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The Commissioners of Circuit

Patna Division

Gya, the 4th Feby 1859

Sir

In continuation of my letter No 35 of 28th Ultimo, I have the honor to report that on the 1st Instant at 11 A.M. I received a report from the Darogah of Luttchpore stating that a party of rebels had appeared at Lodwah near Luttchpore on the night of the 31st January.

about 30, and proceeded towards Luttchpore but on the road received information that the rebels had proceeded North with the intention of crossing the Rajgeer hills, I turned in that direction and reached Kirjour at the foot of the hills at sunset.

3 I then learned from the zemindars of Saunter who had been directed to watch the Ghauts that the rebels had crossed the hills that afternoon.

The zemindar had fired on them and the rebels had returned the fire

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Killing one of the zemindar's men. Two of the rebel party were taken prisoners and had been sent to Newadah before I arrived. The uniform of one was shown to me, it bore the button of the Sikh infantry.

4th The only Ghat practicable for horses being impracticable at night, I was forced to wait until day light, next morning when I proceeded over the hills in pursuit. The passage of the Ghats caused some delay which was increased by the difficulty of ascertaining the route taken by the rebels during the night. I followed on their track with all the expedition in my power and reached Lukhnamur 6 miles South East of Sehanabad by the evening. From thence the rebels had been seen to go west but by what route or with what object I could not ascertain. I halted for the night and at day break rode on across the Patna road through Faeerjiv to Mohulipoor on the bank of the Soane when it became evident that the rebels had crossed during the night, at some place between Mohulipore and Arival.

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On their passing by Meerpur the Darogah of Behanabad had followed them, and exchanged shots but lost sight of them in the dark.

5th. As the Sowars horses were nearly all unable to proceed further, and as I could not ascertain the exact line taken by the fugitives, I discontinued the pursuit having already followed it up beyond the confines of my district. I ascertained that the force at Suhai had proceeded after the rebels, and I wrote to the Magistrate at Arrah

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6th. Leaving the Sowars at Mohallapore I returned towards Gya, and on reaching Meerpur at 8 P.M. I learnt that a second party of Sepoys following somewhat the same track as the first had arrived that morning at a place 8 miles South of Meerpur with the evident object of crossing the Ganges South of Arrah. It was too late to attempt to stop them in this design, and I proceeded in my journey reaching Gya at noon today. (4th)

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7th I regret that my efforts to over-
-take the rebels should not have met
with better success. I traversed not
less than 90 miles in the 48 hours but
the Sepoys marched day and night
and as they avoided the villages which
lay in their route it was a work of
some difficulty to trace them especi-
ally through the country which they
passed over in the dark.

8th I believe that these two par-
ties are composed of the same Sepoys
who had endeavoured to pass through
the Morghyr District as related
in my letter above mentioned, finding
themselves turned in that direction they
seem to have determined on attempt-
ing by forced marches to reach the
District of Shahabad with the
view either of returning to their
homes or getting across the Ganges.

I have the honor to be Sir,

Yr. Obedt. Servant

Wm. Grey
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FROM A. R. YOUNG, Esq.,

Secretary to the Government of Bengal,

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF THE PATNA DIVISION.

Judicial.

Fort William, the 21st February 1859.

SIR,

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 339, dated the 14th instant, forwarding one from the Magistrate of Gya, in which he gives an account of his pursuit of a party of rebels, who had appeared at Lodwah near the Futtehpore Thannah of his district.

Though Mr. Grey's exertions were not crowned with success, his energy and perseverance entitle him to the thanks and commendation of the Lieutenant-Governor.

The original enclosure of your letter is herewith returned as requested.

I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

A. R. YOUNG,

Secretary to the Government of Bengal.

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From E. A. SAMUELLS, Esq., Commissioner of the Patna Division, to the Secretary to the Government of Bengal,—(No. 339, dated the 14th February 1859.)

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to forward the accompanying letter from Mr. E. Grey, Magistrate of Gya, No. 44, of the 4th instant, giving an account of his pursuit of the rebels who lately crossed into the Shahabad District. Mr. Grey is an active, energetic Officer and deserves much credit for the exertions which he made to overtake the fugitives.

There appears still to be a small party of rebels near Sirdillah, in the Futtehpore Thannah of Gya, but they confine themselves to the hills and jungle, and their great object is concealment. They will doubtless disperse the moment they find a good opportunity. Mr. Campbell of Nowadah had gone after them.

P. S. The return of the enclosure is requested.

From E. GREY, Esq., Officiating Magistrate, to the Commissioner of the Patna Division,—
(No. 44, dated the 4th February 1859.)

SIR,

IN continuation of my letter No. 35, of 28th ultimo, I have the honor to report that on the 1st instant at 11 A. M. I received a report from the Darogah of Futtehpore, stating that a party of rebels had appeared at Lodwah, near Futtehpore, on the night of the 31st January.

2. At 1 P. M. I started with all the available Sowars here, amounting to about 30 and proceeded towards Futtehpore, but on the road received information that the rebels had proceeded North, with the intention of crossing the Rajgeer hills. I turned in that direction and reached Kinjour at the foot of the hills at sunset.

3. I there learned from the Zemindar of Sounter who had been directed to watch the Ghats, that the rebels had crossed the hills that afternoon.

The Zemindars had fired on them, and the rebels had returned the fire, killing one of the Zemindar's men. Two of the rebel party were taken prisoners and had been sent to Nowadah before I arrived. The uniform of one was shown to me, it bore the button of the Seikh Infantry.

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5. As the Sowars horses were nearly all unable to proceed further, and as I could not ascertain the exact line taken by the fugitives, I discontinued the pursuit, having already followed it up beyond the confines of my district. I ascertained that the force at Suhai had proceeded after the rebels, and I wrote to the Magistrate at Arrah, informing him of the latter having crossed the Soane.

6. Leaving the Sowars at Mohublipore, I returned towards Gya, and on reaching Kinjour at 8 P. M. I learnt that a second party of sepoys, following somewhat the same track as the first, had arrived that morning at a place 8 miles South of Kinjour, with the evident object of crossing the Soane South of Urwal. It was too late to attempt to stop them in this design, and I proceeded in my journey reaching Gya at noon to-day (4th).

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8. I believe that these two parties are composed of the same sepoys who had endeavoured to pass through the Monghyr District, as related in my letter above-mentioned. Finding themselves turned in that direction they seem to have determined on attempting by forced marches to reach the District of Shahabad, with the view either of returning to their homes or getting across the Ganges.