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**‘Instructions solicited whether Assistant Surgeon Ross is to be continued in his appointment at this Agency, subsequent to his obtaining promotion to the rank of “Full Surgeon”.’**

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**About this record**

This item consists primarily of copies of correspondence cited in, or enclosed with, political letters from the Government of Bombay. The correspondents are the Government of Bombay and Lieutenant Colonel Robert Taylor, Political Agent in Turkish Arabia.

The item concerns a request by Taylor to retain the services of Andrew Ross, the Assistant Surgeon at the Residency, even after he has been promoted to Full Surgeon. He would normally be required to vacate his position on his promotion.

The item contains a contents page, and the title page of the item contains the following references: ‘Collection No. 12, Draft 431, P.C. [Previous Communication] 3075, [Season] 1841’ and ‘Examiner’s Office’.

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Collection No. 12

Bombay;  
Political Department.

Letter from, dated 30<sup>th</sup> November 1840.

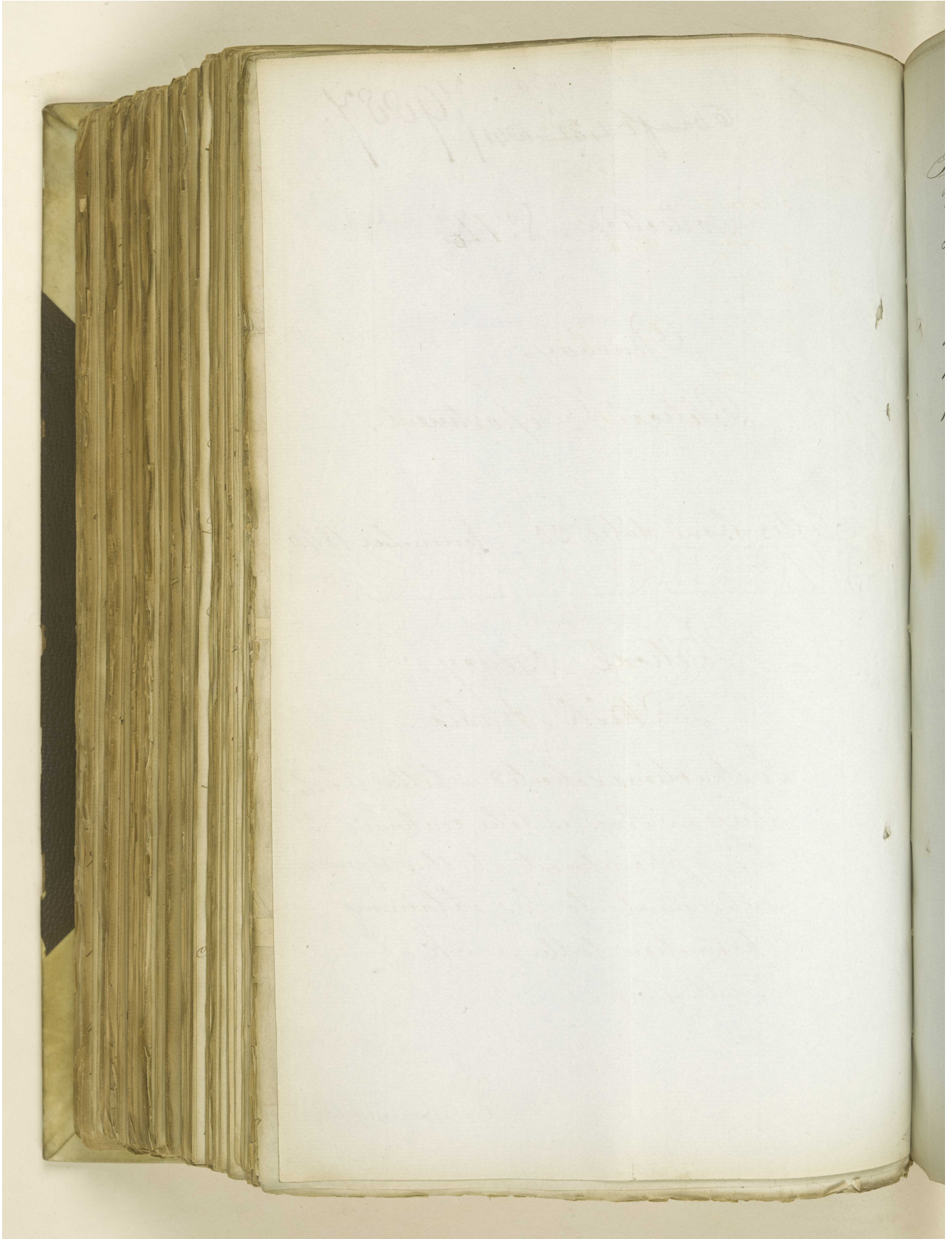
Political Agency.  
Turkish Arabia.

