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EAST INDIA.

RETURN to an Order of the Honourable the House of Commons, dated 24 February 1853;—for,

COPIES “of all DESPATCHES, MINUTES, or other DOCUMENTS (not already laid before Parliament) relating to the attempts of *Dhachjee Dadajee* to Bribe the Bombay Government and its Servants:”

“Of all other REPORTS, LETTERS, or PAPERS received subsequently to the Year 1840, on the subject of the alleged Corruption of Officers in the Political, Revenue, or Judicial Departments under the Bombay Government, and not already laid before Parliament:”

“Of all REPORTS or REPLIES (not already laid before Parliament) returned by Political, Revenue, or Judicial Officers of the Bombay Government, to the Circular Letters on the subject of *Khutput* (illicit influence), addressed to them by the said Government in May 1850; with the Dates on which they were received by the Bombay Government, the Indian Government, the Court of Directors, and the Board of Control respectively:”

“Of all CORRESPONDENCE and PAPERS (not already laid before Parliament) on the subject of the said Circular Letters, or the said Reports or Replies, on the belief of the Natives in the corruptibility of the Bombay Government or its subordinate Officers, or the means of eradicating the same:”

“Of all CORRESPONDENCE and PAPERS (not already laid before Parliament) on the subject of the Conduct of the Bombay Government in ‘arresting *in limine*’ some of Colonel *Outram*’s most important Investigations of Official Corruption, as described in the Political Letter of the Court of Directors of the 23d day of June 1852 (Parliamentary Paper, No. 560, of Session 1852, page 17), or on the subject of the Charges against Colonel *Outram*, contained in Minutes of the Bombay Government or its members, of labouring under ‘*Monomania*’ (Parliamentary Paper, No. 560, of Session 1852, page 1285), and of being actuated by ‘rancorous personal feelings’ (Parliamentary Paper, No. 560, of Session 1852, page 913), in his conduct of certain of those Inquiries which the Court of Directors afterwards declare to have been conducted with a ‘zeal, energy, ability, and success’ entitling him to credit (Parliamentary Paper, No. 560, of Session 1852, page 27):”

“Of all DOCUMENTS on the RECORDS of the INDIA HOUSE, showing, or tending to show, the views of individual Directors in reference to Colonel *Outram*’s Removal from Office, or in reference to the treatment he received from the Bombay Government, or in reference to the probable consequences of his Removal, or in reference to the measures by which these consequences might be best averted:”

“Of all DOCUMENTS tending to show what Measures have been taken by the Bombay Government, or ordered by the Court of Directors, for the purpose of eradicating the belief in the corruptibility of high Officials, which has been declared to exist at Baroda, by Colonel *Outram*, and also by Mr. *W. E. Frere*, the Commissioner despatched by Lord *Falkland*’s Government to report on certain allegations made by Colonel *Outram*, and who furnished a Report dated the 22d day of October 1851 (Parliamentary Paper, No. 560, of Session 1852, page 1013), and by other Public Servants:”

“And, of all DOCUMENTS tending to show if any or what Measures have been taken to effect the removal of, or convey censure to, the Minister and other members of the Guicowar’s Durbar, pronounced Guilty by the Bombay Government of having laboured to thwart Colonel *Outram*’s legitimate and official Inquiries, and to interpose difficulties in the way of his doing justice to oppressed individuals entitled by guarantee to British Protection (Parliamentary Paper, No. 560, of Session 1852, p. 17, and p. 411).”

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