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Revenue (1898) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 3018

DATED 18th July 98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Forwarding (with remarks) proceedings of the Board of Revenue submitting a report on the case of house-breaking in Pammanalla Village - Magistrate's house, Godavari Taluk, Cuddapah Dt.

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CURRENT No. 1584

LOCAL BOARD MADRAS 1898

From

The Board of Revenue,
Land Revenue, Madras.

Order Mis no. 3018 d/18th July 98.

No 707 LRF.

Recorded pending receipt of further report.

Dated 29th June 1898

Received 3 July

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Enclosures 9

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18/7/98

To the Board of Rev & R
Local & Municipal dept — 20.7.98
des. 12-12-98

M.S. 16.7.98

SUBJECT.

Submitting for the orders of Covernment report on a case of house-breaking in Porumamilla village Magistrate's house, Badvel Taluk, Cuddapah District.

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Memorandum of Crimes and other Occurrences reported to ____ on the ____ 189__ by ____ of ____ in the District of ____

Station House.	Date of Occurrence.	Taluk, Station, Village.	Nature of Occurrence with concise detail.	By whom reported.	Property: Lost.	Property: Recovered.	Property: Concerned.	Persons Arrested: With Warrant.	Persons Arrested: Without Warrant.	Bailed by Police.	How disposed of.	Houses Searched: With Warrant.	Houses Searched: Without Warrant.	Remarks.
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From
The Tahsildar and Sub Magistrate
Badvel

To
M.R.Ry. Jagannatham Pantulu Garu
Magistrate
Sidhout

Sir,

I beg to state that the Station House Officer of Porumamilla has submitted the occurrence report dated 17-6-98. The he stated that he received a complaint from Sasani Seshareddy the village Magistrate of Porumamilla, of House breaking & theft offences under sections 457 & 380 I.P.C. on the night of the 16th instant.

2/ From the complaint given by the village Magistrate and received along with the occurrence report it would appear that property worth of Rs 1405-13-3

had been lost. Of this
Rs 378-3-8 appertains to
Government Land Collections
made by the Reddys and
secured in his house. The
case is under investigation
by the police. After the
completion of the last
formalities which I
hope will be over by
to-morrow I shall also
go to the spot and
make personal enquiry
into the matter

Yours obedient servant

Talagadapa Nagaiah

Carrent No 2708 of 98

From — The Deputy Collector
Magistrate
Badvel

To The Deputy Magistrate
Sir,

Dated 18-4-98

Rec'd 19-4-98

Enclosures Two

C. No 165 of 98

Subject

Submitting Surrender P.S. No 6 report of Sri Pydi of Perumilla and property worth of Rs 140-13 has been taken in the P.S. Badvel Reddy House.

Ref No 2708 of 98
From
Badvel Deputy Magistrate
Ref. Surrender Report No 165 of 98
dated 19-4-98

DEPUTY COLLECTOR'S OFFICE
20 APR 98

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CHIEF ACCOUNTS OFFICER
12 JUN 19
CHENNAI

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17/6/98
Satyamurthy
Chief Accounts Officer

