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The item concerns two missions given to Commander Anthony H Nott, of the East India Company's Sloop of War *Clive*. These are:

- To demand that the Governor of Bidda, Sulman bin Nasser Soowedia [Salmeen bin Nāṣir Āl-Suwaīdī] surrender a "pirate" named Ghuleta, who had plundered a boat from Bussorah [Basra]
- To ask Sheik Mukhtoom of Debaye [Shaikh Maktūm I bin Buṭṭī Āl Bū Falāseh of Dubai] to punish some of his subjects who had stolen some property from Bassadore [Bāsaʿdū].

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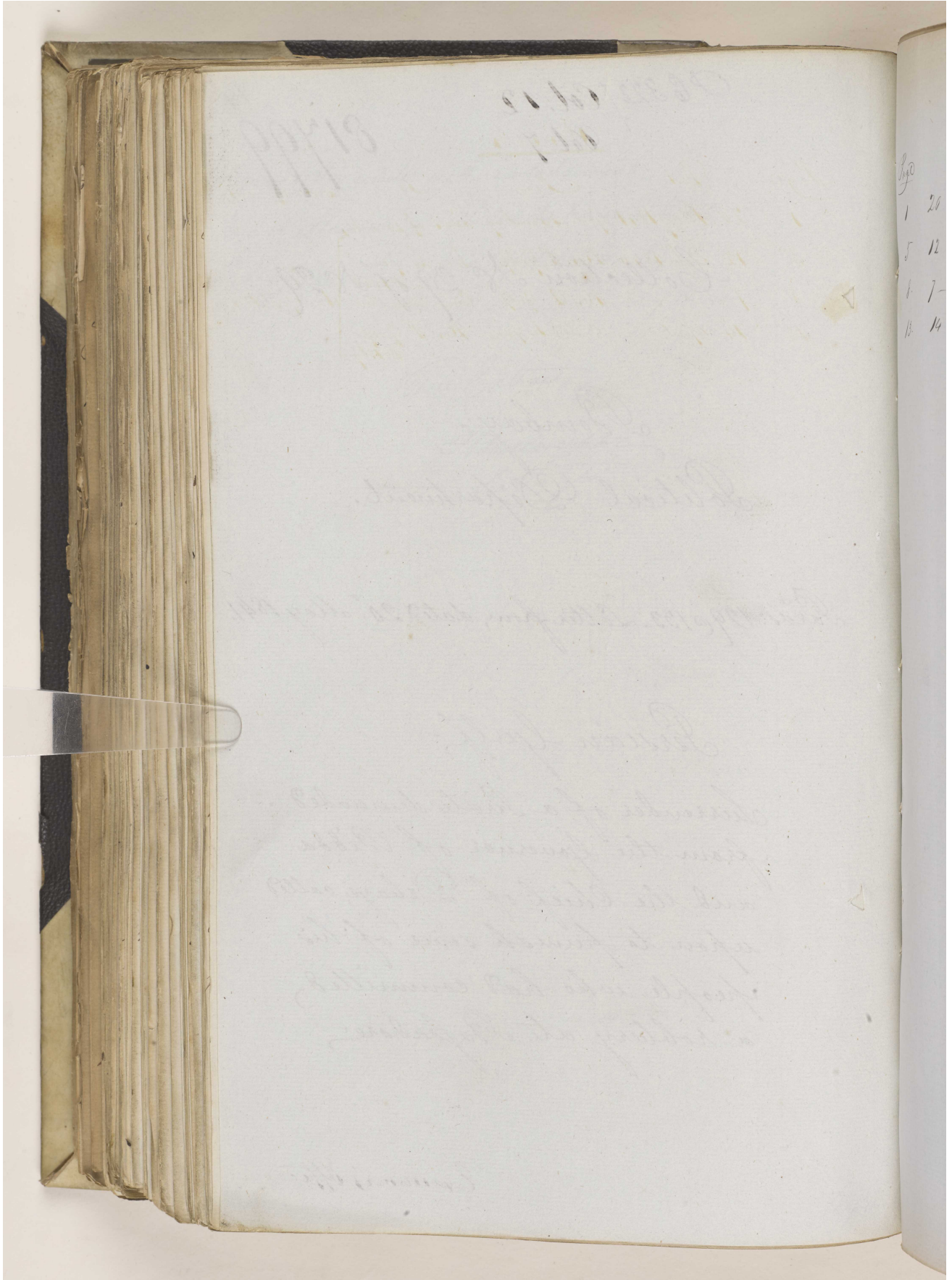
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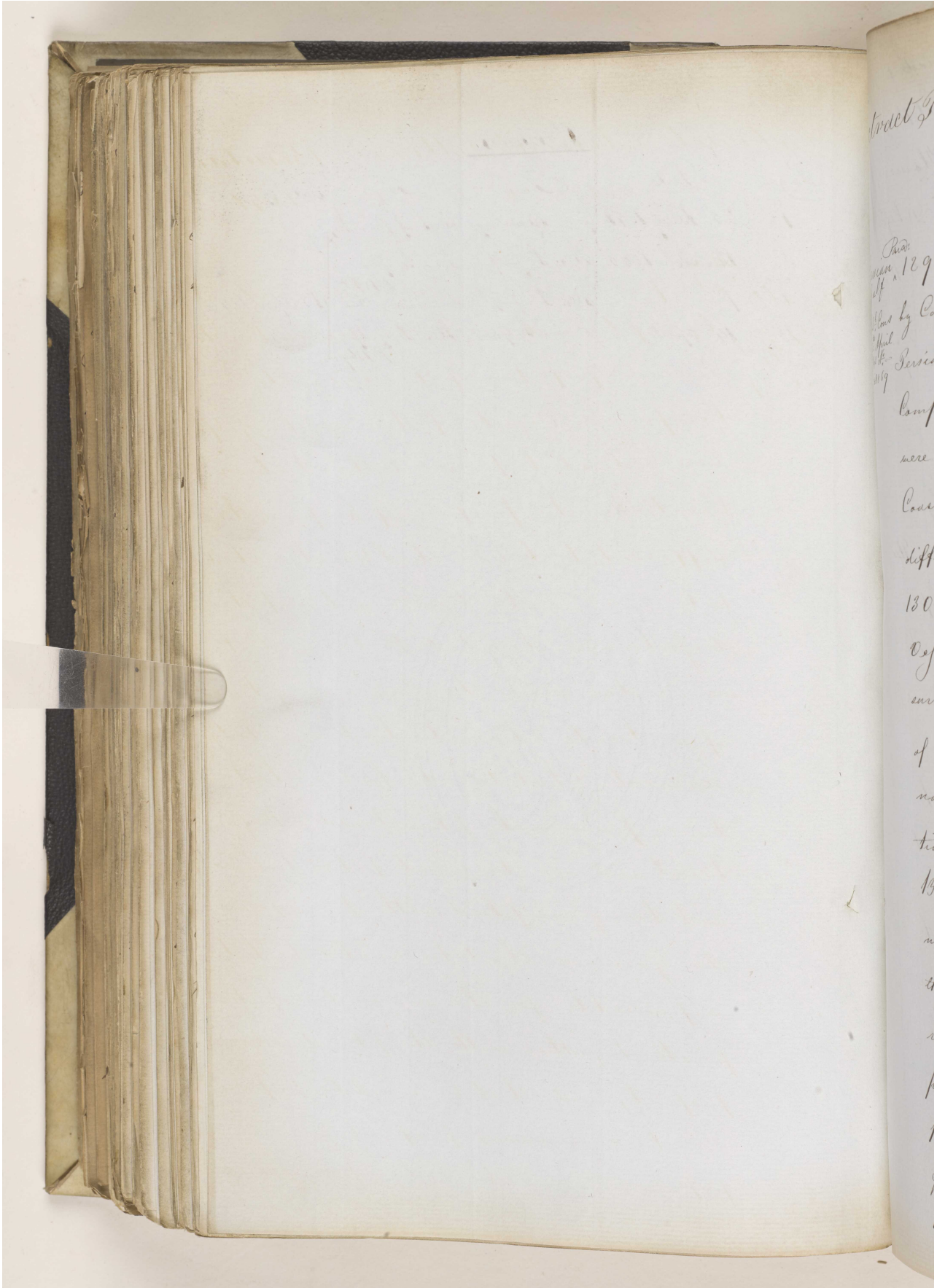


