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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
1st September 1866.*

No. 5. Read the following letter from the Acting Magistrate of Kurnool, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Peapully, 18th August 1866, No. 37.

I have the honor, with reference to paragraph 3 of the Order of Government, dated 8th instant, No. 1237, to state that, on the departure of Mr. Turner on leave, I took over the immediate superintendence of the Jail, because there was no one else to take it, and, as long as I was in Kurnool, visited it almost daily. The state of the season rendered it imperative that I should visit the south-west portion of the District, and, since my departure from Head Quarters on the 2nd instant, the Jailer has been virtually in charge, though the accounts are sent to me for signature. The Acting Judge, Mr. Forbes, has kindly consented to act for me in the case of any sudden emergency.

2. When I nominated Mr. Turner for the charge of the Jail at Kurnool, I was under the impression that the arrangement was to continue for a very limited period, and that he would be relieved by the Civil Surgeon, directly one was appointed. Dr. Ranson, who was posted to officiate as Zillah Surgeon, was carried off by Cholera, within a fortnight of his taking up the appointment, and, from the Order of Government under reply, the prospect of a Covenanted Medical Officer being posted to the Zillah seems very uncertain. Under these circumstances, I should not be prepared to recommend Mr. Turner being kept in charge of the Jail, even if his services were available at present, as, in my opinion, the supervision of a Jail (I speak from a practical knowledge of the charge) requires considerable experience, tact, and a good colloquial acquaintance with the Vernacular, which can hardly be expected from a newly joined Assistant.

3. It is perfectly clear that the Magistrate, whose duties constantly call him away from the Zillah Station, is the last person to be in immediate charge of the Jail. I applied to Government, through the Revenue Department, on the 4th instant, for a passed Assistant to be permanently stationed at Kurnool, but have been informed that no such Officer is available. If, hereafter, such an appointment is made, there will be no difficulty about the superintendence of the Jail; but, in the meantime, I trust that measures may be adopted to relieve me of a charge involving considerable responsibility, the duties of which I cannot possibly perform.

No. 6. ORDER THEREON, 1st September 1866, No. 1367.

Under present circumstances, and pending the appointment either of a Commissioned Medical or of an experienced Covenanted Assistant, the Governor in Council resolves to direct that the Civil and Session Judge of Nundial will take charge of the Jail at Kurnool as a temporary measure.

(True Extract).

Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Magistrate of Kurnool.

„ Civil and Session Judge of Nundial.

„ Inspector General of Jails.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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My dear Sir,

I have the honor to

acknowledge the receipt of

your letter of the 17th inst.

and in reply to inform you

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