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A. G. Cardue Esquire
 Recorder Secretary to
 Government, Public
 Department, Nation.

Most Honorable,

In continuation to my letter
 to your honor dated the 17th Inst. ant,
 I beg to enclose, here in, copies of
 correspondence, that took place, between
 the Public of Canton & the District and
 Joint-Magistrates, as noted below, for
 your kindly placing them along with
 our previous correspondence - I have
 already shown to your honor that
 the original, of several of the documents
 cannot be sent - along with the Memorial,
 and request your honor to lend for
 them when they are required, and
 obtained your honor's permission

I beg to remain
Sir

24th March 1890
Madras
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1- copy of Memorial dated 24-3-90.
1 - do petition by Mr. Kapistha } 21-1-90.
introduced
1- do do ————— 29-1-90
1- do of proceedings of the District
Magistrate dated 8-3-90

II That the Joint Magistrate has also refused to
 peruse some of the important orders (copies of which
 were given to the under Secretary to Government) —
 passed by the several European and native Magistrates
 of the place showing the long established custom of

the place, but insisted upon carrying out his orders into effect.

III That the District Magistrate, on this was also petitioned and wired on the subject to give immediate redress on the ground that the processions would be stopped and that the parties would incur great expense by their not closing the processions. The District Magistrate kept Sihub till 8th March 1890.

IV That the Petitioners seeing the District Magistrate not interfering and the amount of expense they are going to be put to, have sent in a memorial to the Government on the 29th January 1890 and gave several telegraphs to Government on various dates as follows.

One ordinary on 31-1-90
One deferred on 2-2-90
One urgent on 2-2-90
One ordinary on 3-2-90

At an expense of about Rs 30-0-0 (replies also being prepaid) with full hope the Government would beyond all doubt, interfere in a matter of this nature and save the people from confusion trouble and expense.

V That the Petitioners having received no orders either from Government or from the District Magistrate

were obliged to stop the processions and to come up here, all the distance, to represent their grievances in person, and obtain the redress from your gracious and benevolent Government.

VI That the Petitioners have in the mean while on 8th March 1890 received an order from the District Magistrate Kristna, to the effect that the procession can be performed as prayed for after 10. P. M without music and its accompaniments (Copies of his order dated 8th March 1890 with those of Joint Magistrates are herewith enclosed) an order which indirectly supports that of the Joint-Magistrate as no processions of this nature, among Hindus, can be celebrated without music and its accompaniments.

VII The petitioners, therefore, most humbly and respectfully pray your gracious and benevolent Lord Ship that the orders passed by the District and Joint Magistrates, be set aside, and that the long established custom as shown by the abstract list of papers

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3 That the petitioner has applied for leave to hold a procession of the Goddess on the 12th Instant.

at 12 P.M. for the last Naukranthi festival and the
Town Magistrate under the orders of the Joint Magistrate
permitted the petitioner to have the processions only until
10 P.M. which is contrary to long established and im-
memorial custom and it has been said that the
Joint Magistrate gave general orders to the Town
Magistrate not to give permission for any processions
after 10 P.M.

(Vide 663 of the Joint Magistrate)
1889

Even in Presidency towns, where the population
is more dense, such processions are not interfered
with and are allowed to go according to established
customs.

As this is a procession in which the whole
Hindu public are interested, petitioner most humbly
begs to request your honour to give him permission
for the processions on the dates and until the
hours above noted according to custom.

For which act of kindness petitioner as in duty bound
will ever pray.

19 January 1890

It begs to remain
Most honored Sir
Your honor's most obedient Servant
Signed/ Holanagow Venkatabhishmal
Petitioner.
(True Copy)

(Signed) O. Wolfe Murray
Ag. Joint Magistrate

Petition No 148

Name of Petitioner Holanagow Venkatabhishmal

Residence of Do Guntoor

The processions Cannot be carried on after
10 P.M. According to rule

Sub Collector's
Office. Nisbana
21 - 1 - 1890

Signed O. Wolfe Murray
Ag. Joint Magistrate.

