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years he was a thorn in the side of the authorities of Central India, roaming with a murderous band through Rewah and Bundelcund. It was he who murdered the Jubbulpore Railway Engineers, Messrs. Linnell and Evans. He was finally captured by Major Osborn, the Political Agent, in a fort where he had taken refuge. He was tried in the Banda Court. There is still no definite information regarding Tantia Topce's colleague, Feroze Shah, beyond a suspicion that he has gone to Mecca.

— The same journal states that the mail runner between Nyagong and Saugor was murdered by a band of rebels near Tinsoda Ghat, and the contents of his bag made away with. A party of sowars now escorts the runners through the Dowlutpore jungle. It is to such risks that the English mails for all Eastern India will be exposed if Mr. Riddell's proposition to stop the mail steamers to Madras and Calcutta is agreed to by the home authorities. We lately received our packet of the *Journal des Debats* in such a state of pulp that we were compelled to refuse it.

— A correspondent of the *Lahore Chronicle* mentions the capture of another rebel, a Mewattee named 'Thouta' or 'the maimed,' who lost his arm in an attack at Basowda by Captain Rowe. He was discovered in Narsinghur by a Bunea merchant whom he had robbed, and apprehended by Sir R. Shakespear's orders. The Rajah of that place, who is a tributary of Holkar's, was giving him shelter. Major McMullin, the Political Agent, with a party of the Bhopal Levy, had gone to enquire into the truth of the accusation against the Rajah. Thouta was an ally of Feroze Shah.

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— Mr. Foneca, a Madras Artist, has drawn a portrait of Sir Charles Trevelyan in the uniform of the Infantry Volunteer Guards. A critic describes it,—"As a likeness the head is perfect, the quick keen eyes and firm characteristic mouth being admirably drawn." Sir Charles should have been painted in the costume of a Baron at Runnymede, writing his mutinous minute, or reproving his recusant Council.

— The Madras Collection for the Pope amounts to Rs. 1252. That in Calcutta is about Rs. 7,000, in Allahabad Rs. 1,015.

— In acknowledging the receipt of the Madras testimonials to the 1st Fusiliers Col. T. J. Fisher says very happily. "The magnificent Silver Centre Piece for the Officers, and the handsome Silver Tankard for the Sergeants, will be religiously guarded, and handed down as the heir-loom in this Regiment, and whatever may be its future designation, these Testimonials will remind us, that we were the 1st Madras Fusiliers—a designation endeared to us by the recollection of the flattering address, splendid banquet, pecuniary assistance and rewards, and noble testimonials that have marked the appreciation of our services by the inhabitants of our own Presidency of Madras."

— A Court Martial, assembled at Umballa on 23rd June last, sentenced Cornet Richard Simmons of H. M.'s 7th to be cashiered for refusal to obey orders, intoxication, and having presented a pistol to the Adjutant to force him to return his sword. The Court however, recommended him to mercy "on the ground that his present position recently attained, proves former meritorious service." Sir Hugh Rose approves of the recommendation, directs the Cornet to be re-

moved from the regiment, but, on account of his "very good and gallant services" adds.—"The benevolence of His Excellency the Viceroy enables him to provide Mr. Simmons with an useful and honorable livelihood, and to afford him an opportunity of regaining the esteem of his superiors, which he won by his devotion and his bravery."

— This morning's *Gazette* notifies the appointment of Mr. E. T. Trevor as Commissioner of Cuttack and Superintendent of the Tributary Mehals in place of Mr. G. F. Cockburn who goes home on Medical Certificate. Mr. H. L. Dampier, accordingly officiates as Secretary to the Bengal Board of Revenue, and the Hon'ble A. Eden as Junior Secretary. When will any reform be introduced into this Board? One despotically experienced Revenue officer, acting with the Lieutenant Governor, will do the work much more efficiently. At any rate there is no need for two Secretaries.

— According to the *Oudh Gazette*, the Compensation claims passed by Colonel Barrow for that province amount to Rs. 6,92,000. The number of claimants is 450. When will Government issue a detailed statement of the claims made and amounts sanctioned throughout India? Between them, Oude and the Delhi Bank have received a tenth of the promised million.

