

We might do with one such vessel for only eight trips in the year, as, in the event of any accident, her place might be temporarily supplied for a trip or two by one of the other vessels.

I append also (enclosure No 3) a tabular statement of the distance which aggregated 1295 nautical miles, or knots, and allowing an average of six knots, which, though a low standard is probably as much as a vessel like the "Sindian" would perform with stoppages and occasional bad weather, the voyage would occupy nine days, and allowing twelve hours at each of the intermediate ports, she would take ten and half days from Kurrachee to Buziosah. This, with the return voyage, would occupy twenty one days of each month leaving little margin at either end for coaling and refit, of course this might be shortened considerably by

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by having a more powerful keel and
diminishing the length of the stoppage.

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I have the honor to be

Office of Commr. in Chief
Bombay 7th April 1859.

Signed G. G. Wellesley
Commander in Chief
Indian Navy.

Distribution

Office N^o. 78 of 1856.

From, Commander F. Jones J. N.

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To, Acting Resident, Persian Gulf
Commodore R. Ethersey J. N.
Commanding Indian Naval
Squadron in the Persian Gulf
Bushire Roads.

Residency in the Persian Gulf
Bushire 23^d February 1856.

Local Bushire

Sir,

I received late last evening your

Acknowledges
letter.

Official letter N^o. 42 of 1856 and enclosures,
on the subject of the insult reported as
offered to Acting Lieut. Hurlock of the
Ajdaha by a Persian soldier.

2. Acting Lieutenant Hurlock
about noon on the previous day laid the
complaint in person before me and I
lost no time in submitting it to the Governor

and Darya Beg had however I learned, that the Persian officers
pursued, prior to arrival of on duty at the Custom House had reported
the circumstance to that Functionary,
in respect to the insult who promptly had the culprit seized and
conveyed to the guard of his Regiment
Lieut. Hurlock.

recently arrived and now encamped
outside the Town.

3. The enclosed correspondence will
show you what further steps were taken

or

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on the accused acknowledging his offence through pleading accident and not malevolence as the cause. My own opinion founded upon evidence made by Dr. Thorp, who was present in the Boat is that personal insult was not intended to acting Lieutenant Hurlock as stated in his letter a handful of broken line thrown over the heads of the bystanders having struck the Boats sail only as the Boat was about showing off from the Bunder. It is hard therefore to say positively whether the offence of pelting the Boat was really designed or was the result of an idle carelessness more or less exhibited by such people. On acting Lieutenant Hurlock's report I incline to the former belief, and as you will observe have expressed my dissatisfaction at the plea put forward in extenuation. —

President's
view of the
case.

4. The Governor I believe has done his best in this affair and viewing the terms of his written reply - those of my rejoinders and the disposition evinced by all authorities in the Country not to complicate matters at the present time, I am in hopes there will be no future cause for Complaint on this head. —

Hopes there
will be no future
cause for Complaint
on the matter.

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I have the honor to be
Signed J. Jones

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From Acting President
Commander F. Jones, Esq.
Acting President, Persian Gulf

Translation

To Meerza Hassan Ally Khan
Duraya Beggee Governor of Bushair
Dated 14th Jumadee oosween
21 February

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Today when some of the officers of
the Squadron had got into their Boats at the
Bunder, preparatory to returning to their
Vessel, a Sirbaz suddenly and without the slightest
provocation being offered him, cast a stone at
one of the Gentlemen which led to his coming
back to the Presidency expressly to report
the Circumstance for my information. As I
feel sure that neither yourself nor the Sirbaz
or Sirbaz will ever countenance such disorderly
proceedings on the part of the Sirbaz and the
Officers of the Squadron from the fact of their
being strangers in this Country, and in
accordance with the prescribed usage entitled
to be respectfully and civilly treated, I have
to request that you will cause such severe
punishment to be inflicted on the Offender as
you know to be befitting for so insulting a
proceeding.

proceeding, and to be in accordance with the
Military Regulations. I beg you will also
adopt the necessary measures to prevent a
recurrence of similar offences.

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True Translated Purport.
Signed of H. F. Dishbrowe.

Assistant Resident.

Translation

From Dureya Begjee Gawnon of Bushire
To Commander Felix Jones. I. N.

Acting Resident, Persian Gulf

Dated ¹⁴ Sumaddeers Samee
21. February

I have received your letter and
understood its contents.

You write me word that a Soldier
of the new Regiment of Sirbar had behaved
disrespectfully to some of the Officers of the Squadron
in that he threw a stone at them while seated
in their Boat, which led to their complaining
to you at the Presidency.

Prior to the receipt of your
missive, the circumstances had been reported
to me, and I deputed a person immediately
to the Sirbar, to demand the offender that the
affair might be investigated. The Sirbar was
produced, and when questioned, said "Yes I

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threw stones at them

Office No 4407

No 165 of 1858

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From

J. L. Anderson Esquire,

Secretary to Government,

Bombay.

To

The Under Secretary to Government of India

Political Department

For (Administrative)

Political Department

Dated 18th October 1858

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. 165/3615, dated the 28th August last, and with reference to the 7th para of Captain Kemball's report, No. 2A, dated the 6th June, therein enclosed, I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit to you for submission to the Honorable the President of the Council

* Letters from the President in the Persian Gulf No. 54, 57 and 60 dated the 13th July and 1st and 18th August 1858.

of India; copies of the correspondence noted in the margin, relative to the

proceedings of the President consequent upon a Piracy by some of the Abrothabes tribes on a boat belonging to one Abdul Kurreem an inhabitant of Bahrein.

and

The proceedings of the Resident

throughout the investigation and his determination to hold the defacto Ruler of Abotabad responsible for this act of piracy, have been approved by Government.

Bombay, 18th October 1858. I have the honor to be,

(Sir)

Your most obedient servant,

J. H. Morrison

Secretary to Government

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