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Cuddapah  
District Magistrate's Office

21<sup>st</sup> June 1879.  
Depd 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1879

From J D D Gribble Esquire  
Acting District Magistrate  
of Cuddapah

To C G Baxter Esquire  
Chief Secretary  
to Government  
Judicial Department  
Cotacaimm ob.

Sir,

<sup>was</sup>  
<sup>the returned.</sup> In obedience to G.O. No. 1101 dated  
12<sup>th</sup> May 1879, I have the honor to submit  
a full and particular report regarding the  
deceased lunatic Chinmasevany.

2. I enclose copies of letters from  
the Acting Head Assistant (the  
Assistant Magistrate at the time of

the occurrence) from the Temporary Deputy Collector (the Sahaidar at the time of the occurrence) and of the Medical certificate granted by the Lillah Surgeon and also of that officer's answers to questions put by me.

3. The deceased was brought by his mother to the Police on the 11<sup>th</sup> December as a dangerous lunatic in the habit of assaulting women and produced on the same day before the Town Sub Magistrate. The Sub Magistrate remanded the man for 7 days and ordered him to be taken to the Civil Dispensary for observation. From an inspection of the hospital books, the lunatic appears to have been brought every day up to the 3<sup>d</sup> January to the hospital except on the 17<sup>th</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> December.

On his first admission the following prescription appears

|           |             |      |
|-----------|-------------|------|
| 13/12/78. | Pot. Bromid | - 30 |
|           | Aqua        | 30   |
|           | Chloral Hyd | - 20 |
|           | Syrup       | 40   |

This medicine was repeated on each visit and was also given on the last day of observation, the 3<sup>d</sup> January. No entries occur in the interim of the man's bodily or mental condition and the certificate dated the 3<sup>d</sup> makes no mention of the appearance of any wounds, sores or bruises, and Dr. Synsamoy distinctly states that on no occasion did he notice any such. The Christmas holidays had intervened, and the remand had been renewed. The period of observation at the hospital, thus extended from 13<sup>th</sup> December to 3<sup>d</sup> January or 21 days. The 3<sup>d</sup> January was a Friday and the

Christmas holidays did not terminate until the evening of Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup> and the office did not open until Monday the 6<sup>th</sup>. On the 7<sup>th</sup> the lunatic was produced before the Assistant Magistrate Mr. Higgins. On the same day, Mr. Higgins received a report from the Sahildar (translation enclosed) regarding the interruption caused by the lunatic who was reported to be very noisy and abusive whilst in the subsidiary jail, which is close to the Sahildar's place of business. In this report, however, no mention is made of the lunatic having been violent to himself, or of his having caused to himself any bodily harm. On the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> the lunatic was brought before Mr. Higgins who questioned him, but as from the papers before him, he had no reason to suppose that his bodily condition was dangerous or bad, he did make any

minute inspection of his person. Mr. Higgins states that he recalls that he was thin and emaciated. It is true that on the 8<sup>th</sup> some of the lunatic's friends asked to be allowed to take charge of him, but considering his mother's previous statement regarding his conduct and the Medical Surgeon's certificate, I cannot say that I think Mr. Higgins was to blame in considering that he would be safer in the Lunatic Asylum. The relatives seem to have seen this and at Mr. Higgins's suggestion, the mother agreed to accompany her son to Madras. It does not appear that on this or any other occasion, the relatives who were clearly interested in the lunatic, brought to notice that he was in a weak bodily condition or that he was suffering in any way from wounds, sores or bruises.

4. The Sahildar (now

Temporary Dy Collector) says that during the lunatic's confinement in the Sub Jail, it was not brought to his notice that the lunatic had suicidal or violent tendencies and he did not know that he had any wounds. All that he knew and complained of was, that he was noisy and abusive. In his subsequent report to the Sahib Surgeon after the man's death, the Sahildar speaks of his violence, but this he had only ascertained by an enquiry among the Clerks Constables warder &c, who then stated that during his confinement, the man had been violent and who describe the nature of the wounds on his person. The Sahildar appears to have been absent from Head Quarters until the 28<sup>th</sup> December and he distinctly states that on his return no mention was made of the lunatic's violent and

dangerous proceedings. It was only in the enquiry made in April, that these facts transpired.

