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The item concerns Campbell's plans to move his family out of Bushire [Bushehr] to the Residency's summer establishment at Chagudduk [Choghadak] earlier than Hennell had planned to leave Bushire. The following are discussed:

- The health benefits of Chagudduk
- The health of Campbell's and Hennell's families
- The duties of Campbell's role
- Other medical aid available at Bushire
- Campbell's financial entitlements.

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Political Department

Letters from, dated 17<sup>th</sup> January 1849.

Persian Gulf

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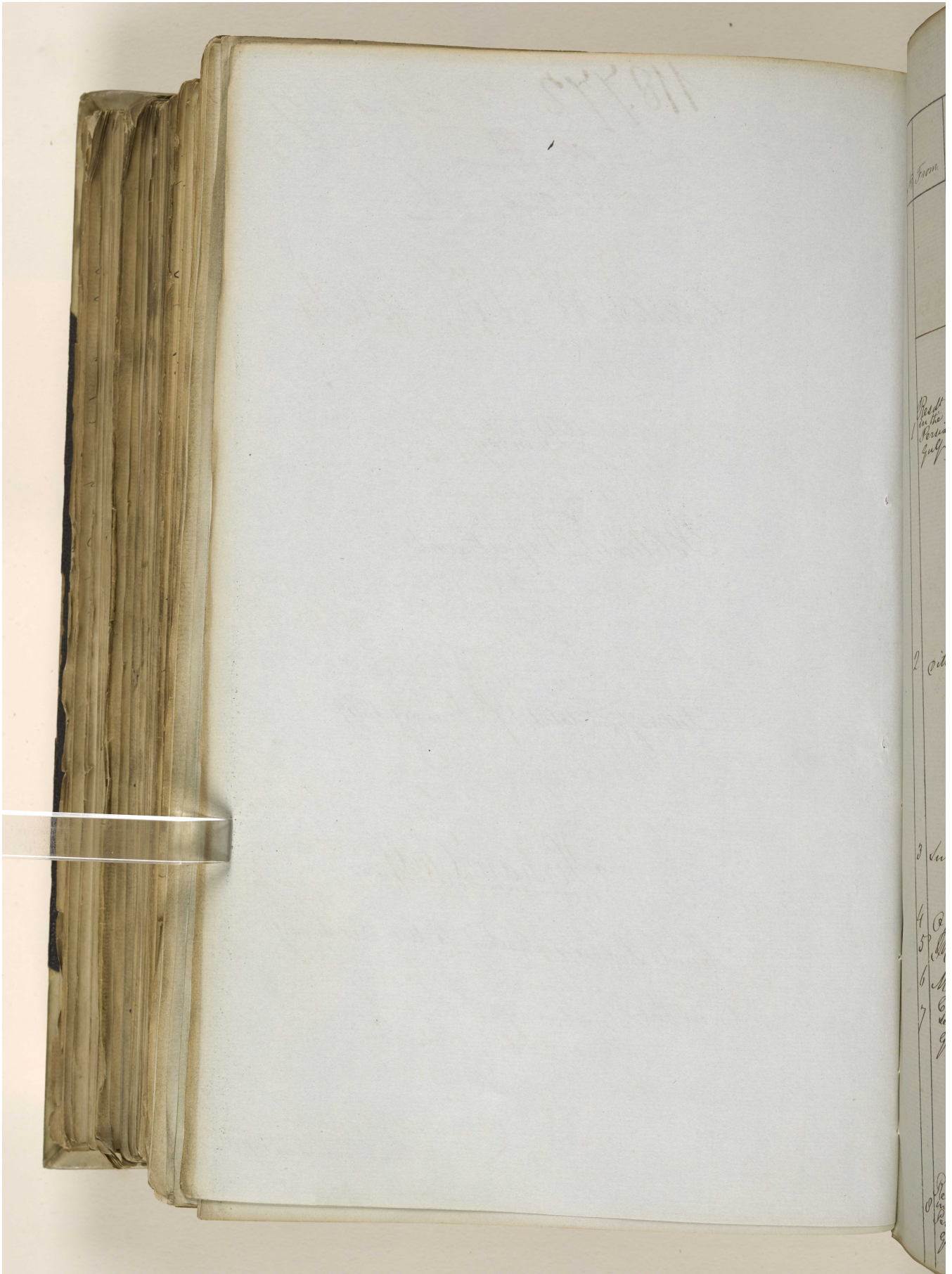


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From  
Major Hennell  
Resident in the Persian Gulf.

To  
G. Lumsden Esquire  
Secretary to Government  
Bombay.

General Department Bushire 17<sup>th</sup> July 1848

Sir,

Having fixed on the 11<sup>th</sup> Instant  
for our annual removal to our location  
at Chagudduk for the summer, and finding  
that Dr. Campbell, the Civil Surgeon to the  
Residency, did not intend to accompany  
me there as usual, I addressed a letter  
to him dated the 11<sup>th</sup> Instant (Enclosure  
N<sup>o</sup> 1) requesting him to join me. To this  
communication I have received a reply  
dated the 14<sup>th</sup> Idem (N<sup>o</sup> 2) applying  
+ + under the circumstances therein  
set forth, for some compensation to  
meet the expenses of Carriage &c. incident  
to his removal to Chagudduk, in  
consequence of my requisition. This  
application I have now the honor  
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to submit for the consideration of the Right Honble the Governor in Council.

2. The details entered into, and the allusions made by Dr. Campbell to former letters, will render it necessary for me (however unwilling to occupy the valuable time of the Government, or to burden the public records) to submit the whole of the Correspondence which has passed between us. The early departure of the Honble Company's Sloop "Olive" will however preclude my doing so by this opportunity, but the Abstracts of the Contents of the several letters which appear in the Diaries, now forwarded, will in the mean while assist in forming an opinion on the Merits of the Case.

3. In transmitting for the information of the Right Honble the Governor in Council, a Copy of my reply of this day's date to Dr. Campbell's Communication, I beg to offer a few remarks on the latter.

4. For several years past it has been the Custom of the Resident's Assistant (when present) and Medical Officer, to remove for the Summer Months (when the Heat is most intense at Bushire) to a spot called Chagudduk, about



14 miles distant from the Town for the last  
three years, Dr. Campbell has regularly re-  
-moved with his family to this place and  
prior to the commencement of the corres-  
-pondence alluded to in the preceding  
Paragraph about the end of May last,  
had prepared his House there for a similar  
removal this year. I may here succinctly  
observe that this Correspondence has arisen  
out of the intention of Dr. Campbell to send  
his family to the Plains some five or six  
weeks earlier than the date fixed for my  
own removal. Dr. Campbell's reason for  
this arrangement as expressed to me in a  
private note, was that Mrs. Campbell  
was suffering from indisposition, and he  
thought it necessary for her Health's sake  
she should go to Chaguddah. as the  
case did not appear urgent (the intended  
removal not being to take place for some  
ten days after the first announcement  
to me,) and a near Member of my  
own Family being then under Dr. Campbell's  
Medical treatment, from the effects of a  
very serious illness, I objected to that  
Gentleman's sending out his Family to a  
distance, without great necessity, as he  
thereby rendered it likely, in case of any  
of them falling seriously ill and detaining  
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him away from Bushire, that he would be unable to perform his duties as Civil Surgeon. After some Correspondence Dr. Campbell gave up his intention in consequence of my objection, and determined upon sending his Family down to Bombay. I now for the first time learn with surprise, from Dr. Campbell's letter of the 14<sup>th</sup> that he places this removal on the grounds of what I have stated in my former Communications to him, leading to the inference, that I had intended to detain him in Bushire, and thus prevent his usual removal with his Family to Chaguddak during the Heats of Summer. The Copy of my reply now forwarded, will I trust satisfy the Right Honble the Governor in Council, how entirely Dr. Campbell has been under an erroneous impression in coming to this conclusion. -

5. With reference to the heavy responsibility alluded to by Dr. Campbell in the 4<sup>th</sup> Paragraph of his letter, as existing in case of dangerous accident, or severe illness occurring among the numerous Establishment still located in Bushire during his absence I beg to observe, that this responsibility did not weigh very seriously with that Officer, during the three preceding years, when he spent the Summer at Chaguddak, and

and which he then considered amply provided for by the weekly visit to the Town which I found it necessary to recommend to him. I would further observe, that with the exception of the Seapays of the Escort left to guard the Residency, and the Assistant Apothecary left in Charge of them, <sup>there</sup> is no Member of my Public Establishment who is not at full liberty to take up his residence during the Summer Months at Chaguddah upon the same conditions as those upon which I reside at that place, namely, that of spending at least two days in each week in Bushiro. All those Members of the Establishment (with above exceptions) who now remain in the Town, do so entirely by their own preference. Dr. Campbell was fully aware, when he penned the Paragraph now under reply, of the established Custom of visiting Bushiro Weekly, and must more-over have been quite satisfied, that in case of dangerous accident, or serious illness occurring, no objection would be offered under ordinary circumstances to his making a longer stay than two days in the Town. Touching Dr. Campbell's observation upon the inferiority of the experience of Mr. Hajjar and the Assistant Apothecary as compared with that of Mr. Carapit, I would <sup>(673)</sup> remark

remark, that it was in consequence of Dr. Campbell's repeated Complaints against the latter, as referred to in my public letter N<sup>o</sup> 53 dated the 1<sup>st</sup> February last, that person was removed from his situation here, and his successor sent up. I beg further to add, that at the end of May last when Dr. Campbell was preparing his House at Chagudduk for the reception of his Family and himself during the Summer, the incompetency of M<sup>r</sup>. Hayward for the Medical Charge of the Establishment left in Bushire, did not appear to have occurred to him.