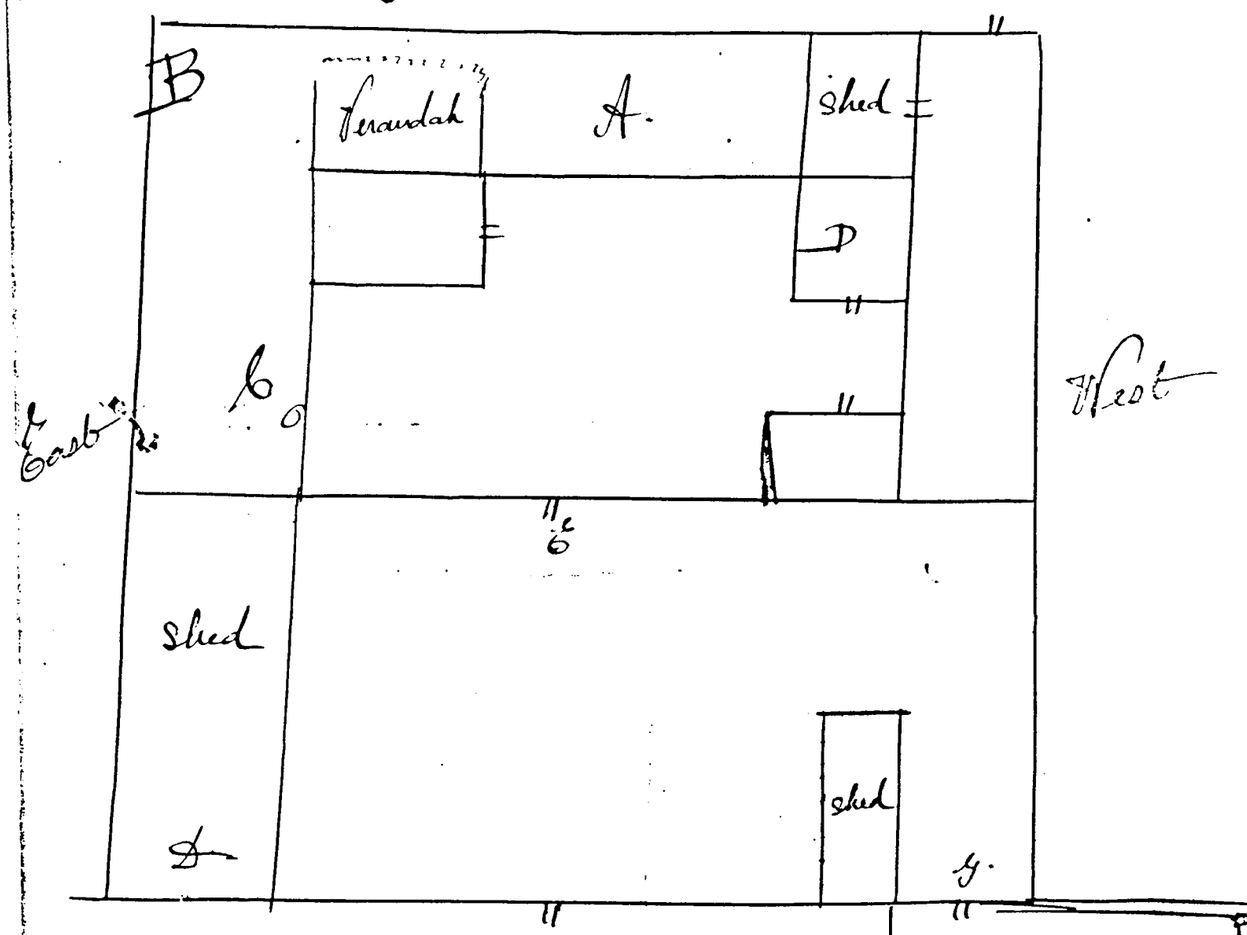
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17/6/98
Satyamurthy
Chief Accounts Officer

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE Seattle
12 JUN 18
CUSTOMS



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CUSTOMS HOUSE
Division No.
Current No.

Badvel Dt Office
dated 2-5-98.

From The Deputy Collector
Magistrate
Badvel

To M.R.Ry. T. Jagannatham Pantulu
garu
Deputy Magistrate
Rayadurgam

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE
12 JUN 98
CUDDAPAH

Sir,

With reference to your reference No. 708 of 98 dated 23-4-98 I beg to state that I left Badvel on the night of the 20th April and reached Pamidimarri at day-break on the 21st idem. As soon as I reached the place I went to Village Reddi Dasaiyi Seshareddi's house and inspected it carefully. I enclose a rough sketch of his house with its surroundings.

It appears that Seshareddy and his family members were sleeping in the open space marked A which is to the South of

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DISTRICT RECORDS
CUDDAPAH

of the house and within the compound of the house The house has a good compound wall about 4 feet high all around it. The thieves appear to have entered the compound of the house by crossing it at the south-east corner marked B, close to which one of the accused Gollu Nagadu lives. After entering the compound the thieves made a hole in the eastern wall of the house at the point marked by entered the house broke open the lock of the room marked D and carried away the two boxes which contained the jewels and private money of Seshareddi and the Government money after opening the door & from inside to the backyard where straw heaps are stored through door roughly. The boxes were opened behind the straw heaps and were thereafter after taking away the jewels & money

The house

Land Revenue Collections 378-3-3
Pound fund Collections 1-6-0
Toll gate - 8 0-39-4-0

The house is a strong one. Government money was secured in the bigger of the two boxes in which the valuable jewels of the Reddi are generally placed. This box and the small box in which private money of the Reddi was placed were kept in the room marked D. and the door of the room was secured with a lock & Key. I have seen the lock. It seems to have been removed by force with some strong instrument or an iron bar

The precautions taken are - The Reddi and his family slept at the place marked A Pettu Pedda Kasim & Kattibadi Ramaya near Venkatadu & two other persons of Gouchenla were Sleeping on the terrace of the house and a private servant of the Reddi was sleeping in the shed at the place marked D. It will be

be seen from the above that the whole house was left vacant and slept inside the house and the thieves made a hole at a place which would be farthest from all the persons that were sleeping around and at the top of the house.

