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Fort Saint George, Political Consultation, 13th October 1857.

No. 31. To the Right Honorable LORD HARRIS, Governor in Council, Fort St. George, dated 14th September 1857.

The Humble Address of the Inhabitants of Chittoor.

MY LORD,

It gave us no small amount of grief to have heard and read for some time past the sanguinary deeds that had been committed by the native Soldiery in the north-western provinces : and we consider it our duty therefore to lose no time in assuring your Lordship that we not only abhor their proceedings, but that we ourselves continue firm and loyal to the British Government, and that we feel deeply indebted to it for the many inestimable blessings we enjoy. The security of person and property, the efficient and impartial administration of justice, the establishment of the educational institutions for the enlightenment of the Hindoo mind and other solid advantages that have been conferred upon us, bind us in indissoluble ties of gratitude and loyalty to the British Government. The more we think of these invaluable benefits, to which we must say, we had been strangers before the advent of the English to India, the greater is our detestation of men who were capable of deeds at once so treacherous and ungrateful.

It is our firm conviction and a high source of consolation to us that the might and valour of the English will soon disperse the clouds which appear to have gathered in the political horizon of India, and restore the happiness of the people which has been thus disturbed out of its wonted equilibrium : for consulting the annals of Indian warfare, we cannot but conclude that these dwindle into nothing in comparison with the dreadful wars that once raged in this land and added many a brilliant victory to the battle-roll of England—the victories of Assaye and Argaum over the combined formidable Mahrattas and those of Ferozeshah and Sobraon over the disciplined and valorous Sikhs. May therefore the protecting hand of Providence crown the British arms with complete success is the fervent prayer of.

Your Lordship's humble and loyal subjects,

Vide Address in Tamil published in the Fort Saint George Gazette, 20th November 1857.

No. 32. ORDER THEREON, No. 875 ; dated 10th October 1857.

Resolved to publish the Chittoor Address in the Official Gazette, and to notify to the writers thereof, through the Collector and Magistrate, the satisfaction of Government at their good feeling and loyalty.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

