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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 5th November 1862.

No. 60. Read the following letter from Major F. J. B. PRIESTLEY, Superintendent, Revenue Survey, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Chepauk, 20th October 1862, No. 844:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to report the loss of a 5 inch Altitude and Azimuth instrument under the following circumstances:—

2. On the 2nd July last, the instrument was despatched in charge of four Peons from the Survey Office at Nellore to Sangam about 18 miles distant, on the Cuddapah road. The Peons were considered steady men and had often before been in charge of the instrument. They carried it slung upon a pole between two men in the usual manner.

3. On the morning of the 3rd ultimo, they were overtaken by Lieutenant Clay, Probationary Assistant, about 11 miles from Nellore, where they said they had been attacked during the night and the box containing the instrument carried off.

4. The box was found not far off with one side broken out and the lid wrenched off at the hinges.

5. The instrument was missing and had most probably been broken to pieces as one of the clamps was picked up near the spot.

6. The extra eye pieces, &c., that had been loose in the box were also found.

7. Mr. Clay returned immediately and reported the circumstances to the Deputy Superintendent, Mr. Puckle, and no time was lost in obtaining the assistance of the Police, but no trace of the instrument has been discovered and there is no evidence to show who were the thieves.

8. Enclosed is a translation of an Arzi from the Tahsíldár of Nellore by whom the case has been undertaken.

No. 61. ORDER THEREON, 5th November 1862, No. 2,358.

Ordered to be recorded.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

Nellore

24th July 1862

Sir

I Have the honor to inform you of the Larks
No 10 I have the honor to inform you of the Larks
accomplished on, my investigation of the case of Reg Ling
Robbery in which a Bullock Instrument of your Dept C.
was lost

In enquiry the Jurie learn that accompanied
the instrument and the persons that were employed on
repairs at the place of robbery stated, that two peons
carrying the instrument last, were, at about 12 o'Clock
at night beset by 20 robbers near the Ledge now under
construction on the way between Kavur and Lobbanelly
Tolam and that the robbers having tied the peons'
arms behind their backs carried away the box which
on search afterwards was found at no great distance
from the spot, broken and without the instrument

As nothing the articles lost nor the criminals have as yet been found I have instructed the police authorities to apprehend and produce them with the stolen property

The sum of Rs that were found are now in the hands of police —

I have the honour

/ Signed / H Rammu Khanum

Record Clerk & Registrar

True Copy

/ Record No 293 dtd 62 /

J Huntley Major

Superintendent Police Camp

True translation

H.S. Rajavelu Chetty

No. 844

Rev Survey Office
Chingleput
20th Oct 1862

From

Major F. J. B. Priestley
Superintendent Rev Survey

To

The Secretary to Govt. N.D.
Fort Saint George

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obed^{t} Servant
J. Priestley Major
Superintendent Revenue

Nellore 22nd Oct^{r} 1842.

To
The Secy to Govt MD.

Rec^{d} 28 Oct^{r} 1842.
No 2338.
RECORDED.
Chief Secy's Office
Fort St George
Date 29 Oct^{r} 1842

Rec^{d} 22 Oct^{r} 1842
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Madras

Reply stating that the Boy is unable to attend & Requesting that the Chief Secy's Letter may be returned.