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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 25th November 1863.

No. 206. Read the following letter from T. J. KNOX, Esq., Session Judge of Chicacole; to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government in the Judicial Department, Fort Saint George, dated Chicacole, 7th November 1863, No. 322.

1. I have the honor to request you will obtain for me the orders of Government in the following matter.

2. For more than a year I have been in want of iron chain for the use of the Convicts in the Gaol.

3. The indent I forwarded has been sent to the Principal Commissary of Ordnance at Madras, and I have several times received intimation that the chain was ready for despatch.

4. I have requested the Inspector General of Gaols to provide for its transmission to the nearest sea-port, and the only instruction I have received has been that I should arrange through my private Agents for its transmission.

5. I have distinctly declined to do this, for I do not consider Government Stores should be thus transported, and I decline the responsibility I should incur, the Government property might be lost or the Agent's charges might be excessive, and it would be months ere I recovered the costs through the Audit Department.

6. Moreover, since the matter has been under consideration, I received a letter from the Inspector General of Gaols forbidding any Officer in charge of a Gaol to employ Messrs. Oakes & Co., and unfortunately they are my Agents in such matters.

7. I have therefore the honor to solicit that some Government Official in Madras may be directed to send me the chain, and that the propriety of the transmission of Government property through private Agents be pronounced upon.

No. 207. ORDER THEREON, 25th November 1863, No. 1822.

The Master Attendant in charge of the Office of Superintendent of Marine will be requested to despatch the chain referred to, to the nearest port to Chicacole, with instructions to the Master Attendant at that port to forward it to the Session Judge.

2. The Governor in Council concurs with Mr. Knox in considering the employment of private Agents in such matters to be objectionable.

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

Exd. T. McMootry.

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