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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
27th July 1861.*

No. 201. Read the following letter from F. COPLESTON, Esq., Civil and Session Judge, Rajahmundry; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Judicial Department, Madras, dated 9th July 1861, No. 59.

I have the honor, at the request of the Zillah Surgeon of Rajahmundry, to forward copy of his communication to my address, relative to the discontinuance of his allowance of Head Money in consequence of the change of designation of the armed force, for which he has hitherto drawn it, for the consideration and Orders of Government.

From A. H. BEAMAN, Esq., Zillah Surgeon; to the Civil and Session Judge, Rajahmundry, dated 8th July 1861.

1. As the Order of Government, No. 1,386, dated 26th October 1860, disallowing Medical allowance for attendance upon the new Police, cannot, I submit, be fairly applied to the manner in which the Constabulary force has just been established in this district, I have the honor to make a brief statement of facts, and respectfully request the same may be referred for the consideration and decision of Government.

2. "Head Money" for Medical charge of the "Rajahmundry Sebundie Corps" has hitherto formed part of my monthly salary. Upon the introduction of the new Police system (on the 12th ultimo,) and nominal breaking up of the Sibundie Corps, it was considered inadvisable by the Civil Authorities, that this force should be altogether abolished; and consequently 118 Sebundies were retained, dressed and equipped in every respect as before, under the denomination of an "Armed Reserve." Their name simply was changed, nothing more. But the mere fact of altering their appellation from "Sibundies" to "Armed Reserve" is said to be sufficient reason to deprive me of any allowance for holding medical charge of them.

3. Yesterday, we will say, I was required to see a Sibundie who was brought to Hospital with Cholera. I am paid for being in medical charge of that man, because he is a "Sibundie;" to-day the same man continues under treatment in the same Hospital, lying possibly upon the same cot, but I am paid for my attendance upon him no longer. It is true he requires the same care, and gives the same trouble as before: but, the "Sibundie" of yesterday is the "Armed Reserve" of to-day, and the Medical Officer must attend him for nothing.

4. I beg most respectfully to ask whether the Government Order of 26th October 1860 was ever intended to apply in such a case as I have put? If not, I presume to hope that I may be pronounced entitled by right, as I palpably am by reason, to receive "Head Money" as heretofore for the body of 118 armed men under my Medical charge, whatever change their appellation may undergo.

5. I further beg respectfully to protest against the representation that, as far as their connection with the Zillah Surgeon is concerned, there is any analogy whatever between the new Police Force "officers and men," and the "servants and establishment of the Judge and Collector;" or, that any comparison can for a moment be made between the amount of time and attention required at the Civil Surgeon's hands by the new Police Force "officers and men," and that, hitherto afforded gratis, to the "old Peon establishment," or "Judge and Collector's servants."

6. Every individual before entering the "new Police" must be examined by the Zillah Surgeon with the same care and attention that would be required in examining a Military recruit: and much, very much, of the man's future proficiency must depend upon the manner in which the Medical Officer exercises his professional judgment. Every individual of the new Police Force when sick must be admitted to Hospital and carefully treated until he is able to return to his duty. Did any thing like this ever obtain in the "old Peon establishment" or "servants and establishment of the Judge and Collector?" Briefly, with regard to the Zillah Surgeon's duties, is there any similarity at all between the "new Police Force" and the "servants and establishment of the Judge and Collector"—is the former, in fact, merely the latter "remodelled?" As a Civil Surgeon of more than four years' experience, both in the Bengal and Madras Presidencies, I beg permission respectfully to assert that no one, at all practically acquainted with the subject, can reply to the above question in the affirmative.

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7. Although on my part it would be as presumptuous as unbecoming to question the propriety of any act of the Government whose servant I am, nevertheless feeling strongly that in common justice, the Zillah Surgeon should be paid for the large body of regularly drilled men, officered by Europeans, suddenly placed under his professional charge, I venture to beg, with every feeling of respect, that Government will be pleased to reconsider the Order of 26th October 1860, and compare with facts the representations set forth in Mr. Robinson's letter of 18th October 1860.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) F. COPLESTON,
Civil and Session Judge.

No. 202.

ORDER THEREON, 27th July 1861, No. 958.

The Government have, in their Order of 26th October 1860, Judicial Department, No. 1,386, distinctly ruled that the new Police Force in every District, as belonging to the Civil Establishment of the District, are entitled to the services of the Civil and Zillah Surgeon as part of his regular charge, and that no extra remuneration can be allowed on that account.

That Order was final and cannot be disturbed.

2. The Godavari Sibbundies have been broken up, and as many of the men as it has been thought proper to retain have been incorporated with the new Police; Head Money cannot be drawn for them, more than for any other members of the body to which they now belong.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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I have the honor to be
Sir

Rajahmundry }
8th July 1861 } Your Most Obedient Servant
(signed) A. A. Beaman.
Zillah Surgeon
(True Copy)

F. [Signature]

Civil & Session Judge

Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Order thereon 27th July 1861. N^o 958.

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To the Judge of the Rajahmundry Session Court
Principal Inspector General
Medical Dept. } Desd. 27 1840
Inspector General of Police }

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS
GOVERNMENT.

Dated 27th Nov 1861.

The reference to the complaint
of the Village Surveyors of the District
of the District Surveyors of the District
showing that the Surveyors for
the change in the Godavari District
were incorporated with the District
Government have decided
that the new District Surveyors
District is entitled to the same
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