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Extract Political Letter from Bombay
dated 20th May (N^o 29) 1841

^{Paris:}
Persian Gulf 129
Vol. 6 Cons by Captain Heunell, the Resident in the
15th April
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On a requisition made
Company's Vessels of War in the Gulf
were ordered to proceed to the Arabian
Coast, for the purpose of keeping the
different tribes on that Coast in check

130 The Commanders of these
Vessels were directed to demand the
surrender from the Governor of Bidda
of a Pirate whom he had in custody,
named Ghuleta, who had a short
time previously plundered a Russian
Boat, and in the event of this demand
not being complied with, to inform
the Governor that he would be held
responsible for the surrender of the
pirate, together with the plundered
property, and that he must be prepared
for the consequences of refusal.

131 The duty of enquiring
into

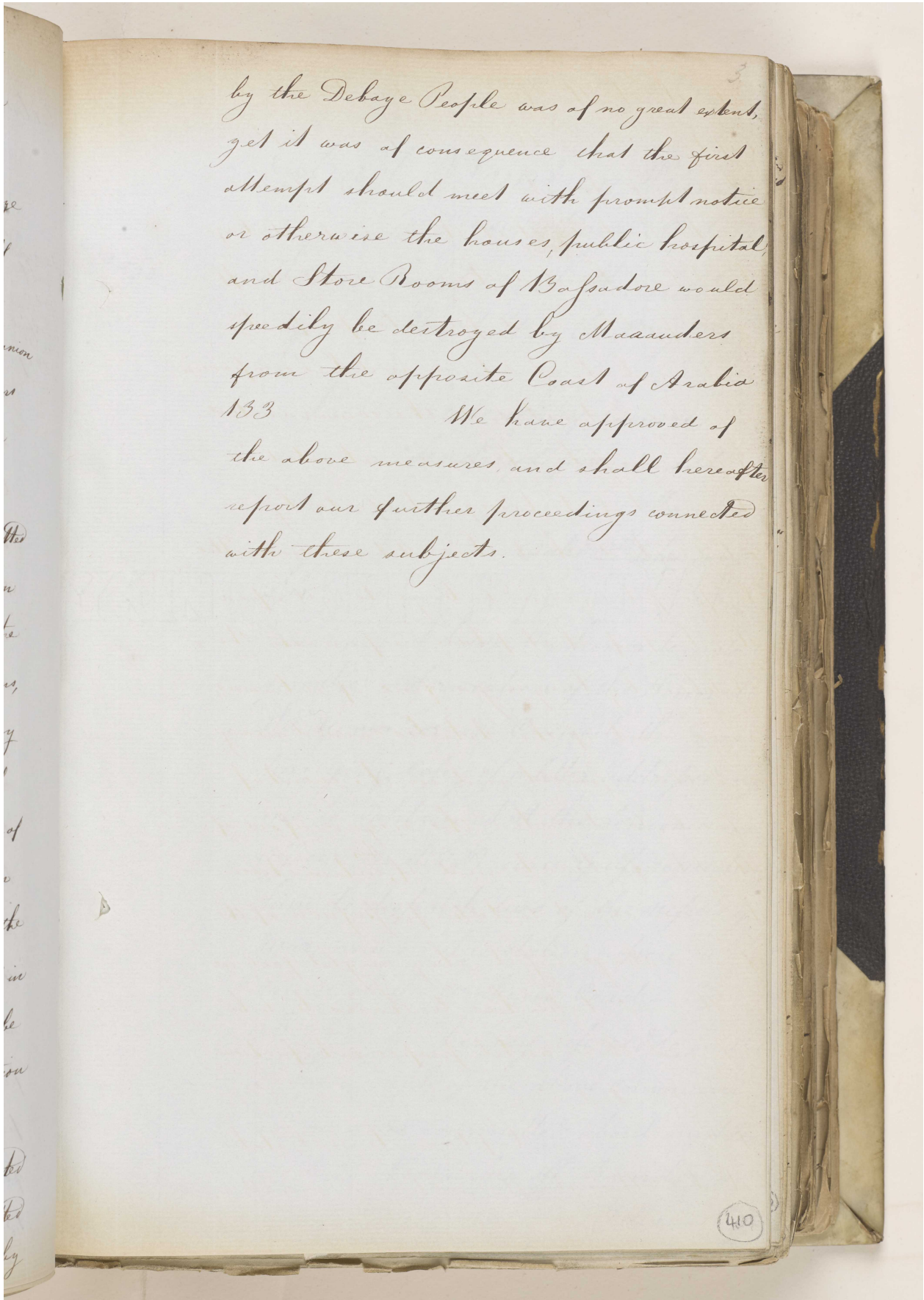
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into the truth of a complaint made to Captain Hennell, by the person left in charge of the store rooms and Houses in Bassadore, that the crew of a Debaye boat had landed there, and carried off some public and private property, and mal-treated him and his companion was also entrusted to the commanders of these vessels, who were instructed in the event of its being satisfactorily established that this Act was committed by people from Debaye to call upon the chief of that place to punish the Robbers by laying a fine of 50 Crowns, on account of the Articles carried away and the assault and in the event of refusal to threaten the seizure of one of the Chiefs Boats, and if ^{this} intimation had no effect to take possession of the first Debaye Vessel they might fall in with and take her to Harrack, to be retained there until proper satisfaction was afforded