5 The Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum, in reporting the lunatic's death to Mr. Higgins, makes no mention of any wounds or sores but gives as the cause of death

"(a) Chronic Mania"

(b) Atrophy"

a copy of this report is enclosed.

6. From the report of the Sahildar dated 7<sup>th</sup> April (Translation enclosed) I have no doubt that the man's conduct during confinement was such as to cause wounds. Up to the 3<sup>rd</sup> January, however, Dr. Jyasingh (copy of statement enclosed) states most distinctly that he saw no

wounds, that his examination of the  
wonderful  
lunatic, and the questions to the attendant  
were precise and that if he had been  
in any thing like the condition he is  
reported to have been in when he arrived  
in Madras he would have noticed it.

It is certainly difficult to reconcile  
this with the Sahsildar's report of 7<sup>th</sup>  
April, but I can only suppose that  
the wounds were caused after 3<sup>rd</sup> January  
and that the ex post facto statements  
of April that the violence had been  
continuous, are erroneous. That there  
were wounds there can be no doubt, but  
I also have no doubt that the wounds  
and the extreme violence were not  
reported at the time either to the  
Sahsildar or to Mr. Biggen.

7. Both these officers and the

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latter especially are very careful and  
painstaking in their work, and I can  
only suppose that the effects of the  
self caused injuries were greatly develop-  
ed after they saw the lunatic. I would  
ask the attention of Government to the  
concluding para of Mr. Biggen's letter  
expressing his regret at the unfortunate  
result. His suggestion that such  
lunatics should be kept for observation  
in the Civil Dispensary is, I venture  
to suggest, a good one.

8. I may mention that the first  
I heard of this case was from the G.O.  
under reply.

Have the honor to be  
Sir  
Your Most Obedient  
Servant

By District Magistrate

Answer. No one reported to me that he had any  
sores, wounds or bruises.

Question. Did any one report to you that the  
lunatic had violent or suicidal tendencies?  
or that he injured himself?

Answer. According to my orders, so that I might  
know the result of my treatment, the same  
constable always brought the lunatic  
to the hospital. This constable reported  
to me that the man was violent, and very  
noisy, but he never told me that he  
caused injuries to his own person or that  
he knocked himself about.

Question. Did you ask the constable what he  
meant by "violent"?

Answer. Yes. and the constable told me that he  
was very noisy, used to try and strike  
those in charge of him, was continually  
beating the door, shouting and using  
abusive language. When I saw him,  
he was always very quiet.

Question. How long did he stop in the hospital  
on occasion of his visits?

Answer. As long as I remained there, from an  
hour to one hour and a half.

20/6/79

Signed J. B. Gribble  
Ag District Master

Signed N. S. Swamy  
Lillah Surgeon

(True Copy)

Ag District Master

21/6/79

No. 262

Cuddapah Temporary,  
Additional District Magistrate's Office  
Camp Cuddapah  
14<sup>th</sup> June 1879

From the Temporary Addl District Magistrate  
of Cuddapah

To the Acting District Magistrate  
of Cuddapah

Sir,

I beg to report that the lunatic Chin  
nasawmy referred to in your docket No.  
1482 dated 12<sup>th</sup> instant, was confined from  
the 1<sup>st</sup> December 1878 to 9<sup>th</sup> January 1879 in  
the subsidiary Jail of Cuddapah Taluk,  
of which I had been Tahsildar till the  
beginning of April last, under the autho-  
rity of the enclosed remand marked A,  
given both by the Lower Sub Magistrate of  
Cuddapah and the Assistant Magistrate  
Mr. Higgins.

2. As I was absent from the head  
quarters from the 11<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> December last,  
I had not an opportunity of visiting the  
lunatic during that period and I therefore

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enclose a deposition taken from the Taluk Sheristadar Lonipi Shreneswaron, who was then in charge of the Subsidiary Jail under rule 4 Section 3 of the Subsidiary Jail rules, and who remanded the lunatic from the 11<sup>th</sup> December 1878 to 7<sup>th</sup> January 1879, as he was also then in charge of the Town Sub Magistrate's office.