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"Full Surgeon". -

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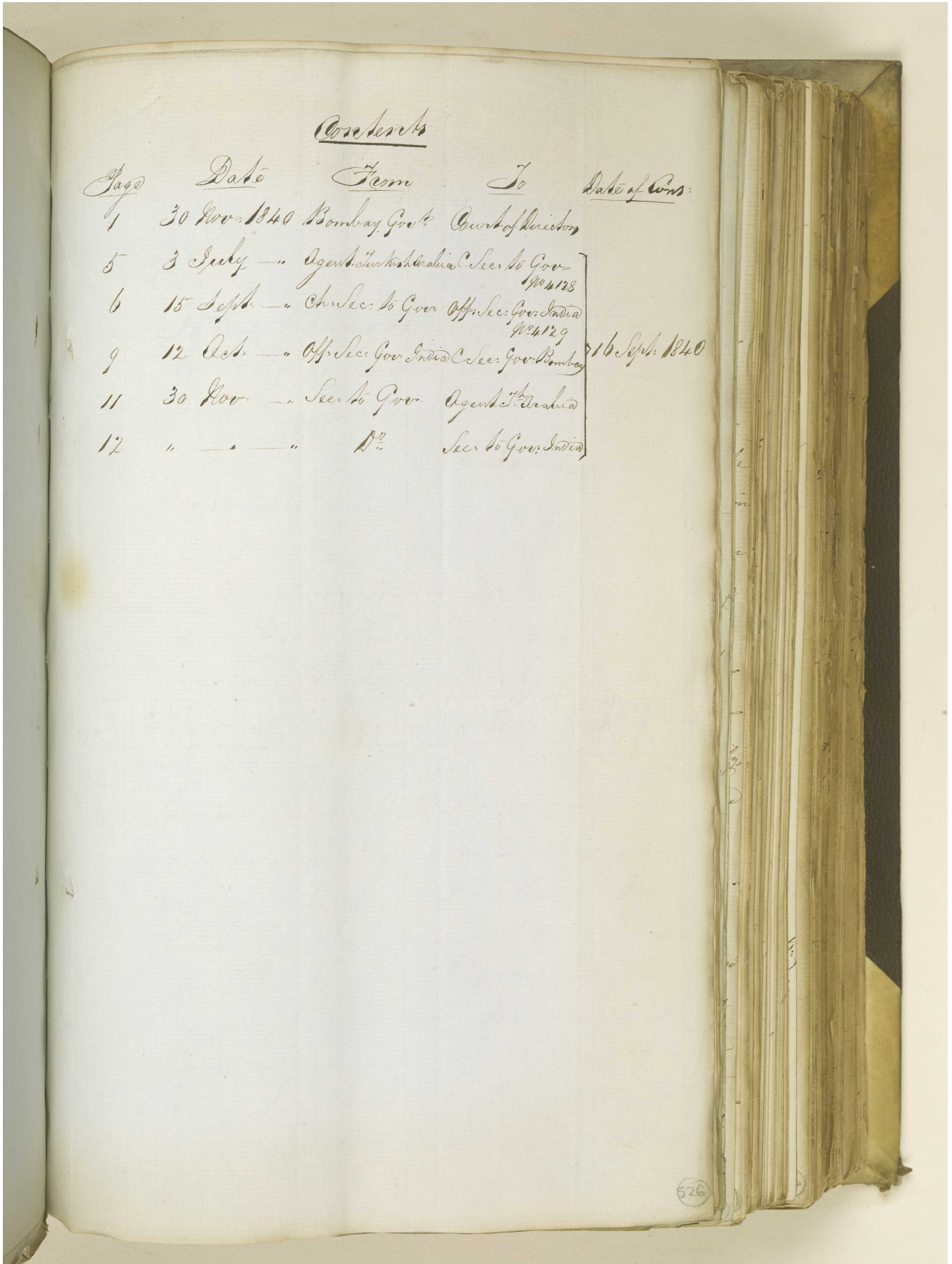


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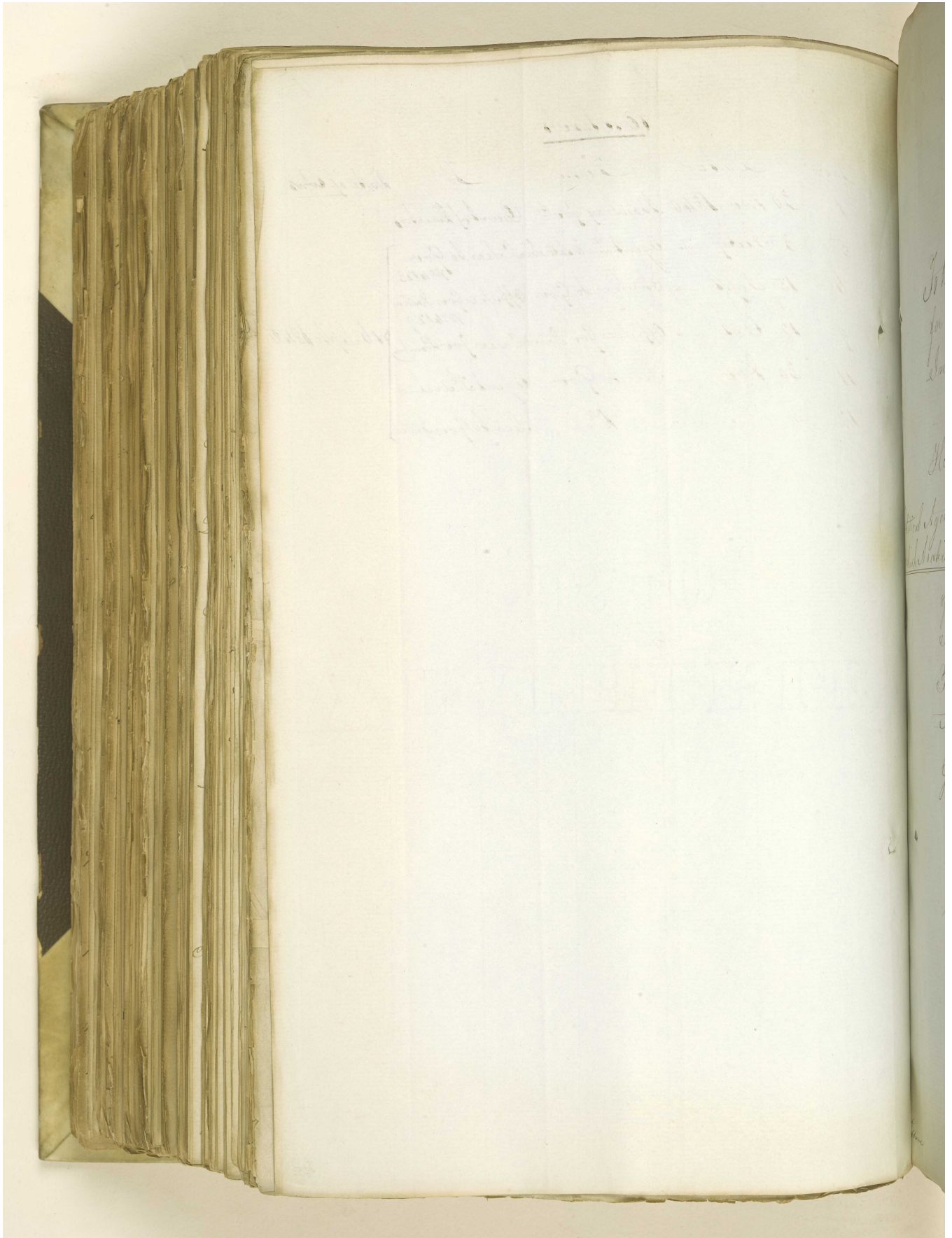


