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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,

17th July 1861.

No. 146. Read the following letter from A. K. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, Bombay; to the Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Bombay Castle, 28th June 1861, No. 2,465.

I am directed to forward to you the accompanying copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, No. 1,123, dated the 6th instant, with enclosures, regarding a number of convicts recently transported to Port Blair.

2nd. You will observe from the statement which forms one of the enclosures that sixteen of these convicts were sentenced by the Courts of Canara. In drawing the attention of the Government of Madras to paragraph 2 of Mr. Grey's letter, I am desired to request that you will be so good as to communicate direct to the Government of India the report called for in regard to these men.

From W. GREY, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India; to H. L. ANDERSON, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government of Bombay, dated Fort William, 6th June 1861, No. 1,123.

Home Department.
Judicial.

I am directed to forward the accompanying copy of a letter No. 96, dated 22nd April, from the Superintendent of Port Blair, reporting the arrival at that Settlement of the Brig "Cops" from Bombay, having on board forty-six male and four female convicts, and with reference to the remarks of the Superintendent regarding the condition in which the prisoners arrived, to request that such orders may be issued with regard to future batches of convicts sent to Port Blair, as may appear advisable to the Governor in Council, with the view of ensuring as much regard to their bodily health as may be consistent with proper measures of security against outbreak on board-ship. His Excellency in Council will doubtless direct enquiry to be made in regard to the statement which goes to show that one of the prisoners when put on board the "Cops" was insane.

2. I am directed to forward copy of a roll submitted by the Superintendent of Port Blair, containing the names of seventeen of the convicts concerning whom he requests special orders, and to observe that as the men were despatched from Bombay long after the communication of the Resolution passed by the Governor General in Council on the 19th of November last, it is presumed that there are circumstances connected with their cases which have caused the Bombay Government to consider it inexpedient to extend to them the benefit of the general measure of pardon to mutineers and rebels contemplated by that order.

From Captain J. C. HAUGHTON, Superintendent Port Blair; to W. GREY, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, dated Port Blair, 22nd April 1861, No. 96.

I have the honor to report for the information of the Governor General in Council that the Brig "Cops" arrived on 19th instant, forty-nine days from Bombay, having forty-six male and four female convicts on board.

2. It was hardly possible that men handcuffed and so ironed, as to prevent the possibility of exercise, could undergo so long confinement, the greater portion of the time below deck in a confined atmosphere without suffering, consequently the Civil Surgeon reports the whole of them as slightly scorbutic.

3. One man Chumun Singh, whose name is entered in the roll annexed, is only fit for a Lunatic Asylum. He is the second man who has been received in this state from Bombay. From the statements of his fellow prisoners, it appears that the prisoner was domestic servant to a Jemadar (of Chuprassee) attached to the Indore Residency and that he has been insane ever since he was imprisoned. Regarding the seventeen men whose names are included in the annexed roll, I have the honor to solicit instructions—all excepting perhaps Narayna Dossyee, Vittoo, Mulcondy, Luxumon and Rance Bissae appear to me to be entitled to the benefit of the Queen's Amnesty.

List of Convicts received from Bombay per Brig "Copsa" on the 19th April 1861, regarding whom the Order of Government is solicited.

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Number.	Name, Father's name and caste.	Crime.	Sentence.	Date of sentence.	By whom and where sentenced.	Remarks.
4,773	Kon Kancar Bombee bin Lukshmun, Murratty.	Aiding and abetting rebellion.	fourteen years.	29th April 1858.	By Special Commissioner under Act XIV of 1857, Soopah Canara District.	.....
4,774	Gunes Meracy bin Krishna, Suttrekur...	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	.....
4,775	Narjeeccar Biccoco, Suldeer...	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	.....
4,776	Jorecar Babee bin Thucoba, Sudder...	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	.....
4,777	Gunnoo bin Succaram, Bundary.....	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	.....
4,778	Maun Sawunt bin Appa Sawunt, Murratty.	Do.	For seven years.	18th May 1858.	Do.	.....
4,779	Mingalee bin Kristoon, Christian.....	Do.	For eight years.	3rd May 1858.	Do.	.....
4,780	Narayna Meracy bin Krishna, Suttrekur...	Do.	For seven years.	15th May 1858.	Do.	.....
4,781	Vittooo Bavah bin Poma Bavah, Murratty.	Do.	For eight years.	22nd May 1858.	Do.	.....
4,782	Narayna Desayee bin Krishna, Murratty.	Do.	For seven years.	Do.	Do.	.....
4,783	Panjally Pockoo bin Shaba Desaee, Murratty.	Aiding and abetting rebellion and robbery.	For eight years.	26th May 1858.	Do.	.....
4,784	Norjakur Vittoba bin Krishna Mulich, Murratty.	Aiding and abetting rebellion.	Do.	28th May 1858.	Do.	.....
		Do.	Do.	Do.	By Special Commissioner under Act XIV of 1857 at Juggalabett Soopah Talook Canara District.	

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Number.	Name, Father's name and caste.	Crime.	Sentence.	Date of sentence.	By whom and where sentenced.	Remarks.
4,786	Vittooo, son of Doolloo, Develly...	Do. and robbery.	For seven years.	31st May 1858.	Do.	.....
4,787	Mulcoondy Luxmuna bin Krishna, Murratty.	Aiding and abetting rebellion and murder.	For fourteen years.	Do.	Do.	.....
4,788	Ravel Bissace bin Bheccoo, Murratty...	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	.....
4,806	Chumun Singh alias Timun Singh or Timna, son of Shewdyl.	Plundering Government Treasury at Indore in 1857.	Do.	15th Feby. 1858.	By Major McMullin, Indore...	Reported by the Civil Surgeon to be insane.

(Signed) J. C. HAUGHTON,

Superintendent Port Blair.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) A. M. MONTEATH,

Under Secretary to the Government of India.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) A. K. FORBES,

Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 147.

ORDER THEREON, 17th July 1861, No. 923.

Referred to the Magistrate of North Canara for report, in continuation of Proceedings 22nd March 1861, No. 393.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,

Chief Secretary.