6. As Dr. Campbell has now been made fully aware by my reply to him of this day's date, that no grounds, excepting private ones, exist for his sending his Family down to Bombay and moreover considering that no Claim for Compensation has ever been before preferred either by himself, or his predecessor on account of his accompanying the Resident and a large private Establishment to Chagudduk, I cannot append my recommendation to the Application now submitted for the consideration of Government.

Residency in the  
Persian Gulf  
Bushire 17<sup>th</sup> July  
1848.

I have the honor &c  
Signed / J. Kennell  
Resident in the Persian Gulf  
Office No

Office N<sup>o</sup> 216 of 1048.

To,

W. Campbell Esquire  
Medical Department  
Civil Surgeon  
Bushire

Sir,

It being my intention in consequence of the increasing heats of the summer to remove to Khagaddukh this day, I request you will be good enough to join me there as soon as possible, after the departure of the Honorable Company's Sloop Clive from Bushire.

Residency in the  
Persian Gulf  
Bushire  
July 1048 -

I have the honor to be &c.

I signed / S. Kennell  
Resident &c.

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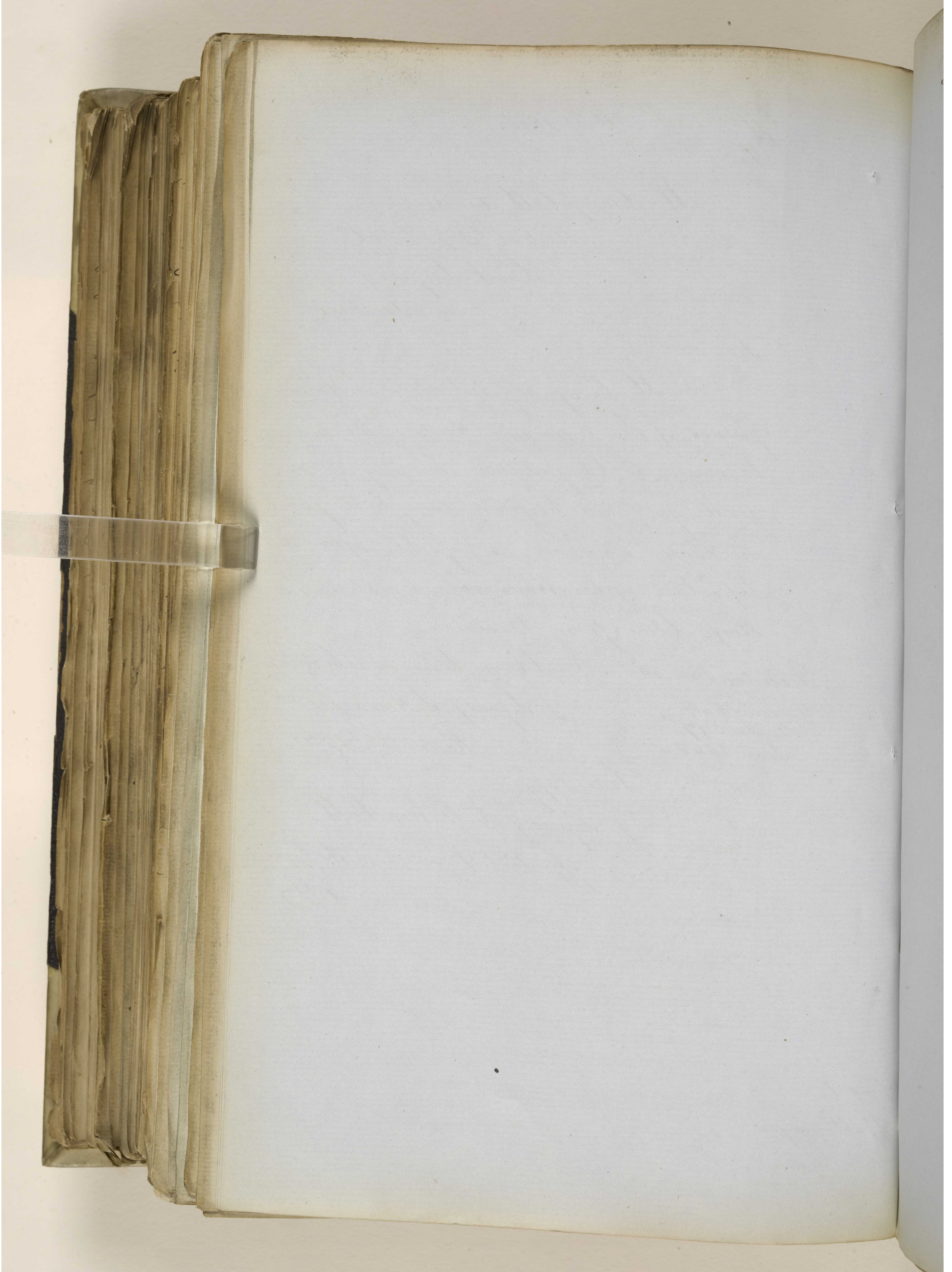
I signed / A. B. Kemball

Assistant Resident in the Persian  
Gulf

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Ant. Al-Bayungho  
M. A. M. M. M.

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To,  
Major Hennell  
Resident in the Persian Gulf.-  
Bushire.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 11<sup>th</sup> Instant, acquainting me with your intention of proceeding to a Chaghuddock and directing me to join you there, as soon as possible, after the departure of the Honorable Company's Sloop Clive.-

In intimating my readiness to comply implicitly with this order, I beg to submit for your consideration the following remarks.-

In your letter to my address of the 25<sup>th</sup> May, you state your opinion that the removal of my family to Chaghuddock, a distance of fourteen miles from Bushire, is not unlikely to interfere with my public duties, as their state of health might require me to be absent from my post here, and in your letter of the following day, you add, that admitting the great probability of such a contingency arising, I ought not without very urgent necessity, to place myself voluntarily in a position which may oblige me to absent myself, a Considera-

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Considerable distance from my post and  
thus leave the Resident, his family and  
Establishment "deprived of that efficient Me-  
-dical aid which under present circum-  
-stances is so likely to be required." And  
I am again warned in your letter of the  
31<sup>st</sup> May that you "cannot & I am justified + see orig<sup>l</sup>  
in thus without very urgent necessity,  
placing you in a position, which pre-  
-cludes your withholding the leave sought  
for, although my absence may possibly  
seriously interfere with the performance  
of my duties as Civil Surgeon to this  
Residency. It will not have escaped  
your recollection, that these objections  
were opposed to my application for  
only occasional leave, under contin-  
-gencies which were at least doubtful.  
and although I pointed out that a  
during my temporary absence at such  
junctures, the Residency Establishment  
would not be deprived of efficient  
Medical aid to a greater degree than  
during my permanent residence at  
Chaghvalock in the hot weather, this  
had not the effect of altering the view  
you took of the matter. It was the  
consideration of the very decided  
opinion you had expressed, and the  
conviction arising therefrom, as stated  
in my letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> Ultimo, which  
received



received no contradiction. That I could not with propriety avail myself of the indulgence I had enjoyed in previous years, which determined me at great personal discomfort and inconvenience to send my family to Bombay. It will be conceded that I was justified in drawing this inference, in as much as of the Residency Establishment I had every reason to believe that no portion would accompany you to the Country.

Dear exception  
has this season  
been made a  
party of one of the  
wilds of six days  
days having proceed  
ed to Chaghadook.