3. Between my return to the Headquarters on the 28<sup>th</sup> December and the date on which the lunatic was sent down to Madras (9<sup>th</sup> January) I reported to the Lillah Surgeon on or about the 31<sup>st</sup> December and to the Divisional Magistrate Mr. Biggens on the 6<sup>th</sup> January, complaining of the troublesome and noisy behaviour of the lunatic and requesting his early removal from the subsidiary jail. Mr. Biggens seems to have inspected the lunatic on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> January last at his office and forwarded him to Madras on the 9<sup>th</sup> where he died on the 18<sup>th</sup> after an interval of 9 days.

4. The Lillah Surgeon having requested

me in his letter dated 6<sup>th</sup> April last, I instituted a careful enquiry and reported to him on the 7<sup>th</sup> April, describing the manner in which the lunatic was committing injury to himself and to others while confined in the subsidiary jail and I beg respectfully to enclose a copy of the report for your information.

5. The depositions taken from certain parties noted in the margin fully confirm the report made by me to the Lillah Surgeon on the 7<sup>th</sup> April last.

- 1 Taluk Sheristadar
- 1 Magisterial clerk
- 1 Police Officer on Jail duty
- 2 Jail Warden

6. The Taluk Sheristadar who is generally entrusted with the detail management of the sub jail and who had been in the sole charge of it from the 11<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> December last during my absence from the Headquarters, speaks most positively from his personal knowledge that the lunatic behaved especially during the whole December in such a manner as to cause bruises, or sores or wounds which he had on his person and that he (lunatic) had been rather mild in his habits from

the 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> January, in consequence of reduction in his bodily strength owing to his violent habits and illness with sores &c. but as neither the Taluk Sheristadar, nor the Jail warden informed me about it, after my return to the Headquarters on the 20<sup>th</sup> December 1878, or at any subsequent period, I did not examine him and therefore was not aware of the existence of any sores or bruises or wounds on the person of the lunatic till I made a careful enquiry on the 7<sup>th</sup> April last on the request of the Tella Surgeon. If I had known of the existence of wounds &c. on the lunatic's person, I would not have left them unmentioned in my reports to the Tella Surgeon and to the Divisional Magistrate referred to in para 3 of this letter.

7. It appears from the statement of the Police Officer on Jail duty and those of the two Jail wardens, that the lunatic Chinnasamy was allowed a daily batta of Rs 50 weight of rice with necessary condiments according to rules, that he had a good appetite and

that he ate the food made of the rice allowed, twice a day (both morning and evening) till the end of December, but his appetite had been rather dull from 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> January as he was suffering from sores, wounds and some illness and was reduced very much in his bodily condition. During this time he appears to have eaten only a portion of his meal.

8. In conclusion I beg most respectfully to state that I believe that the lunatic Chinnasamy had sores and wounds on his person under the circumstances stated above, but it is very much to be regretted that the matter was not brought to my notice at the time I happened to be at the Headquarters during the latter days of the lunatic's confinement in the Sub Jail.

9. The papers connected with these cases are herewith sent as per enclosed list.

I beg to remain  
Sd/-  
Syed B. Venkata Rao  
Temporary Addl Dy Magistrate  
/True Copy/

By District Magistrate

Extra No. 1

Acting Head Assistant

Magistrate's Office

Camp Maddur

June 10<sup>th</sup> 1879.

To J. D. Gribble Esquire  
Acting District Magistrate

Sir,

I have the honor to submit the explanation called for from me in G.O. No. 1101 dated 12<sup>th</sup> May 1879 as to my proceedings in the case of the Lunatic Chinnaswamy, who died a few days after he was sent by me, when I was in charge of Buddapah Taluk, to the Lunatic Asylum at Madras.

2. I have gone through the papers which I had to guide me in determining to send the Lunatic to Madras, and I enclose them for your perusal.

