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No. 169. Read the following letter from E. G. R. FANE, Esq., Agent to the Governor, Vizagapatam; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 18th November 1861, No. 362.

1. Now that an Assistant has been sanctioned for special duty in Jeypoor, and as in addition to an efficient Police two Sub-Magistrates are sanctioned for Jeypoor itself and Ouradah above the ghat, I expect that the Criminals sentenced from them for robbery and petty thefts and various terms of imprisonments will average some 50 a year.

2. Within the last year or two several robberies and murders have been with difficulty detected in that part of the country and their perpetrators sentenced to imprisonment at Vizagapatam. The number sentenced have been 18. Whether from proximity to the sea or whether from the interdiction of opium, to the eating of which many hill men are addicted, out of this number no less than 11 have died, and in fact the passing a sentence of 5 years' imprisonment in the Jail of Vizagapatam against a hill man is almost equivalent to a sentence of death. I therefore have now the honor of addressing you and beg that simultaneous with the appointment of the Assistant, &c., abovementioned, the erection of a Jail to accommodate 50 Prisoners at Jeypoor may be sanctioned. A square of thatched buildings surrounded by a high wall would be sufficient at first, but for all times a tiled range of buildings at a cost of a thousand Rupees or so would be ample. All desperate characters, murderers or others sentenced to long terms of imprisonment could as now be sent to the Jail here. But for them even the Jail at Jeypoor would be an advantage, as a change of air would occasionally be absolutely necessary for them, as it was lately with some twenty who were sent from here to Chicacole Jail, but where being still near the sea 2 out of 20 have already died.

3. The moral effect of a Jail at Jeypoor would doubtless also be very great and the seeing their countrymen actually suffering punishment would I shall hope somewhat restrain the present lawlessness of the people of that part of this Zillah.

4. As there will be required at Jeypoor an Office for the Sub-Magistrate and one for the Deputy Inspector of Police, I shall propose to the Engineer and get him to estimate for a range of buildings that shall include these two Offices with the Jail to their rear. The whole being, in case of an emeute easily defensible. The Estimate when finished shall be forwarded to you and will I hope meet with the approval of Government and at once sanctioned.

No. 170.

ORDER THEREON, 27th November 1861, No. 1,464.

Referred to the Inspector General of Jails.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

W. J. H. J.

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pector Genl of Sails



The Inspector Genl. of Sails. *Sept 28*