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ACCOUNT OF THE CAVES IN SALSETTE,

ILLUSTRATED WITH DRAWINGS OF THE PRINCIPAL FIGURES AND CAVES.

By HENRY SALT, Esq. (now Consul-General in Egypt).

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SIR,

I REQUEST that you will do me the honour of laying before the Society the accompanying account of the caves on the island of Salsette. I am extremely sorry that my journey into Abyssinia and other avocations have prevented the possibility of my completing it in the manner I could have wished: I could only have been induced to send it in its present state from the delay which would necessarily ensue before I could forward it by any conveyance from England.

I am indebted to Major Atkins, of the Bombay establishment, for the geometrical plan of the hill, and for the ground-plan and sections of the great cave at Kenery; the other drawings are from my own sketches on the spot, which I hope the Society will do me the honour of accepting.

I beg leave to repeat that I shall have great pleasure in executing in London any orders from the Society.

I am, Sir, your obedient humble servant,

(Signed) HENRY SALT.

An Account of the Caves on the Island of Salsette.

JOGHEYSEER CAVES.

About eight miles to the northward of Mahim † is the village of Ambollee, from whence the Jogheyseer Caves lie nearly two miles distant in a * north-easterly direction. Over the sloping path that leads to the western entrance

† A small town at the N.W. point of the island of Bombay, whence there is a ferry to the island of Salsette.