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Office of the Agent in the
Kill Tracts of Billa
Camp Ruvetcondah
17th March 1857

N^o 88

From
Captain J. MacVicar
Agent in the Kill Tracts of Billa

To
Lieut. Beadon Esquire,
Secretary to the Government of India

Sir
Fort William, 17th March 1857, No. 88.

I have the honor to forward a Medical
Certificate to proceed to Europe on sick certificate
and to embark from Calcutta, as Dr. Parnes
states, that I ought not to undertake a journey
to Madras, but that I should leave India
immediately. I shall therefore the leave will be
granted me by the Government of India. Under
these circumstances I respectfully request you
will be pleased to obtain for me the permission
of the Right Honorable the Governor General in
Council to resign my appointment of Agent
in the Kill Tracts of Billa from the date of
delivering over Charge of the Office to my
Assistant Lieut. N^o 88.

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Since the resumption of my
duties I have made but one tour in the Jungles
and yet I am at present unfit officially
to conduct

to conduct even the current business of the Office
or attend to the Cases of any of the prisoners
awaiting trial. The medical Officer Dr. Pinner
holds out no hope of any restoration to health
in this climate, and under these circumstances
I humbly crave permission finally to retire
from the Peshawar Agency

3 I regret very much to leave
Bustar and Jyppoor in such a melancholy
condition as regards human sacrifices, but so
long as the Lall Sahib reigns in the former, and
the imbecile old Rajah is so grossly
misled in the latter, I fear our efforts will
have but partial success. I earnestly entreat
the Government of India to call for a special
report on the actual state of Jyppoor from
Lieut. McNeill who has more knowledge of that
Country and its people than any man in
India

4 My own health broke down in
1855 at the moment when I was preparing for a
tour in Rajahmundry, where sacrifices are
known to take place. Mr. Prendergast, who
was Collector there for 13 years, told me that
Jumna sacrifices prevailed to a great extent
and he begged me earnestly to go there. He once
ascended the mountains, where he was attacked
by dangerous fever, for the climate of these

3 3
Kills is most deadly. I trust however some one
will be sent this year to invade this last stronghold
of the Bushite. I am exceedingly thankful
that Lieutenant McNeill's health is yet spared.

Of his ability and judgment in a critical time
the Government of India have already had proof,
and I earnestly and sincerely trust he may
be enabled to overcome all the difficulties
which are still in the way of the full and
complete triumph of the labours of this
Agency

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant

Camp Peshawar } (Signed) J. Macvicar Captain
17th March 1857 } Agent in the Hill Tracts of India

True Copy

J. Macvicar, Captain
Agent in the Hill Tracts of India

From Captain J Mac Vicar to L
 Pycroft, Esq. Chief Secretary to Government
 dated
 Russell Kundah 18 March 1857

My dear Sir
 I forward to you copies of
 my letter to Sup: Govt & also of my Med
 Certificates which must all be in
 order, as the Govt is anxious I should get
 out of the tropics at once. I hope to
 deliver over charge & to be able to
 catch the Ste of 23rd prox at Calcutta.
 Hence I take the liberty of writing you
 to entreat your kind Offices, in the
 event of their being any informality in
 my applications to have them put in
 proper form so that I may not be
 prevented going on at once for Madras.
 Believe me to be
 Yours, My dear Sir
 J. Mac Vicar

J. Pycroft Esq
 Chief Secy to Govt
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by that Captain
 General in the Hall
 L, & in my opinion he
 to Calcutta, in anticipation
 of India.

Capt. Mac Vicar
 Agent's Estab^t

irregularity of the bowels, debility & nervous irritability
 depression of spirits, violent, indescribable feeling
 of acute pain on the top of the head, shifting in its
 character, but still confined to the crown of the head
 wretched nights from sleeplessness approaching almost
 to distraction. Has been to the sea coast and
 Cape Mithank deriving any benefit from the
 change. In 1849 he went to Europe where he felt
 his health somewhat improved, but on his return to
 India he became worse. In 1856 he again visited
 Europe, but a short sojourn of eleven months
 (although improvement was beginning to be felt.)

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Amos Graves Asst Surgeon
In Medl Charge Agents Etab^t

was by no means sufficient fully to reestablish
his health, for scarcely had he reentered the Tropics
than all his most serious & distressing symptoms
returned & at present complains of excessive debility
nervous irritability, depression of spirits, with a
return of the distressing & acutely painful sen-
sation on the crown of the head, which totally
incapacitates him from the performance of
his arduous & important duties; a low kind of
fever often comes on at night; sleeplessness,
indeed he never knows what it is to be sleepy
or tired in the common acceptation of the term,
his appetite is bad, is daily losing flesh, and
getting weaker.

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Being fully convinced both from
former statements of his case, & his present state,
that nothing short of a much longer residence
than he has yet tried, in the cold bracing climate
of Europe, removed from all excitement and
anxiety of mind, as well as a trying, feverish &
baneful climate, exposure to which has so
greatly injured & debilitated his constitution, will
be likely to be beneficial in restoring Captain
MacVicar to health. I strongly recommend that
he should be permitted to return to Europe, & to
embark at Calcutta, under the Regulations of 1854.

J. M. Rawes, M.D. Surgeon
In Med. Charge of Agents Hotel.

Russelchordeh
March 17th 1854

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Office of the Agent in the
Hill Tracts of Oussa
Camp Russellcondah
18th March 1857

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No. 3.

From

Captain J. MacTear

Agent in the Hill Tracts of Oussa

To

T. P. Croft Esquire

Secretary to Government

Fort St. George dated

Sir

Camp Russellcondah 18th March 1857

I have the honor to forward copy of my

* with enclosures.

* letter number 88. dated 17th instant to the

address of Cecil Beadon Esq. Secretary to the

Government of India

I have the honor to be

Sir

Camp Russellcondah

Your most obedient servant

18th March

J. MacTear

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Agent in the Hill Tracts of Oussa

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