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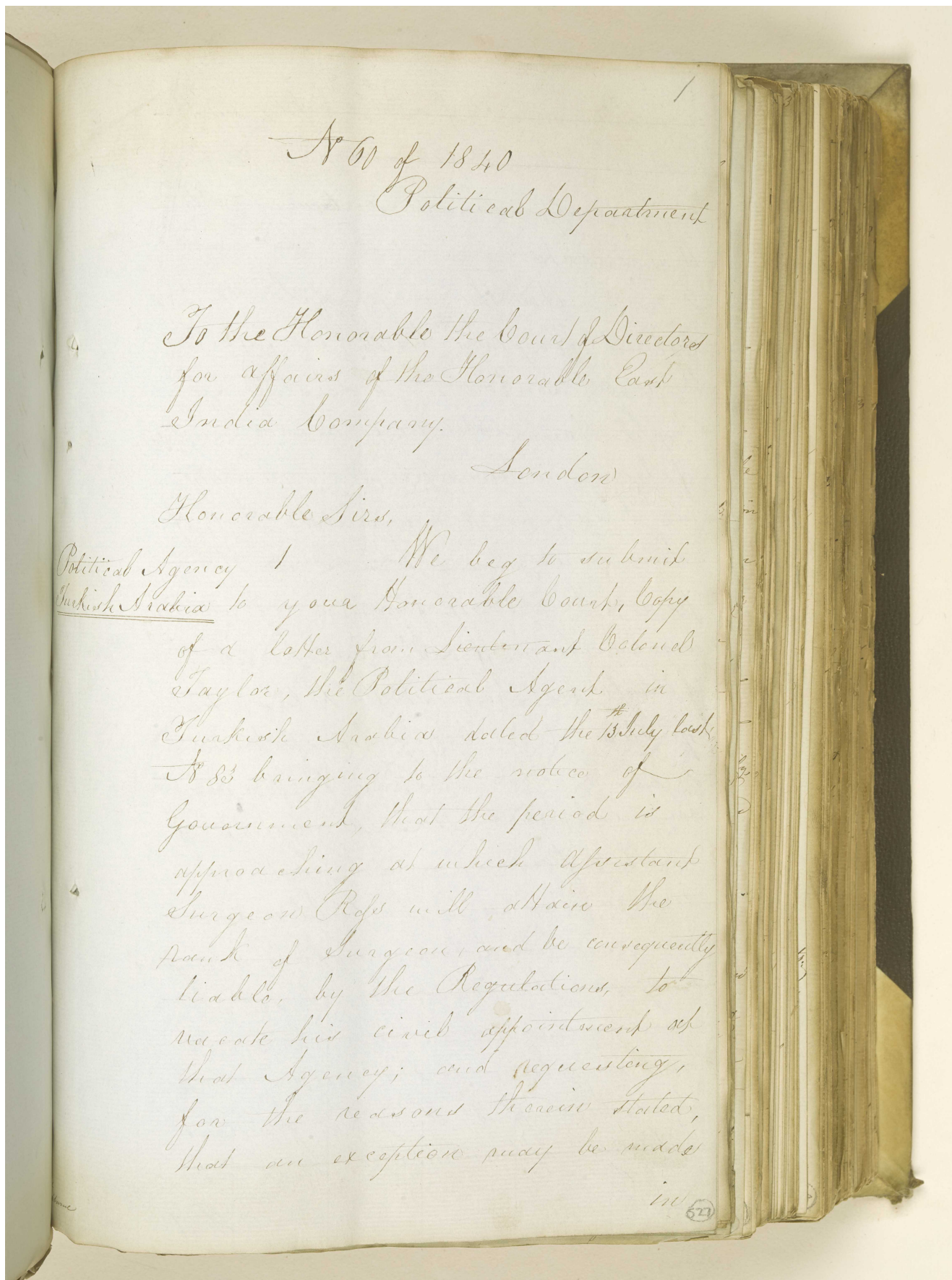


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in the case of Mr. Ross; and that Gentlemen permitted to continue in his appointment subsequent to that event

2 On the receipt of Lieutenant Colonel Taylor's letter, we referred the question for the orders of the Right Honourable the Governor General of India in Council, and, in reply, we have been informed that, if this Government have it in its power to obtain further information, corroboration of Mr. Ross' peculiar fitness for the post he holds, his qualification being found to be of such a character, as that his removal, and the appointment of another person, would induce inconveniences to the public service, a recommendation might be addressed to your Honourable Council, stating you to sanction, in his case, an exception to the rule, which prohibits full Surgeons from holding appointments, such as  
that



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that attached to the Agency<sup>3</sup>  
in Turkish Arabia.

3. We do not possess, nor  
have we the means of obtaining,  
any further information, in  
regard to Mr Ross, than that  
mentioned in Lieutenant Colonel  
Taylor's letter above-mentioned,  
and we therefore beg to refer  
the question for the decision of  
your Honorable Court.

