

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,

12th March 1867.

No. 140. Read the following letter from the Inspector General of Police, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 4th February 1867, No. 222.

General Department.

I beg to solicit the orders of Government on the following point.

2. The law requires a prisoner to be sent to the Magistrate without unnecessary delay, if arrested under a warrant, Section 109, Code of Criminal Procedure; if arrested without a warrant he must be sent to the Magistrate within 24 hours, Section 152, Code of Criminal Procedure. The intention of the law is to place every prisoner as quickly as possible in the custody of a Magistrate, and removes temptation from the Police.

3. Prisoners frequently arrive at the Magistrate's station on holidays, other than Sunday, when the Court is closed, and the Magistrates refuse to receive them. They, therefore, remain in the custody of the Police until the Court re-opens, occasionally for two or three days.

4. I would venture to suggest that Magistrates should be directed, as a rule, to regard receiving prisoners from the custody of the Police, as urgent business; and be required to see them and send them to the Magistrate's under-trial ward, granting a remand warrant, under Section 224, Code of Criminal Procedure, on holidays.

5. The rule need not, of course, apply to Sundays.

No. 141. ORDER THEREON, 12th March 1867, No. 401.

The Governor in Council concurs in the opinion of the Inspector General of Police, that Magistrates should regard the duty of receiving prisoners from the custody of the Police and sending them, if necessary, to the Magistrate's under-trial ward as urgent business to be discharged on all holidays except Sundays; and directs that this opinion be intimated to the several Magistrates.

(True Extract.)

A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

To the Magistrate of
,, Inspector General of Police.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

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To the Masters of all Districts desps 18/3
— Insp. Genl. of Police desps 14/3

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