3. The Lunatic was handed over to the Police by his mother, a resident of Buddapah, on the 11<sup>th</sup> December 1878, and

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was produced by Head Constable No. 898  
Ranjee Rao before the Taluk Cheristadar  
and 3<sup>d</sup> class Magistrate. I. Sreenivasa Rao  
(who was then in charge of the Cuddapah Town  
Sub Magistrate's office) on the same date.

The Sub Magistrate granted a remand  
for 7 days, and ordered that the Lunatic  
should be produced for observation before  
the Lillak Surgeon. He seems from Dr.  
Iyengar's certificate to have been  
first sent to the Hospital on the 13<sup>th</sup>.  
On the same date the Sub Magistrate  
took a statement from the Lunatic's  
mother, who said that her son, having  
been suffering from a throat disease  
for some months, had lately, i.e. in the  
last week or so, become mad - that he  
was violent, and had a propensity for  
assaulting women, and committing  
arson, and that she was unable to  
restrain him. The Sub Magistrate extended  
the remand and continued to send the

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Lunatic to the Lillak Surgeon until the  
3<sup>d</sup> January 1879, when Dr. Iyengar  
gave the certificates, copies of which  
I enclose. These certificates were sent  
home by the Town Sub Magistrate  
D. Kinnurugala Chari, who had mean-  
while taken charge of his office, on the  
6<sup>th</sup> January, together with the Police report,  
statement of the Lunatic's mother, and  
the original order of remand. The papers  
were received by me on the 7<sup>th</sup>, and the  
Lunatic was produced before me for the  
first time on the same day.

4. The delay between the 3<sup>d</sup> and the  
6<sup>th</sup> January was caused, I believe,  
by the fact that the Christmas  
holidays ended on the 4<sup>th</sup> January  
a Saturday, and consequently no work  
was done in the Town Sub Magistrate's  
office till the 6<sup>th</sup> Monday.

5. On the 7<sup>th</sup> January I received an  
urree, written on the 5<sup>th</sup> from the Taluk

Magistrate, in which he complained of the interruption caused to his work by the presence of the Lunatic in the Subsidary Jail close to his office room, and stated that the Lunatic made a great noise and used very bad language, but said nothing about his having injured himself in the Subsidary Jail. He enclosed a note received on the 10<sup>th</sup> January from the Tellah Surgeon in which that officer stated his inability to have the Lunatic confined in the Jail as the Taluk Magistrate had requested.

6. As to what took place before myself on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> I have to trust for the most part to my recollection. There is nothing on the record of my then office except the diary entries, copies of which I enclose, and my order dated 7<sup>th</sup> January to the Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum (the office copy of

which is also enclosed). I remember putting some questions to the Lunatic on the 7<sup>th</sup> to which he returned most incoherent answers. I cannot be sure that I examined his bodily condition very closely. My recollection is that he was then; but not that he had any wounds or bruises on his person. The papers from which I had to form my opinion as to the advisability of sending him to the Lunatic Asylum showed that he was dangerous if left to himself but not that he had shown any suicidal tendencies. Dr. Syaswamy's certificate did not show that he had personally found him violent, except that he was restless and tried to escape from custody, but embodied the substance of his mother's statement which showed him to have been violent before he was arrested, and also stated that the constables who brought

him the dispensary stated that he was violent in the Sub Jail i.e. that he tried to break open the door but not that he tried to kill himself. The Taluk Magistrate's report spoke only of his being noisy. No mention being made by the Taluk Magistrate or Dr. Jayawamy of any harm done to himself there was nothing to lead me to suspect his person very attentively.

7<sup>th</sup> On the 8<sup>th</sup> January the Lunatic was brought up for remand with a view to his being taken to the Lunatic Asylum. It was on this occasion that some of his relatives appeared, and because they did not wish to lose sight of him requested that he should not be sent down to Madras, representing that he was much better. I again spoke to the Lunatic on this day and again his answers were inconsistent. I told them that considering Dr. Jayawamy's certificate and the way in which the man answered I thought

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he would be much better off in a Lunatic Asylum, and suggested that his mother should go down to Madras where possibly she might be able to see him from time to time. To this they agreed, and the man was removed, and taken to Madras the following morning.

