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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
18th May 1867.*

No. 208. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Home Department, under date the 12th April 1867, No. 3770.
Read the undermentioned papers connected with the question of the annual supply of convicts to Port Blair:—

To the Governments of Bengal, the North-Western Provinces, and the Punjab; the Chief Commissioners of the Central Provinces, Oude, and British Burmah, No. 2044, dated 1st March 1866.

To ditto ditto ditto, Nos. 3996 to 4001, dated 24th August 1866.

To the Governments of Bombay and Madras, Nos. 4002 and 4003, dated 24th August 1866.

From Government of Bombay, No. 3038, dated 25th September 1866.

Ditto Madras, No. 1591, dated 10th October 1866.

From Chief Commissioner, British Burmah, No. 401, dated 27th August 1866.

To Superintendent, Port Blair, No. 1421, dated 17th December 1866.

From ditto, No. 45, dated 29th January 1867.

RESOLUTION.

In the Circular of March 1866, referred to above, Returns were called for from the Local Governments and Administrations, excepting Madras and Bombay, of the number of convicts sentenced to transportation for seven years and upwards, and the prohibition which was issued in 1864 against sending to Port Blair any convicts whose sentences were for less than 14 years, was repeated.

2. Similar Returns were subsequently called for from Madras and Bombay, and the following results have been established:—

3. If all convicts sentenced, throughout India, to transportation were transported, the annual importation to Port Blair would be about 3000.

4. If the restriction upon the transportation of prisoners, whose sentences are less than 14 years, is continued, as at present, in the Presidency of Bengal only, the annual importation will be about 2100.

5. If the restriction be extended to Madras and Bombay, the annual importation would be about 1250.

6. This estimate is only an approximation, but it is, if anything, below the truth.

7. With regard to the accommodation at Port Blair, it appears that, in August last, there was actual accommodation for the 6450 convicts then at the Settlement, and that the Superintendent was prepared to receive 1200 more convicts on the 1st October. It is evident, then, that for the present 7500 is about the maximum number for which accommodation at the Settlement can be guaranteed.

8. Assuming that the average annual decrement of convicts at Port Blair, from all causes, is correctly estimated, as seems to be probable, at 10 per cent., it is evident that an annual increase in their number must be looked for until the annual increment and decrease balance each other; which will not be until the number of convicts at the Settlement reaches, say, 12,000 or 12,500.

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9. It will be difficult to provide continually large increases of accommodation and to maintain that which already exists, and at the same time to execute other works necessary for the welfare of the Settlement, the Governor General in Council accordingly considers that, for the present, the annual supply must be limited to about 1200 or 1250.

10. Under these circumstances, the Governor General in Council is of opinion that, until further orders, no convicts from any part of India, except those sentenced to 14 years and upwards, should be sent to Port Blair; in other words, that the restriction in force in Bengal must be for the present extended to Madras and Bombay, and that convicts sentenced to *transportation* for less than 14 years must be imprisoned in India.

ORDERED that the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Local Governments and Administrations noted on the margin, for information and guidance, and for communication to all Judicial Officers.

Government of Madras.	
" Bombay.	
" Bengal.	
" North-Western Provinces.	
" Punjab.	
Chief Commissioner of Oude.	
" Central Provinces.	

No. 3777.

Copy also forwarded to the Department Public Works.

(True Extract).

(Signed) E. C. BAYLEY,

Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 209.

ORDER THEREON, 18th May 1867, No. 822.

No. 209. ORDER THEREON, 18th May 1887, No. 209.

The Governor in Council directs that copies of the foregoing Resolution be furnished to the Honorable the Judges of the High Court, and to the several Sessions Judges in the Provinces; a copy also will be sent to the Inspector General of Jails.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Honorable the Judges of the High Court.

„ Session Judge of

„ Inspector General of Jails.

Exd, J. Tulloch.

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