We have the honor to be,  
with the greatest respect

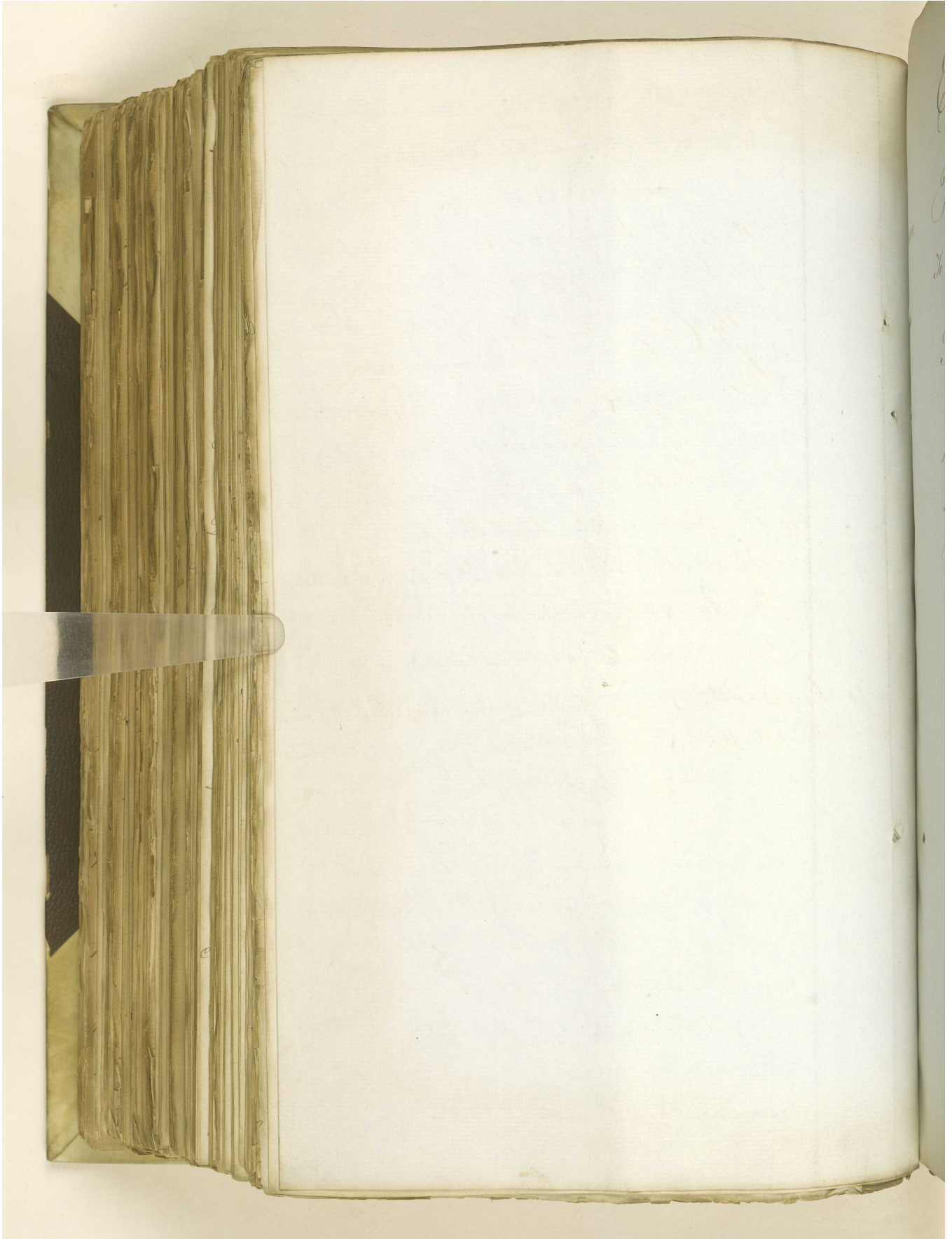
Honorable Sirs,

Bombay Castle  
30 November 1840.

Your most faithful and  
obedient humble Servants  
Signed / J. R. Carnac  
" Tho<sup>t</sup> Mc Mahon  
" J. Harris  
" G. W. Anderson

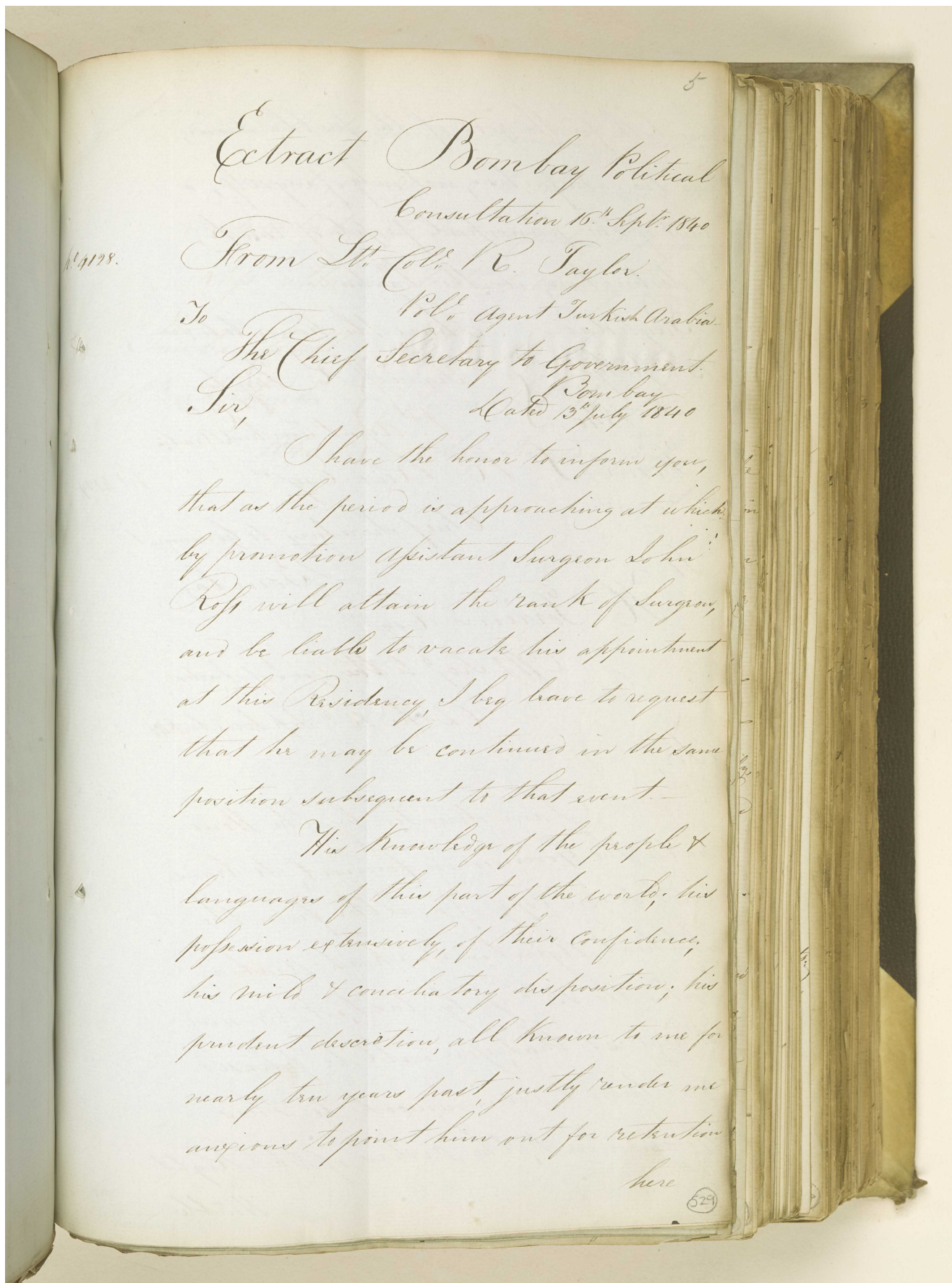


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here both for the good of the public service,  
and the satisfaction, not only of myself, &  
but of the principal people of rank,  
& distinction, in the Pashalic.