I consider it but justice to myself to offer these remarks in the discharge of my duties as Civil Surgeon, in order to relieve myself of a heavy responsibility, in the event of any case of dangerous accident, or serious illness occurring among the numerous Establishment still located here during my absence. especially under the circumstances of the recent removal of Mr. Apothecary Carapat, a man of long standing and considerable experience, and the substitution in his room of Mr. Hayward who entered the service but six years ago, and was only promoted to his present grade in September, 1846.

But there is also a consideration, of no public importance, which weighs

weighs very materially with me pri-  
-vately. I allude to the expense to which  
the removal of my family to Bombay  
will necessarily subject me. It in-  
-volves the necessity of maintaining  
a double Establishment and imperatively  
calls upon me to practise the most  
rigid economy. This must of course  
be held of no moment, where public  
duty is concerned but I venture to  
hope under the peculiar circumstances  
of my case, that Government may in  
their liberality be induced to grant  
me some compensation to meet the  
expenses of carriage, and additional  
servants, incidental to my removal  
to Chagherdook, and I would most  
respectfully request that you will  
be pleased to submit an application  
to this effect, for their favorable consi-  
-deration.

Rushie 14<sup>th</sup>  
July 1848.

I have &c  
Signed W. Campbell  
Civil Surgeon

True Copy  
Signed A. B. Kemball  
Agent Resident Persian  
Gulf

Copied by  
C. S. S. S. S.  
comp'd  
R. Eddy

Office No. 223 of 1848.

To  
Mr. Campbell Esquire M. D.  
Civil Surgeon

Bushire

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14<sup>th</sup> Instant (in reply to my communication to you of the 11<sup>th</sup> on the subject of your joining me at Chughudloak after the departure of the Olive / requesting me to submit your application to Government, that under the peculiar circumstances of your case, some compensation may be granted to meet the expenses of carriage and additional servants incident to your removal to the above place.

In intimating that your application will be submitted for the consideration of Government, I beg to refer to that part of your letter in which you state "It was in consideration of the very decided opinions you had expressed and the conviction arising therefrom as stated, in my letter of the 13<sup>th</sup> ultimo, which received no contradiction, that I could not with propriety avail myself of the indulgence I had enjoyed in previous years, which determined me at great personal discomfort and inconvenience to send my family to Bombay" I have looked over

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your communication of the 15<sup>th</sup> Ultimo, Case:  
-fully, and find no passage bearing the  
above construction I conclude that the  
part to which you refer is as follows "My  
thanks are due for your kindness in con-  
-sulting to my original intention being  
now carried into effect, considering however  
the very decided opinions you have expressed  
I do not feel that I should be justified  
in taking advantage of the permission except  
under circumstances so imminent and pres-  
-sing as to admit of no alternative  
-whatever. In a Government servant public  
duty ought to be paramount to every other  
consideration and after what has passed,  
it would require a necessity such as  
I dread even to contemplate, to induce  
me to do any thing which might lead  
to a neglect of mine."

3. At the time when I received  
the letter containing the sentence above  
quoted, my impression was, that you  
were only alluding to the short space of  
time intervening between the date of  
your first intention of sending your fa-  
-mily out to Chughudduck, and that of  
my own removal to that place. after  
the distinct intimation conveyed in my  
letter to you of the 26<sup>th</sup> May, in which  
I recommended not to carry your pro-  
-posed arrangement into effect, until

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the second, week in July, when I proposed  
taking out my own family. I could not  
possibly suppose you were under the  
erroneous impression that it was ever  
my intention to deny to you the same  
indulgence as that enjoyed by my-  
self or that I would for a moment con-  
-template detaining you in Bushire -  
during the Heats of the Summer Months,  
while I proceeded to a cooler spot. I  
can only regret that such an erroneous  
impression should have arisen, for I  
cannot observe any part of my letter  
which could lead to it. The Circum-  
-stance of my having both privately  
on the 10<sup>th</sup> and Officially on the 11<sup>th</sup> Instant,  
intimated to you my expectation that  
you would join me as usual in -  
Chaghudduk, ought alone to have re-  
-moved it. Be however this as it -  
may, I beg you will now distinctly  
understand that the objection I urged  
to the removal of your Family to the -  
Plains applied solely to the period  
between the beginning of June -  
and the second week in July and that  
I never for a moment entertained  
the remotest idea of preventing you -  
and those connected with you spending  
the Heats of the Summer at Chaghudduk  
during the period I myself removed to

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that place. If therefore no other grounds of a private nature exist for the removal of your family from Bombay than those assigned in your letter of the 14<sup>th</sup> Instant, this explanation will I trust have removed them, and as you have for the last three years proceeded to the plains for the Summer Months without any claim for compensation, I regret that in submitting your application I cannot add my recommendation to the Government to comply with its prayer.

Residency in the Persian Gulf, Bushire  
17<sup>th</sup> July 1848 -

I have &c.  
Signed S. Hemmell,  
Resident &c.

P.S. Your letter of the 14<sup>th</sup> only reached me at 10 P.M. on the 15<sup>th</sup> and it would have been replied to the following morning had not the 16<sup>th</sup> been the Sabbath.

True copy  
Signed A. B. Hemball  
Asst. Resident Persian Gulf.

Copied by  
B. Edwards  
Comp'd  
B. Edwards

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Consultation 11<sup>th</sup> October 1848. -  
Office N<sup>o</sup> 231 of 1848. -

From,

Major Hennell  
Resident in the Persian Gulf

To

G. Lumsden Esquire  
Secretary to Government  
Bombay.

Dated Bushire 18<sup>th</sup> July 1848.

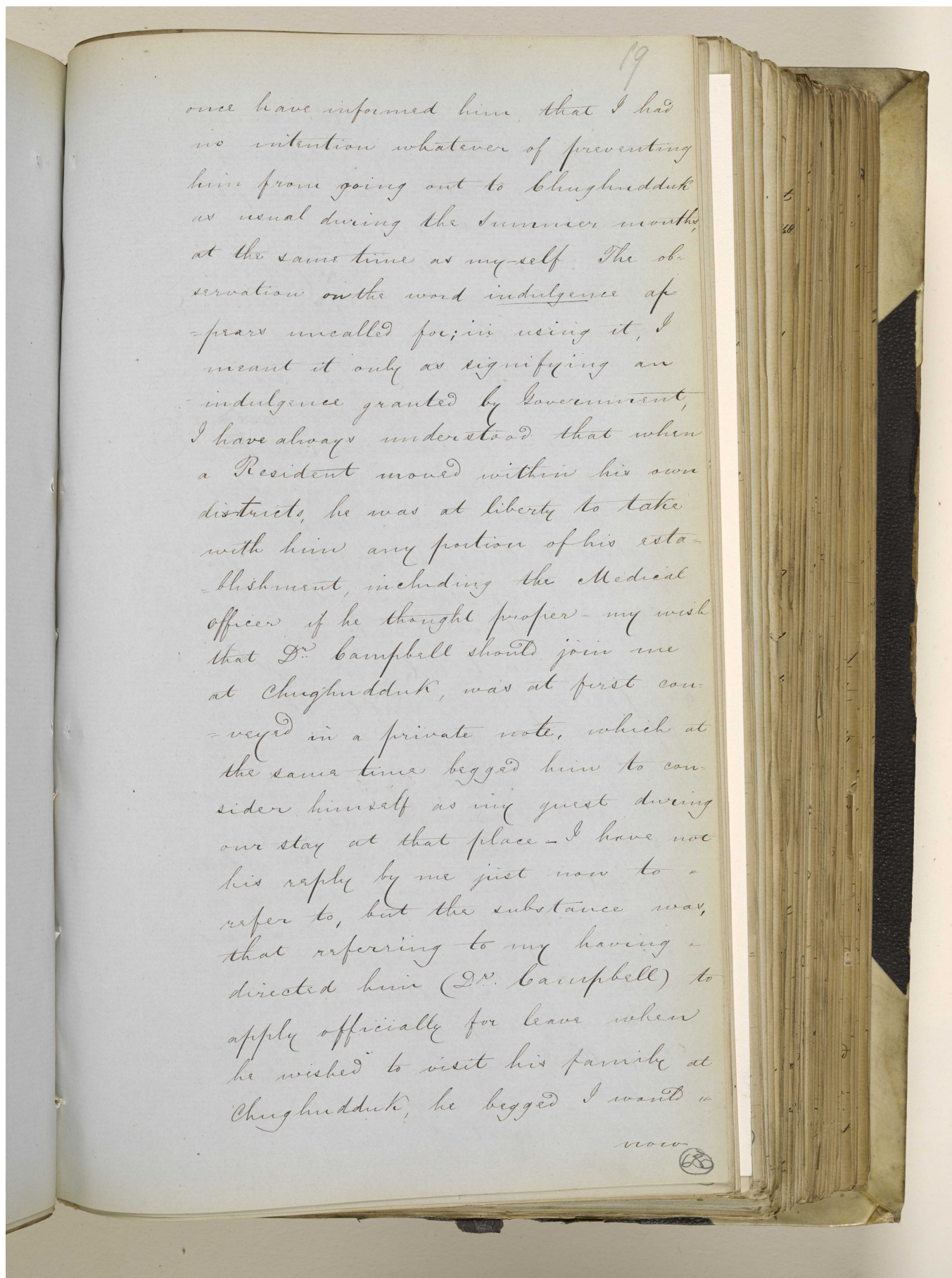
Sir,

Since closing my letter to  
your address N<sup>o</sup> 229 of yesterday's date,  
on the subject of an application from  
D<sup>r</sup> Campbell for compensation for the  
extra expenses incurred by him in  
joining my location at Chughudduk,  
I have received another communication  
from that Gentleman, in reply to my  
answer to him of the 15<sup>th</sup> Instant,  
a copy of which was forwarded in  
the letter to you above referred to. -

