

NOTES OF INTELLIGENCE AND MEMORANDA
FOR CHIEF COMMISSIONER AND OFFICER
COMMANDING, AGRA.

31st August to 23rd October 1857.

CCCXXV.

From Lalla Joogul Kishore (apparently addressed from Gwalior to Major Charteris Macpherson, Political Agent with Scindia, then at Agra).

31st August 1857.

SIR,—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your two letters of the 15th and 24th August, and we are happy to learn that you are all well and happy.

The contents of the letters of the 24th of August gave every satisfaction to my Master. He begs to state that he is well aware of the British friendship and justice from the time they granted him the Guddee (or throne) of Gwalior, and begs to present his respects to His Honour the Lt.-Governor, yourself, and all others who know him.

A Delhi Prince
at Gwalior.

The Mutineers of Indore have lately brought a Mussulman who, they say, is the first Prince of the Delhi King. When this forge (false?) Prince arrived into their camp they saluted him with 22 guns. A few days ago they wanted that my Master should pay the respect to Prince—the answer to my Master was that the Rajahs of Gwalior have been several times deceived by [Here ends.—W. C.]

CCCXXVI.

Proceedings
of mutinous
Regiment at
Gwalior.

*Translation of a vernacular Memo. received by Captain Nixon, from Dholpore. Gwalior news—Wednesday and Thursday.—*Yesterday early the . . . regiment marched to the Residency, the Bhopal Nawab, and the Shahzada and an assemblage of others accompanying and entering the Residency, took from it glass articles and other things whatever was worth taking, and took flowers and fruits from the gardens, and cut down the roadside trees. The Raaes (Maharaja) got news of this, and was much annoyed, and sent a message to say that all the buildings there belonged to him: "Do not commit any excesses;" and he sent orders to the watchmen to beat any one who dis-

obeyed, and drive him off. Narain Rao went there to arrange matters, and took back the house things from them, and made them remove their camp half-a-koss from the Residency. The messenger is official.

The fourth regiment stationed at Morar is on the move, and will go along with them.

The Magazine (ammunition) has been distributed. *Finis.*

CCCXXVII.

KHUREETA, OR OFFICIAL LETTER FROM THE RANA OF DHOLPORE TO THE LT.-GOVERNOR AT AGRA, DATED 3RD SEPTEMBER 1857.

[The original is on native paper, sprinkled all over with gold leaf, and with gilt floral border and heading. It is written in the best style of Persian caligraphy.]

NAWAB SAHIB,¹ of high dignity, appreciator of merit, affectionate and kind to me, your humble servant, may your dignity increase!

After paying such respects as a suppliant should offer, and expressing my desire for the honour of serving you (your service having the virtue of changing the base into the noble), which is the dearest wish of my heart, I beg to submit to your exalted mind of sunlight splendour the following information. To-day, the 3rd September 1857, news arrived, conveyed verbally by a trustworthy person, that yesterday, Wednesday the 2nd inst., the infantry of Indore with the troops of the Nawab of Bhopal, having marched from Morâr, have encamped at the Resident's house in Lashkar, Gwalior: and to-day, Thursday, they would halt there. The rumour is that on Friday they are marching in this direction. The troops of Morâr and Indore are united in purpose, "You go one stage ahead, and we will follow stage by stage." It is necessary that you should be informed of this, so I now send you this letter. Whatever you wish I am ready to do. I am but an old dependent and sincere well-wisher of the Government of the East India Company. Night and day do I cherish the desire that it may prosper, and be victorious. I trust that you will kindly continue to favor me by sending me letters with tidings of your health.

May the star of your dignity and glory shine brightly!²

¹ The proper style in addressing the Lt.-Governor in Persian.—W. C.

² This letter bears no signature.—W. C.