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THE Secret Committee of the East India Company have received from the Governor General of India the several papers, of which the following is a copy :

Government Notification.

Camp, Umritsir, March 16, 1846.

THE Right Honourable the Governor-General of India has been pleased to direct the publication, for general information, of the subjoined extracts from the proceedings of the Government of India, relative to the re-establishment of amicable relations between the British Government and the State of Lahore, and the recognition of the independence of Maharajah Goolab Singh.

Note of Conference between F. Currie, Esq. and Major H. M. Lawrence, on the one part, and the Minister and Chiefs of the Lahore Durbar on the other, March 8, 1846.

THE Minister and Chiefs having assembled at the tent of the Governor-General's Agent, for the purpose of signing the Treaty, the conditions of which had been previously discussed and determined, produced, on the part of the Maharajah, a letter addressed to Major Lawrence, the Governor-General's Agent, of which the following is a translation :

"The feelings of consideration, kindness, and generosity, which have been evinced towards the Lahore State by the Right Honourable the Go-

vernor-General, and His Excellency's respect for the former friendship of the British Government with the late Maharajah Runjeet Singh, have been communicated to me through Mr. Secretary Currie and yourself, and have caused me to feel most grateful.

"Certain important matters will now be represented to you by the following confidential personages:—Bhaee Ram Singh, Rajah Lal Singh, Sirdar Tej Singh, Dewan Deenanath, Fukeer Noor-ood-deen; and you, who are the guardian of the perpetual friendship of the two Governments, will represent these matters to the Governor-General, and will, doubtless, use your endeavours to procure a favourable decision regarding them.

"The Lahore Government, it is known, is endeavouring to arrange its affairs; and it is necessary that effectual measures should be taken to prevent the recurrence of any disturbances. With this view it is very desirable that some British regiments, with artillery and officers, should be directed to remain at Lahore for a few months, for the protection of the State. After affairs have been satisfactorily settled, and the period which may be fixed upon expired, the British troops will then return."

To the above paper the following reply was made verbally, and was, at the request of the Minister and Chiefs, written down and given to them :

"The letter from the Maharajah to Major Lawrence, expressing gratitude to the Governor-Ge-