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No. 24D.C.P., dated Camp Delhi, 30th December 1876.

NOTIFICATION—By the Government of India, Foreign Department.

On Tuesday, the 26th December 1876, His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General received, with the usual ceremonies, the visits of the Ambassadors of His Majesty the King of Siam and His Highness the Maharaj Adheraj of Nepal, and also of the following Native Chiefs:—

The Maharao Raja of Alwar.  
The Gaekwar of Baroda.  
The Maharaja of Benares.  
The Nawab of Bhawalpur.  
The Maharaja of Bhurtpore.  
The Maharaja of Balrampur.  
The Maharao Raja of Bundi.  
The Rana of Dholpur.  
The Nizam of Hyderabad.  
The Maharaja of Jaipur.

The Maharaj Rana of Jhallawar.  
The Raja of Jhind.  
The Maharaja of Jodhpur.  
The Maharaja of Jammu and Cashmere.  
The Maharaja of Karauli.  
The Maharaja of Kishengarh.  
The Maharaja of Mysore.  
The Raja of Nabha.  
The Raja of Tehri.  
The Nawab of Tonk.

The Maharana of Udaipur.

On Wednesday, the 27th December 1876, His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General received, with the usual ceremonies, the visits of the following Native Chiefs of Central India:—

The Maharaja of Ajeygarh.  
The Begum of Bhopal.  
The Maharaja of Bijawar.  
The Raja of Chattarpur.  
The Maharaja of Chirkari.  
The Maharaja of Dattia.  
The Raja of Dewas.  
The Raja of Dhar.

The Maharaja Sindia of Gwalior.  
The Maharaja Holkar of Indore.  
The Nawab of Jaurah.  
The Maharaja of Urcha (Tehri).  
The Maharaja of Panna.  
The Raja of Ratlam.  
The Maharaja of Rewah.  
The Raja of Sampthar.

On the same day His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General returned the visits of the following Native Chiefs of Rajputana and the Punjab:—

The Maharao Raja of Alwar.  
The Nawab of Bhawalpur.  
The Maharaja of Bhurtpore.  
The Maharao Raja of Bundi.  
The Rana of Dholpur.  
The Maharaja of Jaipur.  
The Maharaj Rana of Jhallawar.

The Raja of Jhind.  
The Maharaja of Jodhpur.  
The Maharaja of Jammu and Cashmere.  
The Maharaja of Karauli.  
The Maharaja of Kishengarh.  
The Raja of Nabha.  
The Nawab of Tonk.

The Maharana of Udaipur.

On Thursday, the 28th December 1876, His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General received, with the usual ceremonies, the visits of the Deputation from His Highness the Sultan of Muscat and of the following Native Chiefs:—

The Prince of Arcot.  
The Thakur Sahib of Bhaunagar.  
The Raja of Kahlur (Bilaspur).  
The Raja of Chamba.  
The Raja of Faridkot.  
The Nawab of Junagarh.  
Mir Ali Murad Khan of Khairpur.

The Nawab of Maler Kotla.  
The Raja of Mandi.  
The Thakur Sahib of Morvi.  
The Raja of Nahan (Sirmur).  
The Jam of Nuanagar.  
The Raja of Rajpipla.  
The Raja of Suket.

On the same day His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General returned the visits of the following Native Chiefs of Central India:—

The Maharaja of Ajeygarh.  
The Begum of Bhopal.  
The Maharaja of Bijawar.  
The Maharaja of Chirkari.  
The Raja of Chattarpur.  
The Raja of Dewas.  
The Raja of Dhar.  
The Maharaja of Dattia.

The Maharaja Sindia of Gwalior.  
The Maharaja Holkar of Indore.  
The Nawab of Jaurah.  
The Maharaja of Urcha.  
The Maharaja of Panna.  
The Raja of Ratlam.  
The Maharaja of Rewah.  
The Raja of Sampthar.

On Friday, the 29th December 1876, His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General received, with the usual ceremonies, the visits of the Khan of Khelat, the Princess of Tanjore, and the following Native Chiefs and Nobles:—

The Jagirdar of Alipura.  
The Raja of Bamra.  
The Raja of Beronda.  
Suliman Shah of Deogarh.  
The Raja Janoji Bhonsla of Deor.  
The Nawab of Dojana.  
The Rao of Jigni.  
The Raja of Kharond.  
The Mahant of Kondka (Chinkadon).

The Raja of Kuch Behar.  
The Sirdar of Kalsia.  
The Nawab of Loharu.  
The Mahant of Nandgaon.  
The Jagirdar of Paldeo.  
The Nawab of Pataudi.  
The Thakur of Piploda.  
The Jagirdar of Tori-Fatehpur.  
Nana Ahir Rao.

In the afternoon of the same day His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General returned the visits of the Khan of Khelat and the following Chiefs:—

The Gaekwar of Baroda.  
The Maharaja of Benares.  
The Thakur Sahib of Bhaunagar.  
The Nawab of Junagarh.

Mir Ali Murad Khan of Khairpur.  
The Maharaja of Mysore.  
The Jam of Nauanagar.  
The Raja of Rajpipla.

Later in the evening His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General conferred Banners and Gold Medals on His Excellency the Governor of Madras and the Lieutenant-Governors of Bengal, North-West Provinces, and the Punjab, and Gold Medals on the Members of the Supreme Council, the Chief Commissioners of Oudh, Central Provinces, British Burmah, Assam and Mysore, the Resident at Hyderabad, and the Agents to the Governor-General in Central India, Rajputana, and Baroda.

