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11th January 1862.

No. 13. Read the following letter from W. M. CADELL, Esq., Government Agent at Tanjore; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 31st December 1861, No. 421.

I have the honor to report for the information of Government, that when lately inspecting the apartment in the Palace known as the Eswant Mahal (and in which the robbery took place sometime since,) I found that the portion of the roof which covered the farthest line of arches was in a most dangerous and dilapidated condition and in imminent danger of falling in; had this taken place the valuable property therein secured would have been at once exposed and open to be plundered by every passer by in the Palace. In consultation therefore with the Superintendent of Police and the Commanding Officer I determined to brick up the spaces between the line of arches which still remained sound and had the property carefully removed to the space within that line under my personal superintendence.

2. The masonry work has also now been completed also under my personal superintendence, and the apartment is therefore now as secure as it can be made.

3. I would take this opportunity also of reporting that some time since finding that the door frames of the Dástan Mahal (and in which the valuable jewels are deposited) were completely eaten and destroyed by white ants, I had the same removed and new double ones built in with brick and chunam in my presence. The apartment is much infested by white ants, but I will take care that it is occasionally opened and inspected.

No. 14.

ORDER THEREON, 11th January 1862, No. 10.
The proceedings reported in the foregoing letter are approved.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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