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Testimonials.

The bearer Chota Lall, Commissariat Gomastah, has satisfactorily supplied all that has been required from him as contractor for the Medical Depôt.

CAWNPORE:
5th December, 1856.

H. W. FAITHFUL, SURGEON,
Offg. Medical Store Keeper.

Certified that Chota Lall, one of the Bread Contractors of this Division, has, during the time of his contract and my incumbency, performed his duties entirely to my satisfaction, and I recommend him to my successor as a good and serviceable man. He also held the contract for vegetables and gave entire satisfaction.

CAWNPORE:
EX. COMSST. OFFICE,
4th May, 1858.

L. R. CHRISTOPHER, CAPTAIN,
D. A. C. General.

I have known Chota Lall, Merchant at Cawnpore, for the last three years, he has been undertaking contracts for the supply of bricks, fuel, earth-work, ballast, &c., for the Railway, and has fully acted up to his agreement.

CAWNPORE:
9th August, 1858.

W. A. BEWS,
AGENT, MESSRS. NORRIS & Co.

L. & N. 26320/77

I hereby certify that Chota Lall, who had the contract for Vegetables for the years 1857-58, as also for Hospital Clothing with Saligram, (who was unfortunately shot) for the same period, came and took up both his contracts immediately. Our Troops came here in July, 1857, and carried them out to the 30th April, 1858, with the greatest satisfaction to one and all. It is but justice to the man for me to record the invaluable services he and his lamented partner rendered this Department (Commissariat). When we first came here, this Department was called upon to furnish many things not amongst those generally furnished by it; but owing to the exigencies of the case urgently required for the Troop: these two came forward and supplied all and everything required, and I have no hesitation in saying that during my incumbency, (Ex-charge of this Division) and which was the most trying times, I never failed in furnishing *all and everything* required, and which I could not have done but for the assistance rendered by this man and his deceased partner. Captain Christopher, D. A. C. Genl., who relieved me, had an equally good opinion of these men. I trust that, in course of time, this man may meet with due encouragement.

CAWNPORE: } J. BURNELL, LIEUT.,
10th *March*, 1859. } *A. C. D.*

Cawnpore, 14th December, 1859.

The bearer Chota Lall, Bread Contractor, supplied the 80th Regiment at Cawnpore for 3 months, and gave great satisfaction. His bread was always of the best quality during the short period he supplied the above Corps.

S. T. CHRISTIE, COLONEL, *Commanding 80th Regt.* W. MALONEY, *Quarter Master.*

Certified that Chota Lall has supplied Bread to the Head Quarters and 5 Companies H. M.'s 97th at this Station for the period of 4½

months, during which time he gave every satisfaction, having supplied (with one exception) the Bread of the best description.

BANDA COMMISSARIAT OFFICE, } H. B. STEWART, CONDUCTOR,
8th February, 1860. } *In Comst. Charge.*

This is to certify that, during the period Baboo Chota Lall supplied Bread to the 97th Regiment from 1st October 1859 to the end of February 1860, he gave the utmost satisfaction, his Bread being invariably of excellent quality.

BANDA: } H. WOODROFFE,
28th *February*, 1860. } *Quarter Master, H. M.'s 97th Regiment.*

It gives me much pleasure to state that, during my two years' charge of this office, I have in many occasions derived great assistance from Chota Lall. There is nothing that he could not obtain for the Department in his power. I have found him most precise and careful in matters of business, and always willing to give a helping hand. As a Contractor, whether singly or conjointly, Chota Lall has given satisfaction, as one of the present Bread Contractors. I cannot say too much in praise of the quality of the bread, considering that, in consequence of the unexpected rise in the price of wheat, I believe, the profits have been reduced to a minimum, if not converted into a loss.

I hope that much consideration may be shewn in the next season's contract to this man's interest on that account.

CAWNPORE: } M. J. BRANDER, MAJOR,
31st *October*, 1860. } *D. A. C.*

I certify that Government Contractors, Walli Mahomed and Chota Lall, supplied Bread to the 1st European Light Cavalry during the

time I had command, *viz.* from December 1859 to March 13th 1861, and have always found it of good quality even in time of scarcity, and I strongly recommend that their contract be renewed.

CAWNPORE:
13th March, 1861.

J. M. WEMYSS, COLONEL,
Commanding 1st E. L. Cavalry.

W. KEILY, CAPTAIN,
Offg. Quarter Mr., 1st Lt. Cavalry.

JOHN CAMPBELL, M. D.,
Surgeon.

I have much pleasure in testifying to the manner in which Chota Lall has supplied my Detachment with Bread, not a single complaint has came before me during the time he has been Contractor.

FUTTEHGHUR:
11th February, 1862.

H. M. DRYSDALE,
42nd Regiment.

Peshawur, March 31st, 1862.

Chota Lall, Bread Contractor, supplied my Detachment with Bread for 3 months and 4 days, whilst on the march and gave satisfaction.

G. GALLOWAY, CAPTAIN,
LATE COMDG. DETACHMENT,
H. M. *21st Hussars.*

This is to certify that Chota Lall, Contractor for Tatties and Bedding, is a very attentive good man so far as I have had dealings with him, and I believe him to be strictly honest.

CAWNPORE:
15th April, 1868.

J. WHYTHEN, LIEUT.,
Barrack Master.

Certified that Samul Doss, Gomastah of Chota Lall Contractor for Barrack Furniture at Meerut, 1868-69, has always repaired the furniture well, and done his best for Government, he is himself a most obliging and civil man.

A. H. B. BEUCE, MAJOR,
Barrack Master, Meerut Circle.

Meerut, 15th May, 1869.