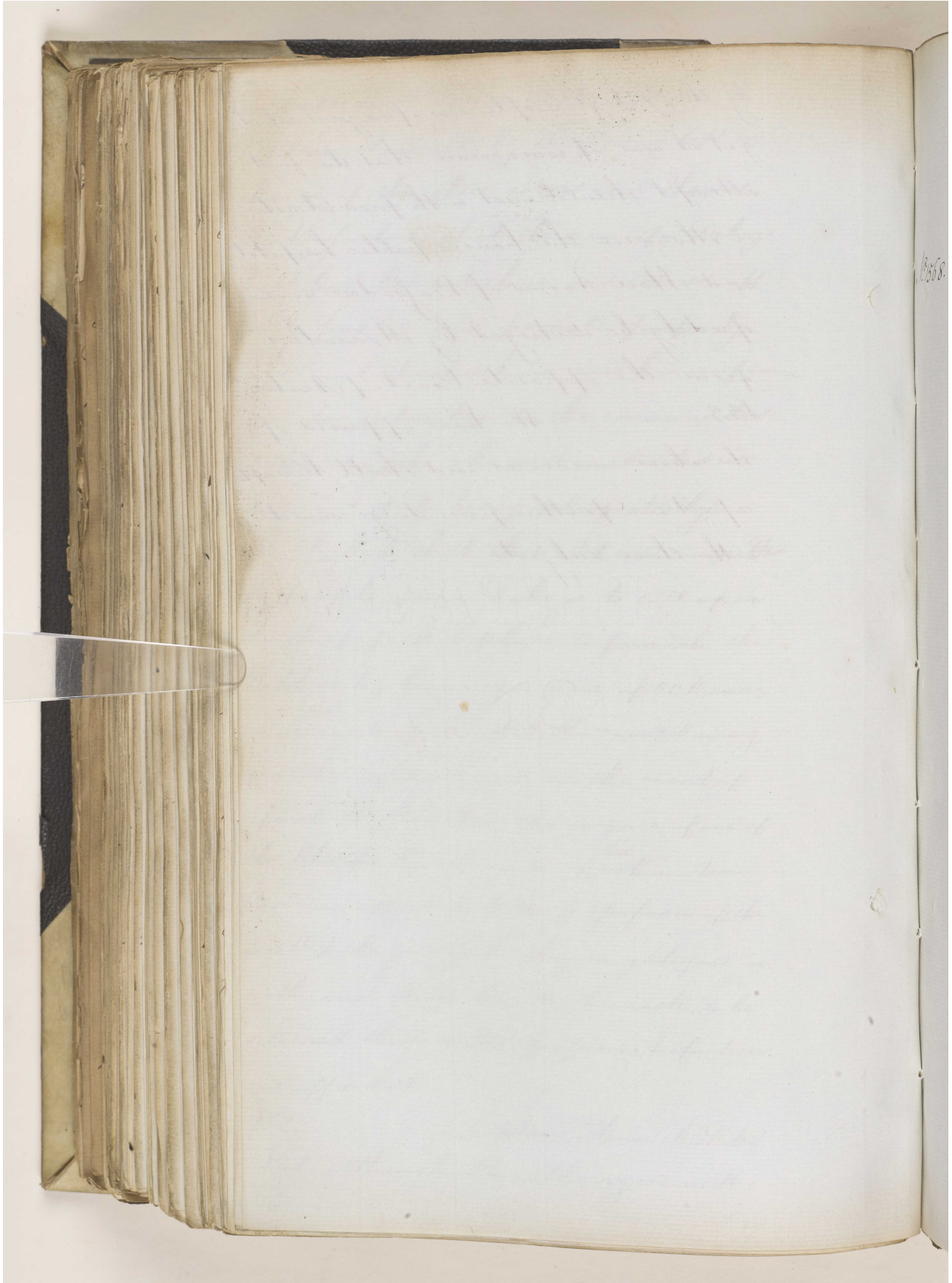
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Captain Hennell stated that although the robbery committed by

