

**Petition of Karim Bakhsh, *alias* Natthua, No date. Date
of King's order, 22nd July 1857**

To—The King ! Divine and Merciful !

- 40. Son of Bahadur Shah, who died young, before 1857.
- 41. Royal Treasurer; a wealthy banker from Delhi.

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH—That a week or ten days ago, Jawahar Bakhsh, Private of the 11th Regiment of Infantry, stole a black female mule, the property of your slave, from the street known as the Kazi-ka-Howz. Your slave, with much difficulty, found the mule after five days' search, when Jawahar Bakhsh restored it, after taking eleven rupees for doing so. Three days subsequently to this, the said Private, accompanied by another, came to your slave's house, which is situated in the Turkoman Police jurisdiction, and seizing him as a delinquent, took him before Mirza Sultan Beg, Doctor of the 11th Regiment of Infantry. The Doctor placed your slave in arrest and said the mule was his, and that your slave should either bring the animal, or remain a prisoner. Fearing that his life was in jeopardy, your slave made the mule over, when the eleven rupees he had formerly given, were returned. The truth is, that about five months ago, your slave purchased the animal in question from Ramzan Khan, Risaldar, of the 5th Troops, 8th Regiment of Irregular Cavalry, who is a resident of Delhi. Your slave prays that with fostering concern for the protection of the poor, Your Majesty will inquire of the abovenamed Risaldar, and of four or five other Officers of Regiment, so that your slave may obtain justice, and ever pray for your Majesty's prosperity. It was necessary, and has therefore been submitted. (Prayers for the prosperity of the reign.)
Petition of the slave Karim Bakhsh, *alias* Natthua, claimant for justice, proprietor of the mule.