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*Judicial* DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,  
27th June 1862.*

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No. 210. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department,  
dated 19th June 1862, No. 1,387.

*Communicating the endorsement of the Deputy  
Chief Engineer in charge S. C. on letter from  
the Acting District Engineer Trichinopoly,  
for such notice as may appear necessary with  
reference to the fact of the Police not having  
come up till about 2 hours after the perpetra-  
tion of the robbery in the House of temporary  
Sub-Overseer Kistnasawmy Pillay at Tera-  
mangalem.*

(Vide Proceedings Public Works Department,  
dated 19th June 1862, Nos. 348 and 349.)

No. 211. ORDER THEREON, 27th June 1862, No. 1,001

Referred to the Inspector General of Police.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,  
*Acting Chief Secretary.*

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Revenue.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Endorsement of the Deputy Chief Engineer in charge of the Southern Circle, dated Chepauk, 9th June 1862, No. 12:—

Read the following letter from Captain W. C. PALMER, Acting District Engineer, Trichinopoly, to the Deputy Chief Engineer, Southern Circle, dated Trichinopoly, 2nd June 1862, No. 252.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to report to you that on the night of the 22nd ultimo, the house of temporary Sub-Overseer Kistnaswamy Pillai at Teramungalem, within 2 miles of the Cusbah and Police Station of Perambalur, in the Perambalur Taluq, was attacked by a gang of men painted and disfigured to prevent their being recognized, and armed with sticks, &c., who pinioned the Sub-Overseer, beat him with sticks, broke open his cash box and stole the cash balance in hand Rupees 16-11-5, besides carrying away all the private property, jewels, &c., they could lay hold of.

2. On receiving intelligence of the robbery, I asked Mr. Ricketts, 1st Assistant District Engineer, in charge of the Range, to proceed to the spot and report on the circumstances as well as the state of the Sub-Overseer's accounts, &c., and I forward copy of his letter on the subject, from which you will see that the Sub-Overseer's account were satisfactorily kept up to date.

No. 31, dated 29th May 1862.

that there is no doubt his box was broken, and his cash balance Rupees 16-11-5 stolen.

3. This amount is a small one for a subordinate who superintends the execution of work of the monthly value of about 2,000 Rupees, and it was necessarily in his hands for the payment of labor on the Trunk Road.

4. From paragraph 5 of Mr. Ricketts' letter you will perceive that none of the villagers, numbering about 300, came forward to the assistance of Kistnaswamy Pillai, and that the Police arrived about two hours after the robbery.

5. The Superintendent of Police is endeavouring to trace the perpetrators of the gang robbery, but as yet I believe without avail, and I request permission to write off to "profit and loss," the amount stolen Rupees 16-11-5.

6. I beg to add that Kistnaswamy Pillai, bears a very good character, and is a steady, hard working man, and has been employed near Teramungalem on the Trunk Road for the past 11 years, having been originally an Apprentice under Captain Best when Superintendent of Roads.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. C. PALMER,  
Acting District Engineer, Trichinopoly.

From E. G. RICKETTS, Esq., 1st Assistant District Engineer, to Captain W. C. PALMER, Acting District Engineer of Trichinopoly, dated Teramungalem, 29th May 1862, No. 31.

SIR,

1. With reference to your letter No. 174 of the 26th instant, which only reached me on the morning of the 28th instant (through the medium of the Post Office), I have the honor to inform you that I started the same evening and reached Teramungalem the next morning.

2. That Sub-Overseer Kistnaswamy Pillai's house was attacked by gang robbers there would appear to be no doubt, and that on the night of the 22nd instant, as from private and general enquiry all agree as to the time and place, and from inspections of the Government cash chest in the Sub-Overseer's charge, violence must have been used in breaking it open, as the top would appear to have been wrenched open by picks and crowbars.

3. The Sub-Overseer himself bears in his body on his arms, the marks of the ropes with which they were pinioned behind him.

