godavery District	...	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	...	5	7,014 0	5	7501 4 0	2	68 12 3	...	...
Krishna District ...	127	33,146 11 11	239	33,391 10 5	112	244 15 6	...	...	80	9,410 2 0	92	9410 2 0	12	308 10 0	...	...
Cuddapah ...	47	14,564 0 0	89	13,884 0 0	42	680 0 0	...	...	40	6,983 0 0	45	5,195 0 0	5	211 0 0	...	...
Bellary ...	45	924 3 8	40	896 11 0	...	...	5	27 12 0	20	1,093 1 9	28	1119 1 9	8	26 3 3	...	...
Kurnool ...	45	8,271 8 4	89	4,164 8 2	...	...	6	4,110 0 2	83	2,986 3 2	88	4,761 8 0	5	1,774 4 10	...	...
Nellore ...	1	2,859 9 0	5	2,219 12 11	4	639 12 11	...	...	5	884 12 5	1	846 2 5	...	...	4	37 10 0
Chingleput ...	27	4,560 11 5	21	6,681 13 10	2,121	2 5 6	...	...	52	1,739 6 10	58	2,131 2 6	6	391 15 8	...	...
North Arcot ...	21	2,831 8 11	20	4,164 11 7	1,332	2 8 8	...	...	34	1,760 0 0	24	1,499 13 5	...	...	10	260 2 7
South Arcot ...	56	11,338 0 0	59	3,757 0 0	...	...	3	7,580 0 0	15	658 5 5	25	474 15 0	10	183 6 5	...	...
Coimbatore ...	25	4,316 13 6	28	1,649 14 2	...	...	3	2,666 15 4	11	589 10 0	7	1,513 6 6	...	923 12 6	4	75 3 6
Tinchinopoly ...	11	3,685 2 8	16	1,583 9 6	...	...	2	2,101 9 2	8	1,550 8 6	1	...	...	...	7	1,550 8 6
Tanjore ...	19	4,465 6 3	18	8,223 11 8	3,758	5 5 1	...	...	9	494 10 5	4	32 15 11	...	...	5	461 14 6
Madura ...	3	6,996 9 8	7	2,457 6 10	...	...	2	4,539 2 10	1	91 2 4	...	...	...	...	1	91 2 4
Tinnevelly ...	4	2,050 2 0	11	20 3 9	...	...	3	2,029 14 3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malabar ...	8	2,849 15 11	44	5,852 6 0	16	8,023 6 1	...	...	4	173 3 11	4	173 3 11	...	...	...	...
North Canara ...	11	1,359 14 10	14	3,812 5 7	8	2,483 8 9	...	...	5	173 3 11	5	173 3 11	...	...	...	...
South Canara ...																
Total ...	444	1,08,023 0 7	395	1,24,749 4 3	180	41,942 4 9	39	25,215 5 0	365	80,550 9 10	507	83,057 13 2	222	14,610 11 7	92	11,963 8 3
Net ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	141	16,727 1 9	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	200	2,547 3 4	...	...

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Inspector General of Madras Police.

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(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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To
The Secretary to
Government of
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No 1392

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Highway Robberies for
the 1/4 Half year

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