Baghdad } I have the honor to be  
13<sup>th</sup> July } Signed R. Taylor  
1840 } P<sup>o</sup> Agent Turkish Arabia.

From S. R. Reid Esq<sup>re</sup> No. 4179.  
Chief Secretary to Government

To H. Torrens Esq<sup>re</sup>  
Bombay.

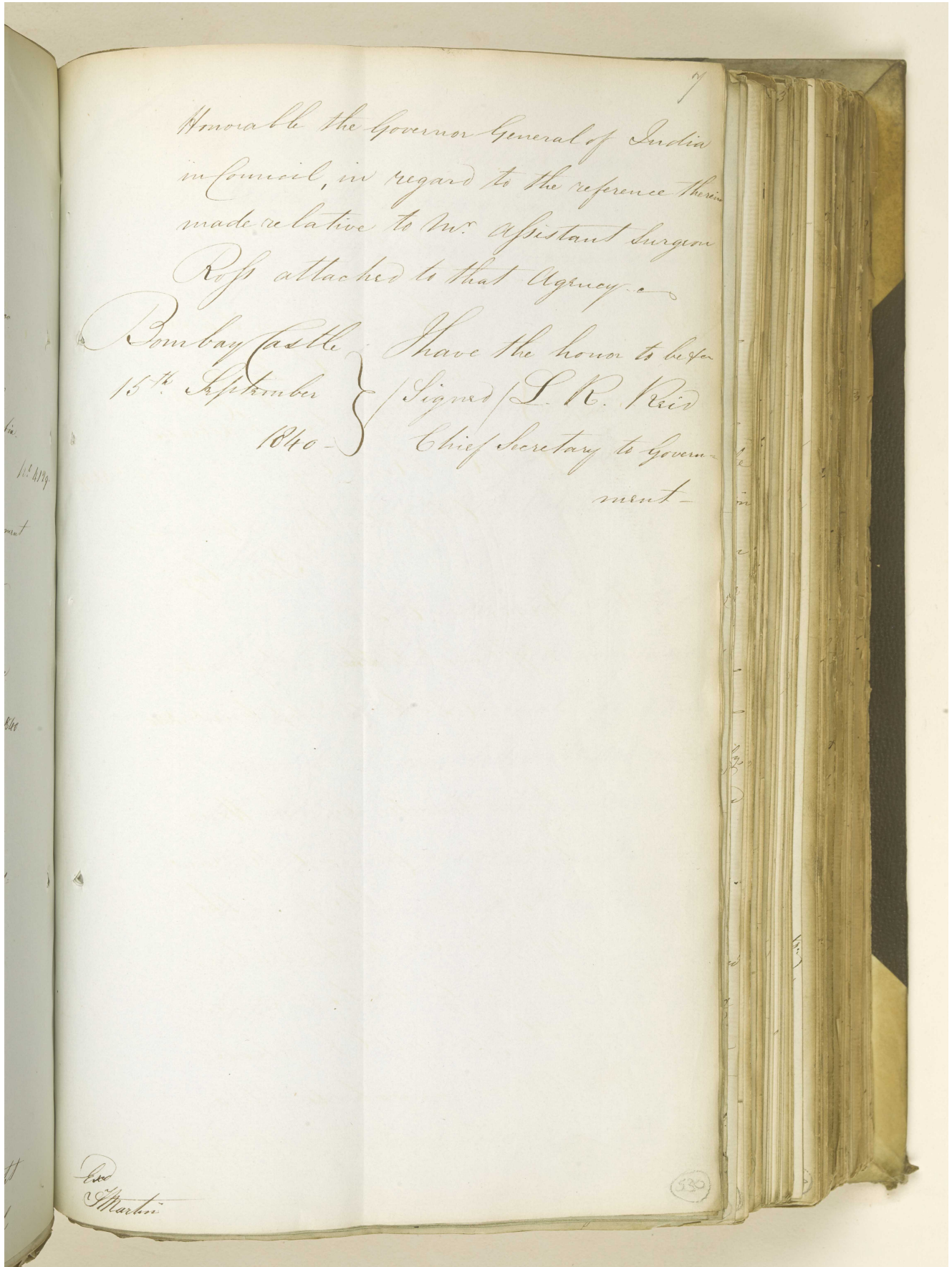
Off Secy to the Gov<sup>o</sup> of India  
Dated 15<sup>th</sup> September 1840

Sir,

I am directed by the Hon-  
-orable the Govern<sup>o</sup> in Council, to trans-  
-mit to you copy of a letter from the  
Political Agent in Turkish Arabia,  
dated the 13<sup>th</sup> July last, No. 83 and  
to request that you will be pleased  
to obtain & communicate to this  
Government, the orders of the Right  
Hon<sup>ble</sup>