8. On neither occasion was the Lunatic's conduct before me violent - and though he was thin, I certainly had not the smallest idea that he was likely to die so soon. I am not prepared of course to say that he had no wounds or bruises on his body when I saw him on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> January, but I cannot recollect noticing any.

9. In conclusion I wish to express my regret that this my first essay in dealing with a Lunatic should have had so unfortunate a result - and also to suggest that it would be a much better arrangement

that non criminal lunatics should  
be confined whilst under observation  
in a ward of the Civil Hospital instead  
of in the subsidiary jail.

Thave  
Signed M W B Higgins  
As Head Assistant Master  
(True Copy)

By District Master

1874/12/27

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Translation of Arji No. 4 from the Tahsildar  
of Cuddapah to the Sillah Surgeon of Cuddapah  
dated Camalapur 7<sup>th</sup> April 1879.

The lunatic Chinnasawmy referred to in your  
letter No. <sup>85</sup><sub>6-4-79</sub> was received into the subsidiary Jail  
of the Cuddapah Taluk on the 11<sup>th</sup> December 1878, and  
sent to Madras, as per orders of the Assistant  
Collector, on the 9<sup>th</sup> January 1879 at 7. A.M.

During this period viz from the 12<sup>th</sup> he was daily  
taken to the Sillah Hospital and there treated.

At the time when he was sent to Madras  
he was very weak and had wounds on his person  
which were caused as stated under.

1. From his acts of insanity, the hand cuff  
rubbed against his two wrists and wounds  
were thereby caused.
1. There were sores on his two wrists just above  
the part where hand cuff was put on.
1. There were sores on the buttocks and also  
above and below the knees.
1. He struck himself against the wall, fell down  
and struck his head against the ground.

Besides the above he did the following  
violent acts.

Assaulting the peons and others and attempting  
to strike them when he was taken out of and again  
put

put into the Jail room, falling on the ground and kicking about when seized; attempting to bite, and striking his head against the ground while attempting to strike against the people with his head. He broke also the door of the Jail room. He was, subsequently, fettered and fastened to a picket. Even then he pulled the picket out with his hands and legs, struck against his head, and pelted others with stones which he found on his way, when he was taken out or else struck himself with the same.

Thus he did innumerable acts which were injurious to his person and made use of grosser abuses. These acts have been correctly noted down some of them having been seen by the Officer in charge of the Jail and some reported by the Jail warder and the Head Constable.

During the time in question I (Sahildar) was the Officer in charge of the subsidiary Jail when I remained in the Head Quarters and when absent on Circuit my Sheristadar was in charge of the same.

/ Signed / B. Venkata Rao.

True Copy /

/ Signed / B. Venkata Rao.

Temporary Secy. Dy. Magistrate  
(True Seculation)

As District Magistrate.

1878/12/21/05

No I  
Enclosure 2

Cuddapah  
7th Jan 1879  
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I Mr Stiggins Asst Magr of  
Cuddapah having seen ~~the~~  
lunatic  
Chinnaswamy ~~at the~~ (Chinnaswamy)  
& read the report on his case  
of Cuddapah  
by the Zillah Magr M. P. S. S. S.  
Pillay Sarni, hereby direct that  
he be received as a patient in the  
Madras Lunatic Asylum. His  
mother in her statement attributes  
his attack to which occurred 6 months  
ago to affection of the throat.  
C. Stiggins  
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Extract from the diary of the  
Assistant Magistrate's office for  
the year 1879.

\* \* \* \*

Lunatic.

7<sup>th</sup> January 1879, Tuesday. Cuddalore.  
An order is issued to the Station officer  
of Cuddalore to take and deliver  
lunatic Chinnasawmy in the Lunatic  
Asylum. Also an order is sent to the  
officer in charge of Asylum, together  
with medical officers certificates,  
to receive the said lunatic.

\* \* \* \*

Lunatic.

8<sup>th</sup> January 1879, Cuddalore. Wednesday.  
The remand granted to Chinnasawmy  
is extended up to 8<sup>th</sup> instant.

