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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
2nd December 1862.*

No. 14. Read the following letter from W. ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of M. Police; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 25th November 1862, No. 2,808.

General Department.

With reference to the Order of Government, No. 1,764, dated 27th October 1862, I have the honor to report that the Superintendent of Police of North Arcot was called on to superintend an execution at Chittoor on the 4th instant.

2. I do not learn that the Magistrate had started in his settlement tour, or was absent from the station and could not attend himself.

3. The Superintendent of Police was called in from the active pursuit of a formidable gang of Brigands that had for some time been infesting the jungles in the direction of Palmanair; and a more extended tour through Vencatagherycota, Kangundy, &c., had to be postponed on account of this duty being thrown on him.

4. I venture most respectfully and earnestly to solicit of Government that the duty of attending officially at executions in place of the Magistrate may not be thrown on Superintendents of Police in the general terms permitted by the order in question. It is an unpleasant duty which each Magistrate seeks to lay on some one else, and the Superintendent of Police will invariably be required to be in attendance at any sacrifice of his proper duty.

5. The Superintendents of Police are not, I would respectfully submit, the Officers properly charged with this duty. And, in point of fact, the Magistrate is far less frequently absent from his station, than the Superintendent of Police, and can as a rule much more readily be present.

6. Occasionally, and for good cause shown, arrangements might be made with the Superintendent of Police to take the Magistrate's place; but it interferes materially with the proper functions of Police Officers to have this added to these already sufficiently onerous and disagreeable duties.

7. The Assistant Superintendent of Police is always at the detached Station and is never available. The whole must devolve on the Superintendent.

No. 15. ORDER THEREON, 2nd December 1862, No. 1,949.

Under the circumstances represented in the foregoing letter His Excellency the Governor in Council resolves to recall the order of the 27th October last, imposing upon the superintendent of Police in North Arcot, and his Assistant the duty of Superintending executions.

2. Arrangements for the performance of this duty must be made by the Magistrate. Executions are not of frequent occurrence. Either the Joint Magistrate or the Head Assistant can be deputed to superintend them when duties of the Magistrate engage him at a distance from Chittoor.

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

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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(Here enter 25th November 1862 No 2808)

Order thereon 2nd December 1862 No 1949

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To the Mag^{te} of North Arcot. }
Inspector Gen^l of Police }
Session Judge of Chittoor }
North Judge of the High Court }
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Proctor & Beer
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