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No. 238. Read the following papers:—

MINUTE BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT.

In proposing the nomination of Mr. Sim to the third seat at the Board of Revenue, I think it right to add some explanation of the motives which have induced me to offer to that gentleman an appointment which may not seem altogether commensurate to his claims, and which may deprive the Government of his services in other posts which would afford a more fitting scene for the exercise of his varied abilities. It would have been my desire to offer Mr. Sim the post of Chief Secretary to Government, should that appointment become vacant during my tenure of government, if it had not been that the physical infirmity of deafness with which Mr. Sim is affected would, in my humble judgment, render the execution of the more active functions of that position in some degree onerous to himself and to others. It is with reluctance therefore that I propose to place him in a position in which personal conference is not so necessary, but in which he may still render the most essential services to the State. With a view to the seniority and services of others, I have been under the necessity of offering Mr. Sim the third seat and the lowest salary in the body to which he will belong. I think it right, however, to place on record my intention to confer the second seat on him when it becomes vacant a few months hence, and my opinion that the services of Mr. Sim in the Revenue Department give him a claim to the first seat at the Board whenever it shall be at the disposal of Government.

11th January 1867. (Signed) NAPIER.

No. 239. MINUTE BY THE HONORABLE SIR T. PYCROFT.

1. I entirely concur in the opinion expressed by His Lordship at the conclusion of the above Minute.

2. From my long and intimate acquaintance with Mr. Sim, I am enabled to bear testimony to his valuable services in the Revenue Board Secretariat and as Revenue Secretary to Government.

3. Holding him as I do in the highest estimation both in his public and private character, it is to me a subject of much regret that the circumstances to which His Excellency the Governor has alluded, have prevented his rising to a post for which in all other respects he is so admirably suited. It is a consolation to me to know that in leaving the Government Office he passes to another sphere of usefulness in which his business habits, his abilities, and his large acquaintance with the revenue administration of the country have such a full field for their development.

12th January 1867. (Signed) T. PYCROFT.

No. 240. MINUTE BY THE HONORABLE H. D. PHILLIPS.

Having known Mr. Sim from the day of his first entry on duty in a department of which I was then the head, I have watched with extreme interest an official career that has established beyond all doubt Mr. Sim's admirable private and public qualifications for the office of Secretary. I cannot, therefore, but very sincerely regret that the difficulty adverted to in His Lordship's Minute, deprives Govern-

ment of advantages which otherwise would have resulted from Mr. Sim's retention in the Secretariat, with a view to his succeeding to its chief post. It is, however, matter for consolation that Mr. Sim's correct and comprehensive knowledge of every branch of the revenue administration of this Presidency will not be lost to the State, by a transfer to a new position in which I feel sure Mr. Sim's habits, labors, and abilities will add to the well-deserved reputation which he has already achieved.

12th January 1867. (Signed) H. D. PHILLIPS.

No. 211.

Miscellaneous.

ORDER THEREON, 14th January 1867, No. 120.

The Governor in Council directs that the foregoing Minutes be communicated to Mr. Sim and to the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT.
Chief Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq.
,, the Board of Revenue.

Erd. S. T. Augustin.

Minute

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Napier

11th January 1867.

I entirely concur in the opinion expressed by this Authority as to the conclusion to which

from long and intimate acquaintance with Mr Sim I am entirely to concur in the claim which he has on the Revenue Board. Certainly under Rev.

Secretary of War

Washington City

January 12 – 1867

Respectfully Brevet Lt Col

Respectfully Brevet Major General

Commanding Department of the East

I have the honor to forward herewith the application of Mr Lewis Reanie Brown for the position of Secretary to the Governor of Alaska Territory. I have watched with extreme interest the official career that has established beyond all doubt Mr Lewis's admirable private & public qualifications for the office of Secretary. I cannot therefore but very sincerely regret that he declined to accept the appointment tendered to him by Your Lordship's predecessor, depriving the Government of advantages which otherwise would have resulted from Mr Lewis' retention in the Cumberland. With a view to his succeeding to this chief post – does, however, seem for consolation that Mr Lewis's correct & scrupulous knowledge of every branch of the revenue administration of this Presidency will not be lost to the State by a transfer to a new position in which I feel sure Mr Lewis's habits, labors, & abilities will add to the well deserved reputation which he has already achieved

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is at the receipt but in that he may
state under the most solemn
terms to the State. If such
a view of the transactions of
others I have under the necessity of
stating what in the first instance
the two Revenue Salary is the body to
which he ought belong. I think it
right thus to explain my reasons
intention to confer the emolument
on him ~~which~~ at the same
time expressing my opinion that ~~the~~
~~first duty of the Board shall be~~
~~to the Board of Rev.~~
~~me will be found to him will be~~
~~then will be in case there being~~
the service of Mr Sim in the
Revenue department gives him
a claim to the first vacant

The Board whenever it shall
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No. 120.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT. 16th day 1867.

Read the following Minutes.

By H. E. the President 9/11 Jany 1867

By the Hon. Sir J. Lycett 9/12 " "

By the Hon. H. D. Phillips. 9/12 " "

Order thereon 14th Jany 1867.

The Governor in Council directs that the foregoing Minutes be communicated to Mr Sim and to the Board of Revenue.

To J. D. Sim Esqre Dept 15
The Board of Revenue &c

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