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# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

## Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 419 Press Mis.

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Dated 9 - 2 - 1915

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 9th February* 1869.

No. 241. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Judicial Department:—

Directing that the return showing the number of convicts sentenced in this Presidency annually to transportation for life, during the last five years, be forwarded to the Government of India; and that the Inspector General be requested to furnish a report in respect of Jail accommodation for convicts sentenced to transportation for periods other than life. } (Here enter 27th January 1869, No. 137.)

No. 245. ORDER THEREON, 9th February 1869, No. 419.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 40. Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E,
*Secretary to Government.*

Court of {1869} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated February, 9th.

Read.

G. O., 9th February 1869, No. 419.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,*
*27th January* 1869.

Read the following papers :—

No. 240. From the Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, (Judicial,) to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated Simla, 4th November 1868, No. 70-1827.

I am directed to request that, with the permission of the Governor in Council, you will have the goodness to submit a Return showing the number of convicts sentenced annually to transportation for life, during the last five years in Madras.

2. I am also to inquire whether the amount of Jail accommodation in Madras either actually existing, or in course of construction, would be sufficient for the probable number of prisoners which would remain, if deportation to Port Blair were restricted to the case of *life* convicts.

3. An early reply is requested.

Transferred to the Inspector General of Jails, with the request that he will furnish the required information as soon as possible.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
17*th November* 1868.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
*Chief Secretary.*

No. 241. From the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, (Judicial,) to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated 28th November 1868, No. 1894.

I am directed to invite attention to the communication marginally noted, and to request an early reply thereto.

Calling for a return showing the number of convicts sentenced annually to transportation for life, during the last five years
* No. 70-1827, dated 4th November 1868.

Forwarded to the Inspector General of Jails, with the request that he will be good enough to expedite the transmission of his reply to the letter from the Government of India, dated 4th November last.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
15*th December* 1868.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
*Chief Secretary.*

No. 242. From Lieutenant Colonel W. J. WILSON, Inspector General of Jails, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 18th January 1869, No. 165.

With reference to the letter of the Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, No. 70-1827, dated 4th November 1868, and which is herewith returned, I have the honor to forward a statement showing the number of prisoners sentenced in the Madras Presidency to transportation for life during each year for the five Calendar years from 1863 to 1867, inclusive.

2. I am of opinion that the existing Jail accommodation, in addition to that either in course of construction or in contemplation, will not suffice for the number of prisoners if deportation should be limited to convicts sentenced to transportation for life. On the contrary I think that if the existing order, which was republished here in May 1867, and since which all convicts sentenced for periods less than fourteen years have been detained in this country, should remain in force, it is probable that it will be found necessary to increase the accommodation in order to provide for these classes.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,*

*27th January* 1869.

STATEMENT showing the number of convicts sentenced to transportation for life in the Madras Presidency, during each year from 1863 to 1867, inclusive.

| Years. | Number of prisoners sentenced to transportation for life. |
|---|---|
| 1863..... | 80 |
| 1864..... | 140 |
| 1865..... | 124 |
| 1866..... | 106 |
| 1867..... | 123 |

MADRAS,
18*th January* 1869.

(Signed) W. J. WILSON,
*Inspr. Genl. of Jails.*

No. 213.

ORDER THEREON, 27th January 1869, No. 137.

Ordered that the statement received with the foregoing letter be transmitted to the Government of India, and that the Inspector General of Jails be requested to furnish Government with a report showing the probable cost of providing Jail accommodation for convicts sentenced to transportation for periods other than life.

2. Colonel Wilson will state whether he would recommend the construction of an additional Central Jail, and if so the locality which will, in this respect, be most suitable for such a building.

(True Extract).

*Chief Secretary.*

To the Inspector General of Jails.
" Public Works Department.

Exd. J. Wright.

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To

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF JAILS.
&c., &c., &c.

*Date* 1 *January*, 27*th*.
*Rec'd* 2*nd February*
*Ans.* 0
*G. O.*, 27*th January* 1869, *No.* 137.

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Directing that the return showing the number of convicts sentenced in this Presidency annually to transportation for life, during the last five years, be forwarded to the Government of India; and that the Inspector General be requested to furnish a report in respect of Jail accommodation for convicts sentenced to transportation for periods other than life.

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Ordered to be recorded.

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Dated &c. &c. &c.

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G. O. 9th February 1869. No 419.

Nos. 244-245

Jail accommodation Bill.

Send copies of papers, orders or other papers relating to the sufficiency or otherwise of Jail accommodation at headquarters and the number of convicts sentenced annually to transportation, or suffering the extreme penalty of the law.