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*Major Chandos Clifton to the Assistant-Secretary to the Treasury.*

ARMY AND NAVY CLUB, ST. JAMES'S SQUARE,  
19th March, 1863.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to request that you will be so good as to move the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to direct that I may be furnished with copies of the following documents, which are specially referred to in Lord Clyde's Memorandum :—

- (1) The Treasury Minute of the 4th of January, 1862.
- (2) Lord Clyde's Minute addressed to the Governor-General, dated 18th October, 1857.
- (3) Copy of Lord Clyde's Letter to Major-General Whitlock, dated 27th April, 1858.
- (4) Copy of Letter from Sir H. Rose to the Chief of the Staff, 30th May, 1858.

I have also the honour to request—

- (5) Copies of *all* letters from Sir Hugh Rose to the Chief of the Staff, between the 1st of April and the 31st of May, 1858.
- (6) I have likewise the honour to ask that a copy of the Case submitted to the Law Officers of the Crown, and their opinion thereupon, may be furnished to me ; or if this cannot be conceded, that I may be permitted to have access to those documents.
- (7) I beg farther to apply for a copy of any Order addressed to Major-General Whitlock by the Governor-General of India in the months of February or March, 1858, and forwarded through Captain Osborne, the Political Agent at Rewah, together with any report which may have been submitted to the India Council by that officer.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) CHANDOS F. CLIFTON,  
Prize Agent to Major-General Whitlock's Force.

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No. 2.

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*The Secretary to the Treasury to Major Chandos Clifton.*

TREASURY CHAMBERS,  
19th March, 1863.

SIR,

WITH reference to your letter of the 15th instant, further relative to the Banda and Kirwee Booty, I am directed by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to acquaint you, that my Lords can find nothing in the Report of Mr. Baring's speech in the House of Commons, on the 25th July last, to which you refer, to warrant the interpretation which you have put upon it, and when you reiterate the expression, "of the rule of law and precedent," as applicable to the Grant of Prize Money, my Lords have merely to observe, that you, with the other Prize Agents of General Whitlock's force, admitted in the Memorial to this Board (in which the grounds of your claim were fully and fairly stated), that which is indisputable, namely, that "this treasure, like all other prize of war, is the absolute property and creature of the Crown, which can deal with it entirely at its own pleasure."

With respect to your request that the case may be referred to the High Court of Admiralty, under the Act 3 & 4 Vic. c. 65, I am desired to state, that my Lords have already had under their consideration a suggestion to that effect, contained in the opinion of Sir Hugh Cairns and Dr. Phillimore, which was submitted to this Board in November last by the Prize Agents, and their Lordships are not of opinion that the circumstances of the present case are such as to require that Her Majesty should be advised to adopt a course unusual and inapplicable to the present claim.

My Lords have already, by their letter of the 10th instant, stated their views as to the principle on which the booty in question should be distributed, subject to any observations the Prize Agents of General Whitlock's Force may have to offer on the statements of Lord Clyde and Sir R. Hamilton; and they await the answer of the Prize Agents to that letter.

Received  
16th March.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

F. PEEL.

*Major Chandos Clifton,*  
Army and Navy Club.



No. 2.

W.

*Major Chandos Clifton to the Assistant-Secretary to the Treasury.*

6, ST. JAMES'S PLACE, ST. JAMES'S STREET,  
20th March, 1863.

SIR,

IN addition to my note of yesterday's date, I have the honour to request a copy of the original instructions given to Major-General Whitlock on assuming the command of the Madras Force, and also a copy of Lord Clyde's confidential Memorandum, dated 26th July, 1859. These papers are distinctly referred to in Lord Clyde's Statement, dated 2nd October, 1861, and may be of very material importance to us in eliciting the real facts of this case. Also a copy of Lord Clyde's Order to Major-General Whitlock, dated 27th April, 1858, marked B in Lord Clyde's Memorandum. Of this last document, only an extract is given in the margin of that Memorandum.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) CHANDOS F. CLIFTON,  
Prize Agent to Major-General Whitlock's Force

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No. 4.

W.

*Major Chandos Clifton to the Assistant Secretary to the Treasury.*

6, ST. JAMES'S PLACE, ST. JAMES'S STREET,  
. 23rd March, 1863.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge with my best thanks the courtesy and promptitude with which you have forwarded to me some of the papers marked A, of 18th October, 1857, A, of 24th November, 1857, and 17th November, 1857, B, of 27th April, 1858, D, of 30th May, 1858, requested in my notes of the 19th and 20th instant.

I should not have presumed to have applied for a copy of the Treasury Minute, dated 4th January, 1862, if I had not had reason to believe, from the allusion made to it in Lord Clyde's Memorandum (dated 8th February, 1862), that this document has been communicated to his Lordship who is a party interested in this controversy. The other papers referred to in Lord Clyde's Memorandum, marked C, E, F, G, are not as yet in my possession.

With reference to one of the papers described as "*An Extract from Letter of Instructions, addressed on the 17th of November, 1857, to Brigadier-General Whitlock, commanding field division.*" I shall feel greatly obliged if you can assist me to ascertain by whose authority the note attached to that document, which I presume was written by the Governor-General's order, was appended.

I have, &c.  
(Signed) CHANDOS F. CLIFTON.

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No. 5.

W.

*The Assistant-Secretary to the Treasury to Major Chandos Clifton.*

TREASURY CHAMBERS,  
21st March, 1863.

SIR,

IN reply to your letters of the 19th and 20th instant, requesting to be furnished with further documents relative to the Kirwee Prize Money. I am directed by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to acquaint you, that it is unusual to communicate to individuals copies of Treasury Minutes, or cases submitted to the Law Officers of the Crown, on questions under the consideration of the Board.

I am directed to transmit to you, copies of the Documents A, B, and D, referred to in Lord Clyde's Memorandum, being 2, 3, and 4 of your letter of the 19th instant.

With regard to the remaining documents for which you apply, which are in the keeping of other Departments, My Lords must decline to entertain your application for their production; and they must observe, that in forwarding to the Prize Agents of General Whitlock's Force the papers on which they have formed the views stated to the Prize Agents, their Lordship's have supplied all the information which the Agents have any right to ask for from this Department.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

SCOTT HAMILTON.

## A.

*Extract from Memorandum for the Consideration of His Excellency the Governor-General by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India, dated*

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, CALCUTTA,  
18th October, 1857.

“A MATTER of the greatest consequence, the organization and movement of columns of march through Central India, during the next cold season, has not escaped my attention.

“The special destination of the various corps now *en route* from England having been ascertained by the Mail, which arrived on the 15th instant, with sufficient exactness.

“I am of opinion that the time has now arrived for the serious consideration of this very important subject.

“That a column consisting of—

Three battalions of Infantry	} English.
One regiment of Cavalry	
Twenty-four field guns,	
Six siege guns,	

to be raised by the addition of the native troops of Madras, to the largest amount that can be furnished by that Presidency should be formed, this column should be put in movement with all convenient dispatch towards Nagpore, a demonstration being made *en route* through the Nizam's territory.

“The march of this column would be directed ultimately on Jubbulpore.

“15. It might be disposed in—

Two divisions of Infantry,  
A brigade of Artillery,  
A brigade of Cavalry,  
A brigade of Engineers,

the commands of these bodies being left at the disposal of the Madras Government, under directions from the Right Honourable the Governor-General.

