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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 24th November 1857.

No. 78. Read the following letter from Mr. A. A. SEVESTRE, Calcutta; to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, Judicial Department, dated 21st October 1857.

SIR,

In forwarding *three* copies of Part 7th, Volume IV of my printed Reports of Select Cases, on points of Law and Practice, decided by the Sudder Dewanny Adawlut, at Calcutta, containing 35 cases, I transcribe the preface to this brochure, together with the copy of an Official Notification, of the demise of our late and former Judge of our Court, the respected and esteemed John Russell Colvin, Esq.

"Attached as yet I am to the Court, not only in the office of Pleader for a considerable period of time, but by the deepest conviction of the superiority and excellency of our beloved Judges, I have still ever entertained it in a more private sphere, and desire ever to manifest a sincere respect for the memory of the late Honorable Mr. John Russell Colvin, formerly a Judge of this Court, and subsequently the Lieutenant Governor of the North Western Provinces, the melancholy announcement of whose demise is transcribed from the Official Gazette as a memorial of unspeakable loss to the State. His acquaintance with India was thorough; his judgment sound, as is seen from the recorded decisions in Court, and his inherent energy of character so great, as it had been remarkable in his life during the present emergency in the N. W. Provinces. He was buried near the Arsenal, within the Agra Fort, with Military honors, on the morning of the 10th September 1857; the funeral procession was accompanied by all the Civil and Military Officers in that Fort."

"At page 857, *infra*, is the reply to the petition of the inhabitants for Martial Law in Calcutta, by Cecil Beadon, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India. Also the Acts put in force, previously to the application, within the Mofussil districts of the intra and extra Regulation Provinces."

"At page 905, is the order of Major General Wilson, to the Troops at *Delhi*, on its expected assault, and the consequent brilliant termination of all their labours."

"At page 907, is the cheerful Telegraphic intelligence of the DOWNFALL OF DELHI, together with the ever pleasing Official Notification of a confirmation of the same, having the assurance of a re-establishment of British supremacy on a matter of national concernment. The publication in the Calcutta Gazette Extraordinary of the Despatches which have since arrived at Calcutta, from Major General Wilson, and the Adjutant General of the Army, is copied at page 911, *infra*."

"At page 897, is the Governor General's Proclamation for prayer and supplication, in accordance with the established custom of the British nation in all seasons of distress. The form of prayer to be used on the occasion in the Indian Dioceses on Sunday the 4th of October 1857, is annexed with the solemn text of the Sermon preached at the CATHEDRAL, by the Venerable Archdeacon Pratt."

"At page is a copy of the official announcement of the premature demise of Sir Henry Lawrence, K. C. B., Chief Commissioner of Oude."

"Published by authority, Saturday, September 19th, 1857.

No. 1902.

FORT WILLIAM, HOME DEPARTMENT, THE 19TH SEPTEMBER 1857.

NOTIFICATION.

It is the melancholy duty of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, to announce the death of the Honorable John Russell Colvin, the Lieutenant Governor of the North-Western Provinces.

Worn by the unceasing anxieties and labors of his charge, which placed him in the very front of the dangers by which, of late, India has been threatened, health and strength gave way, and the Governor General in Council has to deplore with sincere grief the loss of one of the most distinguished amongst the servants of the East India Company.

The death of Mr. Colvin has occurred at a time when his ripe experience, his high ability, and his untiring energy, would have been more than usually valuable to the State.

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But his career did not close before he had won for himself a high reputation in each of the various branches of administration to which he was at different times attached, nor until he had been worthily selected to fill the highest position in Northern India, and he leaves a name which, not friends alone, but all who have been associated with him in the duties of Government, and all who may follow in his path, will delight to honor.

The Right Honorable the Governor General in Council directs that the Flag shall be lowered half-mast high, and that 17 Minute guns shall be fired at the seats of Government in India upon the receipt of the present Notification.

By order of the Governor General of India in Council,

(Signed) C. BEADON,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

A receipt for Company's Rupees 57-14 accompany for payment.

(Signed) A. A. SEVESTRE.

No. 79.

ORDER THEREON, No. 1541; dated 24th November 1857.

Three copies of the "Reports of cases of the Sudder Dewanny Adawlut" forming Part 7, Volume IV, having been received with the foregoing letter accompanied by a receipt of their value and postage from Mr. Sevestre, amounting to Rupees (57-14,) fifty-seven and Annas fourteen. Ordered that one copy be transmitted to the Board of Revenue and another to the Court of Sudder Udawlut, the remaining copy being reserved for Government.

2. Ordered also, that Mr. Sevestre's receipt be sent to the Accountant General for adjustment.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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Sudder Dewanny

No. 1541

*Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 24th November 1857.*

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