2. I have now the honor to  
enclose a transcript of D<sup>r</sup> Campbell's  
reply for the information of the  
Right Honorable the Governor in  
Council. With reference to the  
remarks made by that officer  
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touching the limited nature of the accommodation afforded to him within the Residency, - I have only to observe that they have been occupied by himself and his family during the four years he has been Civil Surgeon at Bushire, and that there did not exist the slightest obligation for his continuing to reside in them any longer than he considered expedient. The Government allows the Resident 100 Rupees per mensem as house rent, which he pays for the use of the Residency. - The apportioning of any part of that building for the accommodation of his subordinates has always hitherto been considered a matter of courtesy. - To the quotation made by Dr. Campbell from one of his former letters, and his remark that it did not receive the slightest correction from me I need only say, that I was under the fullest belief that it referred solely to the point then in discussion, namely, his occasional temporary absence from Bushire between the beginning of June, and the second week in July. Had I been aware of the impression, which it now appears that Gentlemen designed to convey, I should at  
once





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 once have informed him, that I had  
 no intention whatever of preventing  
 him from going out to Chughudduk  
 as usual during the summer months,  
 at the same time as my-self. The ob-  
 servation on the word indulgence ap-  
 pears uncalled for; in using it, I  
 meant it only as signifying an  
 indulgence granted by Government,  
 I have always understood that when  
 a Resident moved within his own  
 districts, he was at liberty to take  
 with him any portion of his esta-  
 blishment, including the Medical  
 officer, if he thought proper - my wish  
 that Dr. Campbell should join me  
 at Chughudduk, was at first con-  
 veyed in a private note, which at  
 the same time begged him to con-  
 sider himself as my guest during  
 our stay at that place - I have not  
 his reply by me just now to re-  
 fer to, but the substance was,  
 that referring to my having re-  
 directed him (Dr. Campbell) to  
 apply officially for leave when  
 he wished to visit his family at  
 Chughudduk, he begged I would  
 now

now address him in the same manner, on the subject of his joining my location at that place, which I accordingly did.

3. I omitted in my former letter to mention, that from a part of March to the beginning of June last, Dr. Campbell's family resided at a village about 5 miles distant from Bushire, where Dr. Campbell joined them every evening, no objection would have been made to this arrangement being continued, until the date of my removal to Chughanduk. I mention this to show that I had no desire to interfere with Dr. Campbell's plans, until there appeared <sup>no</sup> grounds for so doing.

4. I have said in my former letter, that I cannot add my recommendation to Dr. Campbell's application for compensation, as I do not think he has made out a case for it. I am not however aware of what the usages of the service may be in this respect, but if they sanction the claim for Batta, under such circumstances, I conclude that as a matter

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matter of course, Dr. Campbell's  
request will be granted -

Residency in the  
Persian Gulf  
Bushire 18<sup>th</sup> July 1848.

I have the honor to be  
signed  
S. Hennell  
Resident in the P. Gulf

To,

Major Hennell  
Resident in the Persian Gulf  
Bushire.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of  
this day's date, I have only to recapitulate with all the brevity that may  
be, the peculiar circumstances which  
led to my coming to the determination  
of sending my family to Bombay -

The arrangement I contemplated of removing them in the  
month of May to Chagherdook was  
one I humbly conceived of a strictly  
private nature, and was suggested  
by the following considerations -  
In the month of May 1845, my  
wife had a serious illness - in  
the same month of the following  
year, I had the misfortune to  
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lose my <sup>dearest</sup> child - and in the end of May  
or beginning of June 1847, his sister  
was alarmingly ill. At Rushire,  
when the hot weather sets in, the  
quarters occupied by myself and  
family being very limited, and  
confined, we are subjected to extreme  
discomfort - I cannot better illus-  
trate this, than by reminding you,  
that during greater portion of  
the day, a lady her two children,  
and two or three attendants, are  
compelled to occupy a single room.  
At night this inconvenience is only  
overcome by our moving to a tent  
outside the walls of the Town. These  
were facts patent to every inmate  
of the Residency, which it was not  
necessary for me to intrude on  
your recollection. -

The arrangement I proposed  
however met with your disapproval  
on the score - tho' of a private nature -  
that it might seriously interfere  
with my duties as Civil Surgeon  
to this Residency - and tho' I pointed  
out, that leave of absence if re-  
quired at all, would be but occa-  
sional, and temporary, and that  
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I should avail myself of it if granted, only under the most emergent necessity, in the event of any member of my family falling ill, and requiring my professional assistance, and that under any circumstances, the Residency establishment would not be deprived of efficient Medical aid to a greater degree than during my permanent residence at Chughudduk in the Summer months, thus bringing into strong contrast the two cases-- it had not the effect of altering your opinion - nor did my observation that, "under the circumstances which have arisen to lead you to the opinion, that my occasional temporary absence from Bushire would deprive the Residency establishment of efficient Medical aid, and possibly seriously interfere with the performance of my duties as Civil Surgeon, I have come to the determination of availing myself, of the first opportunity that offers to send my family to Bombay." receive the slightest correction - In short  
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the objection on public grounds was not removed, - and I may here note that even in the letter under reply, what is specifically stated to have been an indulgence granted, on former occasions, is now held in the light of a public duty, and enforced by an official order. -

In conclusion, I beg to remind you, that the removal of my family to Bombay, is an arrangement of a purely private kind - It is one which I certainly <sup>determined</sup> on adopting, from the sincere conviction, that it would the better enable me to discharge my public duties, and at the same time, relieve them of serious inconvenience and discomfort - but as it entails the necessity of maintaining two establishments calling for heavy additional expense, I believed myself justified in making an application for batta to the same amount, as is usually allowed to officers quitting their station on the public service. -

I beg to apologise for the hasty manner, in which I

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I have been constrained to write  
this letter, in consequence of being  
at present, in the midst of prepa-  
-rations for embarking my family.

Bushire 17<sup>th</sup> July  
1848.

