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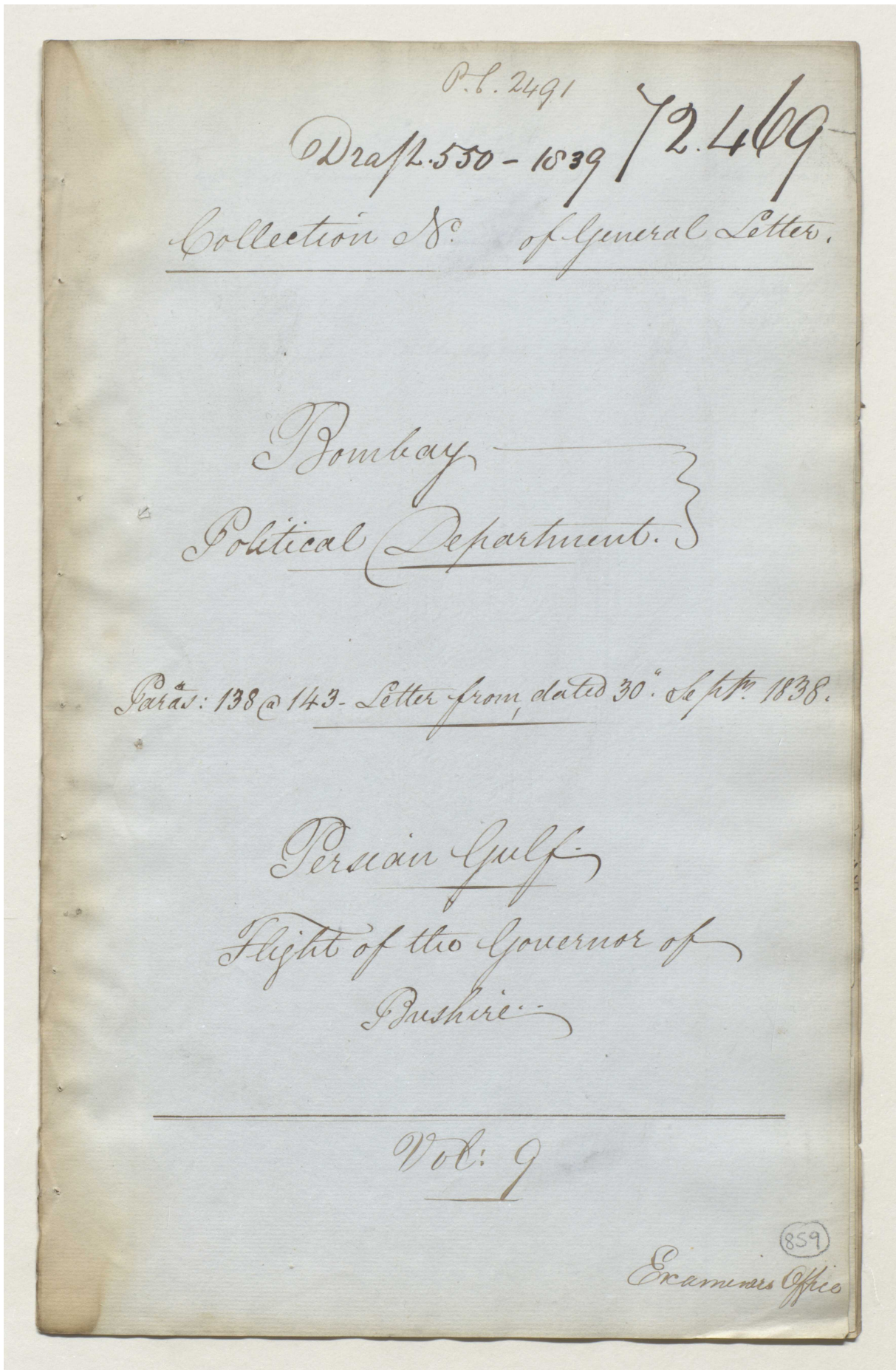


