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No. 34. Read the following letter from W. ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of Madras Police; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 13th March 1862, No. 627.

General Department.

Paragraph 1. I have the honor, with reference to the accompanying correspondence,* to

* 1 Letter from Assistant Superintendent of Police, Bellary, request the sanction of Government to disburse
to Joint Magistrate, dated 10th February 1862, No. 15- 100 Rupees to Ram Reddi Annapah of the
1 Do. from Joint Magistrate to the Magistrate, dated 19th Nagareddypally village of the Anantapore
February 1862, No. 27. Taluk of Bellary District for gallant conduct.
1 Do. from Magistrate, dated 25th February 1862, No. 68.

2. A formidable gang of robbers attacked the house of Tassala Mullanah; and this brave man immediately went in aid, and used his club so effectively that it is believed he has marked several robbers severely.

3. His conduct was truly courageous, and contributed materially to making the gang decamp with their plans but partially carried out and but a small quantity of property.

4. But he has been most severely treated by the overwhelming body to which he was opposed single handed. He was left lying insensible with his right arm broken, a stab in the left thigh, a severe wound on the head and three teeth knocked out, another blow on the side and several smaller wounds on the body.

5. The Magistrate recommends a reward of 50 Rupees, the Assistant Superintendent in whose range the occurrence took place has asked for 100 Rupees. This latter I would venture to support. The expenditure for a year or two of a moderate sum in this way will effectually rouse the people to self defence and do more to stop gang robbery than a large accession of strength to the Police.

From A. HATHAWAY, Esq., Magistrate of Bellary; to W. ROBINSON Esq., Inspector General of Madras Police, dated 25th February 1862, No. 68.

I have the honor, in forwarding herewith
1 Letter from the Acting Joint Magistrate of Bellary No. 27, the letters marginally noted, to recommend that
dated 19th instant, and its enclosure. a reward of Rupees 50 may be given to Ram

Reddi Annapah for his brave conduct in attacking the robbers alluded to in the said letters.

From J. W. REID, Esq., Acting Joint Magistrate of Bellary; to A. HATHAWAY, Esq.,
Magistrate of Bellary, dated 19th February 1862, No. 27.

In forwarding a letter* No. 15, dated 10th February 1862, from Lieutenant Hicks, Assistant Superintendent of Police, I have much pleasure in supporting his recommendation that a reward of 100 Rupees be granted to Ram Reddi Annapah for his courageous conduct in attacking the robbers alluded to, in order to incite others to resist as bravely attacks by robbers.

From Lieutenant F. J. HICKS, Assistant Superintendent of M. Police, Bellary; to J. W. REID, Esq., Joint Magistrate of Bellary, dated 10th February 1862, No. 15.

I have the honor to submit an account of a dacoity which occurred on the night of 1st instant at the village of Nagareddypally in the Anantapore Taluk.

At about 10 o'clock P.M. a gang of 20 or 30 well armed men carrying lighted torches suddenly appeared in the village and having entered the house of Tassala Mullanah proceeded to plunder the house of its contents. Meanwhile Venkatapah a Ryot of the same village raised a report that the people of the neighbouring village of Somundody were coming to assist in driving off the robbers, on which the gang took alarm and made a precipitate retreat carrying off property said to be worth Rupees 176-12. Previous to this, a Ryot named Ram Reddi Annapah greatly distinguished himself, and I beg to bring him to your special notice with a view to his obtaining some adequate reward. Immediately on hearing that robbers were in his village Ram

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Reddi Annapah rushed out of his house armed with a large club and attacked the gang, and I hope inflicted some injuries on a few of the robbers. Being however entirely unsupported by any of the villagers, this brave Ryot was speedily overpowered and was found lying insensible after the gang had retired. On being examined by the Apothecary, I am much concerned to state that he was found to have a severe wound on his head, his right arm fractured, a severe blow on his right side, a stab on his left thigh, a blow that knocked out three of his teeth and other smaller wounds about different parts of his body. Taking into consideration the good effect that may be expected from encouraging resistance to such lawless attacks, I would recommend that a reward of 100 Rupees be given to Ram Reddi Annapah for his brave and courageous conduct, and even this will be but a small compensation for the severe bodily injuries he has sustained. The conduct of the village Magistrate will form the subject of a separate communication, so far from endeavouring to persuade others to follow the brave example set by Ram Reddi Annapah on the first alarm of robbers, he ignominiously concealed himself in the house of another Ryot and remained there until the robbers had quitted the village.

The Police have as yet failed to trace up the gang or recover any of the property plundered.

No. 33. ORDER THEREON, 3rd April 1862, No. 542.

The Government sanction a reward of Rupees (100) one hundred being disbursed to Ram Reddi for his courageous conduct in opposing a gang of robbers in their attack on a house in the village of Nagareddypally, Bellary.

2. A notice of the affair should be published in the District Gazette.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

order - 3d April 1862 No. 5212.

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duct in opposing a gang of robbers in their attack on a house in the village of Nagareddypally, Bellary.

A notice of the affair should be published in the District Gazette.

Insp. Genl. of Police
Magistrate of Bellary
Civil Paymaster.
Acct. General

Perfor. #

With an Order

Request the sanction of Government to disburse 100 Rupees to Ram Reddy of Bellary for gallant conduct and towards his reimbursement on the subject.

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Enclosure 3

Dated 13th
Received 21st March 1862

To J. Pycroft Esq. Secy. to Govt.
Chief Secretary to Govt.
St. David's George

From
Mr. Robinson Esq. H.
Inspector General of Police
W. H. Miller

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