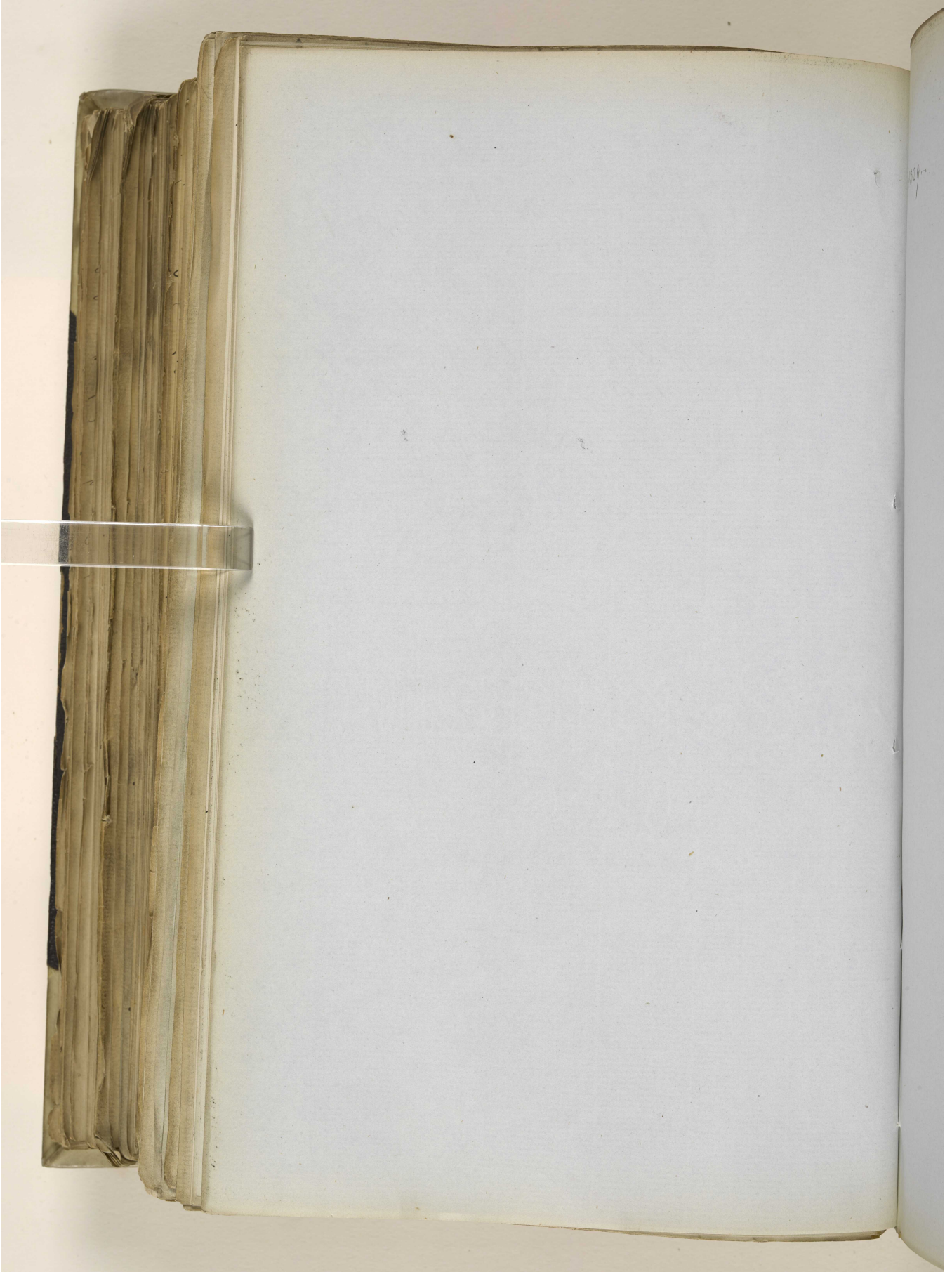
I have the honor to be  
Signed, William Campbell  
Civil Surgeon

(True Copy)  
Signed, A. B. Kemball  
Assistant Resident Persian Gulf.

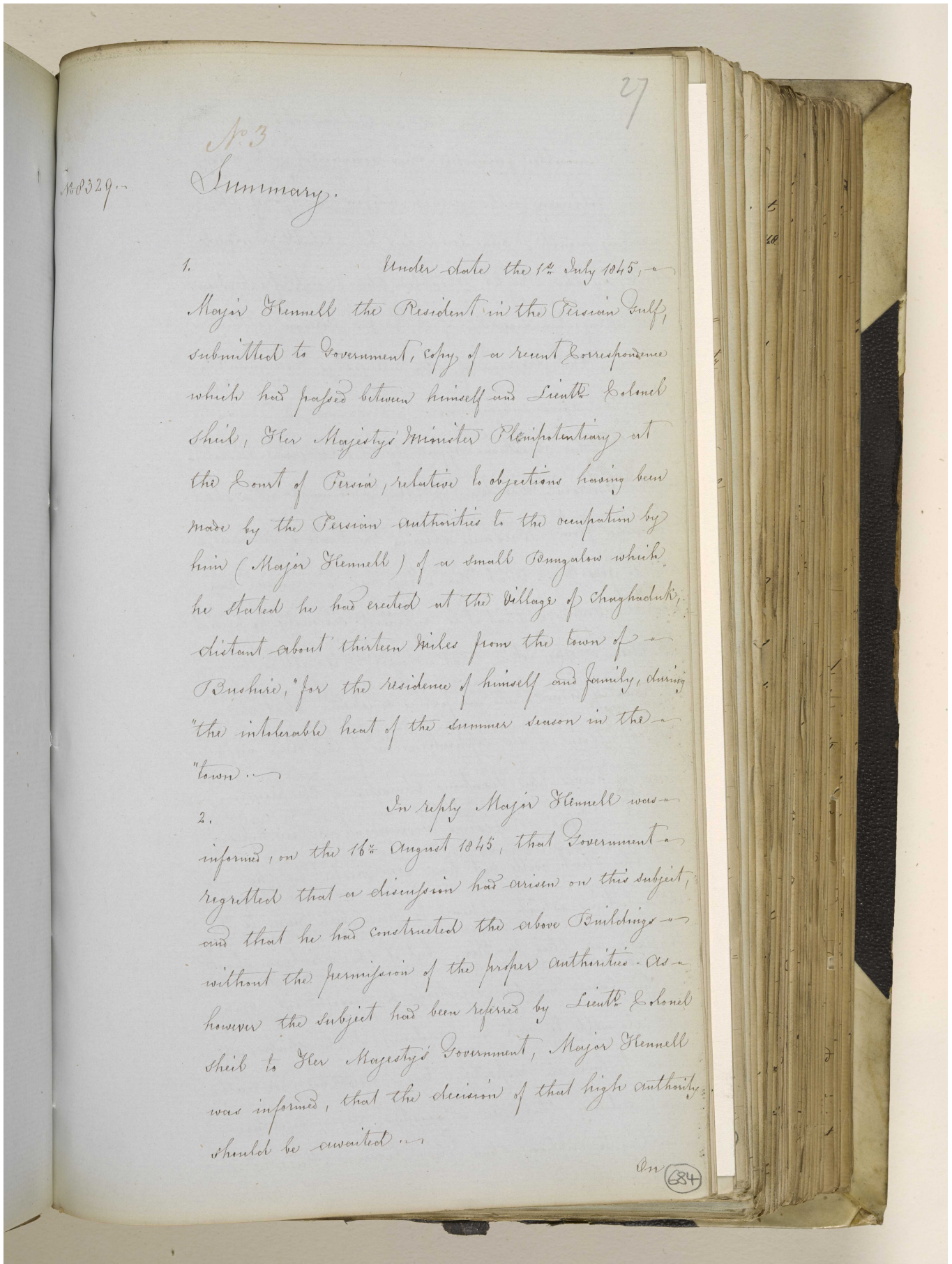
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Summary.

1. Under date the 1<sup>st</sup> July 1845, Major Glennell the Resident in the Persian Gulf, submitted to Government, copy of a recent correspondence which had passed between himself and Lieut. Colonel Shih, Her Majesty's Minister Plenipotentiary at the Court of Persia, relative to objections having been made by the Persian authorities to the occupation by him (Major Glennell) of a small bungalow which he stated he had erected at the village of Chughaduk, distant about thirteen miles from the town of Bushir, for the residence of himself and family, during the intolerable heat of the summer season in the town.

2. In reply Major Glennell was informed, on the 16<sup>th</sup> August 1845, that Government regretted that a discrepancy had arisen on this subject, and that he had constructed the above buildings without the permission of the proper authorities. As however the subject had been referred by Lieut. Colonel Shih to Her Majesty's Government, Major Glennell was informed, that the decision of that high authority should be awaited.

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3. On the 13<sup>th</sup> October 1845, the  
secret Committee furnished this Government with a copy  
of the following letter which had, on the 17<sup>th</sup> of the  
preceding month, been addressed to Lieut. Colonel  
Sheil, by the Right Honble the Earl of Aberdeen,  
Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs,  
containing the decision of Her Majesty's Government,  
upon the above subject.

"The objections offered by the Persian Ministers  
to the temporary residence of Major Gemell at a short  
distance from Bushire during the heats of summer,  
are so frivolous, that Her Majesty's Government can  
scarcely suppose that it is intended seriously to persist  
in them. The idea that Major Gemell is changing  
his Country house into a fort is so absurd, that the  
very expression of an apprehension of this kind suf-  
ficiently proves the vacillating character of the proceeding.

"Her Majesty's Government are in hopes  
that the Shah will not have been misled by the  
representations which appear to have been made to His  
Majesty on this matter; but if the contrary should  
be the case, and the objections be persisted in, you  
will do well to seek an audience of the Shah, and  
explain to him in respectful terms how the case really  
stands, adding that Her Majesty's Government are  
unwilling to suppose that His Persian Majesty is  
desirous

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desirous of subjecting Her Majesty's servants to petty annoyances of this description, which cannot be justified, if systematically resorted to, of producing any thing but a friendly feeling on the part of the British Government towards that of Persia.

