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2. These results
 regarded with much
 satisfaction by the
 Honorable the Governor
 General of India in
 Council, and who, I
 am directed to add,
 entirely concurs with
 the Right Honorable
 the Governor in Council
 in thinking that the Acting
 Resident and Captain
 Phipps are entitled
 to much praise for
 the vigor and dis-
 cretion with which
 they acted on the
 occasion.

[Faint handwritten notes and signatures]

I have &c

W. H. Phipps
 Secy Govt Genl

W. M. Williams

10 August 1835

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Sr,

J. P. Willoughby Esq.
Secy. to Government
Bombay

Recd. Sept

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch under date 2nd Instant respecting an Application for advice from the Swam of Mumbar under the Shah's Edict to him by the Pasha of Egypt.

The Govt. fully concurs with the Honble the Govt in Council as to the expediency of recommending H. H. the Swam to make every resistance to the demand of the Pasha and it was no doubt prudent & right on the Honble the Govt in Council of Bombay no requisitions for assistance having been made by the Swam to obtain from eu-

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couraging the hope of the direct
interference of the British Go-
vernment. Yet the Gov. Genl. cannot
forget that the Imam of Muscat
is one of the oldest, as he has ever been,
one of the most faithful of our
Eastern Allies, and each succeeding
mail from England seems to mark
more strongly than its predecessor
the wish of Her Majesty's Government
that the encroachments of the Pasha
of Egypt on the shores of the Persian
Gulf should be resisted. In any
further communication therefore
upon this subject with the Imam,
it may be well perhaps to ascertain
what Naval support, or what aid,
in Guns, Stores, and munitions,
or even in money, or by the presence
of one or two Military Officers, he
might under any circumstances
require. It is clear that the ex-
isting position of Affairs does not
admit, the detachment of any
further

further force from the Bombay
army, nor would policy, under this
course advisable, were it even possible
at the present moment, and desired
by His Highness.

To
The 18th July
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I have rec^d
P. H. Thomas
Dy. Secy to Gov. of Madras
With the Gov. General

From
Dy. Secy to Gov. of Madras
With the Gov. General

Compd. P. H.

18th Dec 1841

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From,

Captain S. Hemmell

Resident in the Persian Gulf

To,

Colonel J. Shier

Her Majesty's Charge & Office

at the Court of India

Tehran

Dated Bushire 27th March

1841

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you, that a short time back, I received through Major Haecob, an application from one of the Inhabitants of Bushire named Beledan, requesting that either some Compensation might be offered him, for the small piece of land used as a Burying ground, during the period our Troops occupied that Island, or also, that he might be allowed to resume possession of it. I accordingly directed the Major to

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for the sum of (5) Five Tomans
upon condition of his furnishing a de-
claration renouncing all further claims
to the ground in question.

I have just received
reply from Hajji Yacoub to my
communication informing me that
the owner of the ground has agreed
to the terms proposed, but that the
balks of the bazaar composing the
ground had interdicted the sale,
and that the approval of the Yawin
was given.

As it is very likely
that the usual formalities regard-
ing this affair will be made, it
has been considered it expedient
to acquaint you with the real cir-
cumstances, and you may perhaps
think it desirable to procure an order
from the Persian Ministers, that
the last vesting place of so many
of our demands countrymen may

not

not be molested or discredited.

I am enclosing a copy of Webster's letter to my address, for your information.

Residing in the Persian Gulf A
March 1844.

I have the honor to be Sir
Signed S. Merrill
Resident in the Persian Gulf

(True Copy)
Signed A. B. Kimball
Agent Resident Persian Gulf

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No 62 of 1844

Secret Department

A. P. Willoughby Esq
Secretary to the Government
Bombay

Sir,

Enclosed please the honor to forward for the information of the Honble the Governor in Council, the accompanying copy of a report dated the 7th instant from South India, the Officer commanding the Middle Company Schooner Akaki, on the Arabian Coast, regarding a Fort erected by Shark Nasir on the flanks of the Fort Malabar close to the highwater.

The project selected was the Akaki, and considered a line of the shore very convenient for landing, but as a small vessel drawing under ten feet water could be laid within half a mile of the shore, it could soon, if necessary, be made untenable. Should Shark Nasir, as Mr Bird surmises, take up his residence within the new Fort, I have no doubt, Sir
Principal

principal object is to have the sea open
to him, in case of his being at any time
under the necessity of making his escape,
of threatened with arrest by the Shiraz
Government, or in danger from a rising
among his own dependants.