Extract of Letter No: 1337 *M., dated 8th December*, 1869, *from the Commissary of Ordnance, Agra, to the Military Secretary to the Viceroy, Calcutta.*

"I consider that the Contractor, Chota Lall of Cawnpore, who supplied the new Tents is entitled to great credit for the way in which he has carried out his contract."

(True Extract)
N. D. GARRETT, CAPTAIN, R. A.,
Commissary of Ordnance.

Certified that Chota Lall has supplied the new Tents for the Durbar Camp of His Excellency the Viceroy to my entire satisfaction.

AGRA MAGAZINE OFFICE:
12th December, 1869.

N. D. GARRETT, CAPT., R. A.,

The bearer Vogobundeen, Gram Agent of Chota Lall for the last twelve months at Muttra, gave every satisfaction; there was not a single rejection or complaint during the time he supplied gram to H. M.'s XI Hussars, he is civil and attentive.

MUTTRA:
11th July, 1871.

J. PEMBROKE, LIEUT.
A. C.

The bearer Bowandi as Agent for the Contractor assisted for some time in supplying forage for the troop horses at Muttra, with fair satisfaction.

MUTTRA:
11*th July*, 1871.

R. TEEVAN,
Quarter Master, 11th Hussars.

This to certify that Chota Lall gave every satisfaction in the several contracts he held during my incumbency of the Cawnpore Ex. Comst. Office. He is a trustworthy and highly respectable man.

CAWNPORE:
12*th October*, 1871.

L. CHALMERS, LIEUT.-COL.,
D. A. C. Genl.

I can recommend Chota Lall, Contractor of Cawnpore as a man who carries out his contract quickly and well.

ALLAHABAD:
25*th July*, 1872.

H. GRANT, CAPT.,

I have known Chota Lall for about fifteen months he repaired the tents made white clothing for the regiment he had has always been an honest fair dealings and attentive man he has been the Contractor for the supply of different articles during our stay here and has always given satisfaction.

CAWNPORE:
31*st July*, 1873.

W. J. E. COLMAN, LIEUT.-COL.,
Commanding 8th King Regiment.

Certified that Chota Lall has given the every satisfaction as a Contractor during my two years in charge of this outpost.

FYZABAD:
21*th October*, 1873.

H. HARDAY,
Sub-Asst. Commissary General.

Chota Lall, Agent has supplied wheat to the Government Flour Mills for about four years generally supplying good quality and properly clean.

G. F. MILLS,
CAWNPORE:
5*th April*, 1876.

EASTAWAY,

Certified that Chota Lall has been [illegible]
supply of wheat to the [illegible]
years during all of [illegible]

CAWNPORE:
5*th April*, 1876.

I [illegible]
[illegible]

This is to certify that Chota Lall is a large Contractor in the Public Works Department and that he has given very good work and is in every way a very fair and straight forward servant.

CAWNPORE: 6th October, 1876.

J. WALTER,
Overseer, Dept. P. W.

Chota Lall Contractor has been employed for purchase of wheat during the period I have been in charge of this Station and has also had some contracts. I have always found him a very able man in his capacity and anxious and willing to carry out his business transactions with this department in a satisfactory and efficient manner.

CAWNPORE: February, 1877.

R. S. GRAVES, LIEUT.-COL,
Depy. Asst. Commissary Genl.

Chota Lall supplied Potatoes Rice and Coffee to the first Battalion the Buffs for the past twelve months his articles have always been good and on no occasion were there ever any complaints made against his supplies.

CAWNPORE: 21st February, 1877.

J. W. CALLEY,
Quarter Master, the Buffs.

To His Highness The Duke of Buckinghum
Governor of Madras.

Humbly Sheweth,

That your humble petitioner has learnt with extreme pleasure, the tidings of benevolent exertions which your Highness, with true feeling of a noble birth lately made towards relieving the famine stricken people of Madras, distantly situated from the land of your Highness birth, yet so nearly connected in deeds given to the cause of humanity—

That your humble petitioner has with great sympathy from the cause your Highness has espoused, been watching an opportunity how he can best render himself serviceable in his own way on behalf of his fellow brethern and Countrymen in India—and that with this view he has ventured to present your Highness with this his humble petition—

That your humble petitioner is a general Contractor of goods to the Gov-

Invited, and has a great credit with the Government for all articles supplied to them which are always of the best quality at the lowest market price -

That your petitioner pledges himself to supply at the cheapest market price with all sorts of provisions and articles which may be required by your Highness for the relief purposes on a contract being made for the same -

That with this view your humble petitioner ventures to approach your Highness with his petition, and hopes from your Highness's kind nature that he may be favored with the contract which he promises to execute with the best of his powers, and as promptly as the demands of the famine crisis may require of him -

That your petitioner humbly begs to enclose herewith a printed copy of his testimonials which he has received from time to time from Government Executive Officers with whom he has had transactions in cases of general crisis, and submits that a kind perusal of it will convince your Highness of the prompti- and tact with which he has executed the several urgent contracts.

That your Petitioner is prepared to supply at an instants notice such articles of provisions as Rice, Wheat, Aurore, &c, Dal, Gram, Joar &c to any extent as may be required -

That your Highness petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray -

E: 6 Sept 1877

Sunday last

Government House

Contractor

Apply to the address of Your Petitioner, Calcutta, Raja Kaltroe, Burrabazar will reach him -

Calcutta

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From

Chittagong

Govt Flour mills

Contractor

Dates 6 Sept

Reporting that he is prepared to supply articles of provision for famine cases

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