"You will recollect if necessary, that H.E. Government are not prepared to direct Major-General Hennell to renounce his residence in the Country during the season of the year when his remaining in Bushire may seriously affect his health, and that of the members of his establishment. It is not because Major Hennell during that season resides out of the town, that the Residency, technically so called, is removed from Bushire. The Resident's Office is still established where the treaty provides that it shall be established; and Her Majesty's Government cannot sacrifice the health of their servants to the vague and occasional objections of the Persian Ministers."

4. On the 12<sup>th</sup> December 1845, Major Hennell was furnished by this Government with a copy of the above letter, "for his information". There are no further proceedings on the records of Government upon this subject.

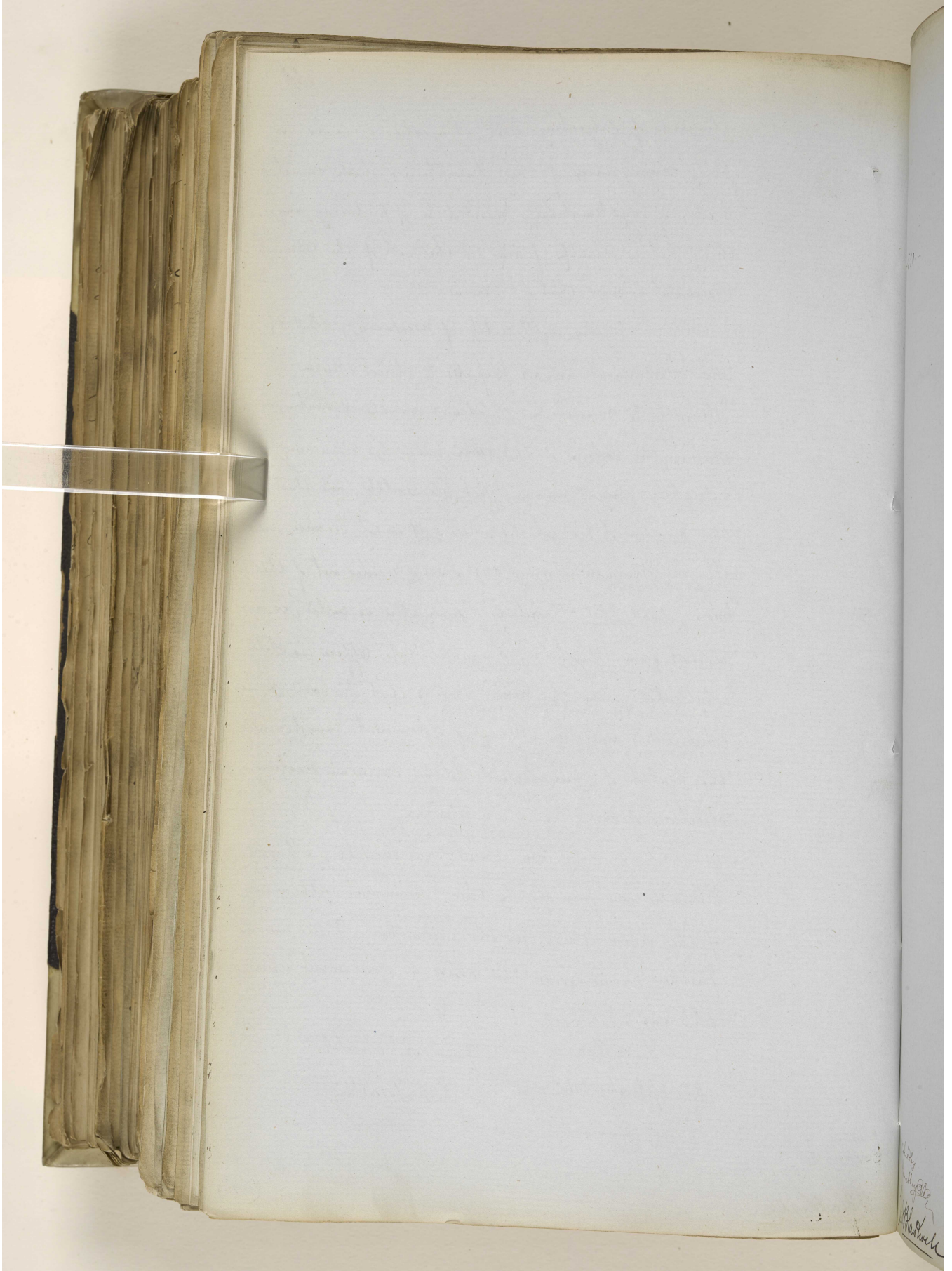
Josiah A. Melet.  
Chief Secretary.

5<sup>th</sup> September 1840.

Copy  
sent to  
H. Hennell

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No 3750 of 1848.

Political Department.

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Memorandum.

No 4510.

Major Gemmill, the Resident in the Persian Gulf, having been permitted by Government to reside at Shagwooduck (distant about 14 miles from Bushire) during the hot months in each year, the Office Establishment being retained at Bushire, and Major Gemmill returning to that place once or twice a week, the Civil Auditor is requested to state, whether the Civil Surgeon at Bushire, when proceeding to and residing at Shagwooduck at the request of the Resident, is entitled to draw Batta during such a period, and if so, under what rule.

Bombay Batta.  
11<sup>th</sup> September 1848.

J. A. Malet.  
Ship Secretary.

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H. H. H. H. H.

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No 401 of 1040/49.

Political Department.

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The Civil Auditor has the honor to state in reply to Mr Chief Secretary Malles's Memorandum No 3750 of the 11<sup>th</sup> of September 1848, that there is no rule which provides for the grant of Batta under the circumstances therein mentioned, and he is not aware of any instance of its having been granted on such grounds. The Civil Auditor is however of opinion that the Civil Surgeon of Bushire would have a claim to travelling allowance on each occasion of his being required to visit Major Hennis while residing at Shuguduck, agreeably to the spirit of the Government order of the 13<sup>th</sup> of June 1836, Government Gazette page 336, and he considers that 3 annas per mile would be a proper allowance.

Bombay Gazette.  
Civil Auditors Office.

12<sup>th</sup> September 1848.

signed E. L. Elliot.  
Civil Auditor.

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Minutes by the Right Honble the Governor -  
concurred in by the Honble Mr Peich and the Honble  
Mr Willoughby dated 25 September 1848.

Dr Campbell's application for a  
Batta while absent from Bushire on the requisition

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of the Resident, is inadmissible:—

Under the orders alluded to by  
the Civil Auditor he may be allowed travelling—  
allowance at the rate of 8 Annas per mile while—  
actually moving on duty.—

His services as Presidency Surgeon  
he should be informed are placed at the disposal of the  
Resident to be employed in the way that that Officer  
may consider most conducive to the public interests.—

25<sup>th</sup> September 1840.—

Josiah Falkland.

per L. R. Pind.

per J. P. Withoughby.

No 4161. of 1840.—

Political Department.

From,

A. Mahet Esquire.

Chief Secretary to Govt.

Bombay.

To,

Major S. Kennell.

Resident in the Persian Gulf.

(Dated 7<sup>th</sup> October 1840.—

Sir,

I am directed by the Right  
Honble the Governor-in-Council to acknowledge the  
receipt of your letter in the General Department dated  
the 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> July last Nos 229 & 231 and to request that you  
will



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will intimate to Dr Campbell, the Civil Surgeon of the Bushire Residency, that his application for Batta while absent from Bushire on your requisition is inadmissible.

2. Under the spirit however of the Government Order of the 13<sup>th</sup> June 1836 (Government Gazette page 336) His Lordship in Council is pleased to allow Dr Campbell, travelling allowance at the rate of eight annas per mile while actually moving on duty.

3. You will be pleased at the same time to inform Dr Campbell that his services as residency surgeon are placed at the disposal of the Resident, to be employed in the way that that Officer may consider most conducive to the public interests.

Bombay Castle.  
7<sup>th</sup> October 1848.

Have the honor to be  
Yours  
J. A. Mallet.  
Chief Secretary.

No 4162 & 63 of 1848.

Copy of the above letter to be sent to the Civil Auditor with reference to his report dated the 12<sup>th</sup> ultimo 1848. Copy to be also sent to the Accountant General for information.

Bombay Castle.  
7<sup>th</sup> October 1848.

J. A. Mallet.  
Chief Secretary.

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Mallet  
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Ms. 10262

Consultation 13<sup>th</sup> December 1848.  
Office N<sup>o</sup>. 243 of 1848.

From,

Major Hennell  
President in the Persian Gulf

To,

G. Sumner Esquire  
Secretary to Government  
Bombay.

General Department  
Sir,

Dated 31<sup>st</sup> July 1848

Adverting to the 2<sup>d</sup> Paragraph  
of my letter to your address N<sup>o</sup>. 229 under date  
the 17<sup>th</sup> Instant, I have now the honor to  
forward for the information of the Right  
Honorable the Governor in Council, the  
whole of the public correspondence between  
myself and Doctor Campbell, the Civil Sur-  
geon to this Residency, alluded to therein.

