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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 20th December 1865.

No. 176. Read the following letter from the Inspector General of Jails, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Ootacamund, 7th December 1865, No. 604.

The mortality in the Jail at Guntoor now amounts to 30. In the quarter ending the 31st October, on an average strength of 273 convicts, not a single death was due to any epidemic. In the previous quarter the deaths were 13 on an average strength of 327. Previous to this there was an interval of comparative health, but by no means equal to that of former years. I do not know what the Committee appointed under paragraph 5 of the Order, 877, of the 16th June last has suggested, but it is quite clear to me that, unless the Central Jail at Rajahmundry is speedily completed, and the prisoners removed to it from Guntoor, this Jail, from being the healthiest in the country, will become untenable.

2. I attribute the introduction of disease into this Jail to the large transfer to it of prisoners suffering from dropsies from Masulipatam. The place is tainted, and unless freed from taint, which it cannot be while it continues crowded, the worst results will follow.

No. 177. ORDER THEREON, 20th December 1865, No. 1824.

The Governor in Council directs that the foregoing letter be communicated to the Public Works Department, whence orders will be issued to the Superintending Engineer of the 1st Division, directing him to press on the building of the Central Jail at Rajahmundry.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department.
„ Inspector General of Jails.

Rxd. J. H. Burns.

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