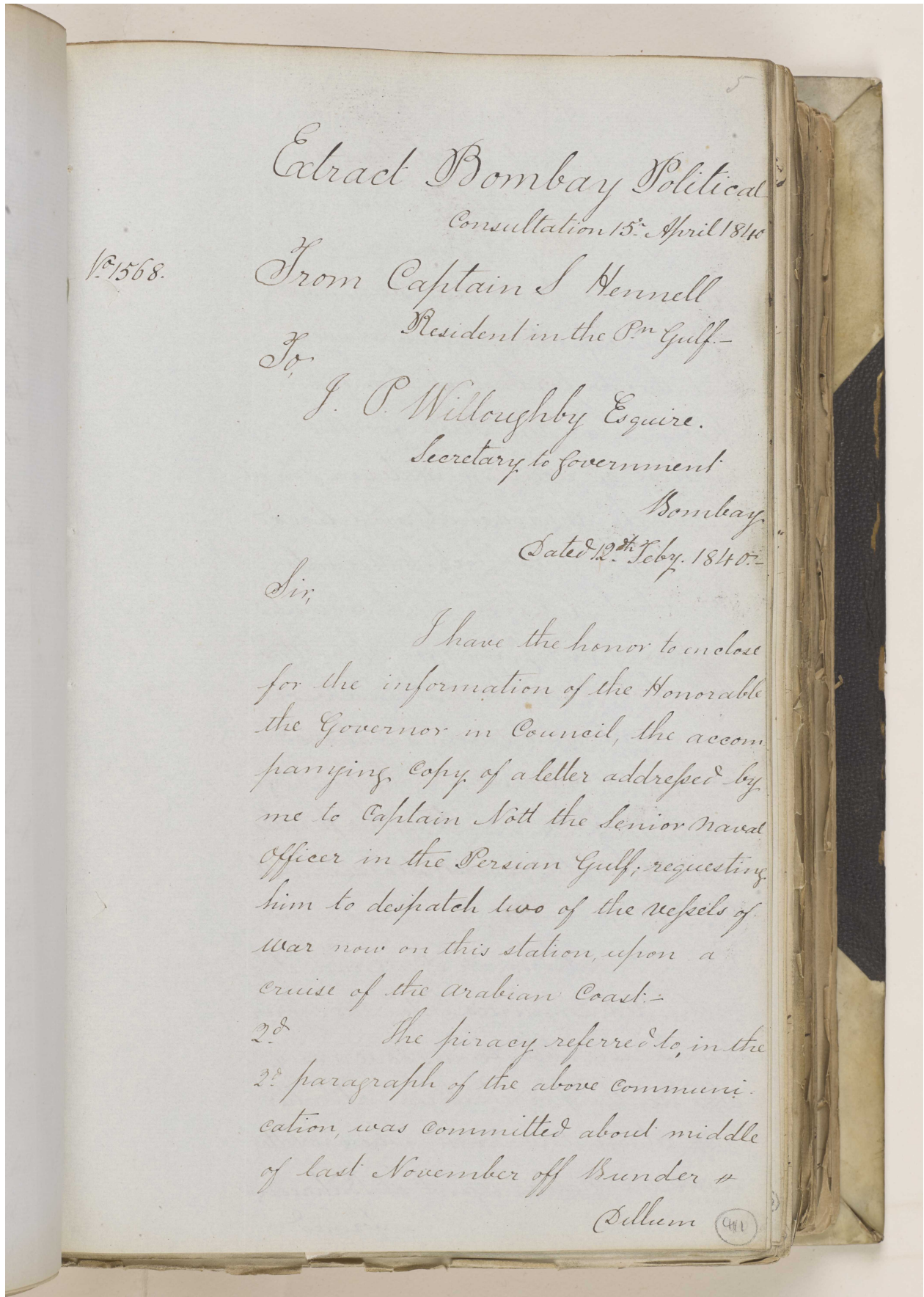
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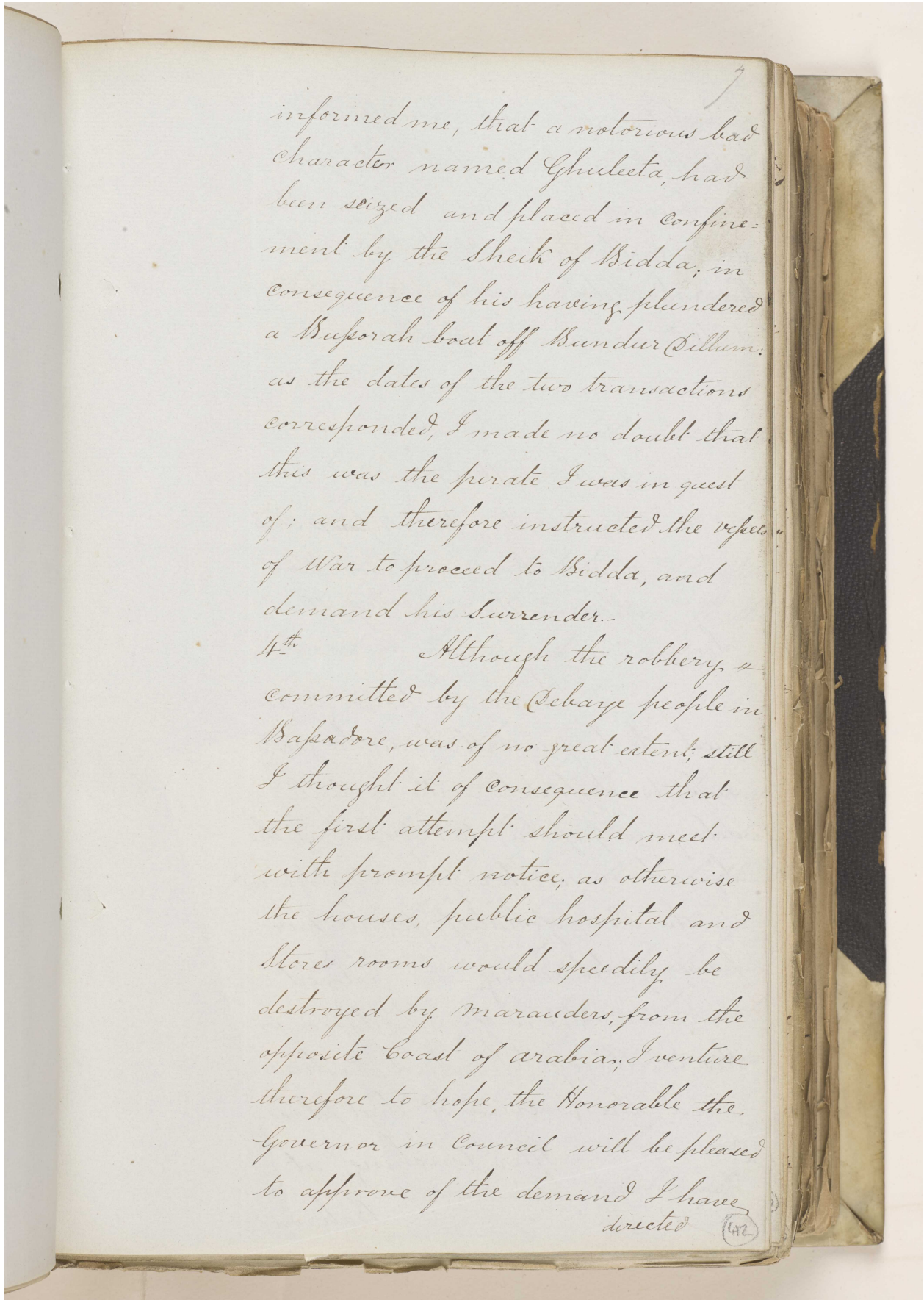


