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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 19th October 1858.

No. 5. Read the following letter from G. A. BALLARD, Esq., Special Commissioner, North Canara; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Madras, dated Tinnei, North Canara, 2nd October 1858, No. 83.

SIR,

* Dated Ootacamund, 27th September 1858.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of a Telegraphic* message, directing me to remain here as Special Commissioner.

2. I think it right respectfully to observe that, whilst most desirous to serve Government, and, I must add, personally much preferring a continuance here, I fear I can calculate on being of little use, as arrangements are at present. I have, and shall have, occasional cases to try as Commissioner; and I *may* be able to get information, and assist in bringing about a successful dour; but the latter is a piece of good fortune so doubtful, that I must not calculate upon it.

3. In the present state of affairs, unless some fortunate coincidence enables us to strike a sudden and final stroke, we must trust a great deal to the Portuguese. But amongst them intrigue is rife. They will not follow a decided course; and whilst Lieut. Way has his little negotiations, the Officer Commanding Tullawarree, his, and I, perhaps, mine, it will rather be wonderful if any of them lead to any thing else than the present unsatisfactory results, where the Sawanths and their 20 followers continue to elude us all. There should, in my humble opinion be *one* *man to decide on his course; press it on the Portuguese; and carry it out unwaveringly.

* Vide Special Commissioner to Chief Secretary, 13th July 1858, para 7.

Now, one day no move is to be made because Deepa is going to bring in the Sawanths; another, because they are coming in themselves, and so on. Every week has some different plan, and all are equally futile.

I must again say, however, that under any circumstances, I shall endeavour to do my utmost; and must only trust that want of success, or absence of more apparent vigorous efforts, will not be imputed to any want of will.

4. I should have gone down to Goa, and requested a personal interview with the Governor General, some weeks ago, but then I was uncertain as to my stay; and more especially as there were others whose views differed from my own engaged in these matters, I saw it would be of no use.

* Dated Aie, 28th September, 1858.

5. I have just received a note* from Lieutenant Way, in which he informs me that he had been to Goa, and seen the Governor. He proceeds "Deepa promises to hunt up the Sawanths; the Governor General told me he had given the Sawanths till the 1st †Proximo to come in and surrender—their punishment to be banishment for life to the Islands

† i. e. 1st October.

of Timoor. Some of their companions such as Nana Tulgamcar, &c., will bear them company. Deepa has offered to bring the rascals in, but the Portuguese are afraid of Deepa; and have clipped his wings; allowing him only 30 men, and those badly armed. Should Sawanths not be in on the 1st, operations to commence on that day. In allowing these men their lives, should they surrender, I am only acting under instructions from Bombay Government. I agree with you myself that whatever punishment is given should be given, by us. I even go further and doubt the policy of letting them off so easily."

6. I heard yesterday that Tulgamcar Nana had been sent down to Goa. As the subject had been taken so much notice of, I dare say the expressed intention of punishment may be now carried into effect; though I shall not be free from doubt till I hear it has been done, and must regret the culprit did not meet his deserts at our hands.

7. The Sawanths have not given themselves up, nor been given up. I trust that Government have suggested to the Bombay Government that the offer to them of surrender on guarantee of life should be withdrawn; and that the same has been notified to the Portuguese.

8. It will be seen Deepa Rana has been entrusted with some men, and continues professions with as much constancy, and I fancy as much honesty, as ever.

‡ 29th September 1858.

§ Special Commissioner to Chief Secretary, 30th September 1858, para 7.

9. I have not heard from the Governor General in reply to my proposal‡ of moving down the ghauts. I believe I was misinformed§ regarding the immediate departure of Viscount Torres Novas, and the arrival of another Governor; though the report reached me from several

sources, and had all the air of truth.

*A letter from the Sawanths as well as
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ORDER THEREON, No. 1432; dated 13th October 1858.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exr. F. Cartledge.

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Chief Secy
30th September
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Sir

Your most obedient Servant

G. A. Ballard
Gt. Commissioner

Despatch to Governor dated 11 September
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I do not see what can be
done with this beyond record
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From
L. S. Ballard Aug 1858
Special Commissioner
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acknowledges the receipt of the telegraph message directing him to continue his duties as Special Commissioner and offers certain remarks relative to the affairs in North Carolina.

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