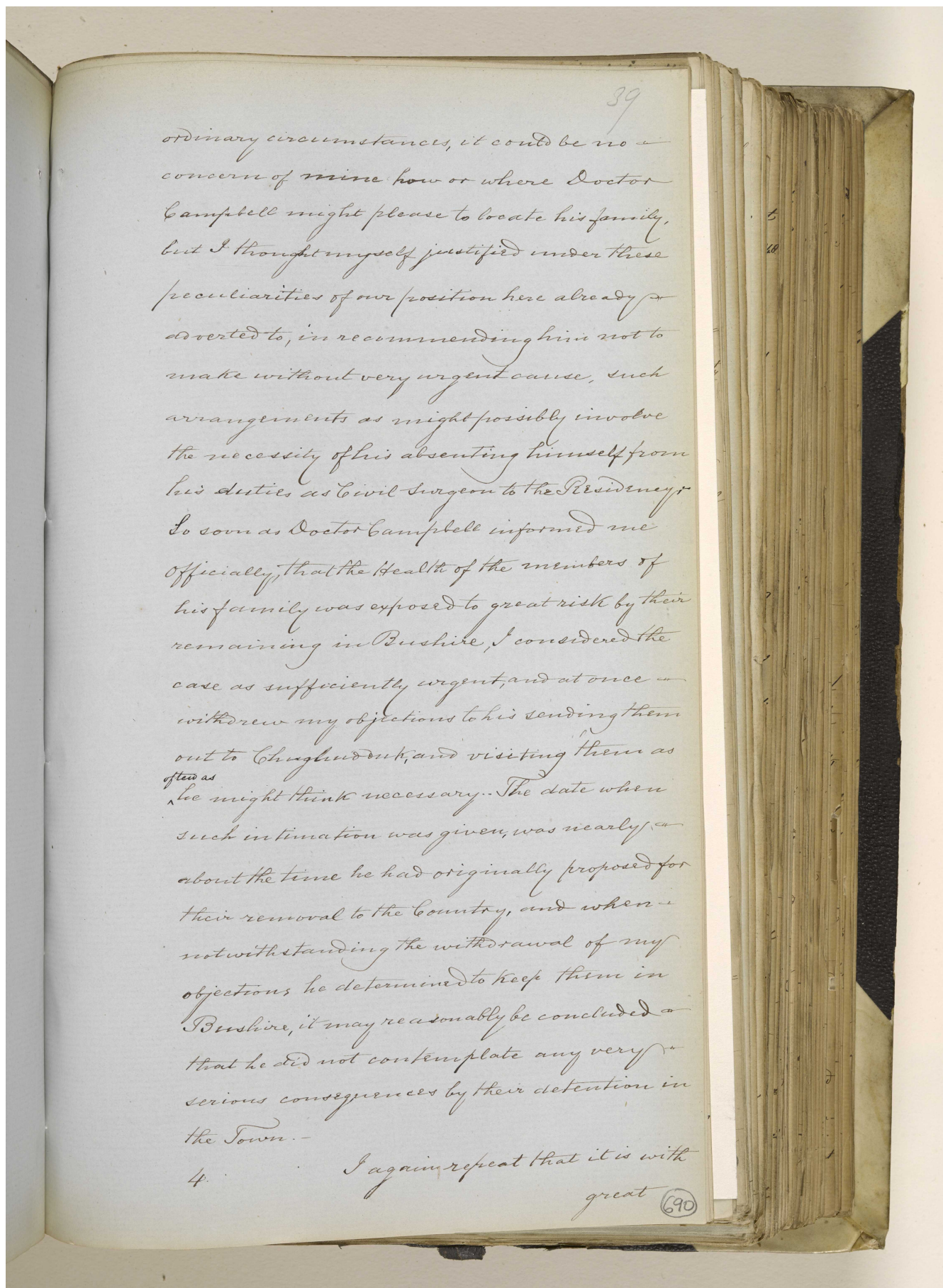
Having in the letter to your  
address above referred to, succinctly stated  
the origin and circumstances of this corres-  
pondence, further recapitulation would  
now be needless. I beg however to draw the  
attention of the Right Honorable the Go-  
vernor in Council, to the peculiarity of our  
position in this quarter, where in the  
frequent

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frequent absence of the one Vessel of War  
carrying a Surgeon, Doctor Campbell is the  
only European Medical Officer available,  
and in case of his temporary absence, there  
is no other that can be called in however an  
emergent the case may be. - To show that the  
contingencies referred to in my correspondence  
with that Gentleman are not purely imagi-  
nary, I may mention, that on one occasion  
when my wife and Children from various  
causes, required Doctor Campbell's constant  
attendance, I was under the necessity of placing  
them for some days under the medical charge  
of the apothecary, in consequence of Doctor  
Campbell's being detained in Busheer by the  
serious illness of Mr. Campbell. Moreover  
so late, <sup>only</sup> as last April, a near member of my  
own family was placed in very dangerous  
circumstances, owing to a delay of three  
hours having intervened before Doctor  
Campbell could be brought in from Busheer  
(where he was residing) a distance <sup>of</sup> only 5  
or 6 Miles from the Town. - This urgent  
call for his services occurred at night,  
and the City Gate being closed as usual, some  
delay took place before it was allowed to be  
opened. -

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I am fully aware that under  
ordinary



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ordinary circumstances, it could be no concern of mine how or where Doctor Campbell might please to locate his family, but I thought myself justified under these peculiarities of our position here already adverted to, in recommending him not to make without very urgent cause, such arrangements as might possibly involve the necessity of his absenting himself from his duties as Civil Surgeon to the Residency. So soon as Doctor Campbell informed me officially, that the health of the members of his family was exposed to great risk by their remaining in Bushire, I considered the case as sufficiently urgent, and at once withdrew my objections to his sending them out to Chughinduk, and visiting them as often as <sup>often as</sup> he might think necessary. The date when such intimation was given, was nearly about the time he had originally proposed for their removal to the Country, and when notwithstanding the withdrawal of my objections he determined to keep them in Bushire, it may reasonably be concluded that he did not contemplate any very serious consequences by their detention in the Town.

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I again repeat that it is with  
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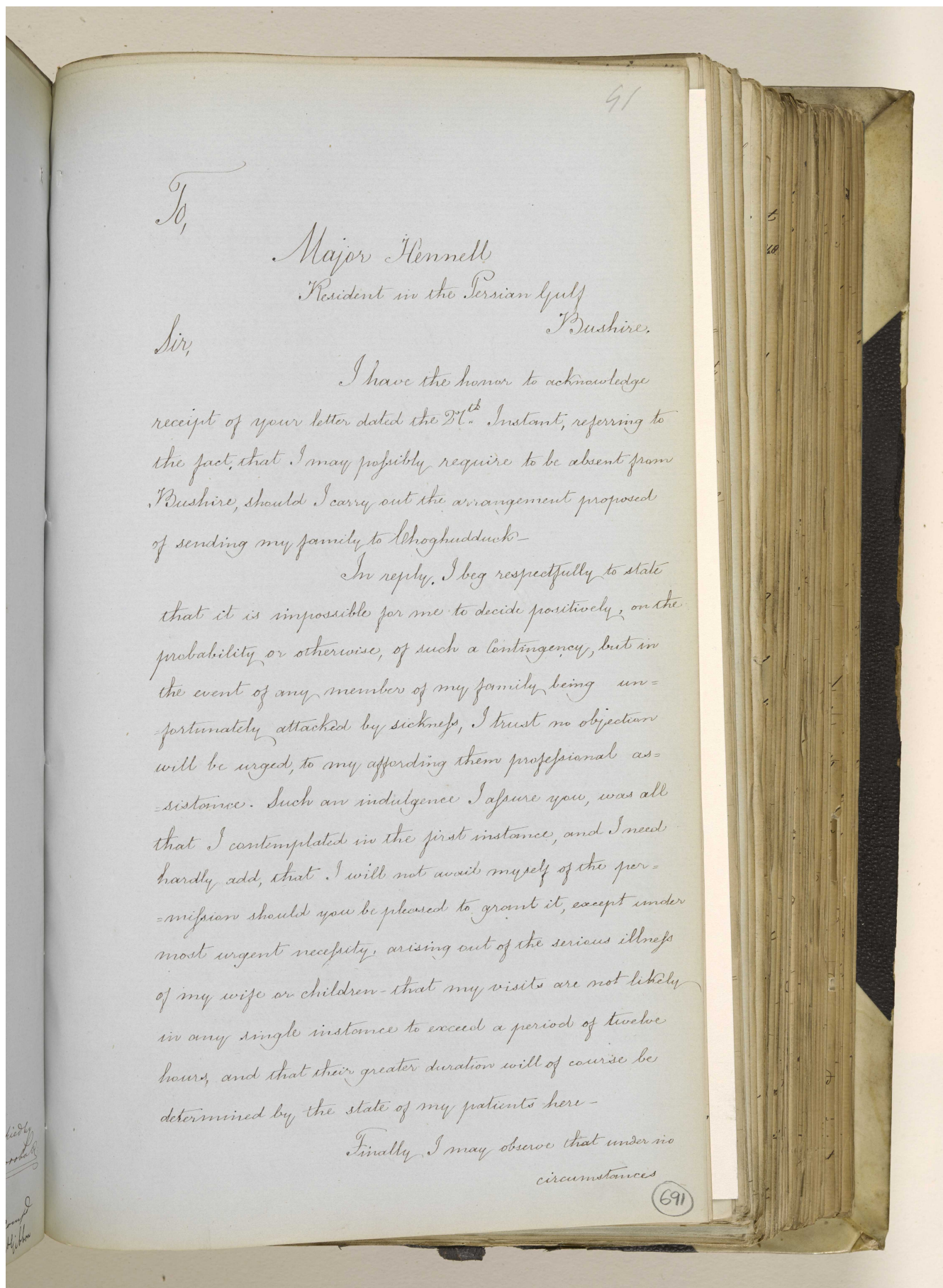
great reluctance I occupy the valuable time  
and attention of Government with a matter  
so purely personal as the present, but as Doctor  
Campbell's letter of the 14<sup>th</sup> July applying for  
Batta was evidently worded with the view of  
bringing the whole correspondence before His  
Lordship in Council, I did not think I was  
justified in withholding it. —