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Dillum on the Persian Coast, upon a Bussorah boat which had been freighted with dates, by some individuals residing at Gunawa. The only particulars I had been able to learn regarding this affair, were that the Bussorah boat being anchored near the Shore for the purpose of receiving water, a small buzoerah approached, and fired a volley of matchlock balls into her, which killed one and wounded another of her passengers, upon this the whole crew threw themselves over board, and swam on shore leaving the Ghooncha with her Cargo of dates, in the hands of the pirates, who forthwith proceeded to sea with their prize in tow.

3^d Although I immediately instituted enquiries into this affair, I was unable to discover any clue to the perpetrators, until after my return to Karrak, when a letter from the native Agent at Bahrein, informed

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informed me, that a notorious bad
Character named Ghuleeta, had
been seized and placed in confine-
ment by the Sheikh of Bidda, in
consequence of his having plundered
a Buporah boat off Bandar Sillum:
as the dates of the two transactions
corresponded, I made no doubt that
this was the pirate I was in quest
of; and therefore instructed the
of War to proceed to Bidda, and
demand his Surrender.

4th Although the robbery,
committed by the Debarge people in
Bassadore, was of no great extent; still
I thought it of consequence that
the first attempt should meet
with prompt notice, as otherwise
the houses, public hospital and
Stores rooms would speedily be
destroyed by marauders, from the
opposite Coast of Arabia; I venture
therefore to hope, the Honorable the
Governor in Council will be pleased
to approve of the demand I have
directed

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directed to be made upon Sheikh
Mukhtoom, the Chief of Debaye
Residency in } I have the honor to be
the P^r Gulf } signed S. Hennell.
Karrak 12 Feb^y } Resident in the P^r
1840. } Gulf.

To

A H. Salt Esquire.

Commanding H. Commodore's Sloop
of war Olive, and Senior Naval
Officer in the Persian Gulf.

