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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
17th December 1861.

No. 96. Read the following letter from E. B. THOMAS, Esq., Magistrate of Coimbatore; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 5th December 1861, No. 63.

1. With reference to the Notification contained in the Fort Saint George Gazette of 29th November 1861, defining the powers of Magisterial Officers under the Criminal Procedure Code, which comes into operation on the 1st proximo, I have the honor to point out a difficulty which occurs to me in the case of my present Acting Head Assistant Mr. Irvine.

2. By the Notification, all Joint and Head Assistant Magistrates are vested with full powers of a Magistrate, but Assistants who have not passed the 2nd standard, are to exercise only the powers of a 2nd class Sub-Magistrate. Mr. Irvine has not passed the 2nd standard, but he has been for the last eight months in charge of the Head Assistant's Division, and for the last two years exercising the full powers of a Magistrate. I request to be favored with the Government Orders as to his future position. I may remark that if Mr. Irvine is not, while Acting in the Head Assistant's Office, to exercise the full powers vested in Head Assistants, that the whole Magisterial work of the District (exclusive only of the Sub-Division) must necessarily devolve upon me, though I can from past experience, repose full confidence in Mr. Irvine's continued exercise of the power he has so long satisfactorily acted on.

No. 97. ORDER THEREON, 17th December 1861, No. 1,556.

The Government resolve, under Section 23 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to invest Mr. O. B. Irvine, Acting Head Assistant Collector of Coimbatore, with the powers of a Magistrate.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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