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(True Extract)

Temporary Book of Enquiry



Handwritten notes and signatures, including 'L. A.', 'J. A.', and 'C. A.'.

I am getting  
the necessary  
papers ready  
for the mail  
man tomorrow;  
he will take  
away to Madras

21-3  
sunday or two.

I have no power  
to admit him  
in the jail. It  
is only criminal  
lunatics formerly  
committed by a  
magistrate,  
could be lodged in  
there from ~~the~~  
A. K. K. K.

Regd. No. 44

15.1.79

Madras 10<sup>th</sup> January 1879

This is to certify that a native male patient  
named Chinnaswamy is this day admitted into  
the Lunatic Asylum

L. E. Russell Surgeon Major  
Superintendent  
Lunatic Asylum

No. 698.

Lunatic Asylum  
Madras  
25<sup>th</sup> January 1879

From The Superintendent  
Lunatic Asylum Madras  
To The Assistant Magistrate  
of Cuddalore  
Sir,

I have the honor to report the death on the  
18<sup>th</sup> instant of an ordinary male patient  
named Chinmasawmy, who was admitted on  
the 10<sup>th</sup> January 1879 under your order.

The cause of death:—

(a) Chronic mania

(b) Atrophy.

I have the honor

Signed L. C. Sanyal Surgeon Major

Superintendent Lunatic Asylum

(True Copy)

By District Magistrate

27/1/79

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7. ~~Letter No. 7-1-79~~  
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 By District Magistrate

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Translation of Arzi from D. V. Tirumengadachari  
2<sup>d</sup> Class Magistrate of the Cuddapah Town to  
A. W. B. Higgins Esquire Agent Collector of Cuddapah  
dated 7 January 1879-

The Station House Officer of the Cuddapah Town  
submitted an occurrence report stating that one  
Mala Chinnadawmy had turned mad and that he  
was doing injury to the people. He was produced with  
the occurrence report. Etemboys his mother was  
examined and she admitted that her son became  
insane and that he was doing injury to the public,  
and expressed her inability to take care of him. I then  
forwarded him to the Civil Dispensary, and the  
Lillah Surgeon having examined him sent in  
forms A & C. These forms together with the occurrence  
report and Etemboys's deposition are herewith  
submitted and I beg to suggest that the lunatic  
may be forwarded to the Madras Lunatic Asylum.

Signed/ D. V. Tirumengadachari  
2<sup>d</sup> Class Magistrate.

True Translation/

Ag District Magistrate

1878

Handwritten text in a script, likely Telugu, covering the right page of the manuscript. The text is arranged in approximately 15 horizontal lines. The script is highly stylized and cursive. There are several large, decorative initial letters or symbols at the beginning of certain lines, possibly indicating the start of new sections or paragraphs. The ink is dark, and the paper shows signs of age and wear.

Handwritten text in Tamil script, likely a historical document or manuscript. The text is dense and covers most of the page, with some lines appearing to be crossed out or heavily scribbled over. The script is cursive and characteristic of traditional Tamil writing.

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 ১৮৮৩ সালের ১৫  
 ১৮৮৩ সালের ১৫

By District Magistrate

Form A.

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I, the undersigned Dr. Gyomai,  
Pillay, Zillah Surgeon of Cuddapah,  
do hereby certify that on the 13<sup>th</sup>  
day of December 1878 at Cuddapah,  
personally examined Chinnam,  
is a lunatic and a proper person  
to be taken charge of, and detained  
under care and treatment, and that  
I formed this opinion on the following  
grounds, namely: -

1. Facts indicating insanity observed  
by myself: -

He has been under my observation  
for about 2 weeks. I have always  
found him talking incoherently,  
restless and trying to escape from  
custody. Eyes blood-shot, pupils  
contracted; head warm; pulse  
frequent and irregular; expression  
of countenance vacant and wild;

J. J. J. J. J.



2.  
body very much emaciated. Is also  
inclined to delusions, often crying  
or talking loud or using abusive  
language. When questioned he  
sometimes states, that nothing is  
the matter with him, and wishes  
to send him to his home. He  
believes that his wife is unfaithful  
to him and is at times very violent  
and uncontrollable, attempting  
to strike his attendants, at other  
times he is dejected, sullen and  
drowsy.