/ True copy /
in my presence

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O. Wolfe Murray Esquire,
Joint Magistrate
Kistna District.

The humble petition of Holawra Vukatakiak
and residents of Guntoor.

Most Honored Sir

Having been distressed very much at the
orders passed by your honor prohibiting the
processions of Sri Mitheswara Swami Garu after
10. P.M., We beg to submit our poor case, once
more before your honor trusting that justice
will be shown to us on proper representation of
the matter as follows.

1 That the procession of Sri Swaminara
is annual and immemorial like the Mahara
Festival of the Mahomedans.

2. That the Local authorities have
always helped and encouraged the procession
giving due regard to religious feelings
and

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and ceremonies in sound harmony, with the Royal proclamation of her most gracious Majesty the Empress of India in the year 1858. That the hours fixed for performance of ceremonies and procession ~~can~~, on no account, be changed to suit the convenience, for the rules of our religion are such and stringent that they should not be altered. That the damage resulting from an order like this is not only very serious but sensational too.

Therefore your petitioners humbly beg your honor may be pleased to revoke the aforesaid order by permitting the procession to be conducted in usual hours, which have been taking place from time immemorial.

For which act of kindness we, as in duty bound, shall ever pray.

29th January 1890
Guntur

We beg to remain
Most honored Sir
Your most obedient Servants
/Signed/ Katarayya Tukata Krishniah
Dhanu Kartha of Mullaswara Swami
& Others.

/True Copy/
Sd/- [Signature]

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Ex. No. 17

Proceedings of the District Magistrate Kistna
dated, Krosur 8th March 1890.

Read Petition of H. V. Krishniah and others
of Guntur dated 23rd January 1890, against
the order of the Joint Magistrate dated
21st January 1890 prohibiting a procession
with music after 10 P.M.

Read also letters No. 167 dated 6th February
and No. 256 dated 20th February from the Joint
Magistrate on the same subject.

Read also petition of H. V. Krishniah
dated 22nd February 1890 requesting orders and
a copy thereof.

On the 26th January Shri. Ponnuslothan
was heard in support of the first petition.
Order

Two distinct things appear to have been
confused in the foregoing papers and the
confusion has probably given rise to the protest
raised.

raised in petition against the Joint Magistrate's order. It appears to be the custom in Quinter for parties who desire to play Music in the public streets after 10 P.M. to obtain the previous permission of the Magistrate. Permission was requested by K.V. Krishniah to conduct the annual procession of Krishnakumaraswami for 12 nights after 10 P.M. with music accompaniments. The Joint Magistrate passed the following order dated 21st January on this petition. No. 148

"The procession cannot be carried on after 10 P.M. according to the rule;" it appears from the Joint-Magistrate's report "that it is not the procession at night which is a nuisance to the public but the music with which it is ordinarily accompanied. The Joint Magistrate should therefore, not have forbidden the procession but merely the use of Music after 10 P.M. in connection with it. It is now no uncommon thing for the ~~the~~ processions connected with Hindu Festivals, to take place at night with torches, Cars and other accompaniments but without music. In the present instance the District Magistrate agrees that it would be a nuisance to a large section of the public, if processions with music had gone on for twelve nights after 10 P.M. as desired by the petitioners. At the same time

Time

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time there could be no objection to the processions without the music. The Joint Magistrate is, therefore, requested to modify his order accordingly. As the regulation of music in the streets is placed by law (Sec 30 Act V of 1861) primarily in the hands of the Police who are of course — under the Magistrate's Control, the District Magistrate considers that it will be more convenient if applications of this nature are made in the 1st place to the Assistant Superintendent or other Superior Police Officer following the custom observed in Musilipatam, and requests the Joint-Magistrate to issue orders accordingly.

(Signed) A. J. Arundel
District Magistrate
8. 3. 90

(True Copy)

(Signed) M. E. Hall

For District Magistrate.

/ True Copy /
Sd/- J. S. Srinivas

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Receiving Petition from
Mr. K. Sankalopappa
submitting certain papers
in connection with the
proceedings of Srimuladun
Srinivas Srinivas.