

Fort William the 30th of October 1857.

From Military Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of the Punjab
Chief Commr's office Lahore, the 22nd Sept 1857.

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There is nothing further from Delhi. The Telegraphic communication is interrupted from Sursoolee downwards.

Captain Elphinstone, the Deputy Commissioner of Gurgana, reports that having received accurate information, on the 20th Instant of Ahmed Khan Khurral and his men had taken refuge about 12 miles distant from that station, a party of the Punjab Police Horse and Foot, under Capt. S. Black, a detachment of Capt. Wales' Sikh Cavalry, under Lieut. the Honble F. Chichester, and of the Gurgana Levy under Lieut. Mitchell were forthwith ordered against him, and the result, after a somewhat severe fight, was that the Khurals were cut up, Ahmed Khan himself and his son being among the killed. This petty outbreak has thus received its death blow.

Ahmed Khan and his followers are said to have fought stoutly, and Captain Black and Lieut. Chichester to have been surrounded more than once during the melee. The country being by no means favorable for the action of Cavalry, our loss was rather severe, considering the small number of men engaged. About 10 killed, but particulars not yet received. Serdar Akhal Singh, Chachee / orderly officer to the Chief Commissioner, whose gallantry was conspicuous, was wounded on the leg by a watch lock ball.

Quiet prevails in all other parts of the Punjab
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Military Secy to the Chief Commr.

From Military Secy to the Chief Commr of the Punjab

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The last accounts from Gurgana mention the death of Mr. Leopold Berkeley, Extra Assistant Commissioner, a most promising officer, whose loss is much to be regretted. He had been detached with some Sowars, and a party of Natar Mookhies (3rd Police Battalion) to try and
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open the communication towards Multan, which had been cut off by the Fattianahs, Bhurmanahs and other tribes. Mr. Berkeley attacked the insurgents in a very spirited manner but in the melee he was cut off from the party of the Katar Moolchies and was overpowered. He fell fighting manfully, and cut down five or six of the enemy with his own hand, besides shooting Rhanul, one of the leaders of the Fattianahs. Moora, another of their leaders was killed on the same occasion, and their total loss is estimated at not less than 100 men. The Bhurmanahs and Fattianahs have entirely dispersed. The Khurrals have also fled to a place in the Pan, some 40 miles from Gurgaira; they have promised to come in by the day after tomorrow, and give over their arms and all plundered property.

The news from Delhi is, that the King was taken prisoner yesterday by a party of Sowars under Sirith Hodson, near the Kotub, where four guns were also found. No sign of a mutineer is now to be seen at Delhi. They abandoned their camp outside the Ajmere Gate in their hurry, leaving all sick and wounded who could not walk, their drums, band instruments, clothing bedding, cooking pots &c., and all luxuries. The report is that a number of them are collecting at Ballungrah; some talk of going to Lucknow, some to Gwalior. Cholera has shown itself to the town. Dead bodies and carcasses were being removed. The stench in some places is described to be unbearable.

General Nicholson was slightly better. All well at Lucknow up to 2^d Instant, and European reinforcements were advancing from Allahabad to join General Havelock and enable them to proceed in force to Lucknow. The Garrison had been much galled by the fire from a house near the Residency, and two heavy guns had done some damage to the defences. The house was very successfully mined, and about 200 of the enemy destroyed.

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destroyed by the explosion. A pally was then made, and of the guns spiked.

For the future Precis will only be issued as there may be events of interest or importance to communicate.

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Lahore, 23rd Sept 1857 }

By J. D. Macpherson Lt Col

Mily Secy to the Chief Commr.

P.S.

The following has just been received from Delhi
"Captain Hodson has just returned from Nizamuddin's Tomb and reports having killed the King's two sons, Mirza Mogul and Mirza Riza Sultan, and his grandson Mirza Abos Bakur. A quantity of the arms of the King's late attendants, the King's personal Elephants, carriages and horses have been taken."

From Secretary to Government of Bombay.

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From A. L. Anderson Esq.

Secretary to Government Bombay

To

The Secretary to the Government of India

In the Foreign Department

Fort William

Dated 10th September 1857.

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Depart^t } Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honourable the Governor in Council to forward to you a message to your address dated the 27th Ultimo received from the Commissioner at Umballa and to state that the message has been this day telegraphed to the Resident at Hyderabad with a request that he will have the goodness to forward it to Calcutta by the most expeditious means in his power.

Bombay Castle }
10th Sept 1857 }

I have the honor to be
Yours
By A. L. Anderson
Secy to Govt

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