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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
4th July 1864.

No. 37. Read 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 Ootacamund, 21st June 1864, No. 29.

I have the honor to state, in reference to the Proceedings of Government of the 16th instant, No. 889, that the Salem Jail is not yet in a state to receive again the prisoners sent to Madras. There was an average daily number of 395 prisoners during May, and this number is fast increasing. The Government were premature in their supposition that two of the new blocks of building would be ready on the 1st May for occupation.

Order 15th March 1864.

2. I hope to relieve the Jails in the plains by further transfers to these hills in two months, and will then try to relieve the Madras Jail.

3. The selection of prisoners for Madras was made in part to get rid of useless hands, and on re-transferring the gang from Madras I must avoid having such returned to Salem where able-bodied laborers are wanted; but I will do my best to meet the object of Government.

No. 38. ORDER THEREON, 4th July 1864, No. 984.

The Governor in Council desires to be informed whether some of the prisoners, now in confinement in the Grand Jail at Madras, cannot be transferred to the Jail at Oossoor, where, it is understood, that convict labor is much needed.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector General of Jails.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

4th July 1864 No. 984.

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To the Chief Secy of Jails. dated 7/7

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