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DISPATCHES have been received at the East India-House from the Governor in Council at Bombay, respectively dated the 6th, 20th, and 31st of March, and 24th April 1819, of which dispatches, and of their inclosures, the following are extracts and copies:

Extract from a Dispatch from the Governor in Council at Bombay to the Secret Committee, dated March 6, 1819.

WE have the honour to acquaint your Honourable Committee, that the military operations, under Major-General Sir William Grant Keir, in Sawuntwarree, have been marked with such a degree of promptitude, energy, and vigour, on the part of the Major-General, and the Officers and men employed under his command, as to merit the highest commendation; and we have much satisfaction in transmitting, for the information of your Honourable Committee, the copy of a dispatch from the Major-General to the Adjutant-General of the Army, reporting the details of the capture, by assault, of the outworks of Rairee, on the 13th of last month, the effect of which was attended by the surrender of that fortress on the following morning, the greater part of the garrison having evacuated it during the night.

The short, but brilliant, operations of the force employed under Sir William Grant Keir, occupied only a period of seventeen days from the time our troops passed the frontier, until the conclusion of the treaty.

GENERAL ORDER by the Government of Bombay, dated 28th February 1819.

THE Right Honourable the Governor in Council has much satisfaction in publishing to the army the following dispatch from Major-General Sir William Grant Keir, K.M.T. reporting the capture by assault of the strong fortress of Rairee, belonging to the State of Sawunt-warree, against which the British Government had been imperiously called upon, after all negociation had failed, to equip a force and obtain reparation for injuries committed on the inhabitants of the British territories, in violation of the treaty existing between the two States.

The Governor in Council cannot contemplate, without feelings of the greatest admiration, the activity, judgment, and zeal displayed by the Major-General and the troops under his command in the prompt execution of the service in which they were engaged.

The British force, consisting of the troops specified in the margin*, passed the frontier of the Sawunt-warree territories on the 1st of February, and proceeded to invest the fort of Newtee, the garrison of which surrendered to the Major-General on the 4th. This success was immediately followed up, and the capture of Rairee effected in the gallant manner detailed in the Major-General's dispatch.

The speedy reduction of this fort must be mainly attributed to the able and judicious arrangements

* Wing of H. M. 89th regiment, three troops of Madras N.C., part of the 2d batt. 2d regiment N.I., 2d 6th do. do., 2d 9th do. do., with a proportion of artillery and pioneers.