

CCCXXXB.

Midday. Statement of Mullour Singh, Kachee, Resident of the vicinity of Agra.¹

WAS at Dholepore yesterday, 11 a.m.; saw the advanced guard there. Could see nothing of the main body coming behind. The guard said it was following, and that they expected the Contingent would come too.

CCCXXXC.

7th Sept. Afternoon. Statement of a man belonging to the Vakeel of Dholepore, communicated by Mr. Reade.

STATED that the advanced guard, principally Horse, have crossed the Chumbul. The Infantry had not arrived, but were coming on with small guns. Indore people at Dholepore.

The 4th Contingent was certainly expected to accompany them.

Mahomed Waris Khan, said to be a Shahzada of Dehli, is in command of the force, but other names are also mentioned.

They give out decidedly that they are coming to Agra. They met with no opposition at the Chumbul.

The Kharee not fordable. Crossed on a platform on earthen pots.

CCCXXXD.

Sept. 7th. Midday. Reports recorded by Major Macpherson.

MAHOMED ZALIM. Reached Residency on the 2nd; started on the 3rd with detachment, and went to Cheounda; 4th, across the Chumbul. There was but (?) 1 company of the 23rd, and 1 English Rissalah—150 Gole, Ghazees, and 2 guns; news that "Goras"² and a battery had come to Khetri. Intention, if they found "Goras" at Dholepore, to return back; so they did not take the guns across. Sent 6 or 8 Ghazees in advance two hours by Raj Ghat. Say mostly they are going to Dehli by Keraghur, but some say "we want to go to Agra." It is generally said, however, "our small guns will be of no use against Agra; we will Insurgents moving to Dholepore.

¹ Brought to me by Isree Pershad; gave 5r., and encouraged to go back for further intelligence.—W. M.

² i.e. Europeans.

Attitude of
Gwalior
Contingent.

go and see the state of Dehli, and return upon Agra." They do not hope that the Contingent will come after them. They say "we should have been at Dehli two months ago had not the Contingent deceived us, saying, 'We will go to-morrow and to-morrow.'" They came away hopeless of the Gwalior Contingent. The Contingent said, "We stand inseparable from the Magazine: let it go first and we follow. Where it remains, there we stand." So we came away. They wait two days at Dholepore to see if they can get together very many boats for a bridge, and tempt Regiments from Morar to come on with half the Magazine and big guns. Then they will go to Agra. If not, they will go to Dehli. The Indore and Mhow force have but 60 or 70 carts; would arrive at midday on the 6th. An immense mass of plunderers who want to plunder Agra.

CCCXXXE.

Attitude of
Dholpore.

Ordnance at
Dholpore.

Mewattis.

7th September. (*Major Macpherson writes.*)—Having no news from Dholepore since the 4th, received on the 5th, wrote to Rana. Vakeel Sunder Lal says 1 rebel Sowar and 5 men were seized on road and taken on to Munniah, and then let go. . . . a Chaubay Brahmin of Muthra said we go on to Agra. More Regiments are coming from Gwalior. Had the carriage provided for a Regiment to go to Nirwar. Ordered food to be prepared at Munniah. Shere Khan Subadar of the 23rd, which came to Dholepore, asked "russud." Ordered to buy. In Baree a 24-pounder, and 5 or 4 other smaller ones, not big; in Dholepore, 4 or 5 small, say 6-pounders; in the Fort, 4 or 5 small; 6 in old Chowni, 3 or 4 small.

N.B.—There are Agra Mewattees with this party who can guide the plunderers to every man's house. May make any rush when over the Kharee.

CCCXXXF.

7th September. *Afternoon. Evidence of a Meena Informer employed by the Magistrate.*

Insurgent
force.

LEFT Dholepore after 12 yesterday. The main army, it was said, consists of 13 companies and 300 Cavalry. Half had come over, and half remained still on the other side. Five guns crossed over about 9 or 10 on Sunday morning. Two are left on the other side. Expects that all the army will be over to-day (the 7th).