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## Government of Madras.

Judicial **DEPARTMENT.**

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| Dated 12-12-~~19~~1857 | |

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No. 34. Read the following letter from T. J. KNOX, Esq., Acting Magistrate of Masulipatam; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Weyoor, 4th December 1857, No. 504.

SIR,

Para. 1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 1560 of 1857. dated 27th November, and in obedience to the orders conveyed to me * No 485. therein, respectfully reply, first, that my letter* dated 24th Ultimo, will have afforded a full account of the attack made by the Rohillas on Juggiapettah, and I am not aware that any particulars were omitted in the Acting Joint Magistrate's report.

2. Immediately I received the intelligence of the attack on Juggiapettah, I obtained a European officer and 30 Sepoys from the Brigadier Commanding Masulipatam, and they now form the garrison at Juggiapett. Mr. Chase also was instructed to proceed there. In Razapore, I knew I had a most active officer in Lieutenant Peyton, 9th Regiment N. I., and a head of Police, whose courage and good sense, I could rely on, and I feel no anxiety about that talook. The recent disturbances in the Tamewullah talook, of the Rajahmundry district, had obliged me to send a number of peons, many armed with match-locks, to the frontier there, and in the Pentapaud head of Police, I have a man who, I expect, would fight, so that on the whole, I felt the frontier was protected.

3. The only weak point I admit, is Condapully, because a strip of the Nizam's country runs close up to it, but the gang of Rohillas who attacked Juggiapettah, were far too skilfully led to venture the risk of leaving the troops at Juggiapettah and Razapore in their rear, so that with ordinary activity, their retreat must have been cut off.

4. With reference to Colonel Davidson's remarks about the absence of a suitable guard at Juggiapettah, I admit, I at first wished for a Commissioned officer, but from the weak state of the 7th Regiment, I could not get one, and the Detachment of the 9th Regiment sent here, could spare none, but I nevertheless believe that 18 Sepoys, with the match-lock peons, would have beaten the Rohillas off, the misfortune was, the Rohillas were too well informed to attack when they were expected.

5. I am very hopeful that as the leaders of the gang are known, and their retreat known, Colonel Davidson will, at an early date, report their capture. It remains now to be seen, whether the Nizam's officials can protect them from the Resident, when determined to bring them to justice.

(Signed) T. J. KNOX,
*Acting Magistrate.*

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No. 35. ORDER THEREON, No. 1614; dated 12th December 1857.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
*Chief Secretary.*

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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By to Govt 15th Dec.
Judicial 1857 Department

From The Acting Magistrate
of Moradabad Patteem

To The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St George

Dated 4th Dec. 1857.

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Stating with reference
to Extract Minutes of Govt
dated 27. November 1857
No 1506 that the Acting Magistrate
letter of 24 ultimo could
have afforded a full
account of the attack
made by the Rohillas
on Jagraspetkah & furnish-
ing further information
on some points on the
subject —

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cg Dear
R. C.