2. Other facts indicating insanity communicated  
to me by the Police and others:-

He is said to have been in an  
unsound state of mind for the  
past 6 months. And since November  
last has become unmanageable,  
using violence to his relatives  
and others. Said to have attempted  
to set fire to dwelling houses, on  
one or two occasions, blinding and

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pelting stones at people. During  
him getting worse every day, his  
mother reported the matter to the  
Police who took him in custody.

The Police Constables that accompany  
him daily to Hospital, state that  
he is very troublesome at the  
subsidiary jail, trying to break  
open the door &c, using most offensive  
language, very filthy in his  
habits. He is reported to have a  
very voracious appetite, and to have  
little or no sleep during the night.

Treatment.

Purgatives, Emetics,  
Bromide of Potassium, Chloral  
Hydrate, cold douche, &c &c &c

- Name C<sup>4</sup>.

Disease Mania.  
Name Chinese.  
Age about 21 years.  
Sex Male.

By whom sent. 2nd of Jan. Magistrate  
Cuddalore.

Date on which he was }  
1st sent to hospital for treatment. } 13<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1879.

Temperament - Nervous bilious.

Married or single - Married.

Number of children - None.

Occupation - Peasantry.

Where born and residence - Cuddalore.

Religion - Hindu.

Whether 1st attack and } 1st attack  
duration of present attack } Duration, about  
6 months.

Cause { Moral Moral  
or  
Physical.

(True copy)

W. H. B. B.  
Dr. R. C. C.  
Deputy Magistrate.  
Cuddalore.

Cuddalore  
3<sup>rd</sup> January 1879.

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 श्रीकृष्णाय नमः

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Proceedings of the 3 class Magistrate of the Cuddapah  
Town dated 11 December 1878.

The Cuddapah Town station House Officer has  
this day produced an occurrence report stating that  
one Chinnaiah, the son-in-law of Mala Karan  
gadoo an inhabitant of Masapeta attached to the  
said town has been insane for the last 7 days, that  
he wanders naked, that he attempts to pelt stones  
at people and set fire to houses, that he breaks the  
strings when tied up and that he causes other disturbance.

Order is hereby given to keep him in the  
Subsidiary Jail under restraint for 7 days in order  
to have him treated in the Civil Dispensary and  
a certificate obtained there.

Signed / J. Sreenivas a Row.  
3 class Magistrate.

(True Translation)

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By order magt.

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Occurrence report from the station House Officer of the  
Cuddapah Town dated 11<sup>th</sup> December 1878.

Chimmasawmy, aged 20 years the son-in-law  
of Mala Arasigadoo residing in Masapetti attached  
to the Cuddapah Town is turned mad.

For the last 7 days he has been naked. He  
attempts to seize women, enters into houses in order  
to pelt stones at people, attempts to set fire to houses,  
breaks the strings if he is tied up, comes upon others  
as if to beat them and does such other mischievous  
acts. Hence no one comes forward to take care of him.  
It seems to me that should he be left free, he would do  
injury to people. I have therefore arrested him this day  
at 10 A.M. and produced him before you in order to  
get him proper treatment.

/s/ Chinn / Ponjill Row.

Head Constable No 898.

(True Translation)

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Deposition given on solemn affirmation  
in the Court of the 2<sup>d</sup> class Magistrate of Suddapah  
Town on 13<sup>th</sup> December 1878. by Salumboye.

Husband's name - Velayudham.

Caste - Pariah.

Age - 40 years.

Profession - Cooly.

Residence - Masapett.

