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FROM

A. J. ARBUTHNOT, ESQ.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

HOME DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed to submit, for the consideration of the Honorable the President in Council, the annexed copy of a letter from the Magistrate of the Godavery District, recommending that a grant of rent free land of the annual value of Rupees 250 may be conferred on Alamur Appalraz, Sub-Magistrate of the Kottapilly Taluq, to which the Rumpah country nominally belongs, for his services during the disturbances which occurred in those tracts last year.

Dated 12th May 1863.

2. The Rumpah country is an extensive tract of hill and jungle, stretching from about thirty miles north of Rajahmundry to the borders of the Golcondah Zemindary in the Vizagapatam District, and, on its western frontier, resting upon the Nizam's territories. In the year 1813, it was, with some villages in the plains, conferred by the Government, free of Peishcush, on one Rumpah Ram Bhupaty, the father of the present proprietor, who is designated Munsifdar of Rumpah. It appears from the reports of the Magistrate, copies of which are sent herewith, that the Munsifdar has practically no authority over the Hill tribes, who are a lawless and turbulent race. In July last year, a charge of murder having been laid before the Sub-Magistrate, warrants were issued for the apprehension of the accused. The Constables charged with them were prevented from entering the country to execute them. Shortly afterwards, a body of the Rumpah people, headed by some of the Hill chiefs, plundered a village belonging to another Hill chief in the Rumpah country; and a few days afterwards, the same party attacked and plundered one of the six villages in the plains which are held by the Munsifdar. The Superintendent of Police, with his armed reserve, was thereupon requested by the Magistrate to proceed to Rumpah. On entering the country, he was resisted by armed men, and his party fired on; but he succeeded in penetrating into the interior and in recovering some cattle which had been stolen from one of the villages belonging to the Munsifdar in the low country. Owing to his want of knowledge of the country and the difficult nature of it, he was unable on that occasion to apprehend any of the offenders. A few weeks later, another expedition was organized, which resulted in the apprehension of the principal offenders.

3. On both these occasions, the Sub-Magistrate Alamur Appalraz, rendered valuable assistance to the Police; and the Magistrate states that it was in a great degree owing to his tact and exertions that the disturbances were so speedily suppressed. On a former occasion of disturbances of a much more serious nature, which took place in 1857 and 1858 in the Hill tract of the Godavery District to the west of the river, Alamur Appalraz rendered most efficient service. It was mainly owing to his exertions that the leaders were seized and brought to justice. He himself headed the party who captured in the depths of the jungle the chief rebel Korukonda Subbareddy.

4. The Governor in Council fully concurs with the Magistrate in considering Alamur Appalraz to be deserving of a special mark of the approbation of Government, and I am directed to request that the grant of rent free land proposed by the Magistrate may receive the sanction of the Supreme Government.

5. I am to add that since the disturbances above referred to, took place, the Rumpah territory has been occupied by the Police, and that order has been fully established.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
30th September 1863.

Chief Secretary.

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From A. PURVIS, Esq., Collector and Magistrate; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Cocanada, 12th May 1863, No. 167.

I have the honor, with reference to my letter of the 6th September last, No. 328, reporting on the Rumpa disturbances, to bring under the consideration of Government the peculiar merits of Alamur Appalraz, the Sub-Magistrate of the Taluk, to which the Rumpa country is nominally attached. Both the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent of Police, Captain Bloomfield and Lieutenant Robertson, speak in the highest terms of the services rendered by Appalraz throughout the disturbances, and I am able fully to endorse their opinion in that regard. It was in a great degree owing to the tact and exertions of Appalraz that the disturbances were so speedily suppressed.

2. In the disturbances of a much more serious nature which took place in 1857-58 in the Hill Tract of this District lying to the west of the Godavery, Appalraz rendered most efficient service. It was mainly owing to his exertions that the leaders were eventually seized and brought to justice. He himself headed the party who captured, in the depths of the jungle, the chief rebel Korukonda Subbareddi. His conduct was spoken of in high terms by the Commissioner and Session Judge.

3. I consider that Alamur Appalraz is deserving of some special mark of the approbation of Government, and venture to recommend that a grant of land of the annual value of 250 Rupees to continue for two lives, that is, during the life of himself and son, may be awarded to him.

Exd. T. McMootry.

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