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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 2nd February 1858.

No. 27. Read the following letter from Colonel J. C. BOULDERSON, Commissioner of Police; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated 26th January 1858, No. 12.

SIR,

I have the honor to report that on the 8th Instant, three Natives of Upper Bengal were brought before me at report hour, as suspicious persons, having only that morning arrived at Madras from the south. On enquiry, I found each man was provided with a Passport, in which they were described as Privates of a Regiment of the Bombay Native Army, who had obtained leave for one year from their respective Commanding Officers to visit their Native country, viâ the Southern Provinces of the Madras Presidency. They informed me that they had visited Ramaswarem and intended to proceed to Cawnpore through our Northern Provinces.

As I thought the Government would not be pleased that men of their description should travel through our Provinces at the present time, I forwarded them on to the Town Major; and in a note suggested that it would be as well to send them back to Bombay, or on to Bengal by sea. That Officer informed me in reply that as the men had leave to proceed to Bengal viâ Madras, he would sign their Passports, and pass them on, with a caution to report themselves to the Staff Officer of each station on route, to save themselves from being arrested.

As I think it objectionable that persons of this description should be allowed to roam over the country, I deem it my duty to bring this circumstance to notice in order that the subject may be brought to the notice of the Bombay Government should the Government coucur with me in opinion.

(Signed) J. C. BOULDERSON,
Commissioner of Police.

No. 28. From T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George; to the Secretary to the Government of Bombay, dated 30th January 1858, No. 157.

SIR,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit the accompanying copy of a letter from the Commissioner of Police at Madras, dated 26th January 1858, respecting three Bombay Sepoys who arrived at Madras with Passports permitting them to visit their Native country viâ the Southern Provinces of this Presidency; and to suggest for the consideration of the Government of Bombay, whether such men should not for the present be sent to their own Districts direct and not through the Madras Provinces.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Comr of Police for information } Disp. 3d Feb. to Madras Provincial

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No 157.

To The Secretary to the Govt. of Bombay

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to transmit the accompanying copy of a letter from the Comr of Police at Madras dated 26th January ult, respecting three Bombay Lascars who arrived at Madras with passports permitting them to visit their native country viz the Southern Provinces of this Presidency; and to suggest for the consideration of the Govt of Bombay, whether such men should not be required to proceed direct to their own Districts instead of visiting Madras Province

Fort Saint George
30th January 1858.

Copy to Comr of Police for information

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To
The Secy to the Govt
of Bombay.

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