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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 16th April 1863.

Read again Proceedings, dated 23rd December 1862, No. 2,107, and 11th March 1863, No. 373.

No. 112. Read also the following letter from J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Vizagapatam, on Circuit, 21st March 1863, No. 891

In acknowledging the Order of Government, 11th March 1863, No. 373, calling on me to state what change in the form of Register now in use, as prescribed by the Court of Foujdaree Udawlut, I would propose, I beg to state that the Government is misinformed as to the form of Register now in use which is in the form shown in Appendix A and A 2, P, 12 and 13 of my report for 1856-57 with the alteration of the heading "sentence" into crime and sentence.

2. I do not understand fully what it is that is now proposed. If it be that the Courts passing the sentence should append to the Warrant a copy of sentence and a Register of the prisoner, or whether the Register is to be filled up in the Prison Office.

3. The information now conveyed in the Warrant and form of sentence furnished to the Jails is now too meagre to allow of the Jail Registers being filled up in accordance with the judicial record. I have lately found that the crime is not stated in the Registers from want of information, all that is known being that the offence was against some section of the Penal Code.

4. It is desirable that the Court by which a prisoner is tried should certify the habitation, profession, caste, father's name, general character or ascertained antecedents of a prisoner as far as these become known to the Officer, Judicial or Magisterial, by whom the prisoner is committed, and who can prepare this information with far more accuracy than can be attained in the Jail.

5. If one Descriptive Register is to be attached to each Warrant and the Judges of the High Court see no objection to Judicial Officers ascertaining the facts above enumerated at the trial, the enclosed would be a convenient form of Register.

6. Officers in Medical charge of Jails are responsible for the descriptive marks which were too often most carelessly entered.

7. It will be convenient that the Zillah or District of the Court passing the sentence should in all Registers be stated thus:—"Guntoor Sessions Court," "Nellore Magistrate," "Sydapet Talook Magistrate" and so on, and not merely "Sessions Judge," "Magistrate," "Joint Magistrate," &c.

No. 113. ORDER THEREON, 16th April 1863, No. 572.

The reference made to the Inspector General of Jails in the Proceedings of the 11th March last, had respect only to the form of Descriptive Register to accompany Convicts under sentence of transportation sent to Madras for embarkation. Many of the items in the form now sent are given in the Warrant or Sentence, and as both these documents are to be comprised with the Register in a single sheet of paper, their repetition in the latter will be superfluous. It will be sufficient, in the opinion of the Governor in Council, if the marginal items are shown in the Register, and it will be better that they should be given *seriatim* as here set down than in a tabular form.

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Father's name.
Residence.
Profession, trade or mode of living.
Distinguishing marks.
Date [illegible]ntence expires.
How [illegible]d.
Remarks as to previous character and antecedents.

2. His Excellency in Council requests that the Honorable the Judges of the High Court will issue Circular instructions to the Judges and Agents, giving effect to these directions. Printed forms should be struck off having the Warrant and descriptive items printed on one side so as to secure uniformity. The Judges and Agents should be desired to enter their sentence in writing on the other side.

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

Exd. T. McMoetry.

Village

Tabrook

District

Age probable

Height

TO

THE KEEPER OF THE JAIL AT

Herewith you will receive a copy of the sentence passed by the Court of Session this day, in the case of

, prisoner in case No. of , and you are hereby required to carry the said sentence into execution according to law.

Dated this day of 18 .

Session Judge.

Name of the Prisoner

Father's name

Profession, trade or mode of living

Age

Height

Distinguishing marks

Date on which sentence expires

How far educated

Remarks as to previous character and antecedents

Session Judge.

TO

THE KEEPER OF THE JAIL AT

Whereas, at a Court of Session held on the day of

186 , , prisoner in case No. of

186 , was convicted of the offence of punishable

under Section of the Indian Penal Code and sentenced to

, and

whereas such sentence has been mitigated by the High Court of Judicature

at Madras to ,

you are hereby required to carry the said order of the High Court into execution according to law.

Dated this day of 18 .

Session Judge

Name of the Prisoner

Father's name

Profession, trade or mode of living

Age

Height

Distinguishing marks

Date on which sentence expires

How far educated

Remarks as to previous character and antecedents

Session Judge.

Dec 11th 1863

Dear Mr Stephens

I enclose the forms of Warrant & Register suggested and circulated by the Court with reference to the Act 16 April 1863. No relevant Circular issued but a copy of the Act was sent to all the Assessors Subject with instructions to apply to the Act

Yours truly

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Proc 11th March 1868 to 1873.

Judicial Department

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT,

Dated

High Court requested to issue the necessary instructions in regard to the alterations in the form of Descriptive Registers to accompany Convicts under sentence of transportation