“16. It appears to me that much advantage would accrue to the State if Lieutenant-General Sir Patrick Grant, K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief of the Madras Army, were invited to take personal command; and that unity and strength would be gained by investing his Excellency with the power of an Agent of the Governor-General, until the country through which he might pass be reduced to order.

“17. A communication would of course be opened by this column with that coming from Mhow towards Saugor.”

(True Copy.)

D.

## A.

*Extracts from Minute by the Governor-General, dated 24th November, 1857.*

“I HAVE received the accompanying Memorandum upon the organization of Columns of March at Madras and Bombay, from his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, a day or two before his departure for Cawnpore.

“But of the arrangements to be made on the side of Bombay and Kurra-  
chee, I will write in a separate Minute. It is to Madras that I desire now to  
call attention.

“Matters in Madras have not altered materially, and I think that the  
proposals of the Commander-in-Chief in regard to this Presidency should  
be essentially carried out.”

(True Copy) D.

*Extract from Letter of Instructions addressed on the 17th November, 1857, to  
Brigadier-General Whitlock, Commanding Field Division.*

“YOUR command will be INDEPENDENT OF THE OFFICERS COMMANDING THE DIVISIONS or Districts through which you may pass. You will receive your Instructions DIRECT FROM, and make your Reports DIRECT TO Army Head Quarters.”

“NOTE.—That is the division or district through which HIS route to the Theatre of War lay.”

(True Copy).

D.

## B.

*By Order of the Commander-in-Chief. Memorandum by the Chief of the Staff for the guidance of Major-General Whitlock, Commanding Saugor Nerbudda Force.*

HEAD QUARTERS, *within 6 miles of Jellalabad,*  
27th April, 1858.

“ MAJOR-GENERAL WHITLOCK is informed that it is the opinion of the Governor-General and the Commander-in-Chief, that the native portion of his force should be cantoned at Bandah till after the rains, while the European portion of it might proceed to Allahabad to occupy quarters.

“ Major-General Whitlock is begged to give an opinion as to whether this would be prudent with respect to the constitution of his force.

“ At the present moment Sir Hugh Rose is advancing on Calpee.

“ If the country in the vicinity of Bandah and to the eastward is sufficiently pacified to admit of the absence of General Whitlock's force from where he now is for three weeks, he is directed to march up the right bank of the Jumna, to co-operate with Sir Hugh Rose, and then to retrace his steps immediately after the reduction of Calpee.

“ However, before giving execution to this order, General Whitlock must well weigh the state of the country according to his information, as he alone is capable of estimating the prudence with regard to the aspect of affairs in his neighbourhood, and the general condition of the country to the eastward since his late successes.

“ He is requested to acknowledge the receipt of this by telegraph, viâ Futtehghur, addressed to the care of Brigadier Seaton, C.B., the Commander-in-Chief having proceeded into Rohilcund, and being, therefore, removed from the wire.

“ By Order,  
(Signed) “ W. R. MANSFIELD,  
“ Major-General,  
“ Chief of the Staff.”

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No. 10.

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D.

*Extract from a Letter from Sir Hugh Rose to the Chief of the Staff, dated*

“ CAMP CALPEE,  
30th May, 1858.

“ In a communication which I received to-day, from Major-General Whitlock, he tells me that he expects immediately his 2nd Brigade, under Brigadier MacDuff; that he would then reinforce me with a brigade efficient in all arms.

“ General Whitlock wrote this, not knowing that Calpee had fallen, and he thought he should have to assist at the siege. I had already written to General Whitlock that I did not require his assistance, as Calpee was ours. He had not received this letter.

“ May I be permitted to suggest, that the difficulties as to garrisoning Calpee and Jhansi, and sending troops to Chandairee, would be solved, if Brigadier MacDuff were to garrison Calpee, leaving a detachment at Humeerpore, which would be supported by the troops of its own division in Bandah and Calpee on both its flanks. Brigadier MacDuff's brigade is quite fresh.

“ General Whitlock's division would then guard the line of the Jumna, and his rear, with a force imposing by its numbers, its efficiency, and the complete state of its several arms including siege-train.

“ The garrisons of Calpee and Jhansi would be strong enough to keep up mutual communication, and to clear the roads.

“ There is only one further suggestion, founded on my practical experience, which I would venture to make; and that is, that Saugor should be included in Central India; the Betwa is almost impassable in the monsoon, intervenes between Jhansi and the Chandairee district, consequently, the Officer commanding the Central India Field Force cannot put down efficiently disorder in Chandairee district, unless he can direct the operations of the troops in the Saugor district, which surrounds the Chandairee district.

“ Saugor is now under General Whitlock, but as nearly the whole of his force is concentrated at Bandah, it would be far better that the very few troops he has left at Saugor, which is about 180 miles from Banda, should join him, and that Saugor should be placed in Central India, to which it, as being north of the River Nerbudda, geographically and strategically belongs.

(Signed)

HUGH ROSE, Major-General,  
Commanding C. I. F. Force.



*Colonel De Renzie Brett, Prize Agent to Major-General Whitlock's Force to the Under Secretary of State for India.*

JUNIOR UNITED SERVICE CLUB,  
23rd March, 1863.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to request that you will allow me to see the original Letter of Instructions addressed on the 17th November, 1857, to Brigadier-General Whitlock, commanding Field Division. My chief object is to ascertain at what date and by whose authority a note has been appended to that document.

I have also the honour to request that you will furnish me, at your earliest convenience (as we have promised Lord Palmerston to complete our reply in a fortnight), with copies of the following documents :

1. Copies of the documents marked respectively C, E, F, and G in Lord Clyde's Memorandum.\*
2. Copy of the orders forwarded by the Governor-General to Major-General Whitlock in February or March, 1858, through Captain Osborne, the Resident of Rewah, together with any statement or report which may have been forwarded to the Secretary of State for India by that officer.
3. Copy of all letters addressed by Major-General Sir Hugh Rose, or by Major-General Whitlock, to the Chief of the Staff, between the 1st of February and the 30th of June, 1858.

This request is made in accordance with the permission which Lord Palmerston has recently given to Major-General Whitlock's representatives to examine the papers which are necessary for the further explanation of our case and my colleague, Major Clifton, who is now absent from London, has been referred, with respect to some of these papers, by the Authorities at the Treasury to the India Department.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

DE RENZIE BRETT,  
Prize Agent to Major-General Whitlock's Force.

\* Dated 8th February, 1862.

*The Assistant Secretary to the Treasury to Major Chandos Clifton.*

TREASURY CHAMBERS,  
25th March, 1863.

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SIR,

I AM directed by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to transmit herewith, as requested in your letter of the 23rd instant, copies of the papers marked C, E, F, G, referred to in Lord Clyde's memorandum, relative to the distribution of the booty captured at Banda and Kirwee.

With reference to the inquiry contained in your letter respecting the note appended to a paper, described as "An extract from Letter of Instructions addressed on 17th November, 1857, to Brigadier-General Whitlock, commanding Field Division," I am desired to state that my Lords communicated to the Prize Agents the document in question in the form in which their Lordships received it, and that it bears no date or signature.

I am, Sir,

*Major Chandos Clifton,*

*6, St. James's Place, St. James's Street,*

Your obedient Servant,

GEO. W. HAMILTON.