The lunatic Chinnasamy is my son. He has  
had affection of throat and numbness in one of his  
hands for the last 5 months. About 8 days ago he  
was cured of the former disease. I got him treated at  
different places. Since then he has turned mad, attempts  
to pelt stones at people and to seize females and  
walks naked. If he is tied up he breaks the  
strings. He beat his wife and troubled her. His wife  
is living with me. He attempts to set fire to the  
houses of his neighbours. Being unable to take care  
of him, I reported the matter to the Polio. I cannot  
take care of this mad man Chinnasamy. If he  
is set free he will kill me and my daughter-in-law.  
I can only take care of him should he be treated  
and cured of his madness by the Sircar. This is all  
that I can say.

Taken before me.

True Translation / Signed / S. Srinivasadas  
3 class Magistrate

As District Magistrate

DEPARTMENT.

**FOR ORDERS.**

The Report of the Asylum Visitation, made, d/20<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> having stated the case of a late patient named 'Chambers', who died from Cattle-pox on the 10<sup>th</sup> idem 'in a dying state, covered with pustules & sores', & who succumbed on the 18<sup>th</sup> in a state of great emaciation in spite of the internment administered - inquiry was made into the circumstances of the case.

It appears from the papers before you that every precaution as to the case presented in the case of dangerous but non-Criminal lunatics has been neglected. It was the duty of the Police, on the man being pointed out to them by his relatives as dangerous by reason of lunacy, to have put him before the Magistrate, whose term is explained in the act to mean a

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Recd also letter from J<sup>r</sup> Hays, Endicott  
Box No. Theron, 11 August 1877-1879.

The Govt have been before him in full particulars  
 regarding the patient Chemsawane, who was reported  
 by the latter, assistant Asylum Visitor to have arrived  
 at the Asylum from Cuddalore 'in a dying state,  
 covered with ulcers & sores' & to have died a week  
 afterwards -

2. It appears from the foregoing papers that on the patient being arrested by the Police as a 'dangerous lunatic' on the representation of his family, the Police, in lieu of putting him up before a full powers Magistrate, as required by Act 36 of 1858 (Sec 4 & 18), resorted to the Town Sub Magistrate, who directed his incarceration in the Dublin Gaol. His conduct there was of a violent & suicidal character, quite sufficient to account for the injuries & sores noted on his arrival at the Asylum, which he however was not observed by the Tyllah Surgeon, for whose treatment the patient was daily marched to the Dispensary from the 13<sup>th</sup> Dec to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan, 1861. The last mentioned date Dr. Syahkhanian signed the usual Certificate. The Q. Inf. cannot acquit the Tyllah Surgeon of negligence in not minutely examining the patient, inspecting his cell & recommending a proper attendant. Consequently, in entering the remedies exhibited is also noticeable; in his Certificate to Dr. Syahkhanian he mentioned 'purgatives, emetics, cold douche, & sedatives'; but from the Magistrate's inspection of the Dispensary records, he taken only are entered - he gave dose daily.

2. Until the 7<sup>th</sup> Jan, was the Pri<sup>r</sup> produced before a compe-  
-tent Judge (the Head of the). The Court expressly contemplated that

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before any Officer shall confer with the Medical Officer, but the commitment was made without this important formality. Acting on the certificate & after a cursory examination of the patient, the Magistrate sent him down to the Asylums.

3. The attention of Magistrial, Police & Medical Officers will be specially called to the foregoing irregularities. The Police & Magistrate will hold officers concerned strictly responsible not only for observance of the law, but for ~~the~~ humane & considerate treatment of alleged lunatics. Except on emergency - such as on a journey, from the taking to the Magistrate's - lockups & subduing jails are not to be used for the confinement of persons arrested by the Police as lunatics under Sect 6, of Act 36 of 1858. The Medical Officer, visiting any such lunatic, shall daily inspect him in confinement & shall be responsible that he is properly cared for, restrained & controlled, in common with the Magistrate who has committed the patient for medical inspection. Such Magistrate shall, further, occasionally meet the Medical Officer in his visits to the patient & shall take down a deposition from him supplementary to the Certificate, whenever the observations recorded in the Certificate are not full & sufficient.

J. H. Aug 8/9

To all S. C. Magistrates { despatched 22/8 }  
To T. G. Police { despatched 23/8 }  
To Bangalore Genl. Prison { despatched 23/8 }