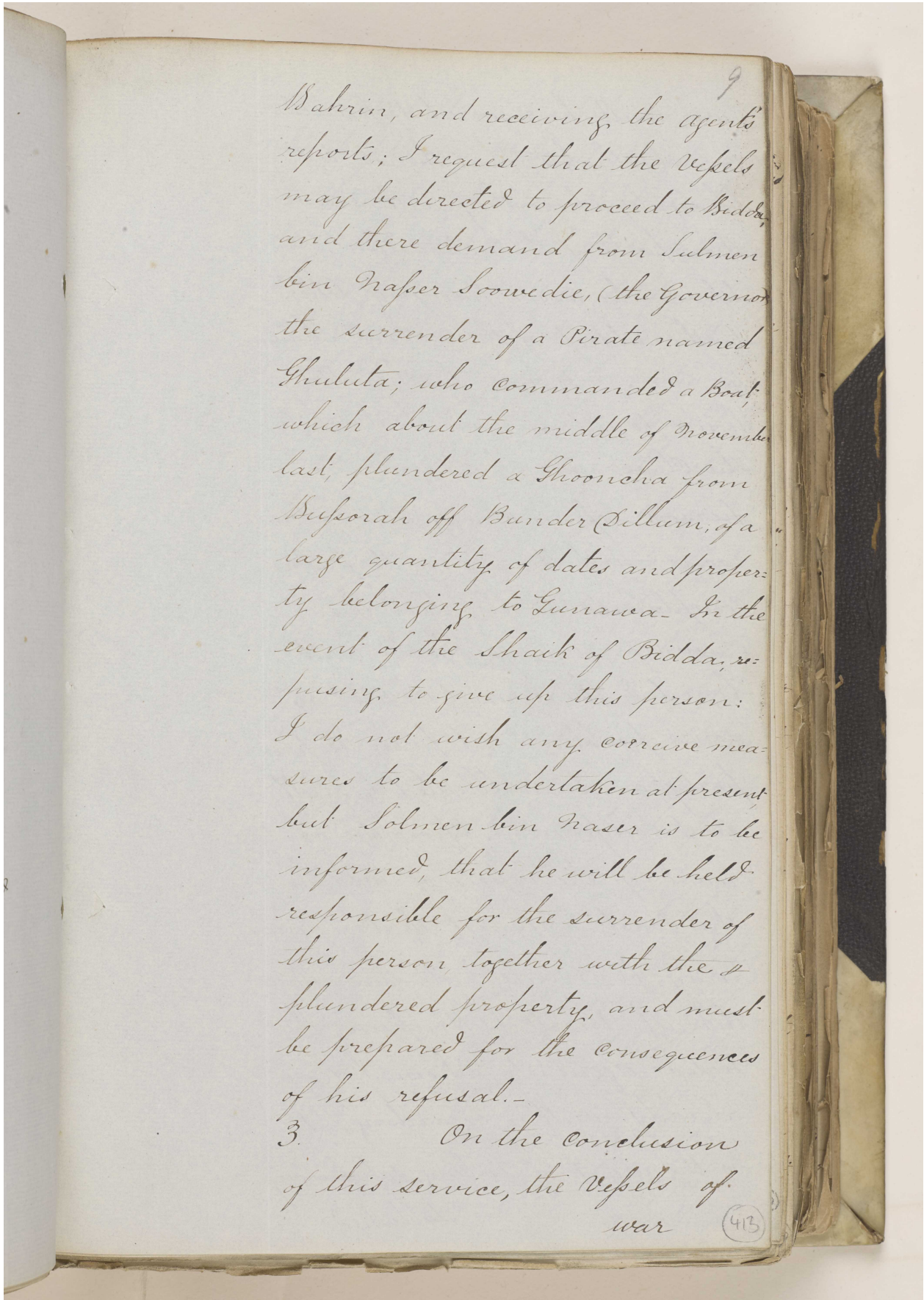
Sir,

I have the honor to re-
quest, that you will have the good-
ness to despatch with as little
delay as possible; two vessels of the
Squadron under your Command
to the Port of Katic, for the pur-
pose of delivering the enclosed
communications of importance for
His Excellency Khorshed Pasha
and the Governor of that place.

2.

After touching at
Bahrin

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war will be required to proceed
to Boothabee, and from thence to
Shoojah, where they will receive
the reports of the native agent; and
deliver the accompanying letters
to the address of the several Shaiks.

4 I have further the
honor to inform you, that while
the Clive was at Lingah, the
person left in charge of the Store
room, and Houses in Bassadore;
complained to me, that the
crew of a Debayee boat had
landed there, and carried off
some public and private pro-
perty, and maltreated himself
and companion. Upon the ar-
rival of the vessels of war on
the Coast, I request that enquiries
may be made into this affair,
through Moollah Houssein (the
Native agent); to whom I have
already written regarding it;
In the event of its being satisfactorily
Established

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 established that this act was committed
 by people from Debaye: it will be
 necessary to call upon Sheik Muckh-
 toom, the Chief of that place; to punish
 them by levying a fine of Fifty Crowns
 on account of the articles carried away,
 and the assault upon the individuals
 in charge of Bassadore. Should the
 Sheik refuse to comply with this
 demand; you will have the good-
 ness to instruct the senior officer
 to threaten the seizure of one of his
 boats, and if this intimation has
 no effect, to take possession of the
 first Debaye vessel he may fall in
 with, and bring her to Karrak: to
 be detained there, until proper
 satisfaction be afforded.

5. As it is found that
 the speedy departure of our Ships
 of war from the Arabian Coast,
 greatly diminishes the effect of
 their visits; it is advisable that
 the two Vessels, now sent; should
 continue to cruise between
 aboothabee

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Abdothabee and Ras. el. Khymah,
for the space of ten days; on the ex-
piration of which, they will return
to this Station-

6. I beg to inform you,
that it is probable at the present
time, War may exist between
Shaikh Abdollah bin Kashed the
Chief of Amulgarine and Shaikh
Sultan bin Sigger, but as the
Truce established last year, does
not terminate before the end
of March; Both Shaikhs have
been warned not to carry on
Hostilities by sea, In the event
therefore, of this warning being
neglected; the offending Party,
is to be required to afford redress,
and in case of refusal, any of
his boats found cruising, are to
be seized, and the Shaikh informs
that as soon as a reference
can be made to me, measures
of a more severe, and decided
Character will be adopted,
to

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to enforce satisfaction:-

7. Any attempt to blockade
or attack Amulgarine from sea or
the conveyance of Guns and Troops
by vessels, to the territories of Abdol
lah bin Kashed; and vice versa to
those of Shaik Sultan bin Suggur
within the above date, is to be
considered as an infraction of
the Truce.-

Residency Persian Gulf- Kurrah
7th February 1840. Resident in the Persian Gulf

I have the honor to be
Signed J. Hennell.