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No. 14.

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C.

*Extract from a Memorandum in the Commander-in-Chief's Office, relative to the movements of General Whitlock.*

"At this date Rose, with his 2nd brigade, was marching on Saugor.

"The 1st brigade was at Mhow. This brigade to march by Agra Road, and co-operate with 2nd brigade at Goonah.

"Roberts, on the 15th January, was at Ahmedabad.

"Whitlock, on 20th February, at Schora ; on 8th March, at Saugor.

"On 19th April at Bandah.

"On 28th May still at Bandah, and preparing to march to Calpee ; but as he would hear of the fall of that place, it was hoped he would march to Kirwee.

"At Kirwee."

(True Copy.) D.

## E.

*Extract of a Letter from the Chief of the Staff to Colonel Birch, C.B., Secretary to Governor of India, Military Department.*

“ HEAD QUARTERS, FUTTEGHUR,  
2nd June, 1858.

SIR,

“ I HAVE the honour, by the desire of the Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honourable the Governor-General, two despatches received by me from Sir Robert Hamilton, Bart., and Major-General Sir Hugh Rose, K.C.B., late Commanding Central India Field Force, together with my replies.

“ It is obvious from the tone of the former, that Sir Robert Hamilton and Sir Hugh Rose do not appreciate the calls made for troops in other parts of the empire, beyond the sphere of their immediate observation. This is very natural, and not a subject of remark, excepting that the attention of the Governor-General should be drawn to the circumstance.

“ Sir Hugh Rose dwells on the fact of his having had no reserves. This is hardly an accurate statement. The troops at Mhow and the Rajpootana column gave him an effectual support on his left flank, and kept his direct communications by the Agra road free, as shown by the detachment of one of Major-General Robert's Brigades to Jubbulpore,\* under the orders of his Lordship, when Sir Hugh Rose became alarmed for his rear.

“ On his right flank he was in like manner assured by the laborious march of Major-General Whitlock's Brigades, which actually operated in Banda in time to render the capture of Calpee, aided, as Sir Hugh was, by a column formed in the Doab to co-operate with him from the left bank of the Jumna, comparatively easy of accomplishment.

(Signed) “ W. R. MANSFIELD, Major-General,  
“ Chief of the Staff.”

(True Copy.) J. D.

\* Note by the Prize Agent of the Madras Force. This seems to be a misprint for Jellalpore.

## F.

*By Order of the Commander-in-Chief. Memorandum by the Chief of the Staff for the guidance of Major-General Sir George Whitlock, K.C.B., and Brigadier Wheeler.*

“ HEAD QUARTERS,

“ 12th September, 1859.

“ 1. A Memorandum from the Quarter-Master-General is annexed, showing the arrival of troops in the Saugor Division, which will take place during September and October. These troops are intended for the eventual relief of the Madras regiments now serving in the Division. The latter will not depart for their own Presidency until the operations about to take place shall have been completed.

“ 2. Sir George Whitlock is aware that the first object of Government is to clear the line of railway, and the adjacent country stretching from ‘Jubbulpore’ to ‘Entawah;’ that having been done, it is necessary to reduce all the district stretching to Shahghur to absolute tranquillity. It is proposed, therefore, that the line in rear, along the direction of the railway, shall be occupied by military and police posts, while a general advance in line of numerous small columns shall take place from ‘Kalinger’ on the right to Huttah on the left, in the direction of ‘Patowree Ghuree’ and ‘Shahghur. When the arrangements for this advance in line have been made, and it is about to commence, moveable columns will issue from ‘Nowgong’ and ‘Jhansi,’ for the purpose of coming down on Putowree and Shahghur respectively. Sir George Whitlock will give the necessary order for the moveable column from ‘Nowgong,’ and Brigadier-General Sir H. Napier will be instructed to do the like with respect to the column from ‘Jhansi.’

“ 3. It is desirable that every column, however small, may be commanded by a very good officer. Lord Clyde accordingly desires that Colonel Turner, Her Majesty’s 97th Foot, Lieut.-Colonel Primrose, Her Majesty’s 43rd Light Infantry, Lieut.-Colonel Oakes, 12th Lancers, Lieut.-Colonel Ross, Camel Corps, Colonel Nott, of Madras Service, may respectively be put in command of columns, independent of the central one, with which Brigadier Wheeler, who commands the whole, will proceed himself.

“ 4. Her Majesty’s 43rd and 97th Regiments will each furnish considerable detachments for the contemplated service.

“ 5. An immediate report will be sent, showing where Brigadier Wheeler’s head-quarters will be on the 15th of October, and the constitution of the various columns and their points of assembly which may be decided on by Sir George Whitlock and Brigadier Wheeler, after consulting with Captain Osborne, Political Agent.

“ 6. The Commander-in-Chief considers that no column need exceed in strength—

British Infantry	..	..	..	..	2 companies.	Detail of Columns.
Native Infantry	..	..	..	..	5 ditto	
Sowars	..	..	..	..	200	

“ The service on which the troops are about to be employed is not one where concentration is required. On the contrary, it is one demanding a combined advance of numerous small columns, by which the country shall be so thoroughly swept that the rebels may not know where to fly to as they retire before the advance ‘in line,’ the ground in rear being taken up by posts, as the advance is made. The rebels have been so beaten and hurried already, that resistance is nowhere to be looked for, although there must be a great deal of rapid and hard marching to break them up thoroughly. To effect this the ground must be traversed and retraversed, and no fatigue must be spared.

“ 7. A small train of light mortars must be prepared at ‘Saugor,’ for use at ‘Putowree Gurhee,’ or at any other fort.

“ 8. Sir G. Whitlock will use his discretion in attaching field artillery to the column ; but it must be recollected that it may be cause of considerable delay in the jungly and hilly country which is about to be traversed, and that guns are unnecessary for the defeat of the enemy in the open field.

“ 9. As the troops arrive in the district, according to the annexed memorandum, they may be directed to the points where the columns will be formed under Sir G. Whitlock's direction, the new-coming regiments being used for that purpose, and the Madras Corps, which are shortly to return to their Presidency, being employed to hold the posts in the rear, 'as per paragraph 2. A sketch map is inclosed showing the direction to be pursued in the advance.

“ 10. Sir G. Whitlock will recollect the constitution of the Camel Corps, which will reach Saugor on the 10th October. This corps should act on the flanks, not being divided into more than two portions.

“ 11. Lord Clyde hopes that all the columns will be in their positions to commence the forward movement by the 25th of October at the very latest. There must then be rest for neither man nor beast until the service is accomplished. His Excellency is sanguine of this being terminated by the end of November, and that it may be his pleasing duty to report to that effect to his Excellency the Viceroy.

By Order,

(Signed) “ W. R. MANSFIELD, Major-General,  
“ Chief of the Staff”

## G.

*Extract from a Memorandum drawn up by the Commander-in-Chief at the Close of the War, dated*

SIMLA, 26th July, 1859.

“ No. 12. No time was lost in moving Sir Hugh Rose on ‘Gwalior.’ I June, 1858 assisted him with a Brigade from the far South, drawn by the ‘Rajpootana’ force and with a strong detachment from ‘Agra,’ which lies to the north of ‘Gwalior,’ while he was directed to march straight on at it from ‘Calpee.’