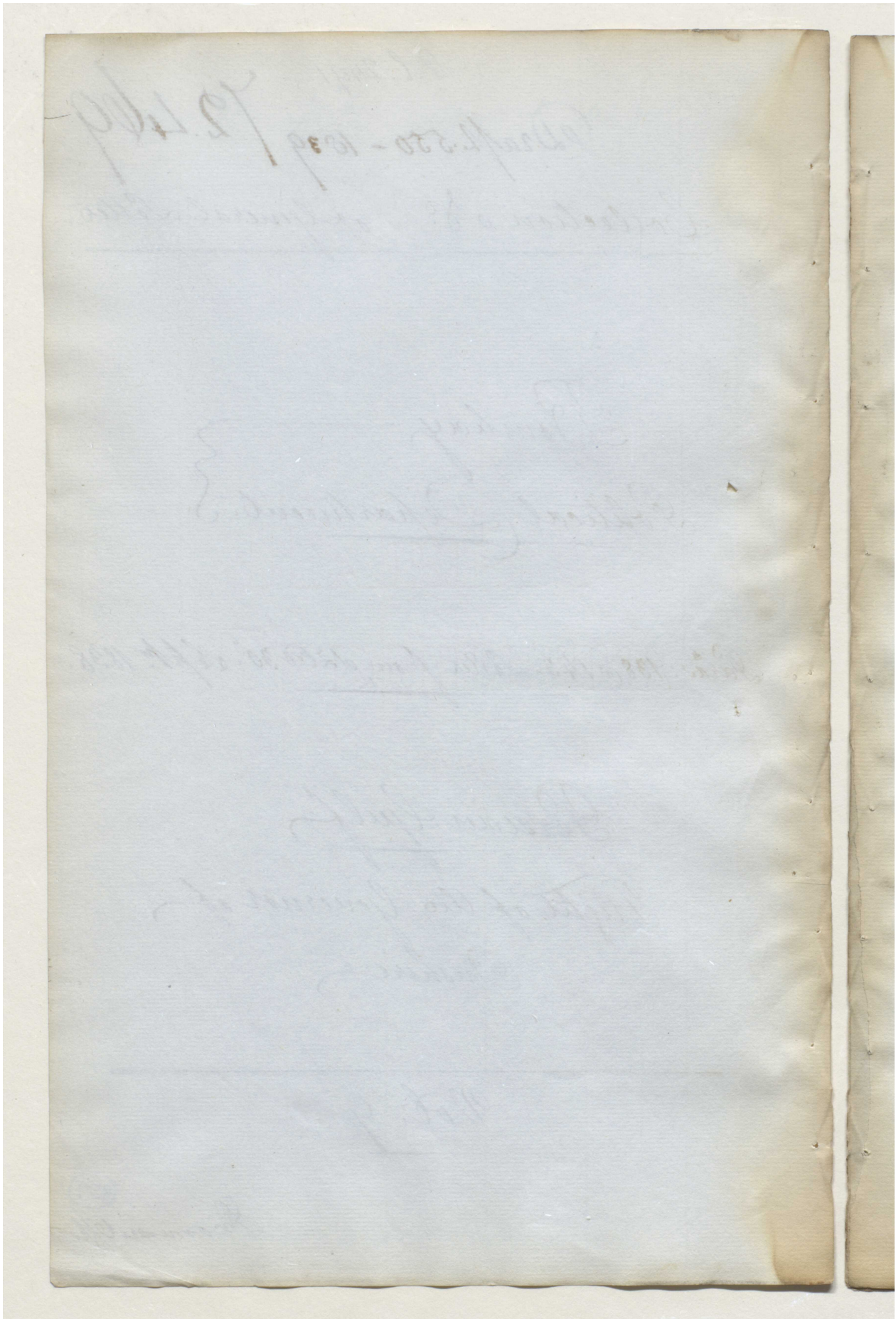
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This item consists of copies of correspondence, consultations, memoranda, resolutions, and minutes cited in, or enclosed with, political letters from the Government of Bombay [Mumbai]. The correspondents are the Government of Bombay and Captain Samuel Hennell, British Resident in the Persian Gulf. It is the ninth in a series of ten items on the Persian Gulf (the others are IOR/F/4/1767/72461, IOR/F/4/1767/72462, IOR/F/4/1767/72463, IOR/F/4/1767/72464, IOR/F/4/1767/72465, IOR/F/4/1767/72466, IOR/F/4/1767/72467, IOR/F/4/72468, and IOR/F/4/1767/72470).

