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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government Judicial Department,
4th February 1861.*

No. 13. Read the following Proceedings of the Sudder Court, dated 29th January 1861, No. 6.

Read letter, dated 11th ultimo, from the Acting Session Judge of Salem, submitting for the final judgment of the Sudder Court, the record of trial in Case No. 71 of 1860, of the Calendar of the Session Court.

Read also letter, dated 23rd January 1861, from the Acting Session Judge, affording the further information called for in the Sudder Court's Proceedings, dated 18th January 1861, in the above case.

1. The prisoners in this case, boys of 12 and 13 years of age respectively, are clearly convicted of having deliberately murdered their play-fellow, a boy of about their own age, for the sake of his ornaments. The murder appears to have been effected by blows with a stone and a bill-hook, after which they cut off his hands and feet with the same instrument. They had been seen by the 1st and 2nd witnesses in company with the deceased on the same evening on which he was missed, and on being questioned owned their guilt and pointed out the spot where the murder had been committed, in a field near the village and close to a stream. The body was discovered at the place thus indicated, and the feet and one hand were also pointed out by the 1st prisoner who subsequently produced the ornaments worn by the deceased from a place of concealment in his own house.

2. Adverting to the youth of the prisoners, the Court sentence them to imprisonment for life under Act No. XIV of 1844; and in the absence of any available means of subjecting them to reformatory discipline, as proposed by the Acting Session Judge, would recommend to Government that they should be transported to the Andaman Islands.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. F. CHAMIER,
Registrar.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

No. 14. ORDER THEREON, 4th February 1861, No. 141.

The Government approve the recommendation of the Sudder Court for the transportation of the two offenders in question to the Andaman Islands.

2. The Commissioner of Police will report their arrival at the Penitentiary with special reference to this Order.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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The Sudder Court: }
" Comm^r. of Police } Des^{ts} 5-2-61.