“ The concentration succeeded well, and Sir Hugh Rose, as usual, did justice to the troops under his orders. Scindiah was replaced on his throne, and that hunt of the rebel leaders in Central India commenced in June, 1858, which was finally brought to a successful conclusion by the capture of Tantia Topee in April, 1859.

“ No. 13. Thus had two great causes of anxiety, ‘Gwalior’ and ‘Rohilkund,’ been removed which had so weighed on me in January, 1858, when the Governor-General decided on the seige of Lucknow in preference to other operations. In the meantime the hot weather campaign proceeded in every direction, and if certain points had been won and occupied at vast distances from one another, the insurrection was still general and violent, although its aim and purpose was rapidly disappearing, and its initiative was entirely lost. Sir Hugh Rose’s march through ‘Central India;’ Sir E. Lugard’s through ‘Oude’ into ‘Behar;’ General Walpole’s through that province into ‘Rohilkund;’ Sir Hope Grant’s in the neighbourhood of ‘Lucknow;’ General Whitlock’s from ‘Saugor’ to ‘Bandah,’ in ‘Bundelkund,’ had been entirely successful as marches, but nothing more, the whole population was armed and hostile, and closed round the rear of each column, like the sea in a ship’s wake. It was the constant hunting, the never-ceasing marching and combination of different columns, the working of them all at the same time, in spite of weather, sickness, and fatigue in all seasons, which finally reduced the country eight or nine months later.”

(True Copy.) J. D.

*Colonel De Renzie Brett, Prize Agent to Major-General Whitlock's Force, to the Secretary of State for War.*

JUNIOR UNITED SERVICE CLUB,  
26th March, 1863.

SIR,

WITH reference to a portion of the appendix to a memorandum by Field-Marshal Lord Clyde, dated 8th February, 1862, a copy of which has been furnished to Major-General Whitlock's Prize Agents by the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, I have the honour to request that you will be good enough to inform me at what date and by whose authority the note appended to the document marked A has been added.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

DE RENZIE BRETT,  
Prize Agent to Major-General Whitlock's Force.

Letter of Instructions addressed on 17th November, 1857, to Brigadier-General Whitlock, commanding Field Division.

Your command will be independent of the officers commanding the divisions or districts through which you may pass. You will receive your instructions direct from, and make your reports direct to, Army Head Quarters.

Note.—That is the division or district through which his route to the theatre of war lay

(4598)

Extract from letter from G. W. Hamilton, Esq., to Major Chandos Clifton, dated Treasury Chambers, 25th March, 1863.

With reference to the inquiry contained in your letter respecting the note appended to a paper described as "an Extract from Letter of Instructions, addressed on 17th November, 1857, to Brigadier-General Whitlock, commanding Field Divisions," I am desired to state that my Lords communicated to the prize agents the document in question in the form in which their Lordships received it, and that it bears no date or signature.



*Major Chandos Clifton to the Assistant Secretary to the Treasury.*

ARMY AND NAVY CLUB,  
28th March, 1863.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to forward, for the consideration of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, my observations on the statements made by Lord Clyde and Sir Robert Hamilton which occupy about 88 paragraphs, and it was not easy therefore to be more concise in my reply. In order to avoid unnecessary delay, this memorial has been completed within fourteen days from the production of the first instalment of the above-named papers, and within three days from the date of the production of the documents C, E, F, G. I think it right to remark that I have not been able to ascertain by whose hand the note to the document marked A has been appended.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

CHANDOS F. CLIFTON.

*Military Secretary to the India Council to Colonel De Renzie Brett.*

(No. 978.)

INDIA OFFICE, S.W.,  
27th March, 1863.

SIR,

I HAVE received and laid before the Secretary of State for India in Council your letter dated 23rd March, requesting me to be allowed to inspect, or be furnished with copies of, the documents specified therein.

2. Sir Charles Wood desires me to state in reply,

1st. That on application at the Military Department in this Office, you will be allowed to peruse the instructions of the Commander-in-Chief, Madras, to Major-General Whitlock, dated 17th November, 1857, as recorded on the proceedings of the Government of Madras.

2ndly. That the documents forming the Appendix to the Memorandum of Lord Clyde, dated 8th February, 1862, cannot be traced on the Records of this Office. That Memorandum was received from the Military Secretary to the Field-Marshal Commanding-in-Chief, and your application on this point should, more properly, have been addressed to him.

3rdly. That the orders issued to Major-General Whitlock through Captain Osborne do not appear to have been sent to this country.

4thly. That the despatches of Sir Hugh Rose and Major-General Whitlock, to the Chief of the Staff, were published in the Calcutta and London Gazettes at the time. These Gazettes will be placed before you on application at this Office.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

R. T. PEARS, Major-General,  
Military Secretary.

*Colonel Brett.*

*Sir Edward Lugard to Colonel De Renzie Brett.*

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WAR OFFICE, 30th March, 1863.

SIR,

I AM directed by the Secretary of State for War to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th instant, in which you request to be informed at what date, and by whose authority, the note to which you refer was appended to the enclosure (marked A) to Field Marshal Lord Clyde's Memorandum of the 8th February, 1862, on the question of the distribution of prize captured at Kirwee.

In reply, I am to acquaint you that this Memorandum was received at this Office from the Horse Guards in print, and Sir George Lewis would therefore suggest that you should address your inquiry to that department, being himself unable to furnish the required information.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

EDWARD LUGARD.

*Colonel de Renzie Brett.*

*Major Chandos Clifton to the Military Secretary.*

ARMY AND NAVY CLUB,  
1st April, 1863.

MAJOR CHANDOS CLIFTON presents his compliments to the Military Secretary, and with reference to the document copied in the margin, and marked A in the Appendix to Field Marshal Lord Clyde's Memorandum on the Kirwee prize, begs to inquire

- 1st. Whether the Letter of Instructions was addressed to General Whitlock by Lord Clyde or by Sir Patrick Grant ?
- 2ndly. Whether "Army Head Quarters" is understood to mean Lord Clyde's Head Quarters or the Head Quarters of the Madras Army ?
- 3rdly. At what date and by whose authority the note was added, and under what sanction this document, in the form in which it was forwarded to the Treasury, has been attested to be "a true copy" of the original ?

Letter of Instructions addressed on the 17th November, 1857, to Brigadier-General Whitlock, commanding Field Division

"Your command will be independent of the officers commanding the divisions or districts through which you may pass. You will receive your instructions direct from, and make your reports direct to, Army Head Quarters"

"Note.—That is the divisions or districts through which his route to the theatre of war lay"

(True Copy) D

Lord Clyde's Memorandum, with its Appendices, has been forwarded to Major Clifton's friends by Lord Palmerston's permission, and the present application is made in accordance with the course suggested in a letter from the Secretary of State for War addressed to the Senior Prize Agent, Colonel de Renzie Brett, on the 30th ultimo.

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No. 24.

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*Major Chandos Clifton to the Military Secretary to H.R.H. the General  
Commanding-in-Chief.*

ARMY AND NAVY CLUB,  
10th April, 1863.

SIR,

ON the 1st instant, I had the honour to address you on the subject of an Appendix to a Memorandum by Lord Clyde on the subject of the Banda and Kirwee Booty. My note may have escaped your observation among the important business which occupies you. May I take the liberty of inquiring whether you have received my note, and, if so, of asking the great favour of an early reply, as my friends have promised Lord Palmerston that there should be no delay on their part in bringing the Kirwee Prize question to a final issue.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

CHANDOS F. CLIFTON,  
Late Major and Captain H.M. 12th Royal Lancers,  
Prize Agent to Major-General Whitlock's Force.