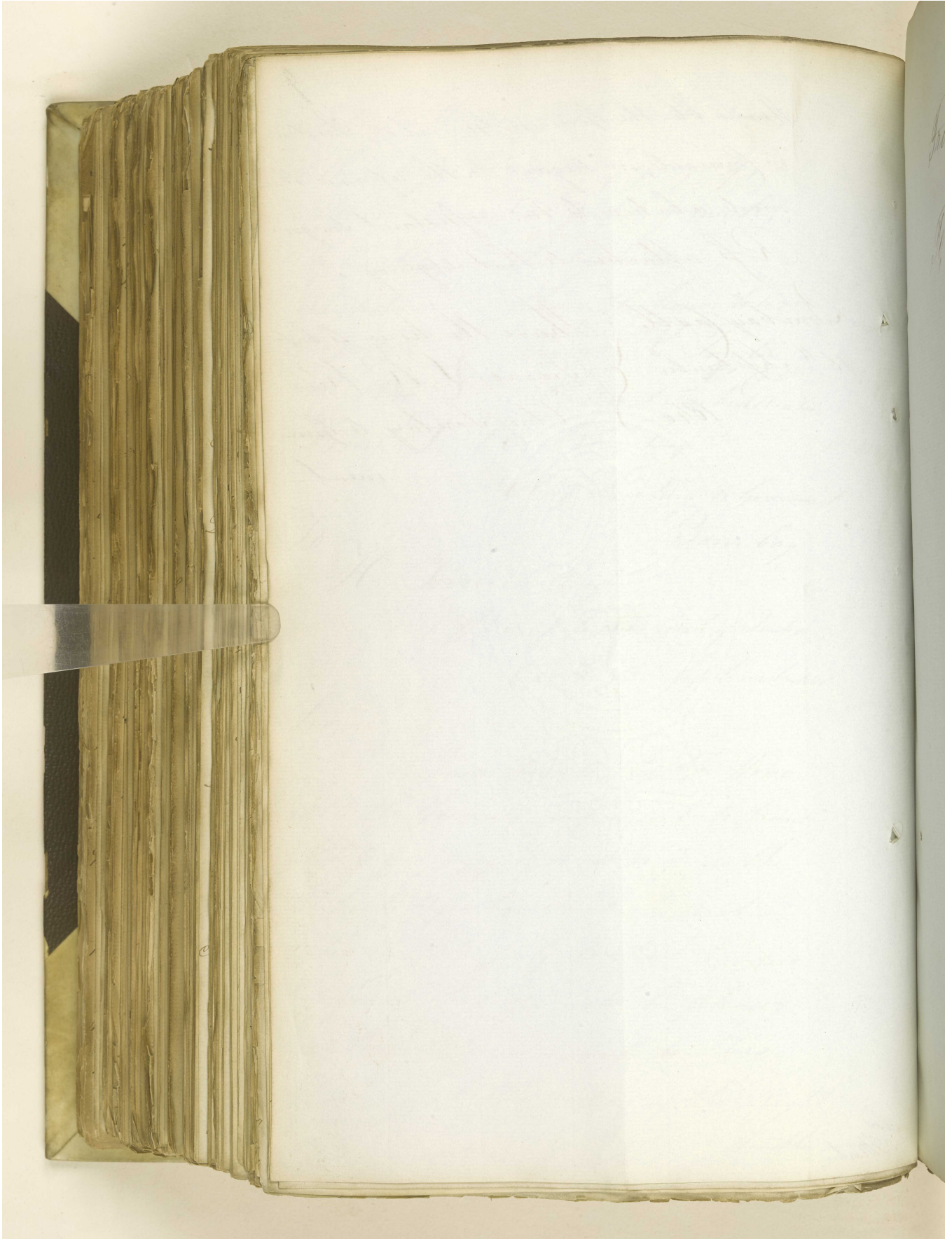


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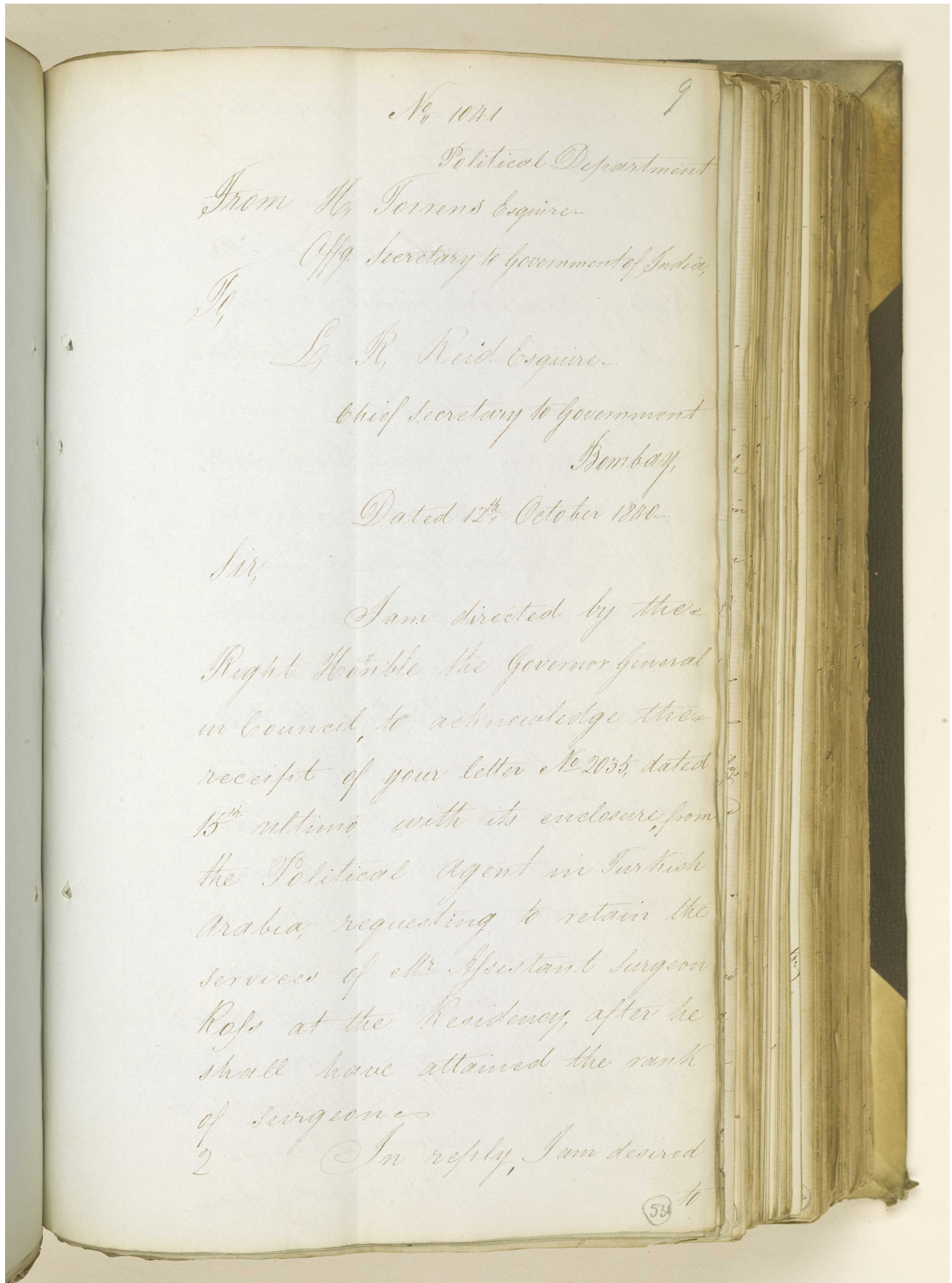


