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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
1st February 1869.*

No. 35. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Judicial Department:—

Passing orders on certain proposals of the In-
specter General, regarding the location of a } (Here enter 13th January 1869, No. 51.)
gang of convicts at Pykara; and the ultimate
disposal of the plantation gangs.

No. 36. ORDER THEREON, 1st February 1869, No. 316.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 7.

Communicated to the Superintend-
ing Engineer of the 7th Division.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
13th January 1869.*

No. 89. Read the following letter from the Inspector General of Jails, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Ootacamund, 5th December 1868, No. 150.

I have the honor to forward two letters from Major Farewell, Executive Engineer, Neilgherry Hills, and one from the Superintendent of the Chinchona Plantations, regarding the disposal of the gang of 139 convicts now at Neddiwattum.

2. On the 19th October, Major Farewell requested that a party of forty convicts, from the Neddiwattum Jail, might be located at Pycara from the 1st December 1868, up to the 1st June 1869, for the purpose of completing the work upon which they were engaged last year, viz., the road between Pycara and Neddiwattum, but Mr. McIvor was unable to spare the men. Major Farewell now proposes to give up, for the present, the use, at Neddiwattum, of the fifty convicts under his orders there, and to transfer forty of them to the Chuttrum at Pycara, on the 1st January 1869, for five months; but as the road through the

Judicial Department, 15th January 1867, No. 89.

plantations towards Goodaloor, upon which they are now employed, is not finished, he intends to resume that work as early as practicable, and, therefore, requests that he may be allowed to take over all the convicts who may be at Neddiwattum when they are given up by Mr. McIvor on the 31st March, and to keep them until the 1st July 1869, or for a longer period if they can be spared. The labor to be directed by Major Farewell, and the superintendence to be continued by Mr. Dawson, whose salary and that of the establishment will be paid by the Department of Public Works. Mr. McIvor is prepared to transfer the jail buildings, and establishment, from the 1st April.

Judicial Department, 4th October 1867, No. 1539.

3. A separate establishment will be required for the gang at Pycara, similar to that sanctioned last year, viz.,

	RS.
One Jailer.....	37
Two Warders, at Rupees 12 each.....	24
Horse allowance to Apothecary.....	30

The Commissioner has informed me that he sees no objection to the temporary occupation of the Chuttrum.

4. If Major Farewell's application is approved of, I propose to dispose of the plantation gangs in the following manner, when they are given up on the 31st March. The party at Dodabettah, which generally consists of about eighty men to be divided between the Native Jail at Ootacamund, the temporary Jail at the Reservoir, and the Lawrence Asylum works according to circumstances, any surplus men being transferred to Neddiwattum. The convicts who may remain at Neddiwattum on the 30th June to be distributed in a similar manner, and any surplus to be sent to the plains.

From Major W. FAREWELL, Executive Engineer, Neilgherry Hills to the Inspector General of Jails, Ootacamund; dated Ootacamund, 19th October 1868, No. 560.

Understanding that the Superintendent of the Government Chinchona Plantations proposes to dispense with the use of convicts, at Neddiwattum, at the end of the present official year, I have the honor to request that, if necessary, the sanction of Government may be obtained, to allow of the prisoners being retained at Neddiwattum up to 1st July 1869, and that a gang of forty men be furnished from the Neddiwattum Jail for employment at Pycara, from the 1st December 1868, till the 1st June 1869. The retention of the convicts at Neddiwattum, for the period noted, would enable me to complete the Goodaloor Ghaut to the full width, through the Government Chinchona

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Plantations, and thus prevent all chance of having again to interfere with planting operations, to the detriment of the plantations, while the gang at Pycara would complete the remaining work to be done in cuttings and fillings required between Pycara and Neddiwattum; the arrangements of the Jail might remain as at present, all expenses being borne by this Department, the Pycara gang remaining under the same superintendence, which would facilitate the question of rations, superintendence, &c.

2. I take this opportunity of reporting that the Munly Mund temporary Jail is completed, and ready for your inspection and occupation by convicts, whenever you desire it; the temporary Barrack, Police lines, Jailers hut, cook-room and store and Police guard-rooms, are all ready.

From Major W FAREWELL, Executive Engineer, Neilgherry Hills, to the Inspector General of Jails, Ootacamund; dated Ootacamund, 2nd December 1868, No. 683.

With reference to your letter, No 1555, dated 26th October 1868, I have the honor to inform you that, on condition of my being allowed to avail myself of the services of such prisoners as may remain in the Neddiwattum Jail after the 1st April 1869, till the 1st July 1869, or to a longer period, if you cannot conveniently then dispose of these men, I shall be very glad if you will allow forty men being detached from the Neddiwattum Jail to be located at Pycara from the 1st January 1869, in order that the road between Pycara and Neddiwattum may be completed as early as possible; the services of these forty convicts at Pycara are much needed, and they will be of an immense assistance to me in a locality where labor is so difficult to be obtained. I, therefore, trust that you will see no objection to my proposition; on hearing from you all the necessary details regarding the transfer, I can arrange with Mr. Dawson who will take charge of the Pycara gang so far as clothing, feeding, &c., as a detachment from his Jail, while I will see that their work is looked after as usual. The temporary Jail at Pycara, Police lines, cook-rooms, guard-room, &c., will direct, immediately I have your reply, to be rendered fit, as before, for occupation.

From W. G. McIVOR, Esq, Superintendent Government Chinchona Plantations, to the Inspector General of Jails, Ootacamund; dated Ootacamund, 23rd October 1868, No. 170.

With reference to your letter of the 19th instant, No. 1495, I have the honor to inform you that I am unable to spare, from the Neddiwattum Jail, a gang of forty prisoners for employment by the Executive Engineer at Pycara.

2. At present I see no objection to the Executive Engineer having the use of the Jail and buildings on the Neddiwattum Plantation, together with the Jail establishment, from the 1st of April to the 1st of July 1869, as suggested in that gentleman's letter of the 19th instant.

No. 90. ORDER THEREON, 13th January 1869, No. 51.

The arrangements proposed by the Inspector General of Jails in the foregoing letter, for the transfer of the convicts and Jail buildings at Neddiwattum to the Public Works Department, and for the disposal of the plantation gangs, are approved.

2. The separate establishment required at Pycara, at a monthly cost of Rupees (84) eighty-four, is sanctioned. The charge will be included in the statement of fresh charges, to be submitted for the confirmation of the Government of India.

One Jailor.....	Rs. 30
Two Warders, at Rupees 12 each.....	24
Horse allowance to Apothecary.....	30

(True Extract).

R. W. S.
Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector General of Jails.
Public Works Department.
Revenue Department.
Accountant General.

Exd. J. Wright.

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JUDICIAL.

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF JAILS.

Dated January, 1869.

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G. O., 13th January, 1869, No. 51.

JANUARY.
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Reading of letter of the Inspector General, regarding the transfer of a gang of convicts at Pycara, and the disposal of the plantation gangs.

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To The Superintending Eng^r
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Comr & Jail buildings
Encl. Copy approving of the
arrangements proposed
for the transfer & removal
of the Comr & Jail build-
ings at Nedumattam,
Cumbalur &c. and the
concerned.