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*The Military Secretary to Major Chandos F. Clifton.*

HORSE GUARDS, 11th April, 1863.

SIR,

WITH reference to your letter of the 10th instant, I am directed by the Field-Marshal Commanding-in-Chief to inform you, that the note which you addressed to me on the 1st instant, relative to the Banda and Kirwee Prize Money, was transmitted to Field-Marshal Lord Clyde on the 2nd, but that as no reply has, up to the present time, been received from his Lordship, His Royal Highness has been unable to direct that a communication should be made to you on the subject.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. F. FORSTER.

*Major Chandos Clifton.*

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No. 27 & 27B.

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*Major Chandos Clifton to Major-General Foster.*

SIR,

ARMY AND NAVY CLUB,

6th May, 1863.

received from Field Marshal Lord Clyde, as to the origin and attestation of the note appended to the extract from the Letter of Instructions addressed to Brigadier-General Whitlock, 17th November, 1857.

Your recent communication dated the 22nd ultimo, inclosing a copy of that document in extenso, does not convey any information on this point.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

CHANDOS F. CLIFTON,

Prize Agent to Sir G. C. Whitlock's Force.

*Major-General Foster to Major Chandos Clifton*  
*6th May, 1863.*  
*Major-General Foster has the honour to inform Major Chandos Clifton that he has received the note referred to in your letter of the 22nd ultimo. The note is an extract from the Letter of Instructions addressed to Brigadier-General Whitlock, 17th November, 1857. Your recent communication dated the 22nd ultimo, inclosing a copy of that document in extenso, does not convey any information on this point.*

## SUPPLEMENT B.

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Correspondence between the Prize Agents of Sir  
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COLONEL DE RENZIE BRETT TO THE UNDER  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

15, *St. James's Square, S.W.*  
16th *September, 1864.*

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to solicit your kind attention to the application for leave to examine documentary evidence bearing on the Kirwee Prize question, which I felt it my duty to submit in my letters of the 4th and 18th ultimo, a still earlier application to the same effect having been made at my request by Mr. Kinloch.

As the Judge of the High Court of Admiralty has requested that a compilation of the papers should be made without delay, and as a considerable time has already elapsed since the date of my first letter on this subject, I trust it will not be thought disrespectful if I venture to again request that the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India in Council, will, with such restrictions as he may think fit to impose, permit me to have access to those portions of the official records which may further elucidate the merits of this case.

I have the honour to be, SIR,

Your most obedient servant,  
(Signed) DE RENZIE BRETT,  
Colonel.

*Prize Agent to Sir G. C. Whitlock's Force.*

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA TO  
COLONEL DE RENZIE BRETT.

*India Office, S.W.*

16th Sept., 1864.

SIR,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India, in Council, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated 18th ultimo, renewing your request to be allowed access to the records of this Office, with the view to the completion of the evidence in the matter of the Kirwee Prize Money.

2. In reply, I am desired to inform you, that Secretary Sir C. Wood, cannot depart from the decision conveyed to you in my letter dated 12th ultimo.

3. With the view, however, of affording assistance to all parties interested in the question of the disposal of the property captured by the Forces in Central India, Sir Charles Wood has given directions for the preparation of a Collection of papers bearing on the subject. These papers will be printed, and access thereto, with permission to make extracts therefrom, will be allowed to all parties who may answer the Citation issued by the High Court of Admiralty, on the 5th August last.

4. I am also directed to state, that should the Collection of papers to be thus prepared from the Records of this Office, not contain all that the parties interested may require, any other particular documents named by them, will, if possible, be produced.

I am,

SIR,

• Your obedient Servant,

J. W. PEARS, *Major General,*  
*Military Secretary.*

COLONEL DE RENZIE BRETT TO THE UNDER  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

*Junior United Service Club,  
Charles Street, S.W.,  
16th November, 1864.*

SIR,

With reference to my letters of the 4th and 15th August, and 16th September, 1864, soliciting the production of documents (previously applied for by Mr. Kinloch) bearing on the Banda and Kirwee Prize question, I have the honor to most respectfully request that you will represent to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India my great anxiety on behalf of the actual Captors of the Prize, for access to the requisite Papers, as early as convenience will allow.

The time fixed for appearing in the Court of Admiralty will expire in a few days, and we are naturally desirous of obtaining all essential evidence and information on this subject, which has already been under investigation in the India Department, before we go into Court.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed) DE RENZIE BRETT  
Colonel.

*Prize Agent to Sir G. C. Whitlock's Force.*

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA  
TO COLONEL DE RENZIÈ BRETT.

*India Office, S. W.,*  
18th November, 1864.

SIR,

In reply to your letter dated the 16th instant, I am directed to acquaint you that the papers regarding the operations in Central India are in the hands of the printer, and will be ready for distribution in a few days.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,  
J. W. PEARS, *Major-General,*  
*Military Secretary.*

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA TO  
COLONEL DE RENZIE BRETT.

*India Office, S.W.,*

*November 28, 1864.*

SIR,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India, in Council, with reference to your letter of the 16th instant, to forward to you two copies of a printed collection of papers relating to the operations in Central India.

2. Another portion is under preparation in the Political Department, and upon its completion will be forwarded to you.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. W. PEARS, *Major-General,*  
*Military Secretary.*

Further Correspondence with reference to Additional  
Documents.

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MAJOR CHANDOS F. CLIFTON TO THE UNDER  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

16, *Waterloo Place, Pall Mall, S.W.*,  
23rd *February*, 1865.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to respectfully request that you will forward to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India in Council, on behalf of the Saugor and Nerbudda Field Force, an application for Copies of the following Documents (specified in the annexed List), to be added to the evidence relative to the Banda and Kirwee Prize Money, the distribution of which has been referred to the decision of the High Court of Admiralty.

I have, &c.,  
CHANDOS F. CLIFTON,  
(*Late 12th Royal Lancers*),  
Prize Agent to Sir G. C. Whitlock's Force.

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## I.

List of Further Papers required as Evidence on  
the Banda and Kirwee Prize Question.

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1. *Copy of the Memorandum from which Extract C in Lord Clyde's Memorandum has been taken.*

(Banda and Kirwee Papers, No. 498 of 1863.—  
Page 32.)

2. *Copy of Letters from Sir H. Rose and Sir R. Hamilton to the Chief of the Staff, referred to in General Mansfield's Letter of 2nd June, 1858, in these terms.*

“Sir H. Rose dwells on the fact of his having had no reserves.”

(*Ibid*, Page 33.)

3. *Copy of the Correspondence between Sir C. Campbell and Lord Canning in January, 1858, referred to in the Paper.*

Confidential Memorandum of Lord Clyde, dated Simla, 26th July, 1859.

(*Ibid*, Page 19.)

4. *Copy of Letter, No. 6583, referred to in Sir R. Hamilton's Despatch of January 7, 1858 or 1859.*

(Papers from the Military Department.—  
Page 81.)

5. *Copy of Letter, No. 1853, of September 20, 1858, No. 143, referred to in General Whitlock's Letter, dated August 13, 1858.*

(*Ibid*, Page 61.)