The item concerns the flight of Sheik Nasir of Bushire [Shaikh Nasir Al Mazkur II, Shaikh of Bushehr] to the island of Karrack [Khark/Kharg] with his two uncles, anticipating arrest by an emissary of the Prince of Shiraz, Mirza Abbas, who subsequently assumed control of the town.

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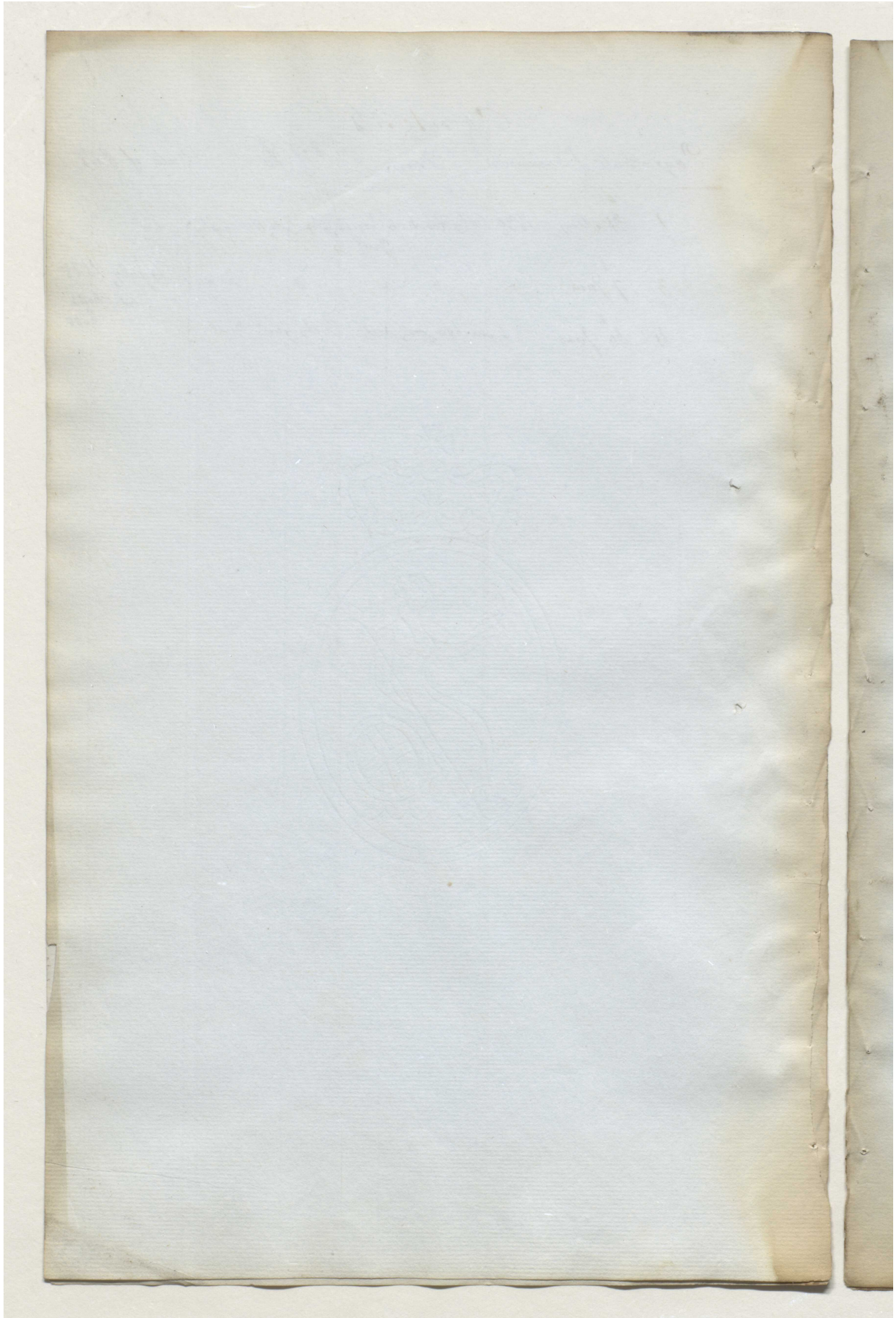




