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Proceedings of the Collector of Coimbatore under
the Treasure Trove Act VI of 1878 of 15th July 1881.

Order

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A There being no evidence to show when or by whom
the property referred in this office Notification
No. — dated 28th February 1881 published in the
Govt. Gazettes as per margin was hidden, and
there being no reason for action under Sec. 8 of the
Act, I declare under Sec. 9 that the said property
is ownerless.

To be sent to
Collector of India
Bombay Gazette
Bengal Gazette

The property was found by two work people
employed in the demolition of a house belonging
to one Kharuppan Shetty of Kelampolliem in the
Palladam Taluk of this district

They gave no notice of their find either to the
Collector or to the owner of the house, and were
on prosecution before the Avanaishi Sub-
Magistrate convicted under Sec. 2 of the
act and fined Rs 10 and Rs 7 respectively.
Under the same section of the act they
forfeit all right to any share of the property.

The only person who has appeared to
claim the property in terms of the notification
issued

issued in that behalf is ~~happened~~ ^{happened}. (Pretty the owner of the house - He states that his father when dying told him that there was some property in gold buried somewhere in the house, but gave him no description of its nature nor any information as to its whereabouts or the circumstances under which it was buried. He states that acting on this information he warned the Coolies to be on the look out for such hidden property in the course of their excavation. If this statement could be believed the claimant would be entitled to the whole of the property found for the Coolies would have been merely his agents working under specific instructions; but I do not think that much reliance can be placed on this statement made now before me for the first time because in the first place if he had any reasonable belief that his father had buried property to the value of about Rs 1000 as he informed the Sub Magistrate after property valued at

Some Rs 40 has been recovered from the persons who found it, it is improbable that he would not himself have personally superintended the operations, and in the next place if he had given such prior instructions to the Coolies he would have undoubtedly mentioned so material a fact to the Sub Magistrate who examined him regarding the matter on the 14th February 1887, ^{102 1/2} some 6 months ago. He says that he did so inform the Sub Magistrate but his deposition as recorded by that officer contains no mention of anything of the kind and he cannot explain its omission. I have no doubt that no such instructions were given by the claimant and that his tale of giving them is an after thought. The original report of the Police confirms this view of the case, for in that it was stated that the complainant (this present complainant) having heard a rumour that the Coolies he employed in the demolition of his house had found property valued at Rs 1000, questioned them and got back that none was there. The Coolies were not therefore in my opinion acting under his prior instructions and the find was an accident. The claimant is entitled

Entitled therefore under Sec. 12 of the Act to one
 $\frac{1}{4}$ th of the value of the jewels which will be
sold by auction; the other $\frac{3}{4}$ ^{ths} of their value
will be credited to Govt.

For W. Wilson
Collector

of
Chas. Copps

L. Wilson

Collector

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In a letter from the
Collector of Coimbatore
to the Chief Secretary
to Government of Madras
dated 22nd July 1881
No. 67. -

Copy of Proceedings
of the Collector under
Treasure Trove Act II
of 1878, of 15th July 1881

Letter No. 15-11-81.

No. 67.-
G. J.
From,

Coimbatore Collector's Office,
22nd July 1881.

CURRENT No. 15-11

W. Wilson Esq. 1021
Collector of Coimbatore.

C. G. C. Master Esq.,
Offg Chief Secretary to Govt.,
Coimbatore.

Sir,

I have the honor in continuation of this office
No. 9 dated 28th February 1881 to report as follows.

- (1) 2 Earrings worn by females
- (2) 2 Golden Anantha Mudichu
- (3) 1 Dr. Pattabon.

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weighing 9 1/4 pagodas weight valued at Rs. 41-10-
were discovered on the 23rd January 1881 at about
12 noon at Kelampolam, Palladam Taluk on
the site of a house belonging to one Haruppan
Chetty. The old house on the site was knocked down
and when excavating foundation for a new one
the labourers Namin Boyan and Karathal found
the aforesaid property but concealed it without
giving notice thereof to anybody until the matter

Came to the notice of the land lord who laid information to the Police. The workmen afterwards gave up the property admitting its discovery by them. They were prosecuted under Section 20 of the Treasure Trove Act No. VI of 1878 before the Sub Magistrate of Awanashi who convicted and sentenced them to fines of Rs 10 and 7 respectively.

Under Section 21 of the Act the share of the property to which they would have been otherwise entitled vests in Her Majesty. The only other claimant of the Treasure is the owner of the house and site Harappa (Katti).

I have under Section 9 of the Act declared the property to be ownerless and for the reasons recorded in the accompanying Extract from my order of 15th July 1887 have directed that it be sold by auction and divided between the house owner and Her Majesty in the respective proportions of $\frac{1}{4}$ th and $\frac{3}{4}$ th.

I cannot recommend under Section 16,

the acquisition of the property or any part of it on behalf of Government.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most ob^d Servant,

L. Wilson

Collector

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BY G.O. No. 1021.

Order 27th July 1881.
No. 1021.

The Government
do not wish any
portion of the
property acquired
on their behalf.

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Public (1881) Dept.
Treasury
From
The Collector of
Cannabam
To: The Chief Secretary
to Government of
Madras

At 4.67

Dated 22nd }
Recd 23 } July 1881.

CURRENT No. 1511.

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Reporting on the
hidden Treasure
discovered at Villam
-pollim Palladam Taluk
on the site of a house
belonging to one Karappa
- Pillai.

To the Coll^r of
Cannabam
Deputy Secy