6. *Copy of the Correspondence on the Dhar Case transmitted in the Governor-General's Letter, No. 4, dated 20 December, 1860.*

(As to a Claim preferred on behalf of a Field Force of the Hyderabad Contingent to Share in the Booty captured at Dhar.)

7. *Copy of Correspondence between Sir R. Hamilton and Major Ellis, as to the exercise of jurisdiction over the Insurgent Chief Narrain Rao.*
8. *Copy of Correspondence between Sir R. Hamilton and the Government, or between F. O. Mayne, Esq., Magistrate and Special Commissioner at Banda and Kirwee, and the Government, as to jurisdiction over Rebels of the Banda District.*
9. *Correspondence between the General Prize Committee and the Government of India, dated (No. 35 C) 27 June, 1861, and (No. 937) 22 August, 1861.*

(Referred to by the General Prize Committee, B. K. Papers, No. 498, page 59.)

Further Application on April 3, 1865.

10. *Copy of Sir R. Hamilton's Memorandum, submitted to the Governor-General.*  
(See Banda and Kirwee Papers, Bk. 498 of 1863. Enclosure in No. 14, Para. 8. Page 39.)
11. *Copy of a Letter from Sir H. Rose to the Chief of the Staff, dated 22 April, 1858.*  
(This Letter is referred to in a Letter from Sir W. Mansfield to Sir H. Rose, dated Futtehghur, 26 April, 1858.)



THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA TO  
MAJOR C. F. CLIFTON.

*India Office, S.W.,*  
31st March, 1865.

SIR,

1. With reference to your letter of the 23rd ultimo, I am directed to by the Secretary of State for India in Council to state, that he has complied as far as possible with the request therein contained, to be furnished with certain papers relating to the Banda and Kirwee Prize; and that a copy of them, now in course of printing, will be forwarded, when completed, to you, in common with all the parties in the suit referred to the decision of the High Court of Admiralty.

2. I am directed to add, that no further information can be afforded regarding Nos. 1, 3, and 5 in your inclosed list, and that the papers asked for in No. 2 were contained in the last collection printed by this Office.

I am,  
Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
J. W. PEARS, *Major-General,*  
*Military Secretary.*

**Correspondence of the Authorities in India with  
reference to Appendix C, annexed to Lord Clyde's  
Memorandum.**

[No. 1630.] From Colonel H. W. NORMAN, C.B.,  
Secretary to the Government of India, Military  
Department, to the Military Secretary to His  
Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,—(No. 868,  
dated Fort William, the 26th November, 1864.)

I AM directed to acquaint you that a telegram  
to the following effect has this day been despatched  
to you :—

“The extract marked C in the Banda and  
“Kirwee Prize Parliamentary Blue Book of July,  
“eighteen hundred and sixty-three, stated by Lord  
“Clyde to be extracted from a memorandum in the  
“Commander-in-Chief's Office, relative to the  
“movements of General Whitlock. The whole of  
“this memorandum is wanted; can it be fur-  
“nished?”

[No. 1631.] Service Message by Electric Telegraph from the Military Secretary to the Commander-in-Chief, to Colonel H. W. NORMAN, C.B., Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department,—(No. 391, dated Meerut, the 28th November, 1864.)

ALL Lord Clyde's Minutes were in the hands of the Chief of the Staff; there is no trace of the memorandum required in the Commander-in-Chief's Office.

[No. 1632.] From Colonel H. W. NORMAN, C.B., Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to His Excellency Sir WILLIAM MANSFIELD, Bombay,—(No. 928, dated Fort William, the 29th November, 1864.)

I AM directed to acquaint you that a telegram to the following effect has this day been despatched to you :—

“ The Madras Government have asked for a copy  
“ of the whole of the memorandum of which an  
“ extract is given and marked C at page thirty-  
“ two of papers presented to Parliament in July,  
“ eighteen hundred and sixty-three, on the subject  
“ of Banda and Kirwee Booty.

“ There is no copy of this in the Office of the  
“ Commander-in-Chief in India.

“ Can your Excellency furnish a copy ?”

EXTRACT—FORT WILLIAM, MILITARY CONSULTATION FOR DECEMBER, 1864.

[No. 647.] From Lieutenant-General Sir W. R. MANSFIELD, K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief, Bombay Army, to Colonel H. W. NORMAN, C.B. and A.D.C., Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Calcutta,—(No. 719, dated Head Quarters, Poona, the 1st December, 1864.)

IN answer to your telegram of 29th instant, I have the honor to inform you that I do not possess the printed Parliamentary papers referred to. On reflection, however, and perusing the late Lord Clyde's memorandum, dated London, 8th February, 1862, regarding the Memorial of the Prize Agents of the Madras Column to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, a copy of which his Lordship sent to me, I come to the conclusion that that must be the part of the Parliamentary papers referred to by you. In the appendix of that memorandum I find there is an extract marked C, which I take to be the same as that enquired about by the Madras Government. If I am correct in this conclusion, I would mention that in my opinion, the extract marked C is merely the record of a private jotting, kept by his Lordship for his own information, at the time that the operations in question were proceeding.

It was not my habit to furnish such small memoranda to the lamented Commander-in-Chief; those drawn by myself as Chief of the Staff either at his order or for his information, having an official form, which it will be observed is altogether wanting in extract C. I am therefore confident that the original was never in my possession, of which extract C is a copy. I shall shortly be in Bombay, and will make enquiries for the Parliamentary papers in the Military Secretariat, and will communicate further in case I should make any discovery.

Exd. M. Joseph.

## SUPPLEMENT C.

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1. Letter from H.R.H. the General Commanding-in-Chief, to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for War.
2. Letter from the Secretary of State for War, to H.R.H. the General Commanding-in-Chief.

*Letter from His Royal Highness the General Commanding-in-Chief, to  
the Secretary of State for War.*

Sir,

*Horse Guards, 20th January, 1862.*

I have laid before the General Commanding-in-Chief your letter of 16th instant, transmitting a memorial addressed to the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury by the Prize Agents for Major-General Whitlock's force, praying for the grant to that force of the whole of the booty captured at Banda and Kirwee, together with a minute of the Board of Treasury thereon; and in returning these papers agreeably to your request, I am directed to acquaint you for the information of the Secretary of State for War, with reference to my letter of 28th October last, that His Royal Highness cannot agree in the proposal to allow one-half of the booty taken in Central India, especially at Kirwee by Sir George Whitlock's column, to the actual captors; but would recommend that the question be referred to the law officers of the Crown, as suggested in the concluding paragraph of the Treasury Minute referred to above.

I have, Sir,

(Signed)

W. F. FORSTER.

The Under Secretary of State for War.

*Letter from the Secretary of State for War, to His Royal Highness  
the General Commanding-in-Chief.*

Sir,

*War Office, 25th January, 1862.*

I have laid before the Secretary of State for War your letter of 20th instant, relative to the memorial of the prize agents for Major-General Whitlock's force, praying for the grant to that force of the whole of the booty captured at Banda and Kirwee.

