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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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No. 174. Read the following letter from A. EDEN, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Bengal; to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Darjeeling, 26th August 1864, No. 2554 T.

Jails.

I am directed by the Lieutenant-Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letters, numbers and dates as per margin, and with reference to the petitions therewith forwarded from prisoners transferred from this Presidency to the Ootacamund Jail to state that his Honor, after a full consideration of the case of prisoners James Burke, T. W. Burke, John Jackson, and Thomas Nolan, is of opinion that they have shown no sufficient ground to warrant any mitigation of their sentences, and he accordingly declines to interfere in the matter of their respective applications.

No. 650, dated 6th May last.
„ 693, „ 13th idem.
„ 769, „ 28th do.
„ 811, „ 2nd June.
„ 983, „ 4th ultimo.

2. The petition of Henry Martindill prays that he may be allowed to undergo his six months additional sentence in the Ootacamund Jail, on the ground apparently that in Calcutta released convicts are left without any provision for the future, and are liable again to fall into crime, whereas on release from the Ootacamund prison some provision is generally made. This question is now under the consideration of this Government, and by the time that Martindill is entitled to final release, measures will in all probability be in force to provide for released prisoners. No action therefore seems to be required in this case.

3. The petition of Thomas King has been favorably received by the Lieutenant-Governor, who observes that Mr. Rohde, the Inspector General of Jails, recommends a mitigation of his sentence in the event of his continued good conduct in Jail for three-fourths of his term. That portion will expire next February, and I am to request that you will then, with the permission of His Excellency the Governor of Madras, be good enough to furnish this office with a report on King's conduct since April last, the date of Mr. Rohde's letter above referred to. I am at the same time to ask for a similar report in the case of John Smith when a year of his sentence is left. With reference to the Under Secretary's Endorsement No. 7877, dated 30th November last, I am to remind the Government of Fort Saint George that Freeman's first sentence expires on the 15th February next, and to request that the Lieutenant-Governor may be then favored with a report as to whether the convict's conduct still continues to be as excellent as it was previously reported.

4. The remaining petitioners, James Foord, John Prendergast, and Thomas DeGarry, the Lieutenant-Governor considers to be deserving of no indulgence.

No. 175. ORDER THEREON, 23rd September 1864, No. 1398.

Ordered that copies of the foregoing letter, and of the letters to which it replies, be furnished to the Inspector General of Jails, and the Session Judge of Ootacamund, who will communicate to the prisoners concerned the orders of the Bengal Government affecting them severally.

2. The Inspector General is requested to report in due course relative to the future conduct of prisoners Thomas King, John Smith, and Freeman, for the information and orders of the Government of Bengal.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Inspector General of Jails,
„ Session Judge of Ootacamund, } with correspondence.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

Judicial Department.

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Read letter from the Bengal Govt. — Dated 26 Augt. 64 — No. 2354

Order — 23d Sept. 1864 No. 1398

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The Inspector Genl. of Jails. / Sessions Judge of [illegible] } With Correspondence. } dest. 27/9

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PROCEEDINGS of GOVERNMENT.

No. 2736

Dated 23 September 1864.

Requesting the Inspector General of Jails and the Sessions Judge of Cuttack to communicate to the European Prisoners the orders of the Bengal Govt on their Memorials

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