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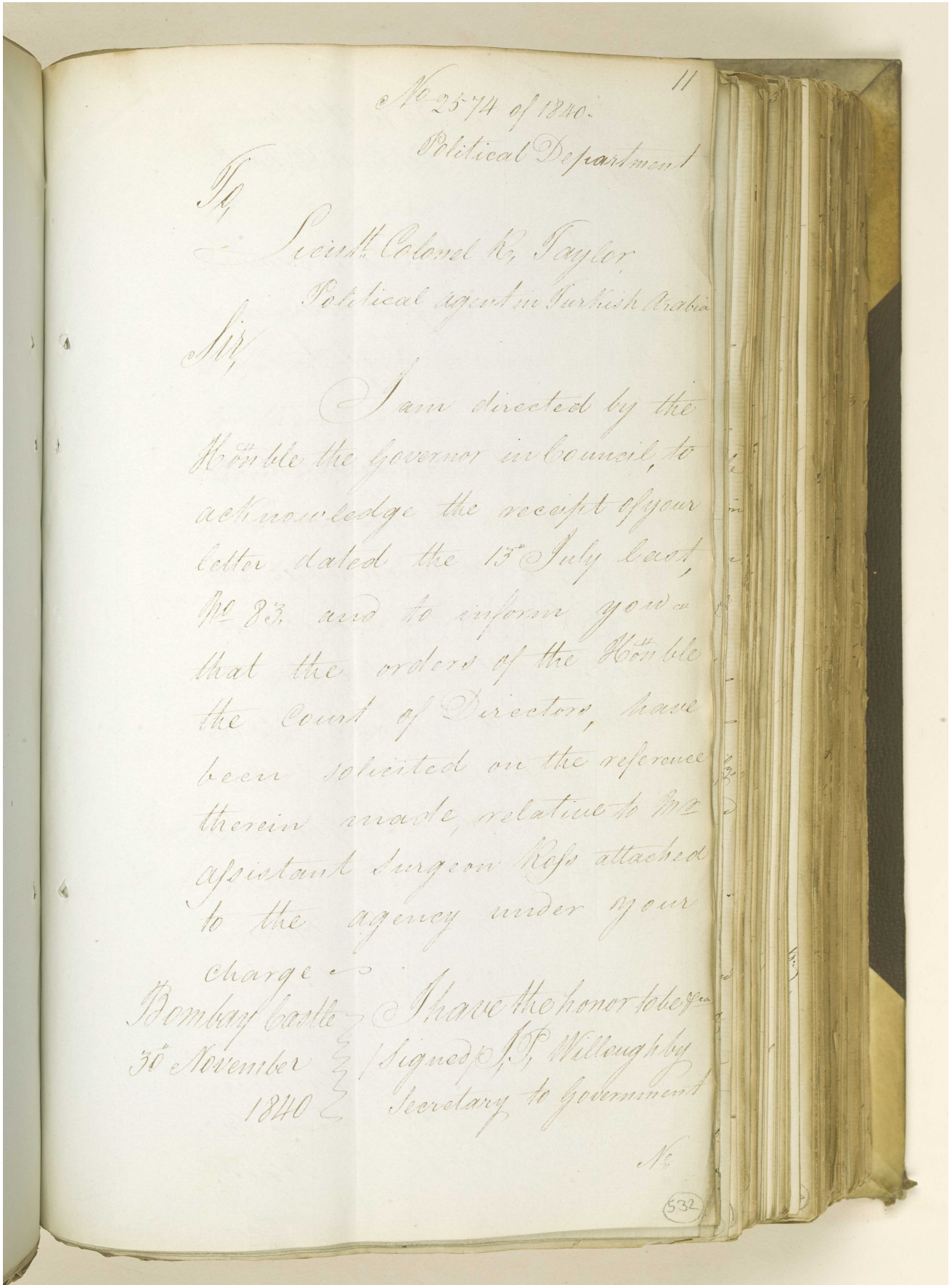


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to state, that if the Honorable  
the Governor in Council has it  
in his power to obtain further  
information corroborative of Mr  
Ross's peculiar fitness for the  
post he holds, his qualification  
being found to be of such  
a character as that his removal,  
and the appointment of  
another person would induce  
inconvenience to the public  
service, a recommendation  
might be addressed to the  
Honorable the Court of Directors,  
requesting them to sanction  
in his case an exception  
to the rule which prohibits  
full surgeons from holding  
appointments, such as that attached  
to the agency in Turkish Arabia  
Fort William, & Thane the Honorable Secy  
12 October 1840 3 (Signed) H. Torrens  
Asst. Secy. to Govt. of India  
Do

