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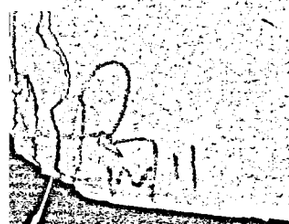
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No. 39. Read the following letter from T. J. KNOX, Esq., Acting Magistrate of Masulipatam; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Pentapaud, 23rd January 1858.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to report for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that on receipt of the Minutes of Consultation, dated 7th January 1858, in obedience to the instructions therein contained, I first communicated with Lieutenant Bloomfield, Commanding Vizagapatam Sibundies in this neighbourhood, and I received much valuable information from that very intelligent young Officer; but as he is on active duty against some hill rebels, it was useless to ask for his services, for I must assure Government, I am not myself qualified to drill Sibbundies, had I the leisure to do so.

2. I then applied to Brigadier Cameron, for Captain Ansley of the 9th Regiment. He is an active and distinguished Officer and the Brigadier highly approves of my selection. Captain Ansley is in Masulipatam, and if the Government are pleased to appoint him to this duty, I must beg Government will at once overrule any objections that may arise in the Military Department. This Officer is required urgently for the express purpose of carrying out the views of the Commander-in-Chief, that Regiments of the line should not be broken up into Detachments, and, as the 9th Regiment is at Secundrabad, the party Captain Ansley commands at Masulipatam; must soon join it. Brigadier Cameron observes that there is no Officer in Masulipatam, available to take charge of this Company, but I suggest for the consideration of Government that Captain Ansley could take it to Juggiapettah, the scene of his future labours, and from thence it could march by itself or accompany the 7th Regiment.

3. Should however Captain Ansley's services be refused, I know not whom to apply for and beg an Officer may be sent me from some other Division.

3. I also communicated with Mr. Purvis who will, I believe, submit to Government his opinion that each District should have its own Sibbundy force. I entirely agree with him that difficulties would arise, if a Sibbundy Corps had in the Magistrate's of each District, two Commanders in Chief The men for service in Rajahmundry should be fever-proof and hill rangers, while I require fighting qualities only.

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

No. 40. ORDER THEREON, No. 166: dated 2nd February 1858.

Referred to the Adjutant General of the Army for report as to whether Captain Ansley's services can be spared.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Carlodge.

Copy of Gen. Jesup's letter of
Feb. 5th 1852 to the Adjt. Gen.
U.S. Army

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Referred to the Adjutant General of the Army for report as to whether Capt. Ansley's services can be spared.

Fort McIntosh
5 February 1852
To the Adjutant General of the Army — Dept. 2/2.