

Three Presidencies, have been actuated by equal Sentiments of public Spirit and Honor, and have co-operated with equal Ardour and Success, in an united Effort to accomplish the just Objects of the Allies. The Governor General in Council confides in the Justice of our Cause, in the unanimous Zeal of the Three Presidencies, and in the continued Co-operation of their respective Resources and Power, that the Views of the confederate Chieftains will be speedily frustrated by the complete Restoration of Peace and Tranquillity to the Provinces of Hindoostan and the Decan, which have been disturbed by the Ambition and Violence of the Enemy.

The Governor-General in Council directs, that Copies of this Order be transmitted to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council at Fort St. George, and to the Honorable the Governor in Council at Bombay, to be published to the Army of those Presidencies respectively.

By Command of His Excellency the most Noble the Governor-General in Council,

(Signed) L. HOOK, Secretary to the Govt. Mil. Dept.

(ENCLOSURE, No. IX.)

*Fort William, November 1, 1802.*

**D**ISPATCHES have been received this Day from the Honorable Major General Wellesley, under Date the 6th of October 1803, containing Intelligence, that, on the 5th of October, Major General Wellesley had received a Letter from the Enemy's Camp, signed by Ballajee Khoonjur, One of the Ministers of Dowlut Row Scindiah, requesting that Major General Wellesley would dispatch a British Officer, together with an Officer of the Subahdar of the Dekan, to the Enemy's Camp, for the Purpose of negotiating Terms of Peace between the Allies, and the confederate Marhattah Chieftains.

Major-General Wellesley had not complied with this Request, but had signified his Disposition to receive at the British Camp, with every Mark of Honor and Respect, any Person duly empowered by the direct Authority of Dowlut Row Scindiah, or of the Rajah of Berar, to propose Terms of Peace to the Allied Powers.

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J. LUMSDEN, Chief Sec. to the Gov.

**GENERAL ORDERS,** by His Excellency the Most Noble the Governor General in Council.

*Fort William, October 30, 1803.*

**T**HE Governor General in Council has this Day received from Major General the Honorable Arthur Wellesley, the Official Report of the signal and splendid Victory obtained by the Troops under the personal Command of that distinguished Officer, on the 23d September, at Assye, in the Dekkan, over the Combined Armies of Dowlut Rao Scindiah and the Rajah of Berar.

At the Close of a Campaign of the most brilliant Success in every Quarter of India, this transcendent Victory demands a Testimony of public Honor, equal to any which the Justice of the British Government in India has ever conferred on the Conduct of our Officers and Troops, in the most distinguished Period of our military History.

The Governor General, in Council, highly approves the skilful Plan formed by Major General Wellesley on the 21st of September, for precluding the Escape of the Enemy, and for reducing their Combined Army to the Necessity of hazarding a general Action.

His Excellency, in Council, also signifies his most cordial Approbation of the Magnanimity, Promptitude, and Judgment with which Major-General Wellesley determined upon the instantaneous Attack of the Enemy on the 23d of September.

During the severe Action which ensued, the Conduct of Major-General Wellesley united a Degree of Ability, of Prudence, and of dauntless Spirit, seldom equalled, and never surpassed.

The Governor-General in Council signifies his warmest Applause of the exemplary Order and Steadiness with which the Troops advanced under a most destructive Fire, against a Body of the Enemy's Infantry, considerably superior in Number, and determined to oppose a vigorous Resistance to our Attack. The numerous Infantry of the Enemy were driven from their powerful Artillery at the Point of the Bayonet, with an Alacrity and Resolution truly worthy of British Soldiers, and the Firmness and Discipline manifested by our brave Infantry, in repelling the great Body of the Enemy's Cavalry, merit the highest Commendation.

The Governor-General in Council has remarked with great Satisfaction the gallant and skilful Conduct of the Cavalry, commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel Maxwell, and particularly of His Majesty's 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons, a Corps distinguished in India by a long and uninterrupted Course of arduous Service and of progressive Honor.

His Excellency in Council directs Major-General Wellesley to signify to all the Officers and Troops employed on this glorious Occasion, and especially to Lieutenant-Colonel Harness and to Lieutenant-Colonel Wallace, who commanded Brigades, and to the Officers of the Staff, the high Sense entertained by the Governor General in Council of their eminent and honorable Services.

The important Benefits resulting from the Triumph of our Arms in the Battle of Assye are not inferior to the Splendor of the Action. The immediate Consequences derived from the Exertions of that Day, have been the complete Defeat of the Combined Army of the confederate Chieftains; an irreparable Blow to the Strength and Efficiency of their military Resources, especially of their Artillery, in the Dekkan; the Expulsion of an hostile and predatory Army from the Territory of our Ally the Subahdar of the Dekkan; and a seasonable and effectual Check to the Ambition, Pride, and Audacity of the Enemy.

The prosperous Result of these Advantages must be accelerated by the auspicious Progress of our Arms in other Provinces of India, and it may reasonably be expected that the decisive Victories gained at Delhi and Assye, on the 11th and 23d of September, will speedily compel the Enemy to restore Peace to Hindoostan and to the Dekkan.

The Achievements of our Commanders, Officers, and Troops, during this Campaign, and especially in the signal Victories of Delhi and of Assye, must inspire a general Sentiment of just Confidence in the Vigour of our Military Resources, and in the Stability of our Dominions and Power. Our uniform