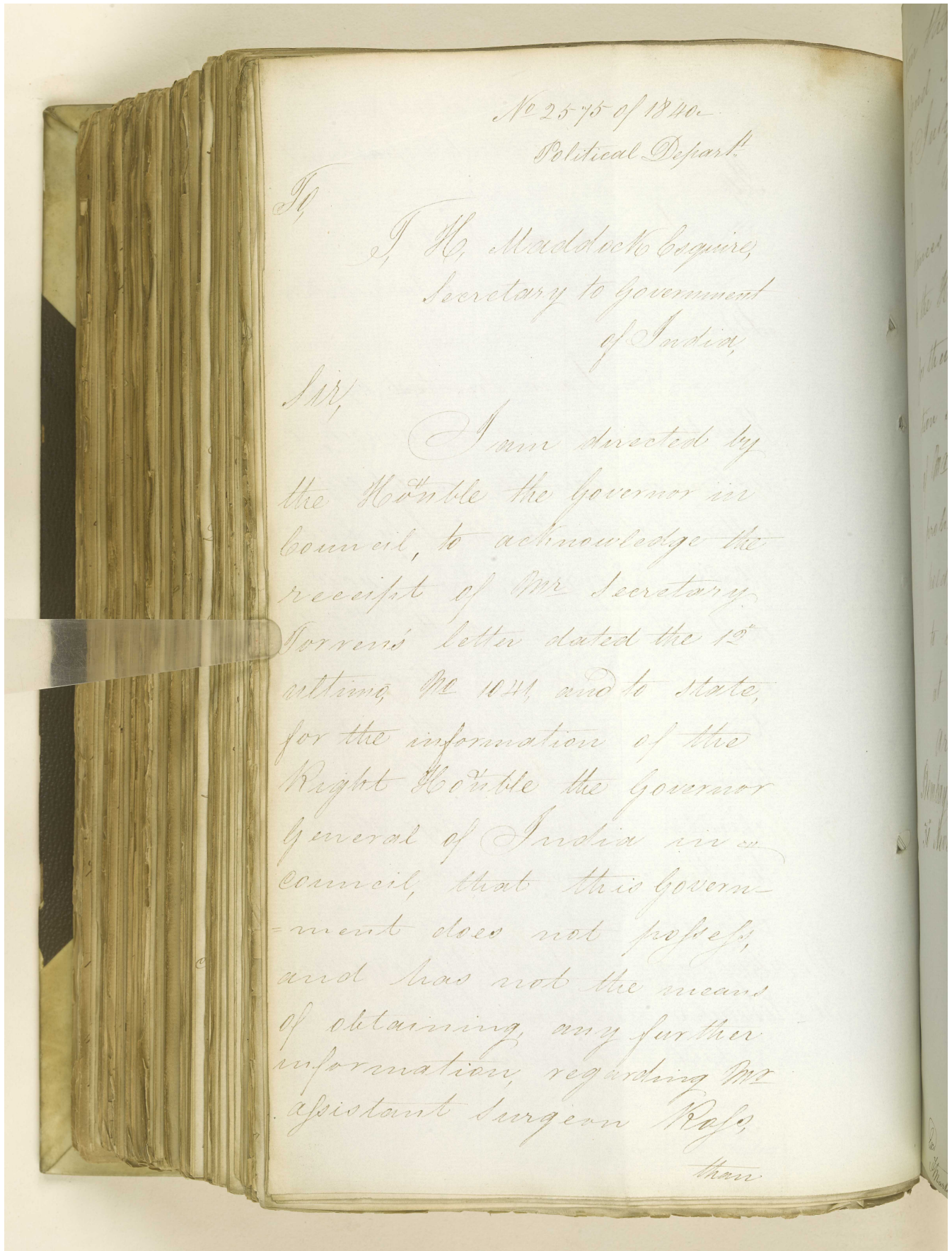


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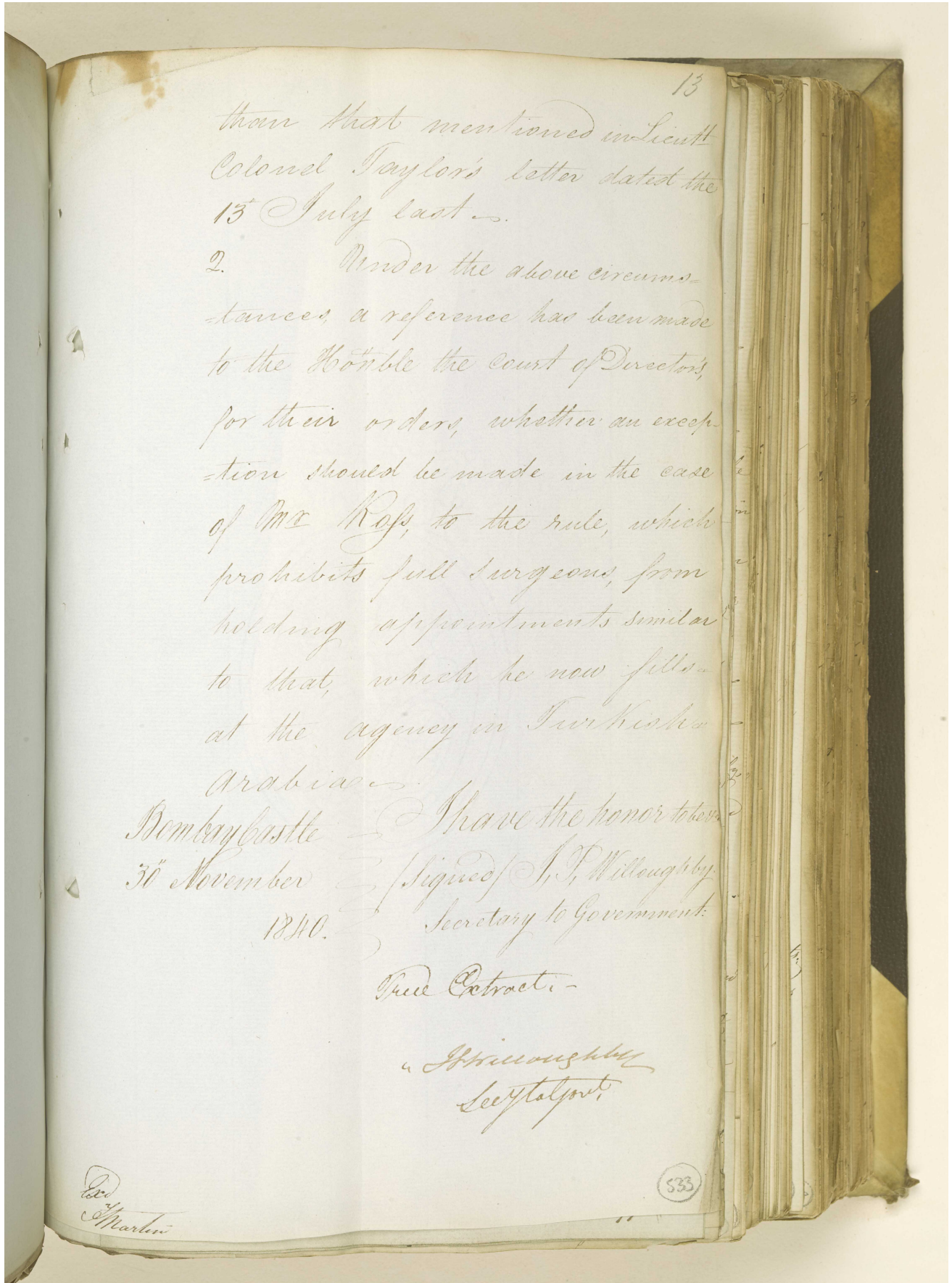


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13  
those that mentioned in Lieut  
Colonel Taylor's letter dated the  
13<sup>th</sup> July last.

2. Under the above circum-  
stances, a reference has been made  
to the Honble the Court of Directors,  
for their orders, whether an excep-  
tion should be made in the case  
of Mr Ross, to the rule, which  
prohibits full surgeons, from  
holding appointments similar  
to that, which he now fills  
at the agency in Turkish  
Arabias.

Bombay Castle I have the honor to  
30 November 1840. (Signed) J. P. Willoughby  
Secretary to Government.

True Extract -

J. P. Willoughby  
Secretary

Ed  
Marlow

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