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10th January 1865.

No. 64. Read the following letter from G. THORNHILL, Esq., Magistrate of the Kistna District, to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Masulipatam, 23rd December 1864, No. 332.

I have the honor to forward, herewith, copy of a letter from the Acting Head Assistant Magistrate of this District, dated 12th instant, No. 44, reporting on the conduct of Guddee Yellamunda, who is said to be Insane, and to request that, with reference to Section 394 of the Criminal Procedure Code, you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government for the disposal of the said lunatic.

From W. WILSON, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Magistrate of the Kistna District, to G. THORNHILL, Esq., Magistrate of the Kistna District; dated Bezwadah, 12th December 1864, No. 44.

I have the honor to report, for your information, that, on 5th December 1864, one Guddee Yellamunda was brought before me on a charge, punishable under Section 324 of the Indian Penal Code.

2. The prisoner, without apparently the slightest provocation, attacked the complainant, in the bazaar of Bezwadah, on the night of 2nd December 1864, wounding him in the upper part of the left arm, and on the fingers of both hands, with a sword. The wound in the arm, though not dangerous, is a deep one.

3. The prisoner, I knew, had been released some months ago from the custody of the Joint Magistrate's Court at Guntoor, on the ground of insanity. He was handed over to the care of his brother, who resides in Amaravaty. This man has stated that he remained quietly with him till the night of the new moon, 29th November last, when he attacked him and the other inmates of his house with an axe. He locked them out for two days, and on the third night disappeared, taking with him, among other property, a sword, that before my Court, with which the complainant was wounded. The prisoner's mind has been affected from his birth; but he does not appear to have been, hitherto, violent.

4. The Civil Surgeon at Guntoor certified to his insanity when in custody before (as a wandering lunatic), and the Dresser at Bezwadah (the only Medical Officer here) has now testified the same. The incoherence of his replies to questions justifies, I think, the opinion of both. His replies to questions, at first reasonable, gradually become vague and incoherent.

5. The man must now, I think, be considered a dangerous lunatic, and I have the honor to request that the order of Government may be obtained regarding his disposal. His brother refuses to have any thing more to do with him. Pending receipt of the order of Government, the prisoner remains in custody.

(True Copy).

(Signed) G. THORNHILL,
Magistrate.

No. 65. ORDER THEREON, 10th January 1865, No. 40.

Under Section 394 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the Governor in Council directs that the lunatic Guddee Yellamunda be transferred to the Lunatic Asylum at Vizagapatam.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Magistrate of the Kistna District.

„ Magistrate of Vizagapatam.

„ Inspector General of Jails.

Edw. J. H. Burns.

N^o 40th 10th January 1865.

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