True Copy
Signed J. Hennell.
Resident in the Persian Gulf.

N^o 7569.
From L. R. Reid, Esquire,
Chief Secretary to Gov^t.
To
The Resident in the Persian Gulf.
Dated 14th April 1840.

Sir,
I am directed to acknowledge
the

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the receipt of your letter dated the
12th February last, n^o 11; and to
inform you, that the Honble the
Governor in Council entirely ap-
proves of the requisition made
by you on Captain Nott the senior
naval officer in the Persian
Gulf, to despatch two vessels of
the Squadron under his command,
upon the service mentioned in that
communication.-

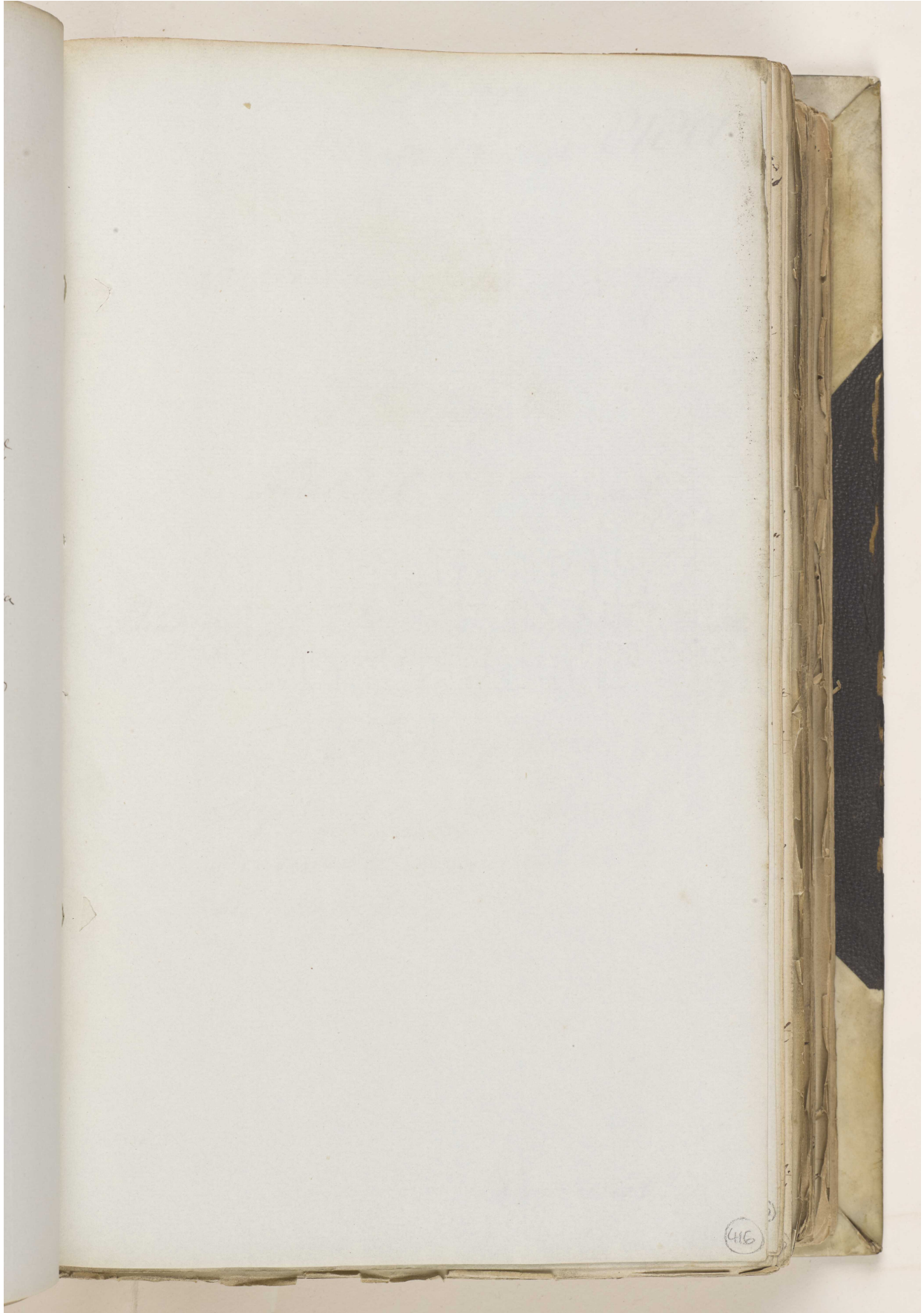
Bombay Castle } I have the honor to be your
14th Apr 1840. } Signed L. R. Reid.
Chief Secy to Govt

True Extract -

a Thoroughly
Secy to Govt.

Swth H. Reid

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