It is no doubt a habit with the people of this country, which is very hot during day time and very cultry at nights in this part of the year, to sleep outside the house locking up the doors of the house. But when there is Government money in his possession the Peddi or one of his servants should have slept in or close to the room where the Government money was kept, instead of sleeping soundly outside or over the house. Had he done so this would not have been so much facility for the thieves to carry away the bones stolen in the village for about 4 days and tried my best to obtain a clue to find out the offenders and the property. Before the police came there the police discovered only two small jewels and a few pieces worth of copper and small silver in the possession of two accused but after the arrest there were 500 20 persons showed us the marginally 28 jewels which he and some others buried in a secluded place near a temple which is not visit frequently and which is nearly half a mile away from the village. The money lost is not however discovered though I tried my best. I conclude from what is stated above that the case is a true one and that the profes-

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... from the ...
property of the Reddi and
the Government money
in his possession have
actually been stolen -
but as already stated
above I cannot consider
that the precautions taken
by the Reddi are such as to
exonerate him from the
blame altogether -

The statements taken
from the Reddi and the
two village Servants that
slept at the Reddies
house that night are
herewith submitted -

I beg to remain
Sir
Your most obedient servant

Sd/ Gopala Raja Raju

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Current No.

Received 708
8/5/98

From The Tahsildar.
Nagothode
Badvel

To The Dy Magistrate
Siddhout

GENERAL CHARGE DISTRICT COLLECTOR'S OFFICE
CUDDAPAH DISTRICT

Dated 2-5-98
Despatched 2-5-98

Enclosures 3
Refer Dlo 165 of 98
Magl

Subject

Referring to Ref No 708 of 98
Magl
& 23-4-98 submitting
report on the matter

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25-5-98

Siddhavattam Deputy Collector's Office
Camp Siddhavattam
1st June 1898.

Refer Cho 714 of 98
Rev:

From M. R. Ry
T. Jagannathaw Pantulu garu
Deputy Collector of Siddout.

To
The Collector of
Cuddapah.

Sir

I have the honor to forward the Badvel Tahsildar's arzi No Ref 165 Magl of 98 with its enclosures for perusal and to report as follows.

2. It appears from the report that the Konda of Seshareddi Village Magistrate of Ponnamalla Badvel Taluk, was broken into on the night of 16th April and property and money worth Rs 1406-13-3 were taken away from the house. Out of this, it is alleged that the marginally noted sum appertains to Government Collections. The Tahsildar has been asked on the receipt of the above information to make a full and detailed enquiry into the matter and to report the circumstances under which the property is lost He was also asked to report whether the Reddi had taken sufficient and necessary precautions to secure the Government money safely so as to exonerate him from any blame. The report of the Tahsildar referred to above and submitted herewith is the result of his enquiry - It shows that a theft had actually occurred as stated by the Reddi

and Rev: 378-3-0
Stamp 1-6-0
Gate 39-4-0
418-13-0

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Though the Government money is Secured in a strong room, none slept inside the house near the room marked D in the Sketch accompanying the Tahsildar's report. The Reddi, his people and village Servants all slept outside the house far away from the room in which the money was secured. This is not such a sufficient precaution as to exonerate him from any blame in the matter. If the village Servants had slept near the room I doubt if theft would have occurred. Even if the money were kept in the village Chavdi and the village Servants were ordered to watch it, the money would not have been lost. The Reddi had only treated the Government money as his private property and did not take such a greater precaution as is necessary in the case of Government Collections. He was apparently indifferent in the matter and did not think it necessary to take sufficient precautionary measures. The Taluk Magistrate stayed in the village for 4 days and tried his best to discover the money. Cost. He failed; Nothing could be got. The report is silent however as to whether the Tahsildar satisfied himself as to the truth of the allegations of the Reddi that the amount said to appertain to Government money was really collected. In the original dawasattis sent to the Police and Taluk Magistrate, the amount of Collections said to have been lost has been included. The Tahsildar does not seem to have examined the private kaifiat of the Reddi and some of the ryots as to the truth of his statement

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He will be asked to report on this point. Granting that the Reddy's statement is true, I think that he should be asked to make good the amount said to have been lost in as much as sufficient precautions have not been taken to guard the Government money. The question as to whether all the money stated to have been lost is really lost or only a portion cannot be decided until a further report of the Tahsildar is received.

The Police charged 5 persons as having been concerned with the matter and produced only some of the jewels worth Rs 620 out of the alleged stolen property. No Cash has been received. The case is under enquiry before me as a Deputy Magistrate. The result of the trial will be reported later on.

