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19th October 1871.

No. 94. Read the following letter from the Magistrate of Coimbatore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Coimbatore, 11th October 1871, No. 63:—

Although the increased reward of Rupees 100 granted at my request in G. O., No. 1181, of 4th August 1871, Public Department, for every tiger shot near Suttiamungalum has resulted in the death of a large old male tiger, shot by a shikaree, on the 12th ultimo, twelve miles from Cusbah Suttiamungalum, and which may have been a man-eater, I regret to report that lives are still lost, the last occurrence reported being on the 29th of last month at Kempanaickenpolliem, four miles from Suttiamungalum, and brought to my notice this day.

2. The Deputy Magistrate, Northern Division, had previously suggested the offer of a reward of Rupees 200 for a man-eating tiger. I had followed the advice of Major Davies, Superintendent of Police, in recommending the offer of Rupees 100 for every tiger shot in the neighbourhood of Suttiamungalum. I would now, however, support the Deputy Magistrate's recommendation and even exceed it by the offer of Rupees 300 for the destruction of a proved man-eater.

3. The ascertainment of this point will be difficult; in the last reported case of human death the body has not been found, but it seems to be an evident duty to attract, if possible, more native shikarees to this locality.

No. 95. ORDER THEREON, 19th October 1871, No. 1582.

The Magistrate's proposal is sanctioned on the understanding that the fact of the tiger being a man-eater must be proved to the satisfaction of himself or of one of his Covenanted subordinates.

2. Copy of this report will be furnished to Lieutenant-Colonel Christie.

(True Extract.)

R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

To the Magistrate of Coimbatore.
To Lieutenant-Colonel H. L. Christie.

Cestacummb. 19 October 1871. No. 1582✓

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understanding that the
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Covenanted Subordinates.
Copy of this report will
be furnished to St. Col.
Christie &c. L.R.

Magistrate of Mombasa }
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