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Government of Madras.

Internal DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
17th November 1866.*

No. 183. Read the following letter from G. S. FORBES, Esq., Collector of Ganjam, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Chetterpore, 3rd November 1866, No. 2991.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Government Order, No. 1694, dated 24th October 1866. I had applied to Government to place Dr. Howard in charge of the Jail at Berhampore, and the Order now acknowledged is the reply to that application. It is limited to the remark, "Mr. Forbes has now four Assistants in the District." I infer from these words that the Government decline to accede to the proposal, and consider that one of these Officers should have charge of the Jail; but I also feel it incumbent on me to state how my Assistants are employed, for I can but infer from the tenor of the Order that my proposal was considered unreasonable.

2. Mr. Goodrich divides his time between the Khond Hill Tracts and Gumsur below Ghauts. Mr. Grigg is with me at Chetterpore, and, besides Magisterial cases, takes personal oversight of the Estate of Beredi, where the population are still in a wretched condition, so that his occasional visits to the villages are of much service. My health has been very uncertain this year, and it is of importance to me to have an Assistant at hand for various reasons. I placed Mr. Lister at Chicacole, in order that he might acquire a knowledge of his work, by assisting Mr. Leman, who has a heavy file of Revenue and Magisterial cases, and under whose personal supervision large sums are yearly laid out on the Kimeddy Estate. The classification and assessment of that Estate will commence, under Mr. Leman's direction, as soon as the crops are off the ground, and I should be very unwilling to deprive him of such help as Mr. Lister can afford him. Lastly, my reason for wishing to relieve Mr. Horsfall was that he had been trying from 50 to 60 cases monthly since his arrival, and that his spare time has been devoted to overlooking the construction of the branch roads in and about the town of Berhampore, which were projected for the relief of the laboring classes. As, however, the rapid fall in prices since my letter was written (October 2nd) has been accompanied by a great diminution of criminal work, I will not renew my application.

3. I shall be glad to learn that, under this explanation, the Government do not consider the application to have been made without due reference to the number of Officers at my disposal.

No. 184. ORDER THEREON, 17th November 1866, No. 1821.

Mr. Forbes' explanation is quite satisfactory.

(True Extract).

Secretary to Government.

To the Magistrate of Ganjam.

„ Inspector General of Jails.

Exd. J. H. Burns..

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Mr. Fisher Esq.

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