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18th January 1864.*

No. 110. Read the following letter from J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Trevandrum, 5th January 1864.

In forwarding to you the enclosed correspondence submitted by the Sessions Judge of Guntoor, proposing transfer, on account of health, for the Mopla State prisoners Nalagutha Modeen and N. Puckykooty, I have the honor to state that I cannot concur in the suggestion that the transfer should be made to inland places, as Nellore or Salem; that Masulipatam would suggest itself as being near the sea; and that the Southern Jails, which might otherwise be preferable, are too crowded to allow of a ward being given up to these men; but that in truth I question the prospect of advantage of any change for these men, unless it be to the Western Coast, and that this is perhaps hardly in accordance with the object in view in the confinement of these men as State prisoners.

2. The health of these men was, I see, reported "good" six months ago.

From W. ELLIOT, Esq., Session Judge of Guntoor; to J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails, Madras, dated Guntoor, 23rd December 1863, No. 41.

The Zillah Surgeon at this station having recommended the transfer of the Mopla State prisoners from this Jail to Nellore, Salem or Rajahmundry, on account of their continued ill health, the Session Judges were requested to obtain the opinion of the Medical Officers at those stations as to the probable benefit derivable by the said prisoners, agreeably to the instructions conveyed in your Circular of the 16th January 1862, No. 104, but the Zillah Surgeons there state it inadvisable to transfer them to their Jails for reasons given in their respective letters, copies of which are herein enclosed; I have therefore the honor to request the favor of your proposing a place which you may consider suited to their state of health prior to obtaining the sanction of Government for their transfer. One of the said prisoners was transferred about the year 1860 from Masulipatam to this place. But there would appear to be no objection to their both being removed to the Jail at that station.

From T. CROUDACE, Esq., Zillah Surgeon, Guntoor; to W. ELLIOT, Esq., Session Judge of Guntoor, dated Guntoor, 3rd October 1863.

I have the honor to inform you that the Mopla State prisoners Nalagutha Modeen and Nalagutha Puckykooty are very desirous to be transferred to some other Jail, and as the health of the old man Nalagutha Modeen (now) is and has been for some time past much impaired in consequence of epilepsy, from which he has suffered severely; and the other prisoner above-named (Nalagutha Puckykooty) has also been out of health for some time; both having been seven and a half years in this Jail, I am of opinion that a change to Nellore or Salem will be beneficial to them.

From T. CROUDACE, Esq., Zillah Surgeon, Guntoor; to W. ELLIOT, Esq., Session Judge of Guntoor, dated Guntoor, 5th December 1863.

In reply to your letter, No. 164, dated 30th ultimo, I have the honor to state that the Mopla prisoners therein referred to might be transferred to Masulipatam or Rajahmundry.

From H. ADAM, Esq., Zillah Surgeon, Nellore; to E. STORY, Esq., Session Judge of Nellore, dated Nellore, 27th October 1863.

In reply to your letter of 22nd October 1863, wherein you ask my opinion as to the benefit likely to be derived by the transfer to this Jail of the State prisoners from Guntoor, referred to in the enclosures you send, I have the honor to state that I consider it very unlikely that a residence here would benefit either of them. And for other means than those of health, do I recommend the refusal of their entertainment here, and principally because the number in the Jail at present is so greatly above its proper strength.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) E. STORY,
Officer in charge of Jail

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From H. R. D. MARRETT, Esq., Zillah Surgeon; to the Officer in charge of the Jail.

I have the honor to state that at present the Salem Jail is in an unhealthy state, and I would strongly recommend that no Convict from other Jails be sent here.

The cases alluded to in the Zillah Surgeon of Guntoor's letter, would, I am sure, not be benefitted by the change here.

(True Copy.) (Signed) J. W. CHERRY,
Session Judge

From T. A. N. CHASE, Esq., Acting Session Judge of Rajahmundry; to W. ELLIOT, Esq., Session Judge of Guntoor, dated Rajahmundry, 14th December 1863.

In reply to your letter, No. 171 of the 7th instant, I have the honor to inform you that the Zillah Surgeon here is of opinion that neither of the Mopla State prisoners, therein referred to would benefit by a change to this Jail.

(True Copies.) (Signed) W. ELLIOT,
Session Judge.

Statement of the case of the Mopla State prisoners recommended to be transferred to Nellore or Salem.

Names.	Date of Admission.	Disease or Medical reasons.	Treatment.
Nalagutha Modeen.	8th Oct. 1863.	Has been suffering from epilepsy for several years, the attacks have of late become more frequent, and he had one very severe attack three months ago; his general health is much impaired and he is infirm. I am of opinion that a change of climate is necessary.	Purgatives occasionally, alteratives, Saline mixtures, Tonics Sulphate of Zinc, Inf. Armor, &c., Anodyne draughts at bed time. Externally Liniment Saponis, Opii, &c. Turpentine, Blisters Empl., Belladonna, Leeches; exercise morning and evening. Has derived no benefit from the treatment, and is not likely to do so without change of climate.
Nalagutha Puckykooty.	8th Oct. 1863.	Has suffered for some time from Rheumatism and has had several attacks of fever; he is at present in a weak state of health, and I consider a change of climate would be beneficial.	Purgatives, Disulphate of Quinine Bark, Inf. Armor, &c., Sulph. Sublm. Guaiac res. Pulv. Doveri &c. Externally Liniment Saponis and Opii, local bleeding; exercise morning and evening. Has derived no benefit from the treatment, and is not likely to do so without change of climate.

GUNTOOR,
10th October 1863.

(Signed) T. CROUDACE,
Zillah Surgeon.

No. 111. *ORDER THEREON, 18th January 1864, No. 70.*
The Governor in Council directs that the two Mopla State prisoners referred to be transferred to the Jail at Masulipatam.
2. Should that Jail be crowded, a corresponding number of prisoners should be sent from it to the Guntoor Jail.

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

Exd: J. Tulloch.

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To the High Court of Madras despatched 20th Jan 1864