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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
13th September 1876. No. 2,446.*

No. 201. Read the following letter from W. B. LEGGATT, Esq., A.I.C.E., Officiating District Engineer, Bellary, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Bellary, 1st September 1876, No. 2,062:—

With reference to my letter, No. 862, dated 10th June last, I have the honor to report that the prisoner alluded to in paragraph 3 thereof, as having been arrested by the Police, in connection with the robbery of Mr. Overseer Court's cash chest, at Neelgoondy on the night of the 25th of May 1876, together with the three other Wudders, were tried and sentenced by the second-class Magistrate of Hurpanhully to six months' rigorous imprisonment with a fine of Rupees 50 each.

2. It is reported that, owing to some marks of violence that were found on the body of the first prisoner, the matter was subsequently brought to the notice of the District Magistrate of Bellary, through the Deputy Surgeon-General, by the Officer in charge of the Hurpanhully Civil Dispensary, which led to the suspicion that the confession of the prisoner was due to torture by the Police during investigation of the robbery. Meanwhile, the second, third, and fourth prisoners also appealed against the sentence of the second-class Magistrate. These circumstances necessitated the District Magistrate to try the case *de novo*, and it resulted in the acquittal of the four prisoners on the 27th of June last.

3. The following is a list of articles which were in Mr. Court's possession, and abstracted by the thieves on the night of the 25th May 1876, viz.—

	RS.	A.	P.
1 Pair of small compasses, original value	2	7	0
1 Do. large do., do.	3	7	0
1 Pencil leg for do., do.	2	8	0
1 Pen do. do., do.	2	8	0
1 Lengthening bar, do.	1	8	0
1 Drawing pen, ivory holder, do.	2	14	0

Articles damaged.

1 Ivory protractor, broken, original value	5	0	0
1 Ebony parallel ruler, do. do., ...	2	0	0

Total... 22 4 0

Orders are solicited regarding the recovery of the loss Government have thus sustained, viz., Rupees 300 in cash stolen and Rupees 22-4-0 in loss of property as abstracted.

4. In conclusion, I enclose for your information copy of my Circular, No. 3,154, dated 16th March 1876, to all Range Officers in this district regarding safe custody of cash chests in the possession of all members of this department.

No. 202. ORDER THEREON, 13th September 1876, No. 2,446

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 12.

ORDERED to be recorded. Mr. Court's disregard of all departmental orders for the safe custody of cash boxes having

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been dealt with by the Chief Engineer by degradation from the second to the third
grade, recovery from him of the sum that has been lost will not be insisted on.
(True Extract.)

Colonel,
Offg. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

Circular

No 3154 dated 16 March 1876.

An instance having occurred where
an Officer of this Department subabse
containing public money for safe custody
at a Police Station house, without at the
same time, detailing his lascars to take
charge of it as ordered in G.O. No 994, dated
31 March 1873, the Off. Dist. Inquisitor has
the honor to request that Range Officers
will be so good as to see that all Subordinates
in their Ranges understand correctly the
Conditions of the above quoted orders for placing
money in Police Stations for safe custody.
Any infringement of the above orders will be
dealt with seriously.

[Sd] W. Leggatt. A.I.C.E.
Off. Dist. Inquisitor

(True copy)

Leggatt A.I.C.E.
Off. District Inquisitor
Bengal

P.W.D.
4th 276

Dist. Engineer's Office
Bellary 1st September/76

From The Off. Dist. Engineer
Bellary

To The Chief Engineer
P. W. Department
Port St. George

Sir
With reference to my letter No 862, dated 10 June last, I have the honor to report that the prisoner alluded to in para 3 thereof, as having been arrested by the Police, in connection with the robbery of Overseer Mr. Courts' Cash Chest at Nedgoondy, on the night of the 25th of May 1876 together with the three other Mudders, were tried and sentenced by the 2nd Class Magistrate of Kinnaird to six months rigorous imprisonment with a fine of Rs 50 each.

