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Judicial **DEPARTMENT.**

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
17th September 1867.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 189. From the Inspector General of Police, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Kotagerry, 12th August 1867, No. 1425.

Account Department.

Several cases of robbery by drugging with datura have been brought to light recently in different Districts, and I am most anxious to put the Police on the alert in respect to this most serious crime.

2. I beg to submit correspondence on the subject of a case recently brought to justice against professional druggers in Coimbatore, and beg that the rewards recommended by the Acting Deputy Inspector General and Magistrate may be accorded to Inspector Narrainsawmy (Rupees 100) and Mr. Simpson (Rupees 50), both of the Coimbatore Police.

23rd August 1867, No. 1386.

3. I will give the minor rewards under the G. O. noted in the margin.

P. S.—The rewards will be debited to the Police Reward Fund.

From the Magistrate of Coimbatore, to the Inspector General of Police, Madras; dated Coimbatore, 7th August 1867, No. 37.

In forwarding an original letter from the Superintendent of Police, Coimbatore, dated 27th ultimo, No. 225, with its enclosure, I have the honor to request you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government for the payment of the rewards recommended by Captain Balmer. They are well deserved.

From Captain A. BALMER, Superintendent of Police, Coimbatore, to the Magistrate of Coimbatore, through the Deputy Inspector General of Police; dated Coimbatore, 27th July 1867, No. 225.

I have the honor to bring to your notice the meritorious conduct of the Police Officers named marginally, in following up and arresting the defendants in the Mangampolliem case of datura poisoning, which was tried at the last Session, and resulted in the conviction of both the prisoners—the first has been sentenced to death, the second to transportation for life.

Mr. Inspector Simpson.
Narrainsawmy Nayudu.
Deputy Constable Vencatanursiah.
888, 2nd Class Constable Coopooosawmy.
629, 1st Class do. Valoo Chetty.

2. I personally kept you acquainted with the difficulties we encountered in this case, and the steps taken by the Police for its detection.

3. The crime occurred on the evening of the 24th February; two of the persons to whom the poison was administered died on the 25th; and the two survivors were so much affected by the poison, that they could give no very clear account of what occurred, or the persons they suspected, till the 28th. There was no clue whatever as to the poisoners, or where they came from; and all the information at our disposal was that the defendants appeared to be cattle dealers, Linguets by caste, and their Native language Canarese.

4. Inspector Mr. Simpson gained a good deal of valuable information near Coimbatore, and traced the defendants for about a month prior to the commission of the crime till they quitted the district—it was he who traced them to the Somanoor Railway Station. He followed them as far as Salem, but was unable to trace them beyond this place.

5. Inspector Narrainsawmy Nayudu visited many parts of the Salem District in search of the defendants, but for a long time could get no trace of them. After about two months he succeeded in arresting them at a small village attached to the Barecay Poliput in the north of the Oosoor Taluq in Salem.

6. I would recommend that Inspector Narrainsawmy should receive a reward of Rs. 100; Mr. Simpson „ „ 50

No. 337, Deputy Constable Vencatanursiah..... }
No. 888, Constable, 2nd Class, Coopooosawmy..... } one month's pay.
No. 629, Constable, 1st Class, Valoo Chetty..... }

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 17th September 1867 No. 1505 -
 The Governor in Council is pleased to sanction
 payment of the rewards of Rupees 100 to Rs. 50 to Inspector Mr.
 W. W. Wainwright and Mr. Simpson, respectively, both
 of the Criminal Police, for having traced and
 arrested two men who had been guilty of
 poisoning with Datura -
 on the charge with be delivered to the Police Re-
 cord House.
 To the Inspector General of Police
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 Accompanied General - 20/9

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From the Session Judge of Coimbatore, to the Superintendent of Police, Coimbatore ; dated Coimbatore, 15th July 1867, No. 91.

The trial of case No. 55, on the Calendar of the Session Court of Coimbatore, having terminated in the conviction of the prisoners, I avail myself of the opportunity of bringing to your prominent notice the meritorious service rendered by Inspector T. M. Narrainsawmy Naidoo. The circumstances in evidence show that, at the outset, no satisfactory clue could be had as to the names or village of the parties who perpetrated this atrocious crime. But Inspector Narrainsawmy, by his unsparing exertions, tact, and zeal, followed up and tracked the culprits to their village, and I am glad to record my opinion that his conduct throughout the preliminary investigation was satisfactory, and reflects credit upon him as a Police Officer.

No. 254.
MEMORANDUM.

The Under Secretary in the Public, &c. Departments is directed to inquire, in reference to the letter from the Magistrate of Coimbatore, to the Inspector General of Police, dated the 7th instant, No. 37, whether the prisoners in case No. 55 on the Calendar of the Session Court of Coimbatore have appealed, and, if so, with what result.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
19th August 1867.

(Signed) F. BRANDT,
Actg. Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Magistrate of Coimbatore.

No. 191. From the Magistrate of Coimbatore, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Coimbatore, 10th September 1867, No. 84.

With reference to Mr. Acting Under Secretary Brandt's Official Memorandum, No. 254, of the 19th August 1867, I have the honor to inform you that no appeal was preferred to the High Court against the Coimbatore Session Court's decision in Case No. 55 of 1867, on the Calendar of that Court; but the sentence of death passed by the Session Judge on the 1st prisoner Budduppa, *alias* Mooneapen, was confirmed by the High Court.

No. 192. ORDER THEREON, 17th September 1867, No. 1505.

The Governor in Council is pleased to sanction the payment of the rewards of Rupees 100 and Rupees 50 to Inspector Narrainsawmy and Mr. Simpson, respectively, both of the Coimbatore Police, for having traced and arrested two men who had been guilty of poisoning with datura.

2. The charge will be debited to the Police Reward Fund.

(True Extract).

To the Inspector General of Police.

Accountant General.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

Chief Secretary.