I have also been informed,
that Shah Nava has erected a breast
work about five feet high, and two feet
thick, along the face of the sea wall,
covering the whole front of the Presidency,
thus completely surrounding the landing
place, and cutting off the communication
between that building with the sea. It
is constructed of metal and
is so constructed as to be
in the way, and as they would have been
prevented from being able to communicate
with the ships of war in the
port. About that many future negotiations
for the establishment of the Presidency
at Basrah, this important point may
not be overlooked.

I have the honor to be
Yours truly,
John A. Russell
Resident in the Gulf

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Secret Department.

To J. P. Willoughby Esquire

H. H. W.

Sir,

Enclosed, I have the honor to forward for the information of the Board the Governor in Council, the accompanying extracts of private letters from Mr. Pisch dated the 10 April and 11 May last, by which it will be perceived, that on the 31 March the Fortress of Gherian was evacuated by the Persian Troops and given up to the Great Government.

2. Mr. Pisch having completed this portion of his Mission, returned to Gherian on the 5th Ultimo, and expected to leave in a few days for England, it does not however seem that he found a matter by any means in a satisfactory position.

position at the Persian Court, as the Shah,
 had accepted the offer of allegiance proffered
 by Kamran, through the mission of Pacha
 Mahmud Khan, and had transferred the
 Government of Herat upon the former, an
 arrangement which I would imagine is not
 likely to admit the Political views of the
 British Government in that quarter. It
 is indeed true that the hostile feelings entertained
 by Sayyid Mirza Asghar the Prime Minister
 towards England are again exhibiting a
 tendency, and I cannot avoid inclining
 to the opinion that the prospect of a
 satisfactory and favorable arrangement
 of our relations with Persia is almost
 as distant as before.

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I have the honor to be

Yours faithfully

Richard P. Griffith

Extract

Extract of a private letter from Mr. Pouch to Captain Stennell dated Meshed 10 April 1841

On the 31 March the Persian garrison evacuated Ghoran and the place was given up to the Great Governor and much to Yus Mahomed Khan's regret, for he did not like that no public certificate should be given of the good understanding between England and Persia at this time.

Extract of a private letter from Mr. Pouch to Captain Stennell dated Meshed 10 May 1841

I arrived here on the 6 and expect to leave in a few days. I wrote to you from Meshed that Ghoran had been restored to the Great Governor and on my arrival here I find that other matters between Shiraz, Meshed & Tehran is likely to complicate matters again. Kama Shah's

Shah and Jan Nicholas Khan's letter
 declaring Herat to belong to Persia have
 been received by the Shah. The Emperor
 has accepted Herat and reconfirmed it on
 Kamran's behalf. What is to come out of
 this new state of affairs who can tell?
 The Emperor's unfeeling feelings towards
 England have been strongly renounced, but
 whether they will produce action contrary
 to our views I cannot yet conjecture. I am
 to take to Lord Palmerston the Emperor's reply
 letter which I brought here on February. I do
 not feel quite sure that friendship will be
 preserved if information were to be received
 here of our affairs going wrong in Afghanistan.
 The Shah and Emperor now consider Herat to
 be a neutral territory and I know not what they will say or do as
 far as I can see all is uncertainty here.
 I wish the people here may soon learn that

* Muzja apasy the
 Bonus Minister

we have taken great a knowledge of
the fact might perhaps bring them to
their senses, at the moment the Rajas
(though much calmer than when I
arrived) is still not to be depended on -
I have more confidence in the Shah but
he will do what the Rajas desire to
be right.

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Yours Extracts
Henry P. Kennell
President P^m Gulf

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In 1661

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Immediate

Secret

Foreign Office

September 24. 1856.

Sir,

I am directed by the Earl of Clarendon to request that you will acquaint the President of the Board of Control that it is the wish of Her Majesty's Govt. that orders for the dispatch of the Expedition prepared for operations in the Persian Gulf should be sent to India by the next Mail.

I am &c

/Signed/ E. Hammond.

Sir George Clerk K.C. B.

Copied, & Remanded,
A. & M. O'Keefe

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Im 1661.

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Secret
and
Confidential.

To Her Majesty's Consul

at Tabreez,

Sir,

I have to acquaint you that orders will be sent to India by the Mail of the 26. Instant, to despatch, without further delay, to the Persian Gulf, and with a view to the operations against the Persian Territory, a Military Expedition, for which preparations have been some time in progress. Her Majesty's Government consider therefore that the time is arrived for the withdrawal from Persia of Her Majesty's Consular Agents and you will accordingly, as soon as possible after the receipt of this despatch, set out for Bagdad, taking with you the Public Archives and breaking up altogether on your departure Her Majesty's Consulate.

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Archiver