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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
8th April 1861.*

No. 31. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department,
dated 28th March 1861, No. 636.

*Communicating the Order passed on a letter from
the Inspector General of Mufussal Police, sub-
mitting a Memo. from the Superintendent of
Police, Cuddapah, respecting the alleged pre-
valence of offences in the Cuddapah District.*

(Vide Proceedings Public Works Department,
dated 28th March 1861, Nos. 464 & 465.

No. 32.

ORDER THEREON, 8th April 1861, No. 465.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from W. ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of Mufassal Police, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 12th March 1861, No. 303:—

SIR,

With reference to the Order of Government, No. 350, dated 21st February 1861, Public Works Department, I have the honor to submit the accompanying Memorandum, in original, by the Superintendent of Police of Cuddapah. Crime has been very rife in Cuddapah of late; but it has been confined almost solely to the robbery of grain, the consequence of the distress prevailing in the country. I am glad to say that, by the latest reports, robbery had been checked in some measure.

Memorandum from Captain C. S. HEARN, Superintendent of Police, Cuddapah, dated Cuddapah, 3rd March 1861.

1. With reference to Proceedings of Madras Government, Public Works Department, accompanying Order of Government No. 350, of 21st February 1861, calling for report on the state of Cuddapah District in respect to alleged prevalence of serious crime.

2. The letter of Mr. Taylor, quoted by Captain Hemery, appears to have been written on the 29th December last. The Taluq of Maddanapalli was taken up by the new Police on the 28th December, the day previous. I am not aware whether Mr. Taylor's range extends beyond Maddanapalli, to the adjacent Taluqs of Cudree and Kulkudda, but these also were not then under occupation by the new Police. The state of crime in that part of the country previous to January 1861 cannot, therefore, be reported on by me.

3. The Taluq of Maddanapalli was taken by the new Police on the 28th December as before stated. Cudree Taluq has also been occupied since the 20th ultimo. No case of murder has occurred in these Taluqs since occupation by the new Police. Two cases of gang robbery occurred in Maddanapalli Taluq during January.

4. With reference to the letter of Mr. George, Assistant Engineer, there has undoubtedly been an outbreak of crime in Rajahpet Taluq, but it took the shape of constant plunder of grain rather than regularly organized gang robbery, and occurred almost without exception in outlying hamlets. I have this morning returned from that Taluq, where I have been engaged in repressing these outrages. The country was quiet when I left, and I trust will remain so, especially as the villagers have been stimulated to resist the robbers, seven of whom have been killed in the act of gang robbery in the short space of a month, including the chief leader in all such outrages, a man universally dreaded, while others have been sentenced to imprisonment for fourteen years.

5. It is quite true that the Banghy was robbed a short time ago in this Taluq. This occurred previous to my taking charge. I do not see, however, that an isolated instance of Banghy robbery can affect the security of Overseers' cash chests.

6. But it is not my province to discuss the question of necessity for a guard. I have already applied for instructions on this head, and have acquainted you with the temporary measures adopted by me for the protection of the cash chests Department Public Works.

7. The Cuddapah District has, I believe, always been notorious for the prevalence of crime. There are many obvious causes for this, but as the Magistrate (who is intimately acquainted with the District by long experience) has been called upon to report, he will detail them better than I can. There are many difficulties of country and climate; sickness has been unusually prevalent, and an entirely new force, grappling with crime in the face of these obstacles, can hardly be expected to obtain immediate marked success. But I am using my best efforts; and have every hope as to the ultimate result.

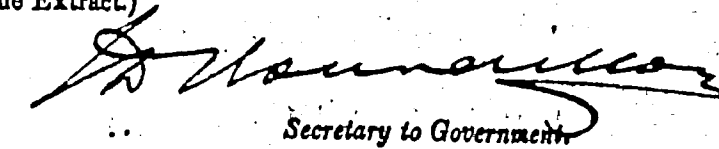
8. And on the whole I think that the Officers of the Public Works Department in their anxiety to obtain protection for their treasure chests have certainly made the most of the lawlessness said to prevail in the District.

ORDER THEREON, 28th March 1861, No. 636.

1. This letter will be communicated to the Chief Engineer with reference to his of the 5th February No. 9,619. The Government are gratified to learn that crime is decreasing in Cuddapah, under the active exertions of the new Police only recently introduced in most parts of the District.

2. Respecting Police protection for the cash of the Public Works Department the Chief Engineer will be referred to the Order of 8th instant No. 518.

(True Extract.)


Secretary to Government

To the Chief Engineer.

„ Inspector General of Mufassal Police.

„ Judicial Department.

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