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Consultation 4th July 1838
N^o 3083 From S. Hennell
To, Officiating Resident in the Persian Gulf
J. P. Willoughby Esquire
Secretary to the Government
Bombay
Dated the 31st May 1838

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of the Right Honble the Governor in Council, that about 11 P. M. on the 29th Instant, Shaik Nasir the Governor of Bushire, accompanied by his two uncles Shaik Abdolla, and Shaik Houssein (having previously embarked their wives families and property) left the Town, and proceeded on board their Vessels, consisting of two Buglas lying in the Inner Roads. -

2 The ostensible reason of this abandonment of his Government on the part of Shaik Nasir, is his alleged inability to

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to meet the large demands of the Minister of the Prince of Shiraz, who so far from making any remission from the annual Tribute fixed for Bushire, on account of the almost total failure of the Crops in the low Country this season, have called upon the Shaikh to pay the arrears of the abatement made for the past year, and an additional sum in the shape of Presents.

3^d The immediate cause however of the Governor's flight, is the approach of a person of some consequence, named, Mirza Abbas deputed by the Fars Government with a *Khelaut* or dress of honor for Shaikh Nasir, who has received private information, that this individual carries secret instructions for his arrest, and subsequent transmission to Shiraz as a prisoner.

4th I am happy to add that not the slightest disturbance has taken place in the Town in consequence of the event now reported, Mirza Abbas is expected to arrive in the course of tomorrow, and will I conclude, assume the temporary Government

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Government of the Town and District, until
the receipt of further orders from Shiraz-
Whether any attempt will be made to wrest
the possession of the Island of Kharrack
from Sheik Nasir, remains to be seen,
but I am inclined to think, that the
present authorities of Fars have neither
the means nor the energy required for the
success of an effort of this description

5th In reporting the departure
of Shaik Nasir and his two Buglas for
Kharrack early this morning.

Residency in the Persian Gulf - I have the honor to be yr^o
off. Resident in the Persian Gulf
Bushire 31st May 1838

N^o 3084 From S. Hennel
officiating Resident in the Persian Gulf

To
J. P. Willoughby Esquire
Secretary to Government
Bombay
Dated the 7th June 1838

Sir,
Adverting to my letter N^o 30 in
this Department, I have the honor to report
for the information of the Right Hon^{ble}
the

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The Governor in Council, that Mirza Abbas entered the Town, and assumed charge of the duties of the Chief Authority, on the afternoon of the 31. Ultimo.

2. There appears little doubt, that had Sheikh Kasir remained, he would have been seized and sent prisoner to Shiraz, as I am informed that the official documents exhibited by Mirza Abbas, provide for the latter taking upon himself the Government of this port as a temporary arrangement, until the fate of the former ruler should be decided upon.

Resid. in the Pers Gulf I have the honor to be
Bushire 7th June 1838

Signed S. Hennell
off. Resident in the Pers Gulf

From L. R. Reid Esquire N^o 3085
Acting Chief Secretary

To

The Secretary with the Right
Hon^{ble} the Govern^r Gen^l of India
Dated the 30th June 1838

Sir,

I am directed by the Right
Honorable the Governor in Council to
transmit to you for the purpose of being
laid