I have &c &c

|Signed| T. Jagannatha Rau
Dy Collector

|True Copy|

Forwarded with all Enclosures. I support the Deputy Collector's recommendation that the Reddi should be called upon to make good the amount lost to Government, as his arrangements for guarding the money were not perfect. The Tahsildar's enquiry was not complete as he did not examine the Reddy's kacha Jamdal when he went to the village and verify the Reddy's statement as to the amount of Government money said to have been lost

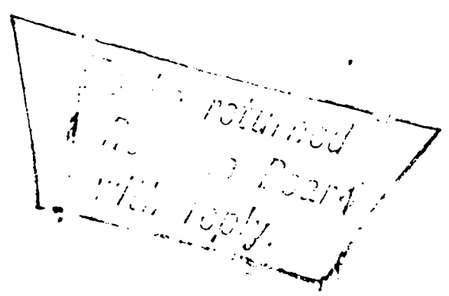
The Deputy Collector's report was received in this office only on the 13th June 1898 and the delay of a week in submitting it is due to my being in Camp. The Deputy Collector's attention will be drawn to the delay in the matter and he will be called on to expedite

his further report after the disposal of the Cases
Said to be pending on his file as Deputy magistrate.

Asst
Ag Collector

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22.6.98

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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE
(LAND REVENUE),
Madras, 29 June 1898.

READ— Endorsement of E.L.R.Thornton Esq.,Ag.Collector of Cuddapah,Ref.on C No.1918-Ver.,dated 22nd.June 1898,on letter from the Deputy Collector of Sidhout,Ref.on C.No.714-Rev.,dated 1st --- June 1898.

Reference No. 707 dated 29th June 1898.

Submitted for the orders of Government.

2. On the night of the 16th April last the house of the Village Magistrate of Porumamilla in Badvel Taluk,Cuddapah District,was broken into,and property and cash aggregating Rs.1406-13-3 in value were stolen.It is alleged that Rs.418-13-0 out of this amount were Government collections.

3. Enquiries instituted by the Tahsildar showed that on the night in question the Reddi,his people and the Village --- ~~Magistrate~~ servants slept outside the house and at a distance from the room in which the valuables were lodged.

4. It is clear that the Reddi had not taken sufficient precautions for the safe custody of the Government money,and there is no reason why he should not pay for his negligence.It is however true that a theft was committed and the Reddi took the same care of the Government money as he did of his own.It is hardly to be expected that in the month of April any one will sleep in-doors in Cuddapah,and the Cuddapah thieves are so clever that it probably would not have made much difference if the Reddi had slept nearer the money.Under the circumstances the Board would suggest that the

the Reddi should be only be asked to make good half the loss sustained by Covernment.

Lionel Davidson

Ag.Secretary.

To the Secretary to Covt., R.B., with Collr's.letter in original and 8 enclos.to be returned.

-- the Accountant-General. with copy of letter.

-- the Collector of Cuddapah.

Q.B.

Read B&R. Ref Rs 707 & 29 June 98
(C Rs 4686 of 1898)

Note.

With the paper read above, the Board of Revenue submits a report on a case of house breaking in the night of the 16th April last in the house of the Reddi of Bommamilla in the Badvel taluk, Cuddapah District.

2. It would appear that out of the property & Cash aggregating Rs 1406-13-3 in value which were stolen from the Reddi's house, Rs 418-13-0 were found collections & that on the night in question the Reddi his people and the village servants slept outside the house & at a distance from the room in which the valuables were lodged. The Dy Collector, Sidhout Dn. & the Collector of Cuddapah recommend that the Reddi should be called upon to make good the full amount lost to Government as his arrangements for guarding the money were not perfect. The Board however observes:

"It is clear that the Reddi did not

"take sufficient precautions for the
"safe custody of the Government money
"& there is no reason why he should not
"pay for his negligence. It is however
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"would not have made much difference
"if the Reddi had slept nearer the money.
"Under these circumstances the Board
"would suggest that the Reddi should
"only be asked to make good half the
"loss sustained by Government."

3. The Dy Collector states that the question as to whether all the money Government money alleged to have been lost has really been lost or only a portion, cannot be decided until a further report called for from the Dy Collr is received. vide para 2 of his letter 1 Enclosure. He also states that the Police have charged 5 persons as having been concerned in the matter & that the case is under enquiry before him as a Dy Magistrate. The Collector has called upon him to submit a further report after the disposal of the case pending on his file. Submitted that this further report may be awaited & the current recorded pending its receipt.

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Re further report
may be awaited

Ms
13/7/98

Sd/-
15/7/98

There is draft on the
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ENCLOSURES TO C. No.

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