MONDAY, AUGUST 13.

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— The following notification was issued yesterday morning:—

"The Right Honorable James Wilson, Fourth Ordinary Member of the Council of the Governor General, died yesterday at seven o'clock in the evening.

The Governor General in Council notifies to the Community with the deepest regret this mournful event and great public calamity, and requests that the Officers of Government, Civil and Military, will attend the funeral of the late Mr. Wilson, assembling for this purpose at No. 9, Middleton Street, at half past five o'clock this evening.

His Excellency in Council has directed the Flag of Fort William to be lowered to half-mast high during this day, and that fifteen Minute Guns be fired at the time of the funeral from the Ramparts of Fort William.

By Order of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council."

— The local Government has directed the Municipal Commissioners to take the census of the town of Madras. Till it is ordered by law for all India, the returns will be only approximate.

— The Russian Gunboat *Ruzborgirsk* arrived at Singapore on the 8th July en route to Shanghai. The French steam transports *Européen* and *Japan*, with troops from Bourbon, arrived at Singapore on the same date on the way to China.

— The *Bombay Gazette* states that the Hindoo cloth merchants of the Island have entered into a league to close their shops and abstain from all business till the Income Tax is repealed. They are striving to induce the Mahomedan traders to follow their example. The butchers too have raised their prices so that meat now sells at eight annas a pound. The mal contents are of course under a misapprehension as to the nature and mode of levying the tax. When once it is explained to them, Sir George Clerk will not hesitate to make an example of them.

— The *Bombay Times* gives statistics of the extent to which the increase of duty on yarn for 5 to 10 per cent. has developed a mania for establishing cotton mills in Bombay. At present the four Companies in operation are:—

	Spindles.	Looms.
Broach Spinning Mill ...	17,000	...
Oriental Spinning and Weaving Co. ...	24,000	240
Bombay Spinning Mills ...	31,566	...
The Throstle Mill Company ...	10,000	...
Total ...	82,566	240

and three of those are about to extend their mills one-third. Other eight Mill Companies have been projected. If carried out there will be 300,000 spindles and 4,000 looms in Bombay on a capital of a million sterling. Unless these mills turn their attention to weaving coarse grey goods as well as spinning low yarn, the market, it is feared, will be flooded with more yarn in one year than can be used in seven. With weaving and spinning combined, with careful superintendence and cheap labour, there is no reason why Bombay should not rise as rapidly as Manchester.

— The Hon'ble Mr. Morehead was sworn in as Acting Governor of Madras on the 4th August. He is known to be a clear-headed, common sense Englishman, with great judgment and experience, infected, only by the usual Madras mania for independence at all risks. Had the Red Sea Telegraph been working, the news of Sir Henry Ward's death might have reached London in three days, and a new Governor might have been appointed, and on the spot in six weeks. As it is, Mr. Morehead will prove the best ruler that can be got for the next four months. He of course retains Sir Henry Ward's personal Staff.

— A general mourning was ordered by the Governor of Madras, from the 5th to the 12th August, out of respect to the memory of Sir Henry Ward.

— The *Indian Lancet* advocates the French system of the licensing and medical inspection of bazaar women, and the establishment of Lock Hospitals for the prevention of the frightful curse of venereal disease in the European Army. In all discussions as to the amalgamation and organisation, this point has been steadily ignored. The question must be grappled with. God's law is marriage, and till that is obeyed, no system of prevention will succeed.

— Vice Admiral Hope has hoisted his flag in the *Inflexible*, and on the 21st June sailed with the English force to Talien Bay, the rendezvous in the Gulf of Pecheli. The Russian Legation had arrived in the *Djight* at Shanghai. General Ignatieff is the envoy extraordinary.

— In bidding farewell to the *New York Mercury* Bayard Taylor, well known to many Anglo-Indians, thus sums up his labours for the past sixteen months—250 lectures, 30,000 miles travelled, 43 *Mercury* Articles, two books published and one house built.

— The *Times*, has not only succeeded in retaining the paper duty, and so its present price, but has