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INDIA OFFICE, March 21, 1859.

THE following Papers have been received by the Secretary of State for India in Council:—

No. 1.

General Orders by the Governor-General of India.

Allahabad, January 4, 1859.

No. 614 of 1859.

THE Right Honourable the Governor-General is pleased to direct the publication of the following Letter from the Commissioner of Patna to the Secretary to the Government of Bengal, No. 2022, dated 29th November 1858, regarding the dispersion of a body of rebels at Sulya, on the night of the 24th of November 1858, by the troops under the command of Brigadier Douglas, C.B.

No. 2.

The Commissioner of Patna to the Secretary to the Government of Bengal.

Patna Division, November 29, 1858.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to forward extract of a Letter from Mr Bingham, Honorary Magistrate of Chynepore, to Mr Money, which gives a more full description of Brigadier Douglas's surprise of the rebels at Sulya, on the night of the 24th, than I have hitherto been able to furnish. Mr Bingham's information seems, throughout this little campaign on the hills, to have been very good; and he had been most indefatigable in his exertions to keep the troops well supplied, and to furnish them with good guides, while he has done much to induce the Chynepore people to afford us a hearty support. He eminently deserves the thanks of Government.

2. Mr G. Drummond, too, I may observe, another Honorary Magistrate, accompanied Colonel Walter's column, as Civil Officer, from Arrah to the Kymore Hills, and has been of the greatest assistance to that officer, from his thorough knowledge of the people and the country. He also well merits some acknowledgment from Government.

I have, &c.,

E. A. SAMUELLS, Commissioner.

No. 3.

Extract of a Letter, dated 25th of November 1858, from Mr Bingham, Honorary Magistrate of Chynepore, to Mr Money.

FROM intelligence which I received about noon yesterday, the Brigadier determined to make a night attack, and attempt a surprise. The rebels, at least 250 in number, yesterday morning plundered Burdehra, and then moved on to Dahar, from thence, after dark, to Sulya, in the same valley, about 12 miles from this place; not a word was said to any one, but at half-past seven a small force was quietly got under arms, and marched off without noise; the intelligence was perfect, although we were afraid the moon, which was bright, would betray us; but we took no baggage, so we were enabled to move quietly. When we reached Dahar it was about 11 P.M., and we found the enemy had left their quarters at Dahar after nightfall, and gone to Sulya, but were still there; so we moved on quietly, till, on the east of the village, on the bank of the Soorah river, we saw their watch-fires in the open, under the shade of large peepul trees. The Brigadier immediately extended part of the force in skirmishing order, and the whole rapidly, but silently, advanced.

