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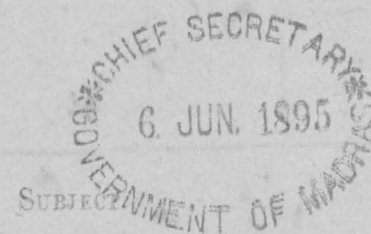
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CHIEF OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE,
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FROM

M. HAMMICK, Esq., I.C.S.,

INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE,

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TO

THE Chief Secretary
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Cotacamund.

SIR,

Enclosures.

I have the honor to request that some orders may be issued by Government on the question as to what officers shall take charge of records and valuables sent up to the Sessions Courts, during the holidays and during the recess.

2. In Kistna the Sub. Magistrate, Guntur, sent up certain sealed packets to the Sessions Court addressed to the Nazir, District Court. The Sheristadar of the Court refused to receive the parcels until the end of the holidays and the Constables in charge were there delayed and the packets were left in Police custody for several days.

3. On a reference to him the Sessions Judge referred the Police to G.O. No 1095, dated 7 August 1865, in which order

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the Magistrates were requested to make so arrangements to meet such cases as the above. The District Magistrate however, on a reference to him suggested that the Court Inspector should take charge of property sent to the Sessions Court during holidays or recess. The Superintendent reports that if this course is followed he must have a safe in his head quarter office for the custody of this property.

4. I referred to all Superintendents to find out the practice in each district and I find the practice is as follows:-

The officer of the Court takes charge of valuables and records during the recess in ~~the~~ seventeen districts.

In Kistna the same practice was observed up to December 1894.

In Sinnerally the same practice is followed, but the Police guard the box in which the property is kept, the key of which is with the officer of the Court.

In North Malabar records are sent and kept by the Sessions Court officer, but valuables are retained by the Magistrates until the Court opens.

5. This matter is one in which there should be an uniform practice everywhere

everywhere, and I therefore ask for the orders of Government. In every Session Court there is, I believe, an iron safe, the key of which is in charge of the Sessions Court officer, and as during the recess and the holidays I suppose there is always an officer in attendance at the Court, I think records and valuables should be sent direct to the Court by the Magistrate and kept there. I object to our Court Inspector keeping Sessions Court records or valuables. Such a practice will involve a considerable expenditure on safes, and apart from that I do not think that the Police are the proper custodians of records in Sessions cases. With carelessness in sealing there may be suspicion of records being tampered or made away with and the Police may be very interested in the matter.

It is far better that such records and valuables should be either in the custody of the Committing Magistrate or of the Sessions Court.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedt. servant,

M. M. M. M.

Inspector General of Police.

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