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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
8th January 1861.*

No. 84. Read the following letter from C. PELLY, Esq., Member of the Board of Revenue, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 1st December 1860, No. 651 :—

SIR,

In the order of Government No. 2,038 of 3rd November, sanctioning Sub-Magistrates for the District of Malabar, the appointment of Sub-Magistrates to the Laccadive Islands (paragraph 2) was postponed, on Mr. Grant's recommendation that the state of things there should not be disturbed while those islands continued under sequestration. In a letter now received from the Collector, he reports the contemplated transfer of the islands to the Bibi of Cannanore, and the necessity for sanctioning the appointment of the new Police in the islands. I have therefore the honor to request the sanction of Government for the two Sub-Magistrates mentioned in the list which accompanied my letter of 10th August last, No. 445, viz. :—

RS.
At Manaki, 4th class..... .. 69
Kaurati, 4th class..... .. 69

The appointment of the new Police is not within my Department.

No. 85. ORDER THEREON, 8th January 1861, No. 44.

1. The Governor in Council observes that on a former occasion Mr. Grant expressed himself adverse to the introduction of the new Police into the islands belonging to the Bibi of Cannanore. The Government are in doubt, therefore, whether Mr. Grant's present recommendation is founded on a conviction of the desirability of the measure, or from the consideration that as the new Police is to be introduced as a matter of course the arrangement had better be effected while the islands are under the management of the Officers of Government.

2. The Bibi, it is understood, is about to redeem the islands, and it is desirable therefore that the Collector should reconsider the question of extending the new Police to them, with reference to their peculiar circumstances and the Bibi's tenure and rights. The Collector will report his views on the subject with as little delay as possible.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Acting Secretary to Government.

From Mr. Pelly - 1 Decr 1860 -

Proposing 2 Sub Magistrates for the
Laccadive Islands.

Mr. Pelly says that the Collector of Malabar
has addressed him pointing out the
necessity of appointing these Officers.

Mr. Grant however on a former occasion
expressed himself as adverse to the intro-
duction of the new Police, thinking it effec-
tually unsuited to the state of these Islands.
It seems therefore that Mr. Grant now acts
for these Officers not because he approves of
them, but because if the new Police is to be
introduced, it ought to be done now before
the Islands are given back to the Beebe of
Cannanore.

I think therefore it will be well to ask
for Mr. Grant's opinion on the question of intro-
ducing the new Police, after again thinking

over the whole subject.

I have doubts myself about the suitability of the new Police for these very peculiar Islands - and so apparently have the other Members of Govt (see marginal ^{Memorandum} to Rev Secy Treas on Revenue No 1652 - 1794 - 1816 & 1822) - The question therefore of extending the new Police to these Islands seems worthy of consideration - The Bishop of Courmouere is about to pay up her arrears & release these Islands from attachment & it may lead to embitterment & bad feeling if she finds a new kind of police established in them. They are entirely different in circumstances from any place in any of our Provinces & at all events it seems advisable to consult the Council on the whole question before Govt commits itself to a decided course of action.

7 Dec/60 This has been discussed with the Council & will be done by the Council.

A. 144.

Pro. of the new Police dated 8 Jan 61

From the Secy of the Board of Police
to the Secy of the Board of Revenue
No 657.

The principal reason that on a former occasion Mr Frank expressed himself adverse to the introduction of the new Police in to the Islands belonging to the Bishop of Courmouere. The fact are in doubt then I am like the Mr Frank's decision & a recommendation is founded on a conviction of the desirability of the measure or arising from the consideration that as the new Police is to be introduced as a matter of course the arrangements

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and the Brit's
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on the subject
to the Secretary
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J. D. V.

4 Copies to C. P. Kelly, Esq. Oct 10

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