In reply, Sir George Lewis desires me to request that you will point out to His Royal Highness the General Commanding-in-Chief that this letter does not contain the information required by the Treasury to enable their Lordships to answer the statements advanced in the memorial. Unless, therefore, it is in His Royal Highness's power to supply this information, Sir George Lewis is of opinion that it would be fair to Sir Hugh Rose, and the troops having claims as constructive captors to refer the memorial to that officer for any observations he may wish to offer; a course which Sir George Lewis would propose, in the contingency referred to, to suggest for the sanction of the Treasury.

I have, &c.

(Signed) E. LUGARD.

The Military Secretary,  
Horse Guards.



**SUPPLEMENT D.**

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**Commissions of Commanders-in-Chief at Calcutta  
and Madras.**

## Commissions of Commanders-in-Chief at Calcutta and Madras.

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Commission of Sir Colin Campbell, G.C.B.,  
to be Commander-in-Chief in India.

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**Victoria** by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c. To Our trusty and well-beloved Sir Colin Campbell, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-General of Our Forces, with the local rank of General in Our Army in the East Indies, Greeting, We, reposing especial trust and confidence in your prudence and loyalty, Do by these presents constitute and appoint you to be Commander-in-Chief of all and singular Our land forces serving in the territorial possessions of the East India Company during Our pleasure. You are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the said trust of Commander-in-Chief of Our Forces in the East Indies, by doing and performing all and all manner of things thereunto belonging. And We do hereby command all Our Officers and Soldiers who are or shall be employed with Our land forces in the East Indies to acknowledge and obey you as Commander-in-Chief of Our Forces aforesaid. And you are to observe and follow such orders and directions from time to time as you shall receive from us, or from His Royal Highness the General Commanding-in-Chief Our Forces in Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or from the Commander-in-Chief of Our said Forces for the time being, according to the rules and discipline of War, in pursuance of the trust We have reposed in you.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's, the eleventh day of July, 1857, in the twenty-first year of Our Reign.

By Her Majesty's Command,  
(Signed) PANMURE.

*General Sir Colin Campbell, G.C.B.,  
to be Commander-in-Chief in  
the East Indies.*

**Commission of the Earl of Moira, K.G., to be  
Commander-in-Chief.**

The United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies.

“ We, the said United Company, reposing especial trust and confidence in the Right Honourable Francis, Earl of Moira and Baron Rawdon, in Ireland, Baron Hastings, Hungerford, Botreaux Moleyns, &c., &c., &c. and Baronet, a General of His Majesty’s Forces, Constable of the Tower of London, Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the Tower District, one of His Majesty’s Most Honourable Privy Council and Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, who is appointed to the office of Governor-General of the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal, and to the office of Governor and Commander-in-Chief of our Fort and Garrison of Fort William aforesaid, do, by these presents, constitute and appoint him, the said Francis, Earl of Moira, to be Commander in-Chief of all our military forces, which now are, or may hereafter be, employed in the East Indies; which office of Commander-in-Chief as aforesaid, the said Francis, Earl of Moira, is to take upon him, hold, and enjoy, upon and from the arrival of the said Francis, Earl of Moira, at Fort William aforesaid, or any other of our Presidencies in the East Indies, to hold the said office during our will and pleasure. And we do hereby authorise and empower and require him, the said Francis, Earl of Moira, as Commander-in-Chief as aforesaid, to the utmost of his skill and power to do and perform all such offices and services as appertain to the post of Commander-in-Chief of all our military forces in the East Indies, subject to such removal or recall as can or may be made by any law now in force, and subject also to any such rules, orders, and instructions, as he shall, from time to time, receive from the Court of Directors of us, the said United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, in writing, or under the hands of thirteen or more of them, or from the Governor-General in Council of our Presidency at Fort William in Bengal, or from our Presidents and Councils of Fort St. George and Bombay respectively, whensoever he shall be present at any of those Presidencies, or at any settlements or places subordinate thereto, according to the rules and discipline of war, in pursuance of the trust hereby reposed in him; and we do hereby strictly require and command all commissioned officers, non-commissioned officers, soldiers, and others belonging to our military forces in the several places before-mentioned, to yield him, the said Francis, Earl of Moira, as their Commander-in-Chief, *during his residence at such places as aforesaid*, due obedience accordingly. And we do hereby revoke and annul all and every commission and commissions, to any person or persons whomsoever, to act as Commander-in-Chief of our forces in the East Indies, from the time that the said Francis, Earl of Moira, shall take upon him the said office of Commander-in-Chief, under or by virtue of these presents. Given under our common seal, this nineteenth day of March, in the fifty-third year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third, by the grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the year of our Lord 1813.

“ Signed, by order of the Court of Directors of the East India Company.

“ (Signed)

“ JAMES COBB,  
“ Assistant Secretary.”

**Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Hislop's Com-  
mission as Commander-in-Chief at Madras.**

“The United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies.

“We, the said United Company, reposing especial trust and confidence in you, Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Hislop, do by these presents constitute and appoint you to be commander of all our military forces on the coast of Coromandel in the East Indies, except such forces as are or hereafter may be employed within our fort and garrison of Fort St. George, and town of Madraspatnam, during our will and pleasure; and to hold and take the said office unto and upon you from and immediately after your arrival at Fort St. George aforesaid; and you are, to the utmost of your skill and power, to do and perform all such offices and services as appertain to the post of commander of our military forces on the coast of Coromandel, subject, however, to all such rules, orders, and instructions as you shall at any time receive from the Court of Directors of the said United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, in writing, or under the hands of thirteen or more of them, or from the Governor in Council of Fort St. George, or from the Commander-in-Chief of all our forces in the East Indies for the time being, *when he shall be at our presidency of Fort St. George*, according to the rules and discipline of war, in pursuance of the trust hereby reposed in you; and we do hereby strictly require, charge, and command all commissioned officers, non-commissioned officers, soldiers, and others belonging to our military forces on the coast of Coromandel before mentioned, except as aforesaid, to yield to you, as their commander, due obedience accordingly. And we do hereby revoke and annul all and every former commission and commissions, authority or authorities, to any person or persons whomsoever, to act as commander-in-chief of our forces on the coast of Coromandel in the East Indies, from the time that you, the said Sir Thomas Hislop, shall arrive at Fort St. George, and shall take the said office upon you by virtue of this commission. Given under our common seal this 21st day of December, in the 54th year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third, by the grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the year of our Lord 1813.

“Signed by order of the Court of Directors of the said United Company.

“(Signed) JAMES COBB,

“Assistant Secretary.

“A true copy.”

J. T. WOOD,

“Captain and Military Secretary.”

*Commission of Sir H. Somerset.—Adjutant-General's Office, Bombay,  
27th March, 1855.*

*Bombay General Orders, 1855–1856, p. 48.*

*Bombay Castle, 26th March, 1855.*

The following Commission appointing Lieutenant-General Sir Henry Somerset, K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief of the Honorable Company's Forces, serving under this Presidency, is published for general information.

