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No. 127. Read the following letter from the Acting Magistrate of Tinnevely, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Tinnevely, 23rd March 1869, No. 98.

I have the honor to report upon the Masi Tirunal festival, lately held at Trichendoor.

2. The festival commenced on the 14th, and lasted till the 28th of February. It is calculated 69,000 persons visited the town. The great days were the sixth and seventh, when about 50,000 persons were present at one time; 10,000 pairs of bullocks were offered for sale.

3. The measures* which proved successful last year were again adopted with the addition of six large latrines for males and females which this year were erected to the west of the town, and for the

* Copy of Rules drawn up is attached.

daily cleansing of which twelve toties were entertained. I went to Trichendoor myself a week before the fair began, and had the streets and chuttrums of the town and its approaches thoroughly well-cleaned, and all rubbish and refuse burnt before a single pilgrim entered the place.

4. An additional Police Force was detailed by Captain Porteous, who was himself present, and saw the police arrangements effectually carried out.

5. My Dresser, with medicines, occupied a chuttrum centrally situated, ready to afford aid in case of necessity. His services, I am happy to say, were not once called for. Not a single case of sickness or accident requiring medical attendance occurred during the whole fourteen days the feast lasted. I attribute the immunity from accident in a great measure to the precautions taken for keeping all the cattle picketed in a plain outside the town. The importance of separating the people who enter the town from their bandies and bullocks (especially where the latter are so numerous) cannot be over-estimated.

6. The sea-bathing which ensured a certain degree of cleanliness in the crowd, and the strong north-east sea-breeze which blew right through the town during the fourteen days of the feast, tended, I think, greatly to keep the people healthy, and the town sweet and pure. With these advantages, and from the fact that the sight of the Pagoda where the pilgrims assemble being on a sandy hill situated high above the sea, carrying out a few simple sanitary measures at a very small cost is all, I think, that is necessary. It is a mistake to spend large sums on latrines and in pits to bury rubbish, all should be burnt, and fire costs nothing.

7. At the termination of the feast, I took care to have the town and suburbs thoroughly cleaned and have all rubbish burnt; three weeks have now elapsed since the feast ended, and no case of sickness has occurred.

8. The Pagoda contributed 110 Rupees towards the sanitary arrangements, and 35 Rupees remains to close the accounts of money expended,† for which I beg sanction.

† As per Memorandum enclosed.

‡ Copy of Police Superintendent's return enclosed.

9. Six‡ cases of theft and two of cattle-lifting were reported.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
14th April 1869.

Rules to be observed at the ensuing Trichendoor Festival.

1. No bandies or bullocks will be allowed to halt in the streets of the town. Persons arriving in bandies are to unload them and send away the bandies at once.
2. Latrines have been placed, marked out with white flags to the west of the town, to which all persons are to resort for the purposes of nature; no person will be allowed to resort to any other place except the ones marked out. Separate latrines have been erected for females.
3. Four water-pandals are established at the following places:—
 - I. Muttaramman Covil.
 - II. Uchini Mahakaliyamman Covil.
 - III. Veyilukandamman Covil.
 - IV. One near the Car.
4. No person will be allowed to bathe in, or defile the water in the Teppakolams. But water may be drawn from the Teppakolam for bathing purposes.
5. A Dresser with medicines is in attendance in the Setupati Mantapam.
6. Any person infringing any of the above Rules will be punished.

TRICHENDOOR,
 15th February 1869.

(Signed) C. T. LONGLEY,
Acting Magistrate.

RETURN of crime committed during the late Trichendoor feast.

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Nature of Crime.	Cases.		Persons.		Property.						Remarks.
	Reported.	Detected.	Arrested.	Convicted.	Lost.			Recovered			
					Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
Theft from person..	4	3	4	3	80	0	0	60	0	0	{ One attempt to commit theft. { One theft from a bazaar.
Cattle-lifting.....	2	...	...	...	21	0	0	...	...	...	
Other offences	2	...	1	...	294	8	0	...	...	...	
Total...	8	3	5	3	395	8	0	60	0	0	

TINNEVELLY,
 22nd March 1869.

(Signed) C. TROTMAN,
Supt. of Police.

No. 128.

ORDER THEREON, 14th April 1869, No. 482.

His Excellency the Governor in Council has learnt with satisfaction that the arrangements made for the protection of the public health at Trichendoor, in the Tinnevelly District, during the largely attended Masi festival, proved successful.

