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No. 41. Read the following letter from H. AMES, Esq., Commissioner of North Canara; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Camp Champoli, 12th August 1859, No. 394.

1. I regret to have to report that the "Bund" have suddenly reappeared in Soopah, 14 in number, and commenced reprisals on the villagers who gave information against them on former occasions.

2. Lieutenants Drury and Giertsen were at Diggi intending to descend into Goa. The "Bund" however gave them the slip and appeared at Hurnoday on the other side of the talook, on the 9th Instant, *killed two men there,** and going on to Coolagi killed two men there also.

* Not certain.

3. The news reached me at Jugglepett on my arrival there; on the 10th a guard was at once sent off to Dandelly and Captain Serres followed in the morning with Lieutenant Newberry, to meet Lieutenant Drever and there plan operations with him.

4. "Mr. Wood" and myself started yesterday morning with 13 men, from Jugglepett, and marching 20 miles, reached this place last night, where we are awaiting further intelligence.

5. It is perfectly evident that the "Bund," though numerically so weak, feel that they can attack unprotected villages with impunity, and in a country which is one vast jungle they can move faster and more quietly than the pursuing parties generally do.

6. I propose now after consulting with Captain Serres and Lieutenant Drever to adopt Lieutenant Drever's plan, viz., to place small parties of men all over the country, invariably garrisoning immediately any village from which information has been afforded us.

7. I do this effectually; I shall have probably to call for another Company of the 51st; Lieutenant Drever's men are not sufficiently drilled to be employed as he has not been able of course to attend to them at Hullial while personally in pursuit of the Bund, and at present they desert whenever they like.

8. If sufficient protection is not now afforded to the villagers, they will, I fear, desert their villages in some cases and we shall certainly gain from them no more information about the Bund.

9. The numerous parties of six or seven men that I think of scattering over the country would be able to join with and pick up each other on a hue and cry after the "Bund" who would thus be constantly harrassed, and I should hope very shortly be effectually hunted down.

No. 42. ORDER THEREON, 31st August 1859, No. 1174.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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From H. Ames Esqre
Commr. of N. Canara

To The Chief Secretary to
Government
Madras

Dated — 12th August 1859.

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Enclosure none

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