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No. 409. Read the following letter from W. GREY, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India (Home Department), to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Fort William, 16th April 1862, No. 1,964 :—

SIR,

1. In continuation of my letter No. 2,519, dated the 24th December last, relative to the transfer of North Canara from the Madras to the Bombay Presidency, I am directed to transmit for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council, a copy of the Despatches from the Secretary of State noted on the margin, and to draw attention to the Notifications Nos. 1,921 and 1,922, published in this day's *Calcutta Gazette*.

Political No. 131, dated 3rd December 1861.
" " 16, " 28th February 1862.

2. His Excellency in Council will perceive that the transfer of North Canara, with the exception of the Táluq of Candapore, has taken effect from this date, as announced in my Message by Telegraph dated the 14th instant.

From the Right Honorable Sir CHARLES WOOD, Bart., M. P., Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India (Political), to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor General of India in Council, dated India Office, London, 3rd December 1861, No. 131.

MY LORD,

1. With reference to my Despatches No. 13 of the 4th of February and No. 100 of the 2nd of August, I have now to inform your Excellency's Government that I have received a letter from the Government of Bombay, dated 28th of October, No. 14, in the Revenue Department, detailing the circumstances of Mr. Frere's visit to Sedasheghur, and of his interview with Sir William Denison at that place, in reference to the proposed transfer of North Canara to the Bombay Presidency. I have not received any report on the subject from Sir W. Denison.

2. It is obvious, however, that no agreement has been arrived at as to the boundary to be established between the territory to be transferred to Bombay and that which is to be left to the Government of Madras; and I cannot but be apprehensive lest the completion of the desired arrangement should be postponed for a further period.

3. The information forwarded by the Bombay Government, and the opinions expressed by Sir G. Clerk and Mr. Frere, confirm me in the views which I originally entertained, that the most beneficial arrangement, the one which will be most consistent with the differences of habits, languages, and other circumstances of the inhabitants, that which would least disturb the existing administrative and other arrangements adverted to in my Despatch of August last, would be the transfer of the whole of North Canara to the Bombay Government. If, however, you should receive from the Government of Madras any sufficient reasons for leaving any portion of the Southern part of North Canara under this Government, I am willing to leave to you the decision on this point.

4. With regard to the general question of the transfer of the whole, or, at any rate, the greater part of North Canara, to the Government of Bombay, I conveyed to you my opinion, which was formed, after full consideration in Council, so long ago as February last, and I repeated the opinion in August, after receiving the remonstrances of the Government of Madras upon the subject, and also the expression of your Excellency's opinion, which generally concurred with my own, on the advantages of the proposed transfer. I have, therefore, to request that no further delay may be allowed as to the transfer of the whole, or of such portion of North Canara your Excellency's Government may decide upon.

No. 36.

Transferred to the Home Department for disposal, in continuation of No. 5,230, dated 11th September last.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT,
POLITICAL;
The 17th January 1862.

By Order,
(Signed) C. U. AITCHISON,
Under Secretary to the Government of India.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 29th April 1862.

From the Right Honorable Sir CHARLES WOOD, Bart., M. P., Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India (Political), to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor General of India in Council, dated India Office, London, 28th February 1862, No. 16.

My Lord,

1. I have received and considered in Council the letter of your Excellency's Government, No. 20 in the Home Revenue Department, of the 31st of December, relating to the proposed transfer of the Collectorate of North Canara from the Presidency of Fort Saint George to that of Bombay, and enclosing a copy of the Proclamation which you have prepared in relation to the said transfer, under the provisions of the Act 24 and 25 Vic., Cap. 67.

2. In my Despatch No. 131, of the 3rd of December, in the Political Department, which you had not received at the date of your letter now under acknowledgment, I left it to your decision whether any and what portion of the Southern part of North Canara should remain under the Government of Madras. On further consideration, however, of all the circumstances, I have come to the conclusion that it is desirable that the Taluq of Coondapore should be retained under that Government.

3. I have altered the draft-Proclamation so as to transfer to the Bombay Presidency all the Taluqs of Northern Canara with the reservation above stated, and I have Her Majesty's commands to communicate to you her sanction of it as it now stands.

4. You have, in my opinion, been rightly advised that this Proclamation will effect the transfer of the Collectorate, for the purposes contemplated in Act 24 and 25 Vic., Cap. 67; but that, for other purposes, an order by the Secretary of State in Council, under the 16th and 17th Victoria, Cap. 95, Section 18, is necessary. I now, therefore, transmit to you, by Her Majesty's commands, the necessary order of the Secretary of State for India in Council; which, together with the Proclamation when issued, will complete the transfer for both administrative and legislative purposes.

No. 352.

Transferred to the Home Department for disposal, in continuation of No. 36, dated 17th January last.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT,
POLITICAL;
The 11th April 1862.

By Order,
(Signed) C. U. AITCHISON,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 410. ORDER THEREON, 29th April 1862, No. 923.

Communicated to the several Departments of the Secretariat, the Board of Revenue, Director Revenue Settlement, Inám Commissioner and Conservator of Forests.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

No. 1764

W. GREY, Esquire,
Secy. to the Govt. of India,

Sir,

Fort St. George, the 16th April 1862.

Home Dept. In continuation of my letter No. 2678, dated the 24th December last, relative to the transfer of North Canara from the Madras to the Bombay Presidency, I am directed to transmit for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council a copy of the Despatches from the Secretary of State noted on the margin, and to draw attention to the Notifications Nos. 1921 and 1922, published in this day's *Gazette*.

Political No. 131, dated 3rd December 1861.
" 16, " 28th February 1862.

2. His Excellency in Council will perceive that the transfer of North Canara, with the exception of the Taluk of Candapore, has taken effect from this date, as announced in my Message by Telegraph dated the 16th instant.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

Secy. to the Govt. of India.

