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No. 18. From Lieutenant Colonel CUTHBERT DAVIDSON, Resident at Hyderabad; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 10th October 1857, No. 1266.

SIR,

In continuation of my letter, No. 1251, of the 7th instant, I have the honor to transmit for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying copy of a note and of its enclosure received from His Highness the Nizam's Minister by which it will be seen that steps have been adopted for apprehending the Marauders alluded to, should they be found within the borders of the Nizam's Territories.

Stating that a reference had been made to the Nizam's Government on the subject of your Telegram of the 6th idem.

(Signed) CUTHBERT DAVIDSON,
Resident.

Translation of copy of a letter from Nabob Mookhtarul Mulk Bahadoor, to Colonel Davidson.

I have the honor of receiving your letter of the 17th Saffer, Instant, No. 1051, with a statement from the Government of Madras, received by Telegraphic message, regarding the trouble given by some mountain plunderers in the Zillah of Rajahmundry and pointing out the importance of being on the watch, in the Ashwaraopetta of the Sircar, to apprehend the plunderers, should they be found there.

In my opinion these disturbances may have been caused by a seditious person belonging to Cherla, as I had often already informed you. Indeed a body of Troops has lately been ordered by the Sircar to punish the said seditious person. A Petition received by the Sircar from the Naib of Babooncha, Balooncha, Bhadra Chalam is enclosed for perusal, from which you will learn that the said seditious person has fled. But orders have been issued to the Officer and Talookhdar of Aramgir to apprehend that person as also the mountain plunderers if found in Ashwaraopatta, &c. The statement is returned. What more?

Dated 10th December 1857.
" *20th Safar* 1274.

(True Translation.)
(Signed) EDWARD BALFOUR,
Persian and Hindustanee Tr. to Government.

TRANSLATION

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After Compliments.

I beg to state that the particulars of collecting the Sircar Troops and those of the Rajah, to punish the Charla man, may have, perhaps, been made known to you by the former Petitions from the Zilladar and from myself.

On Wednesday the 4th, about midnight, the Troops marched from the Village of Nical and crossed the River Talpir in four boats at the Tagra-ford: and, on Thursday morning the 5th Idem, the whole Troops having crossed the River some in boats from the said place and some in boats from the other side of the Godavery, arrived at Compally on the banks of the Godavery about 2 miles from Charla. The Troops stationed at the said Village disappeared.

It was reported that the said seditious man of Charla, was ready to fight, with his men, at his own place. The following day, Friday the 6th Instant, at 9 A. M., the Troops marched towards Charla to meet the enemy in the field. The accursed man finding himself incapable to offer opposition (to the Sircar Troops) fled with his goods and baggage, leaving a few men at Charla. These men taking shelter in the houses continued firing at the Sircar Troops for about half an hour. The Sircar men putting Turmeric in their Muskets set fire to the houses which afforded shelter to the Rebels. When the houses were involved in flame the Rebels lost their shelter and fled. By the grace of God and His Highness' fortune, the loss of life was not very great but the Victory has been gained by the Sircar people. Two hours after this, the Troops returned to Compally where they encamped, there, supposing it possible that the Rebels may likely return to attack them during the night, but by the grace of God and the terror of the Sircar they did not dare to do so. One or two days more the Troops will be encamped at this place with a view to gain information as to where the fugitive may have taken refuge. If I succeed in getting the requisite information, I will take all necessary measures to apprehend him or I will report to you what takes place further. It was owing only to the good fortune of the Sircar that we gained the Victory over a large number of Rebels without loss of blood, but punishment to the Rebel is necessary in order that he may give up his rebellious conduct. A petty Zemindar of a Talook worth only Rupees 1600 is plundering and ruining the Sircar country and also the country of the English Bahadoors. If orders be issued to the Talookhdar at Aramgir, to resume the Charla Talook, peace will be restored to the Ryots of the Talooks of Hosonabad, Shankargiri Bastar, &c. To say more, would be beyond respect.

DATED,
8*th Safar* 1274.

The petition of

MEER GHOLAM HOOSAIN.

(True Translation.)

(Signed) EDWARD BALFOUR,
Persian and Hind. Transr. to Government.

No. 19. ORDER THEREON, No. 911; dated 23rd October 1857.

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing letter and the translation of its enclosure be furnished to the Magistrate of Rajahmundry for his information.

Exd. J. A. Wilson

No. 911
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Fort St. George, 23rd October, 1857.

To the Magistrate of Rajahmundry. Dispd. 31st October

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In continuation of his letter of the 4th instant, transmitting for information Copy of a note and of its enclosure received from His Exalted the Nizam's Minister by which it will be seen that steps have been adopted for appre-
hending the Marauders alluded to.

I have &c
(Signed) Wm Taylor
Secretary