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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
15th April 1864.

Read the following papers:—

No. 185. From G. A. HARRIS, Esq., Session Judge of Coimbatore; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Madras, dated Coimbatore, 4th March 1864, No. 4.

Every available prisoner in the Jail under my charge, with the exception of those placed under the orders of the Engineer Department for employment upon the Mettoopoliem road, is sent to labor at the Central Jail now in course of construction here, under orders of the Inspector General of Jails, and I believe in accordance with the instructions of Government; but as the public roads about the station are very much in need of repair, I have the honor to request the sanction of Government for the withdrawal of the prisoners from the Central Jail *pro tem* in order to their being employed in putting those roads in order.

Referred to the Inspector General of Jails for report.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
7th March 1864.

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

No. 186. From J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Ootacamund, 11th March 1864, No. 624.

In acknowledging the receipt of your endorsement of the 7th instant, on Mr. G. A. Harris' letter of the 4th idem, desiring that a gang of convicts be employed on the station roads, I have the honor to state that had the convict labor, when available for the work, been rightly directed there should be no urgent need of repairs now. I told Mr. Harris that the repairs of the roads would be better deferred till after the rains set in, and that convicts would then be available. I am only anxious that hard labor should be enforced, and that the new Jail should be pushed on without delay; if both these ends can be obtained with the detachment of a gang for the roads, I have no objection to Mr. Harris' proposal except that from Colonel Walker's letter,* the deficient supply of free labor was likely to retard the work.

* Dated 11th November 1863, No. 216.
Vide Proceedings Public Works Department, 30th November, No. 3509.

No. 187.

No. 168.
MEMORANDUM.

The undersigned has the honor to inform the Chief Secretary to Government, with reference to his Memorandum No. 151, dated 24th instant, that, in the opinion of the Superintending Engineer, the withdrawal of the prisoners now employed on the Central Jail at Coimbatore will impede the progress of that work. Colonel Walker suggests, however, as a means of providing convict labor for the station roads, that the prisoners now engaged on the Jail should be huted on the site of the work, and placed exclusively under the orders of the Department Public Works; and that the number required for the station roads should be made up by transfer from other Jails which may be now over-crowded.

(Signed) C. A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
CHEPAUK, 31st March 1864. Secretary to Government, P. W. D.
To the Chief Secretary to Government, with two letters.

No. 188. ORDER THEREON, 15th April 1864, No. 38.

His Excellency the Governor in Council directs that the foregoing Memorandum from the Secretary to Government, in the Department Public Works, be communicated to the Inspector General of Jails and Session Judge of Coimbatore.

2. Mr. Rohde will give effect to the suggestion made by the Superintending Engineer, and will determine, in communication with that officer, what number of prisoners shall be permanently employed on the Jail works, as well as the arrangement for hutting them, &c. The huts should be roofed with iron sheeting.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector General of Jails.
" Session Judge of Coimbatore.
" Public Works Department.
Ed. J. Tallock,

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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,

Adverting to my letter of the 5th ultimo, No. 319, paragraph 4, I am directed to submit, for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor General in Council, the annexed copies of a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Bruce, Inspector General of Police in India, under date the 8th December last, requesting to be furnished with information regarding the number, &c. of the Treasuries in this Presidency for which guards are required, and of a letter under date the 26th ultimo, from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, furnishing the information called for.

2. It will be seen, on reference to the Statement submitted by the Board, that much labor has been entailed by Lieutenant Colonel Bruce's requisition in the collection of statistics, which, as observed in my letter of the 5th ultimo, can be of no practical use to him, unless it be intended that he is to interfere in all the details of the Police administration in this Presidency.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
15th April 1864.*Chief Secretary.*

From Lieutenant Colonel H. BRUCE, Inspector General of Police in India; to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Fort William, the 8th December 1863, No. 180.

I have the honor to solicit, at your earliest convenience, information as to the number of small local treasuries in each of the Districts of the Madras Presidency.

2. I presume there is always one treasury per District in charge of the Collector, and that besides these Sudder District treasuries there are others in charge of Tahsildars or other Revenue officers.

3. I wish for a complete Statement of all the above treasuries, the average range of the cash held in each, as well as passing through each during the year, and the usual strength of guard supplied for protection. It should also be specifically noted whether the guards are furnished by the new Constabulary, by the Regular Army, or by specially entertained Burkandauje or peons, and in any case the cost should be given.

4. It would, perhaps, be more convenient could this information be thrown into a tabular form, but as it is promptly required, I shall be glad to have it in any manner most convenient.

The Board of Revenue are requested to furnish the information applied for in this letter.
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
15th December 1863.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,

Chief Secretary.

From W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 26th March 1864.

Referring to your endorsement, dated 15th December 1863, on Colonel Bruce's letter, calling for certain information as to the number of treasuries of all kinds in this Presidency, the average amount of the cash held in and passing through them, and the strength and nature of the guards supplied, I am directed by the Board to submit the accompanying tabular Statement which ex-

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hibits the information as accurately as the Board are able to supply it without further delay, and which they trust will be sufficient for the purpose.

2. The information regarding the strength and cost of the Police guards supplied to each treasury was obtained from the Inspector General's office. It will be seen from the explanation in the Remark column that in a few Districts the Sea Customs cash chests are guarded by specially entertained and Departmental peons, and in these cases the particulars of the strength and cost of the guards are not given, as no means exist either in this office or in that of the Inspector General for ascertaining them. The establishment of peons for the Sea Customs ports is generally limited, and consequently no particular portion of that establishment has been assigned for the exclusive duty of guarding the cash chests. The peons are generally employed both for guarding and other purposes.

3. Regarding the average range of the cash held in each treasury and passing through it during the year, the Board beg to explain that to obtain the former they divided the total annual receipts into each treasury by twelve, and the average monthly receipt thus obtained is entered in column 3. In column 4 is shown the average monthly disbursements or remittances out of the amount shown in column 3, and in the case of the Salt treasuries, it will be observed that very generally the bulk of the receipts into a treasury pass out of it immediately.

4. The Board doubt whether column 4 can afford information of any value for the purpose of testing the sufficiency of the guards supplied to the treasuries in question. But Colonel Bruce's letter is not very clear as to what he requires.

5. If as the Board suppose he desires to ascertain merely the average amount of cash which in each month has to be guarded, the entries in column 3 will most nearly supply what he needs.

Ed. J. Tulloch,

Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers.

Letter from the Session Judge of Coimbatore } Here enter 14th March 1864, No. 4.
 the Inspector General of Jails } 11th 624.
 Memo: Secretary to Govt. in the P.W. Department } 31st 168.

Order thereon 15th April 1864 No. 538.

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To the Supr. Genl. of Jail,
— Secy. of Penitentiary, Sept. 11/74
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Fort St. George
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To the Hon. Secy of the Govt

of Indiana
Henry B. Pratt

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