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No. 173. Read the following letter from the Inspector General of Police, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Kotagiri, 2nd November 1867, No. 1990.

I have the honor, with reference to the accompanying letter, dated 21st October 1867, of the Superintendent of Police of Madras District, to solicit the sanction of Government to disburse to Inspector Burden a reward of Rupees 50, for successfully breaking up and bringing to justice the most notorious gang of burglars and robbers in the Madras District, together with the receivers.

2. Mr. Burden is a good officer, and is worthy of this encouragement.

P. S.—I have sanctioned the rewards for the other ranks under Government Order noted in the margin.

No. 1380, dated 23rd August 1862.

(Signed) W. ROBINSON,

Insp. Genl. of Police.

From Captain H. D. CLOETE, Superintendent of Police, Madras District, (through Deputy Inspector General), to the Inspector General of Police, Madras; dated Saint Thomas' Mount, 21st October 1867, No. 369.

I have the honor to request you to be good enough to reward the undermentioned Police Officers for good service rendered in the detection of the house-breaking cases at Codamanellore, and Ukamapooram. The rewards I recommend are as follows:—

	Rs.
2nd Class Inspector J. B. Burden.....	70
Head Constable, No. 125, Shaik Ebram... ..	20
Deputy do. „ 879, Ragaviah.....	10
2nd Class do. „ 18, Abdoolah Khan... ..	5
Do. „ 670, Streenevassen.....	5
Do. „ 677, Nulliah.....	5
Do. „ 846, Iyaloo Naick.....	5

It is not so much on account of the nature of the crime as the characters of the prisoners that I solicit the rewards. The four burglars convicted are notorious gang robbers, who have hitherto escaped conviction; they were the pest of the Strcepermatore Taluq, and had for months past been levying black mail on the villagers, and disposing of the proceeds of their robberies to a gang of receivers. Inspector Burden has, with considerable intelligence, and by great personal exertion, succeeded in bringing these offenders to justice. For upwards of one month, together with the above-mentioned Police Officers, he devoted his whole time and attention to the detection of these cases; during the whole time they did not once return to their head quarters, and having to live without any shelter or comfort, they slept in any village where night overtook them, suffered great hardship, and incurred some expense. The Inspector has, moreover, paid money from his own purse to private individuals to get information for him. The first prisoner, Appasawmy, was the leader of his gang, and the prime mover in every grave crime in that Taluq; he is known in broad day-light, and in public places, to have threatened people, who, by taking a different route or adopting some other precaution, had avoided being robbed by him; the second prisoner, Cunaka Doorgen, was his chief assistant, his grand-father and father were both transported for life for gang robbery. The principal receiver, Venkatachellum Moodolly, has evidently been carrying on his trade for years past; a receptacle for stolen property, in which was found the whole apparatus for melting jewels, &c., was found *built* in the wall of his house, which, being of brick and mortar, had to be partially pulled down, in order to discover the receptacle. By the

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exertions of these Police Officers the gang of robbers has been broken up, and the nest of receivers eradicated. The four robbers have been sentenced as follows:—

1st Prisoner to 10 years' rigorous imprisonment.

2nd do. to 8 „ do.

3rd do. to 5 „ do.

4th do. to 5 „ do.

and eight receivers to terms of rigorous imprisonment, varying from 18 months to 2 years each.

MEMORANDUM.

I feel very confident any attempt to add (by way of support) my recommendation to Captain Cloete's requisition would be superfluous. I can only wish we had more frequent applications for similar rewards for such satisfactory and valuable services. In this case, I would be inclined to ask for each Constable employed Rupees 7 in lieu of 5 Rupees recommended by Captain Cloete.

CAMP NAGALAPORE,
26th October 1867.

(Signed) R. A. STUART,
Dy. Insp. Genl. of Police.

No. 174. ORDER THEREON, 14th November 1867, No. 1835.

The Governor in Council is pleased to sanction the grant of a reward of Rupees (50) fifty to Inspector Burden of the Police Force of the Madras District for the service rendered by him.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector General of Police, with enclosure returned.

„ Accountant General.

„ Examiner of Claims.

Ed. J. Tulloch.

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