At 10 A.M. on Saturday, the 30th December 1876, His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General received the Consular Officers of Foreign Governments present at Delhi, and conferred Silver Medals upon them; and immediately afterwards His Excellency received and conferred Gold Medals on Sir Lewis Pelly and the Hon'ble Ashley Eden, C.S.I. Silver Medals were then conferred on the Secretaries to the Government of India and the Venerable the Archdeacon of Calcutta.

At 10-30 A.M. His Excellency received the Native Noblemen and Gentlemen, not being Ruling Chiefs, who had been invited by Local Governments and Administrations and Agencies to be present at the Imperial Assemblage.

In the afternoon His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General returned the visits of—

The Prince of Arcot.  
The Nizam of Hyderabad.

The Raja of Nahan.  
The Princess of Tanjore.

On return to Camp, His Excellency received visits from His Excellency the Governor-General of Portuguese India and His Excellency the Governor of Bombay, and decorated them with Gold Medals, and presented a Banner to His Excellency the Governor of Bombay.

The principal Chiefs, at their visits to His Excellency, received Silken Banners, with the Armorial Bearings of the Chief emblazoned thereon and pendant from a pole surmounted by the Imperial Crown and a tablet on which the name of the Chief was inscribed; and all Chiefs, Native Nobles, and Gentlemen received Medals, gold or silver, according to rank, as gifts from Her Majesty the Queen and Empress of India.

When conferring the Banners and Medals, His Excellency the Viceroy addressed each Chief as follows:—

“I present Your Highness with this Banner as a personal gift from Her Majesty the Queen in commemoration of Her assumption of the Title of Empress of India.

"Her Majesty trusts that it may never be unfurled without reminding you, not only of the close union between the Throne of England and your loyal and princely House, but also of the earnest desire of the Paramount Power to see your dynasty strong, prosperous, and permanent.

"I further decorate you, by command of the Queen and Empress, with this Medal. May it be long worn by yourself, and long kept as an heirloom by your family, in remembrance of the auspicious date it bears."

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*Statement showing the manner in which the Imperial Assemblage Gold and Silver Commemorative Medals were distributed.*

**GOLD MEDALS.**

(1.) His Excellency the Viceroy; the Governors and Lieutenant-Governors; the Members of the Governor-General's Council, including the Commander-in-Chief; Chief Justice of Bengal; the Bishop of Madras officiating as Metropolitan of India; the Commander-in-Chief, Bombay; the Chief Commissioners, and the Agents of the Governor-General for Hyderabad, Rajpootana, Central India, and Baroda; also to Sir Lewis Pelly, and the Hon'ble Ashley Eden, Lieutenant-Governor designate of Bengal.

(2.) Representatives of Foreign Governments, *viz.*—

His Highness the Khan of Khelat; His Excellency the Governor-General of Portuguese India; the Senior Member of the deputation from the Sultan of Muscat; the Ambassadors from Siam and Nepal; the Envoy from Yarkand.

(3.) Each Ruling Feudatory Chief present at the Assemblage.

(4.) The following Native titular Chiefs and persons of rank not being Ruling Chiefs:—

The Maharaja of Benares.  
The Prince of Arcot.

The Princess of Tanjore.  
The Maharani Jamna Bai of Baroda.

(5.) The President and Members of the Committee which, under the orders of His Excellency the Viceroy, planned the arrangements of the Assemblage and took more or less prominent part in their execution.

The President of the Executive Committee at Delhi which carried out that portion of the arrangements relating to the preparation of the place of Assemblage, the camping grounds, the reception of Chiefs, and other matters at Delhi.

The Secretary to the Punjab Government.

NOTE.—Gold medals were also promised to the Members of the Executive Committee, also to His Excellency Sir Salar Jung, G.C.S.I., and to Mr. R. G. Taylor, who prepared the heraldic devices for the banners of the Chiefs, but none were available for presentation.

**SILVER MEDALS.**

- (1.) Members of the Legislative Council.
- (2.) Secretaries to the Government of India and Local Governments.
- (3.) The Adjutant-General of the Army and the Commanders of Divisions or Corps, including Volunteer Corps present at Delhi.
- (4.) The Inspector-General and Deputy Inspectors-General of the Police for the Punjab employed at Delhi.
- (5.) The Deputy Surgeon-General in sanitary charge.
- (6.) The Deputy Commissioner of Delhi.

- (7.) Mr. Kirby, C.E., Executive Engineer, who constructed and in part designed the place of Assemblage.
- (8.) Mr. Kipling who prepared the banners.
- (9.) Each Native Noble and Gentleman who had been specially invited to Delhi by Local Governments and Administrations. X
- (10.) The Consuls of Foreign Governments present.
- (11.) The members of the suites of the Khan of Khelat and of the Representatives of Foreign States.
- (12.) The principal members of the suites of Feudatory Chiefs.
- (13.) The Agents and Traffic Managers of the Sind, Punjab, and Delhi, East Indian, and G. I. P. Railways, and the Deputy Consulting Engineer for Guaranteed Railways on special duty.
- (14.) The Political Officers in charge of Ambassadors, Native Chiefs, and Officers in charge of special camps.
- (15.) The officials specially attached to the Foreign Office for duty in connection with the Imperial Assemblage.
- (16.) The Members of the Viceroy's Personal Staff.
- (17.) A selected private soldier or non-commissioned officer from each Regiment, European or Native, serving in India.

Some officers, who did good service in connection with the Assemblage, have been unavoidably omitted from the distribution, but steps are being taken to remedy all such omissions.