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No. 117. Read the following letter from J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails, to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George; dated Ootacamund, 8th July 1865, No. 78.

I have the honor to forward letters received from the Session Judge of Cuddapah, showing the crowded state of the Jail at that station, and the immediate necessity for withdrawing the gangs now lodged, at the cost of the Railway, in temporary Jails. I can only suggest the transfer of 200 convicts, to be carefully selected by Mr. Child as least likely to attempt escape in the Mahals of Vellore, till they can be lodged in the work-sheds of one of the proposed Central Jails.

From F. S. CHILD, Esq., Session Judge of Cuddapah, to J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails, Ootacamund; dated Cuddapah, 3rd July 1865, No. 21.

I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter from the Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, with copy of extract from the Annual Report of the Zillah Jail of Cuddapah.

2. There are now in Jail 548 convicts of all classes; this includes 42 in Kanamalopali, but the Railway will not require them after another month or so.

From Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals E. BALFOUR, to F. S. CHILD, Esq., Session Judge of Cuddapah; dated Bellary, 8th May 1865, No. 82.

I have the honor to bring to your notice the subjoined extract from the 1864-65 Administrative Report, dated 1st instant, on the Zillah Jail, by Assistant Surgeon Beaman.

2. The subject has doubtless already engaged your attention; but it has seemed to me one of such importance as to require my laying it before you, in continuation of my letter, No. 1532, dated 9th January last.

Extract from the brief Annual Report of the Zillah Jail of Cuddapah.

The Jail has been dreadfully over-crowded throughout the year, and is so still. The wards contain nearly double the number of prisoners (and some contain more than double the number) than they can afford accommodation for, in accordance with the latest regulations upon the subject, directing each prisoner to be allowed 500 cubic feet of space.

(True Extract).

(Signed) E. BALFOUR,
Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals.

(True Copy).

(Signed) F. S. CHILD,
Session Judge.

From F. S. CHILD, Esq., Session Judge of Cuddapah, to J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails, Ootacamund; dated Cuddapah, 4th July 1865, No. 22.

With reference to my letter of yesterday's date, I think it necessary to inform you that I have since learned that the prisoners at Kanamalopali, in number, 42 will not be required more than 10 days longer, and they will then have to be brought to this jail, which is already far too full.

No. 118. ORDER THEREON, 19th July 1865, No. 1003.

Adverting to the strong opinion expressed in the letter from the Inspector General of Jails and President of the Sanitary Commission, under date the 6th April last, as to the unfitness of the Vellore Mahals to be used as a Jail, until various

repairs and alterations have been carried out, the execution of which would necessarily occupy some time, the Governor in Council is not prepared to sanction the proposal made in the foregoing letter. The Inspector General must suggest some other arrangement for relieving the Cuddapah Jail.

(True Extract).

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Inspector General of Jails.
" Officer in charge of the Jail at Cuddapah.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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Inspector General of Jails and Officer in charge of the Cuddapah Jail.

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