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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
2nd February 1865.*

No. 37. Read the following letter from H. G. SMITH, Esq., Acting Magistrate of Cuddapah, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Cuddapah, 10th January 1865, No. 2.

You will see, by the enclosed letter from Lieutenant Coningham, that two children have lately been killed by a tiger near the village of Rakumakulakunta, and Budanayacoonipully, and as doubtless more will fall victims, should it not be killed, I have, therefore, the honor to request you will lay the same before His Excellency the Governor, with the view of his sanctioning a reward of Rupees 400 being given to any one who will kill the tiger; and also that a reward of 100 Rupees may be given to the brave father of the unfortunate second victim.

From Lieutenant H. E. CONINGHAM, Acting Superintendent of Police, Cuddapah, to H. G. SMITH, Esq., Acting Magistrate of Cuddapah; dated 7th January 1865, No. 3.

I have the honor to inform you that a man-eating tiger has of late been prowling on the Hills, to the east of Poodatur, and North-East of Cuddapah Taluq. Two melancholy instances of death occurred a few days ago; and the victims were both children, aged about 10 years. I will mention each case briefly.

1st.—On the afternoon of the 26th ultimo, one Vasoovadu, inhabitant of Budanayacoonipully, a village attached to the Police station of Nundialempett, was returning to his village, in company with his daughter Voosoo, aged 10 years, when, as they were passing by a spot called Rakumakulakunta, a tiger suddenly pounced upon the unfortunate girl, and succeeded in carrying her off, in spite of her parent's cries and the resistance which he offered.

2nd.—On the evening of the 27th ultimo, while a number of people were returning with their bandies to Badanayacoonipully, a hamlet about 5 miles from Cazipet sub-station, from the Hills, where they had been to collect firewood, a tiger seized and carried off the female child of one Poosovadu, a bandyman. The unhappy father at once pursued the animal, and grappled him by the hind legs, hoping that, by doing so, the animal's attention would be directed towards himself. The tiger, however, did not relinquish its victim, but ran off with her into the jungle, dragging the child's father after him; the latter was at length obliged to relinquish his hold. In the meantime, the other bandymen came to his assistance, and, by loud shouts, succeeded in frightening away the animal, but they were too late; the child was found dead at some distance from the spot, whence she was carried off.

2. I think it highly advisable that a reward of 500 Rupees should be offered to any person, or persons who succeed in destroying this animal.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) H. G. SMITH,
Acting Magistrate.

No. 38. ORDER THEREON, 2nd February 1865, No. 190.

The Magistrate of Cuddapah requests that he may be empowered to offer a reward of Rupees 400 for the destruction of a tiger which has recently carried off two children, and that a grant of Rupees 100 may be made to the father of one of them, who is stated to have seized the animal to prevent its carrying off his child.

2. The Government have not found it necessary to offer so large a reward on any former occasion, and they do not consider that it is now called for. The people of the country may fairly be expected to do something towards their own safety.

3. The Governor in Council authorizes the offer of a reward of Rupees 100 for the destruction of the animal, but declines to sanction a reward from the public treasury to the man referred to; who attempted to rescue his child.

(True Extract).

To the Magistrate of Cuddapah.

„ Accountant General.
„ Civil Paymaster.

Exd. J. H. Burns,

Chief Secretary.

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From The Acting Magistrate of Cuddalore.
Dated 10th January 1868.

For Orders.

I do not think that it has been
usual to offer a larger reward
than Rs 100 for a man eating
tiger. Was not that the man offer-
ed for the Metapollum one? If
so I would not offer more in the
present case. The people of this
country may fairly be expected
to do something towards the
destruction of an animal so dan-
gerous to them and to their

children.

I don't see that the man is
to be rewarded for trying to save
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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter
From the Magistrate of Cuddapah, No. 15 Jan. 1892.

Order No. 2, 2^d February 1892 No. 2 190.

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The Magistrate of Cuddalore
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Dated 2^d February 1866