

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	467	Press
		~~Mis~~
6-7		
Dated	12-6-1958	

Not to be folded or roughly handled

467

Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 13th April 1858.

No. 6. Read the following letter from W. FISHER, Esq., Magistrate of Canara; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Madras, dated Umshy, 3rd April 1858, No. 467.

SIR,

Having met Mr. Robinson at Umshy this morning, and consulted with him on the present state of the Soopah Talook, and the measures that will be necessary in order to maintain tranquillity, and render permanent the impressions made by the present display of the Military power in North Canara, we have come to the conclusion, that the Native Troops now employed here, and one Company of Her Majesty's 74th Highlanders should be retained during the monsoon, and posted as per annexed map.

2. Yellapoor is at present occupied by two Companies of Her Majesty's 74th, one of which could proceed to Sircy, and the other to join a Company of the same Regiment now located at Hullial, and with it proceed thence to Dharwar or such other station as the Government may determine on. In mentioning Dharwar, I believe, I may state, that there is accommodation for two Companies of Europeans at that station, and every facility for Commissariat arrangements.

3. My proposal that a Company of Her Majesty's 74th Highlanders be located at Sircy, is based partly on consideration of the moral effect that will be produced by the presence of Europeans in this wild country, and partly on the fact that this arrangement will place at our disposal a sufficient Native force, without calling for any further re-inforcements, at this season of the year, when the hot weather is far advanced, and the monsoon is at hand.

4. Should the Government sanction the arrangement now proposed after consultation with Mr. Robinson, and a careful consideration of our position, it will be necessary to make some extra provision for the accommodation of Europeans at Sircy; and huts must be erected at once, at the various posts to be held by Native Troops. It will be observed, that Mr. Robinson and I propose to locate a few Sepoys at Sircy, in addition to the Highlanders; and this is done in order to save the Soldiers exposure during the monsoon, in maintaining local guards, &c.

5. We think that the Talook Cutcherry would in all probability accommodate the men, and the place of arms afforded sufficient hospital room for them. Both buildings are in excellent and airy situations, and the Talook authorities could be located for the time in a Sayer Choultry in the town.

6. It is understood, that the Bombay authorities are willing to hold the posts during the monsoon, which they now occupy.

7. The accompanying sketch map will point out their positions, and those in which I propose hereafter to locate the Madras Troops.

8. The numbers now employed above the Ghâts in North Canara, are given below:

Sircy about 120 men, 35th Regiment N. I.,

Yellapoor two Companies of Her Majesty's 74th Highlanders,

Hullial one Company of Her Majesty's 74th Highlanders,

at the various posts in the Soopah Talook 373 Rank and File of the 16th, 35th and 47th Regiments N. I.

9. In conclusion, I am very glad to be able to say that Mr. Robinson is in better health, and that a few days rest, which Mr. Binny's presence will enable him to enjoy, is now all that he requires. I return to Mangalore without delay. Instructions are requested by telegraph, addressed to Mr. Robinson, Soopah, via Dharwar.

No. 7. ORDER THEREON, No. 467; dated 12th April 1858.

Referred to the Military Department, whence orders will be transmitted by telegraph as requested by the Magistrate of Canara.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Govt.



— Posts at present occupied by Bombay Troops
 - - - Posts proposed to be occupied by Madras Troops

Voluntary Officer
5th Regt M.A.
Madras
23 April 1858.

Sept - 12/14/58.
2 R.M.

Just Cr to Encl No 9
30-6-58

Paras 2 & 3
Pol Repts No 1
27/10/58

12467.

Referred to the Military Dept, where
orders will be transmitted by telegraph
as requested by the Maristons of Canada.

For 6th George
12 April, 1858-3

RL

Copy to Military Dept. - Dispd 17th 40

96

* Message sent to Mr Robinson
from the Army Dept - 12/11/58.
2 PM -