2. It is observed that of the expenditure (Rupees 178-13-6) incurred, Rupees 110 were contributed by the Managers of the Pagoda, and that Rupees 33-11-0 were realized from the sale proceeds of materials. The balance due (Rupees 35-2-6) thirty-five, Annas two, and Pice six is sanctioned.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Acting Magistrate of Tinnevelly.

- „ Accountant General, with Memorandum.
- „ Sanitary Commissioner.
- „ Inspector General, Indian Medical Department.
- „ Inspector General of Police.
- „ Board of Revenue.

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THE AG MAGISTRATE OF MINNEAPOLIS

Ex. No. 40

Dated April 11th

Attest

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W. C. HILL, April 11th, A. D. 1882.

APRIL

Nos. 127-128.

Approving of the arrangements made during the late annual festival at Wicandoor, and save from the proceeds of the same, the sum of \$100.00 on account of the expenses incurred.

No 98

Trincomalee 23 March 1869

From C. J. Longley Esq.
M. District Magistrate
To The Honourable R. J. Ellis Esq.
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George

Sir,
I have the honour to report
upon the Main Annual Festival lately
held at Trincomalee.

2. The Festival commenced on the 14th
and lasted till the 28th of February.
It is calculated 69000 Persons visited
the Town. The great days were the sixth
and seventh when about 50000 Persons
were present at one time 10000 Pairs of
Bullocks were offered for sale.

3. The measures which proved successful
last year were again adopted with the
addition of 6 large Lathies for shading
and benches which this year were erected
well to the west of the Town, and for the
daily cleaning of which 12 others were
employed. I went to Trincomalee
myself a week before the Fair began.

Copy of Rules
drawn up is
attached.

and had the Streets and Chattrams of the Town and its approaches thoroughly well cleaned and all rubbish and refuse burnt before a single Pilgrim entered the Place.

4. An additional Police Force was detailed by Captain Porteus who was himself present and saw the Police arrangements effectually carried out.

5. The Doctor with his medicines occupied a Chattram centrally situated ready to afford aid in case of necessity. His services I am happy to say were not once called for: not a single case of sickness or accident requiring medical attendance, occurred during the whole fourteen days the Fast lasted. I attribute the immunity from accidents in a great measure to the precautions taken for keeping all the Cattle packed in a Plain outside the Town. The importance of separating the People who enter the Town from their Bandies and Bullocks (especially where the latter are so numerous) cannot be overestimated.

6. The Sea-Bathing which ensured a certain degree of cleanliness in the Crowd and the strong North East Sea Breeze which blew right through the Town during the 14 days of the Fast, tended I think greatly to

keep the people healthy and the Town sweet and pure. With these advantages, and from the fact that the site of the Pagoda where the Pilgrims assemble being on a Sandy Hill situated high above the Sea, carrying out a few simple Sanitary measures at a very small cost is all I think that is necessary. It is a mistake to spend large sums on Latrines and in pits to bury rubbish, all should be burnt, and fire costs nothing.

7. At the termination of the Fast, I took care to have the Town and suburbs thoroughly cleaned and have all rubbish burnt. Three weeks have now elapsed since the Fast ended and no case of sickness has occurred.

8. The Pagoda contributed 110 Rupees towards the Sanitary arrangements and 35 Rupees remains to close the accounts of money expended for which I beg sanction.

9. Two Cases of Theft and 2 of Cattle lifting were reported.

I have the honour to be
Your most Obedt Servt
C. J. Douglas
M. District Magistrate

For the Bureau
Quebec

Copy of the
Supplemental
Return

Public Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter

from the
Ag. Magte of Pinnerelly
(Received 23 March 1898)

Order thereon - No 482 - 14 April 98

His Excellency the
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learned with satisfaction
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for the protection of the
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District, during the largely
attended Brazi festival,
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of the Pagoda, and Rs.
per 33-11- " were realized
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Chief Secretary to Govt

To the Hon. Secy to Govt

1869

Public Dept

from Pinnerelly

Depy Magte
Pinnerelly
23 March 1898
held at Pinnerelly

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The Magistrate of Ponnorell.
" Accountant General
" Sanitary Committee
" Hqrs of the Dept
" Hqrs of Police
" Board of Revenue

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To

*The City of New York
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Det. April 14 } 1862, No. 102
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*Appropriation of the amount
- made during the
late annual festival at
the City of New York
No. 35. 2. 6 on account of
the expenditure incurred.*