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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
28th May 1867.*

No. 283. Read the following letter from the Magistrate of Salem, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Salem, 22nd May 1867, No. 27.

I have the honor to report an accident which occurred on the night of the 9th instant, on the Madras Railway. It appears that a Watchman, Yellan, in the employ of the Company, was run over by the 7-15 A. M. up train, at the 198½ mile.

2. The deceased is a Native of Chettipatty, Salem Taluq, and was employed in the Railway as a Plate-layer, but was acting for a Watchman (Sooben) on the night of the accident.

3. On the 9th instant, at 7 P. M., the deceased left his house, to be present at his post when the train passed. The train was late, and it is supposed that the deceased, having placed his lantern on the line, laid himself down, trusting to the noise of the Engine to awake him, should he fall asleep. The lantern was found between the rails in no way damaged. The dark side of the lantern was turned towards the east, as, otherwise, the Engine-driver would have observed the light when approaching.

4. The body was first discovered by the Engine-driver (Wilson) of the 5 P. M. train from Madras. He saw the body beside the rails, and stopped the train, and gave information as soon as he arrived at the Sooramungalum station. The Police Inspector, Mr. Dias, repaired to the spot immediately. The left arm was found entirely severed from the body, and the trunk a yard or two off. The rails were covered with blood. Death must have been nearly instantaneous.

No. 284. ORDER THEREON, 28th May 1867, No. 871.
Communicated to the Public Works Department.
(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department.

Ed. J. H. Burns.

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