of the sea, to the west between Kishm island stretched the un- of Clarence Straits. Kishm the eastern point of the island azo, to the south the serrated lay, and across the entrance to nder Abbas, at a slight distance t mountain scarp which rose rough which the caravan track interior.

British Indian Traders.

Bunder Abbas the Viceroy re- of the British Indian traders a deputation consisting of over ted upon His Excellency on e and presented him with an e. They were introduced by ray, Vice-Consul at Bunder nt to the Political Resident. upon in the address will be Excellency's reply, which was

Viceroy's Reply.

anking you for your address lonsure at meeting here a com- ndian subjects of His Majesty enjoying the hospitality of a land and engaged in a trade oficial to this country and to lad that Persia returns the ing a large number of her own t subjects to trade in the ports those relations are merely the rn times of a connection be- a that has lasted for centuries, t merely upon geographical original affinities of civilisation, Bunder Abbas, both under its der its former title of Com- ntimately bound up with the ercantile enterprise in Persia f, and I suppose that there is e world that has witnessed ommercial supremacy or has startling vicissitudes of poli- the waters and islands that very spot. Should anyone iceroy of India, while in the ties of his office should visit er may be found in the facts dy mentioned, namely, in the rical connection which has locality and India for hun- the residence here of a flourish- h Indian traders and trade. goes much further than that, in its general application, for outh of a sea which has been nd most beneficent areas of the continent of Asia. The hway of the Persian Gulf has ect those nations who hold or ports of India, and having Indian enterprise in which distanced all other competitors, the British to pursue their in this direction, and thus an ascendancy of trade and sian Gulf which has never esent day, and which has been in its operation that it has d security to the States and

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I came to India to safeguard the interests of British Indian trade in this place, and I am glad to learn from you that his arrival has been followed by an extension in certain aspects of your business, and that you have already derived benefit from his labours. It is to be remembered that Bunder Abbas, though it has been shorn of much of its ancient fame, is the starting point from which almost immemorial caravan routes penetrate far into the interior, carrying what are for the most part British and Indian goods to the great towns of Central Persia on the North and West and to the bazars of Khorasan, Afghanistan and Central Asia on the North-east and East. This is a very important outpost, therefore, of Indian trade. Again, let it be remembered that India is no remote country which is here busying itself at a great distance from its base. On the contrary we are the nearest neighbours of Persia along her entire Eastern frontier: firstly, in the territories of Baluchistan and next in those of the Afghan Ruler, whose foreign relations are in our hands; Countries and Powers which are thus placed in relation to each other can hardly fail to develope, and ought to encourage the closest connections; and the more that those who are responsible for their administration see of each other and learn of each other's views and needs, the better must it be for both. I think that I have said enough, therefore, to show that, if it is a novel thing, it is yet no unnatural thing that the Viceroy of India should come here to pay you a visit and to see how Indian interests and Indian subjects are faring in this allied and adjacent country. Perhaps in my own case the justification is not weakened by the fact that I have for many years taken a deep interest in Persia and have always entertained the warmest desire that the ancient friendship between the British Government and the illustrious sovereign of this country should be strengthened and deepened as time goes on. Gentlemen, I concur with you in thinking that it would be a great advantage to you to be connected be telegraph with the outer world, and nothing would give me greater pleasure than to be instrumental, with the good offices of the Persian Government, in bringing about such a consummation. In conclusion let me offer you my best wishes for your continued and increasing prosperity in the future.

INDIAN TELEGRAMS.

[FROM OUR CONTEMPORARIES, ETC.]

WEATHER SUMMARY.

Simla, Nov. 24.

Pressure has been steady or has fallen slightly everywhere and is nearly normal except on the Coromandel coast, where it is in slight to moderate excess, and in Baluchistan where it is in considerable excess. Trincomalee reports one inch of rain. Humidity and cloud have increased in South India. Temperature has continued below normal in the Peninsula and was in excess in North-west India and Burma during the past day. It has risen in Baluchistan and further Kashmir. The lowest temperature recorded last night in the Plains was 43½° at

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NOTES.

TURKISH CONSUL KILLED AT SINGAPORE.—A Singapore wire of the 10th to the *Straits Echo* says:—The Hon. Ahmed Attaoullah Bey, Consul-General for Turkey, was killed in a carriage accident when leaving the Governor's King's Birthday Ball at 1 o'clock this morning. His hired pony-gharry bolted down Government Hill, and the Consul thereupon jumped out of his carriage and fell with great force on the road, fracturing his skull and breaking his neck. He died in a few minutes. The syce not knowing that his master had jumped out and thinking he was still in the carriage drove to his residence and then found, to his great surprise, that the Consul was missing. He then reported at the police station. Meanwhile the Consul was found lying by the roadside and apparently nearly dead. Dr. McDowell from the Ball was called, but it was of no avail, for he died before he could be removed to hospital.

THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF INDIA, LD.—The *Times of India* says:—The proposal made by the Directors of the Commercial Bank of India, Ld., to reduce the capital, in order to make provision for the anticipated shortage of assets, as required by the Bank's auditors, in their last report, has up to date been supported by a very large majority of shareholders, and there is little doubt that the proposal which is to be brought forward at an extraordinary general meeting, to be held on the 1st proximo, will be duly carried. We are further informed that a suitable offer has just been made, and accepted, for the Kunnady Zemindary. This sale will release a large amount of the Bank's locked up capital, which has hitherto crippled, in so serious a manner, its resources.

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