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No. 129. Read the following letter from W. ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of Mofussil Police, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 3rd January 1863, No. 4:—

SIR,

1. I beg to submit a letter* recently addressed by me to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue on the subject of the better security of Salt store yards.

* Dated 27th November 1862.

2. I have myself examined many of the Salt manufacturing stations in the Presidency and the Deputy Inspectors General and District Officers of the Court Districts have reported on all.

3. With few exceptions the Store yards throughout all the Districts are entirely exposed. The precaution of surrounding them with a hedge or ditch has not been taken, and the consequence is that they are most difficult and expensive to guard. At best men are but a poor substitute for ordinary mechanical appliances for safe custody of public property, and pilfering can be but moderately checked.

4. The Collector of Ganjam has made considerable progress in making his Salt stores safe in this respect.

5. I understand that orders were issued in 1858 to hedge in the Salt store yards; but in most Districts they have not been carried out. I hope that these instructions may now be reiterated.

From W. ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of Mofussil Police, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madras, 27th November, 1862, No. 2,853,

SIR,

1. The Salt Platforms are generally in all Districts in a very exposed state; neither walls, hedges nor ditches surround them.

2. They are in consequence guarded with great difficulty; and with less success than should be, men are expected to do what the most ordinary mechanical appliance would do far more effectively and spare the men.

3. I beg to request that Collectors may be instructed to surround each *Kotar* with a good stout hedge of Aloe or other equally good and impervious shrub.

(True Copy.)

(Signed.) W. ROBINSON,
Inspector General of Mofussil Police.

No. 130. ORDER THEREON, 12th January 1863, No. 68.

The Government concur with Mr. Robinson that it is of great importance that the Kotars should be securely fenced in. The Board will issue the necessary instructions to the Collectors.

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

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From
C. Robinson Esqre
Inspector Genl of Police

To
J. D. Ainslie Esqre
Secretary to Lt Govt
Revenue Department

Dated 3 January 1863
Received 5th

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Requests that the instructions to Sheriffs in the Last Three years may be reiterated

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Mr Wilkinson Esqr

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The Govt concur with Mr Robinson that it is of great importance that the Returns should be securely secured in the Bd will issue the necessary instructions & the Govt

J D A

Lt Col
12th Jany 1863

Copies sent for Govt Inspector of Police
Sheriffs
Clerk of Revenue

No 129 & 130.