*The Honorable East India Company. To Lieutenant-General Sir Henry Somerset, Knight, Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath.*

We the said Company reposing especial trust and confidence in you, Lieutenant-General Sir Henry Somerset, do by these presents constitute and appoint you to be Commander of all our Military Forces belonging to, and under the Presidency of Bombay in the East Indies, except such forces as are or may be employed in our service within the fort, garrison and town of Bombay, to take the said office upon you from the date of your receipt of these presents, and to hold the same during our will and pleasure; and you are to the utmost of your skill and power to do and to perform all such offices and services as appertain to the post of Commander of our Military Forces belonging to, and under the said Presidency, except as before is excepted, subject however to all such rules, orders and instructions as you shall at any time receive from the Court of Directors of us the said India Company, in writing under the hands of the majority or more of them, or under the hands of the majority or more of them, or under the hands of the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, and of the Senior Member of the said Court, or of any two of them, countersigned by our Secretary or Deputy Secretary for the time being, or from the Governor in Council of Bombay, or from the Governor-General of India in Council, or from the Commander-in-Chief of all our forces in the East Indies for the time being, when he shall be resident within the Presidency of Bombay aforesaid, or within any settlement or place subordinate thereto, according to the rules and discipline of War, in pursuance of the trust hereby reposed in you; and we do hereby strictly require, charge and command all Commissioned Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Soldiers and others belonging to our Military Forces, under the Presidency of Bombay before-mentioned to yield you as their Commander due obedience accordingly: and we do hereby revoke and annul all and every former Commission and Commissions to any person or persons to act as Commander-in-Chief of our Forces under the said Presidency of Bombay, except as is before excepted, from the time that you shall take the said office upon you and by virtue of this present Commission.

Given under our common seal this 19th day of February, in the 18th year of the reign of our Sovereign Lady Victoria, by the grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen Defender of the Faith, and in the year of our Lord 1855.

By order of the Court of Directors of the said Company.

(Signed)

JAMES C. MELVILL,

Secretary.

East India House, London,  
19th February, 1855.

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**Commander-in-Chief in India.**

“He commands all the Queen’s Forces, but he has  
nothing to do with the Commanders-in-Chief of the Presi-  
dencies with regard to the native Armies.”

(*Viscount Gough’s Evidence*, 784.)

He has “no authority to issue an order for the move-  
ment of Troops in the other Presidencies.”

(*Ibid.*, 785.)

“He has absolutely no power in India.”

(*Sir C. Napier’s Evidence*, 831.)

“His want of authority over the Armies of the other  
Presidencies is a defect.”

(*Colonel Alexander’s Evidence*, 1018, 1022.)

EXTRACTS FROM THE FIRST REPORT OF THE SELECT  
COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF LORDS, 1852-3.

(Indian Territories.)

No. 627.

Ordered to be printed, 16th June, 1853.

Questions 784 to 787.

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EXTRACTS FROM THE CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN  
LORD DALHOUSIE AND SIR C. NAPIER.

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PART II.

*Papers on the Military Occupation of India.*

[On the Occupation of the Punjab.]

*Extract from Lord Dalhousie's Minute, 26th  
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“The distribution of the regular troops is a question so purely Military, that I should desire to rely upon his Excellency's judgment, and to accept his recommendations as conclusive in the matter.”—Page 77.

*Extract from the Report of the Punjab Board of  
Administration, 1st March, 1850.*

“We have now gone through the Commander-in-Chief's Memorandum. It is with diffidence we have so often ventured to differ from the views of a General of his Excellency's fame and experience.”—Page 122.

*Extract from Lord Dalhousie's Minute, 13th  
April, 1850.*

“I beg it to be understood that while on the purely Military portions of these papers, I should speak with great hesitation, yet I have no hesitation in dissenting entirely from very many of the statements and opinions which his Excellency has adopted and declared in the documents before me.”—Page 123.

*Extracts from a Memorandum by Sir C. Napier,  
30th July, 1850.*

1. “With regard to the first paragraph of the Governor-General's ‘draft order,’ I have to observe that it is the prerogative of the Commander-in-Chief in India, to command all the troops in India, or that title has no meaning.

2. “That troops to the amount of ten Regiments should have been enrolled by an order, dated the 18th May, 1849, and that they should not yet have been placed by the Governor-General under my command, but under that of a Civil Board, appeared to evince such a want of confidence in me as Commander-in-Chief that had it not been my duty to smother my private feelings during the continuance of an incipient mutiny which was smouldering among the troops I should have resigned sooner than I did.”

Para. 9.—“I am perfectly aware of the system now pursued in India—which is to render the Commander-in-Chief powerless, and at the same time to increase his responsibility.”—Page 127.

*General Orders of the Governor-General in Council,  
Bengal, 1858. Dated 11th November, 1858.*

(Page 1677.)

No. 517.

The Right Honourable the Governor-General in Council is pleased to direct that whenever troops from the Presidencies of Fort St. George and Bombay shall be employed to co-operate, directly or indirectly, with troops of the Presidency of Bengal, the officers in command of the troops of the several Presidencies shall report their operations to the Commander-in-Chief in the East Indies, for the information of the Government of India, independently of, and in addition to, any reports, which, under the regulations of the Service, such officer may be required to make to the Commander-in-Chief and the Government of the Presidency to which they immediately belong.

SUPPLEMENT F.  

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Extracts from the Regulations, relative to Booty and its Distribution, existing in the French, Austrian, and Prussian Armies, obtained from Official Sources and printed in the Report of the Royal Commissioners on Army Prize dated May 3rd, 1864.

Extract from the Rules of the Imperial Austrian Army, obtained through  
Her Majesty's Ambassador at Vienna.

All booty taken by the troops in actual fighting in the open country, or on the field of battle, whether public or private property, belongs to the troops, if it is not beyond a doubt the property of another federal state or its subjects.

The quota of each man and of each contingent must be determined by the rules of each state.

All money, material, provisions, necessaries, and other things captured in any way from or abandoned by the enemy elsewhere than on the field of battle belong to the body of troops which brings them in. The officer in command may grant rewards therefrom.

Extract from the Regulations of the French Army, furnished to the Rev. A. Kinloch from the War Department at Paris.

Article 119 de l'Ordonnance sur le Service des Armées en Campagne  
(3 Mai 1832).!

Ministère de la guerre.

Les prises faites par les partisans leur appartiennent, lorsqu'il a été reconnu qu'elles ne se composent que d'objets enlevés à l'ennemi ; elles sont jugées et vendues par les soins du chef de l'état-major et de l'intendant ou sous-intendant au quartier du général qui a ordonné l'expédition, et, autant que possible, en présence d'officiers et de sous-officiers du détachement. Si la troupe n'est pas rentrée, les fonds sont versés chez le payeur, pour être distribués à qui de droit. Quand les prises sont envoyées dans une place, le commandant de cette place supplié au chef de l'état-major.

Les armes et les munitions de guerre ou de bouche ne sont jamais partagées ni vendues ; le général en chef détermine l'indemnité à allouer à ceux qui les ont prises.

Les officiers supérieurs ont chacun cinq parts ; les capitaines, quatre ; les lieutenants et les sous-lieutenants, trois ; les sous-officiers, deux ; les caporaux, brigadiers, et soldats, une ; le commandant de l'expédition en a six en sus de celles que lui donne son grade.

Quand, dans une prise, il se trouve des chevaux ou d'autres objets appartenant aux habitants, ils leur sont rendus.

Ces diverses dispositions s'appliquent à tout détachement isolé qui fait une prise.

Extract from the Rules in force in the Prussian Army with reference to  
Booty and its Distribution, obtained through Her Majesty's Ambassador  
at Berlin.

*Of Booty.*

§ 193. The right to make booty in war can only be obtained with the  
consent of the State.

§ 194. Those to whom the State has conceded this right become pos-  
sessed of the articles of booty by the mere act of taking possession of them.