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

No. 28. Read the following letter from J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Ootacamund, 18th February 1861, No. 58.

Jail Establishment monthly ... Rupees	...	50
Police Head Constable ..... ,,	...	20
2 *Deputies* ... ... ,,	...	21
5 *Constables, 1st Class* ... ,,	....	35
13 *Constables* ... ... ,,	...	78
		204
Deduct 10 *Constables required to guard at labor* 60 *prisoners at the Zillah Jail* ... ... ,,	...	60
		144
		12
		1,728
Sundries, say ... ... ,,	...	100
	Rupees	1,828

I have the honor to state for the information of Government that finding that the cost of maintaining a Jail at Palghaut, now no longer a Regimental station, is above eighteen hundred Rupees in excess of what the cost of the convicts would be in the Zillah Jail, I have remanded the gang, sixty in number, to the Zillah Jail: by this arrangement the addition to the fixed Establishment proposed for Palghaut, in my letter of the 17th December 1860, No. 534, will be avoided.

2. The Establishment of a Jail at Ootacamund enables me to relieve the Coimbatore Jail, and the new Prison at Salem will, by putting 3 in a cell, accommodate 450 prisoners till other arrangements can be made.

Proceedings of the Inspector General of Jails, dated 18th February 1861, No. 59.

The Inspector General of Jails sees no occasion for continuing the occupation of a Jail at Palghaut; the station is no longer occupied as a Military post for a Regiment; the cost of maintaining the Jail amounts to about eighteen hundred Rupees a year; the necessity for retaining it as a relief to the Coimbatore Jail no longer exists; there is no proper Jail establishment, nor is the Officer in charge a constant resident of the station and in his absence, in his talook, the maintenance of discipline devolves on the Jailor. The Inspector General of Jails has hitherto abstained from interfering with this arrangement which obtained when he took charge of his Office; but the necessity for providing a separate fixed establishment, and the disadvantage of keeping a body of convicts at a station where they are necessarily under no control for a portion of the year, induces him to remand the gang to Coimbatore, the Jail at which place can now be relieved by the Ootacamund Jail.

2. The Joint Magistrate of Palghaut is requested to send the gang of Coimbatore prisoners back to their Zillah Jail.

3. The Sessions Judge of Coimbatore is requested to transfer 30 able bodied convicts from that station to Ootacamund.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. ROHDE,
Inspector General of Jails.

No. 29. ORDER THEREON, 4th March 1861, No. 289.

Communicated to the Civil Auditor, and to the Inspector General of Police.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

No. 289 — 4th March 1861.

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" Accl. Genl. "
" Inspector Genl. of Police. "