2. It is reported that owing to some marks of violence that were found on the body of the first prisoner, the matter was subsequently brought to the notice of the District Magistrate of Bellary, through the Deputy Surgeon

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The Dist. Engineer
Bellary to the Chief
Engineer (P.W.D.)

Surgeon General by the Officer in Charge of the
 Hospital Civil Dispensary, which led
 to the suspicion that the confession of the
 prisoners was due to torture by the Police du-
 ring investigation of the robbery. Meanwhile
 the 2^d, 3^d & 4th prisoners also appealed against
 the sentence of the 2^d Class Magistrate.
 These circumstances necessitated the District
 Magistrate to try the case de novo, and it
 resulted in the acquittal of the 4 prisoners,
 on the 27th of June last.

3. The following is a list of Articles which
 were in Mr. Court's possession, and abstracted
 by the thieves on the night of the 25th May
 1876. *viz.*

1 Pair of Small Compasses	Original Value	2 " 7 " 0
1 — do — large — do — do —		3 " 7 " 0
1 Pencil leg for Compass — do —		2 " 8 " 0
1 Pen leg for Compass — do —		2 " 8 " 0
1 Lengthening bar — do —		1 " 8 " 0
1 Drawing pen Ivory holder — do —		2 " 14 " 0

Articles damaged.

1 Ivory Protractor broken	Original Value	5 " 0 " 0
1 Ebony Parallel ruler — do — do —		2 " 0 " 0
		<u>Rs 22 " 4 " 0</u>

Orders are solicited regarding the recovery of the
 loss Government have thus sustained *viz.*
 Rs 300 in cash stolen and Rs 22 " 4 " 0 in loss
 of property as abstracted.

4. In conclusion, I enclose for your in-
 formation, copy of my Circular No. 3154, dated
 16th March 1876 to all Range Officers in this
 District regarding safe Custody of Cash
 Chests in the possession of all members of this
 Department.

I have the honor to be
 Sir

Your most Obedt Servant

R. J. E.
 Off. District Engineer
 Bellary

831-3-73 No 994.

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Chrgs Memo. No 952 of 17 June /76.

P.W.D.

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No

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Part of Bill
Memo to Mr.
Mr. Off. Secy. Engineer
to the Chief Engineer
P. W. D.
Date, 18.10.62
Place, Hyderabad
Subject, Road works
in the vicinity of the
Cable Works. Report the
amount of the estimate
now accounts in connection
with the, & suggests
as to the security of the
of Rs. 300 in cash & Rs.
22-4-0 by way of
winding the.

No 201

ca. 8-9-76. P.W.D. 13-9-76
Desks to act 4-9-76.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Letter from the District Engineer,
Bellary No 2062 of 1st September 1876.

FOR ORDERS.

As to the concern
of any portion of the
Rs. 300 from Mr. Court,
who has been already
deduced from 2nd to
Grade on Rs. 80 to 3rd
Grade on Rs. 60 as
punishment for his
neglect of Departmental
Rules.

Major Genl. R. C.
Secretary to Govt. P.W.D.

H. R. C.

FOR ORDERS.

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Ordered to be recorded.

M^r. Court's disregard of
all Departmental Orders
for the safe custody of
Cash boxes having been
dealt with by the Chief
Engineer by degradation
from the 2^d to the 3^d Grade
recovery from him of the
sum that has been lost
will not be insisted on.

[Signature]

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H. Bellamy
En. H.W.N. Desd 30/9/76

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Govt. of 1876 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The D. & Bellary-

Dated

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 13 Sept 1876, No. 2446

Nos. 20/2

Mr. District Court - Bellary

87. - Letter from the D-Eng
reporting the results of the action
taken in connection with the
robbery of the Cash chest of -
recorde of with an intimation
that the recovery from Mr.
Court of the money lost
will not be insisted on.

Cont. in Reg.
2-10-76

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