Residency in  
the Persian Gulf  
Bussiere  
31<sup>st</sup> July 1848

I have the honor to be &c.  
Signed J. Hennell  
Resident in the  
Persian Gulf. —

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L. H. H. H.



To,

Major Rennell  
Resident in the Persian Gulf  
Bushire.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 21<sup>th</sup> Instant, referring to the fact, that I may possibly require to be absent from Bushire, should I carry out the arrangement proposed of sending my family to Ahoghudduck-

In reply, I beg respectfully to state that it is impossible for me to decide positively, on the probability or otherwise, of such a contingency, but in the event of any member of my family being unfortunately attacked by sickness, I trust no objections will be urged, to my affording them professional assistance. Such an indulgence I assure you, was all that I contemplated in the first instance, and I need hardly add, that I will not avail myself of the permission should you be pleased to grant it, except under most urgent necessity, arising out of the serious illness of my wife or children - that my visits are not likely in any single instance to exceed a period of twelve hours, and that their greater duration will of course be determined by the state of my patients here -

Finally I may observe that under no circumstances

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circumstances will the Residency Establishment be  
deprived of efficient medical aid, to a greater degree than  
during my permanent residence at Bhaghudduck, in  
the summer months -

I have the honor to be &c  
} (Signed) William Campbell  
} Civil Surgeon  
} Bushire  
} 29<sup>th</sup> May 1848

(True Copy)

(Signed) A. B. Kemball  
Assistant Resident Persian Gulf

Office N<sup>o</sup> 160 of 1848

To,

W. Campbell Esquire M. D.  
Civil Surgeon - Bushire

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge  
the receipt of your letter of Yesterday's date and in reply  
beg to acquaint you that its contents appear to confirm  
the correctness of the opinions expressed by me in my  
communications to your address on the 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>  
Instant, on the subject of the removal of your family  
to Bhaghudduck?

I have the honor to be &c  
} (Signed) J. Hennell  
} Resident &c  
} Residency in the Persian Gulf  
} Bushire 30<sup>th</sup> May 1848

(True Copy)

(Signed) A. B. Kemball

Assistant Resident Persian Gulf



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To,

Major Hennell  
Resident in the Persian Gulf  
Bushire

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this day's date, and in reply respectfully beg to be informed, whether I am to consider the opinion expressed in your Official communications on the subject of the removal of my family to Khaghudduck, as a rejection of my application to be permitted under the circumstances stated in my last letter, to afford them Medical aid, should it unfortunately happen that any of them fall ill -

Bushire  
30<sup>th</sup> May 1848

I have the honor to be &c.  
(Signed) William Campbell  
Civil Surgeon

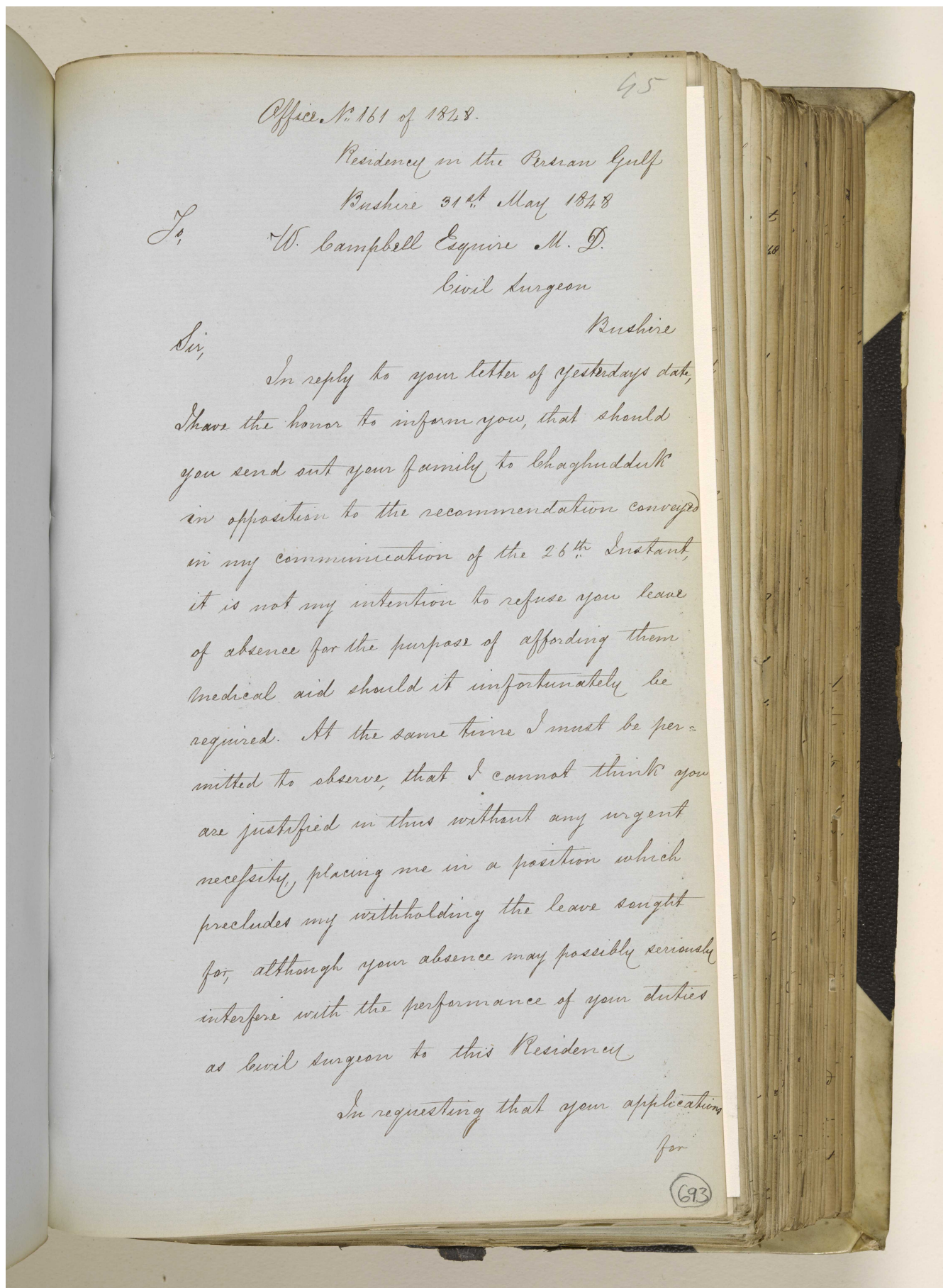
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(Signed) A. B. Kemball  
Assistant Resident Persian Gulf

Received  
30<sup>th</sup> May  
Campbell  
A. B. Kemball

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for leave of absence may be submitted in an  
official form -

I have the honor to be &c.  
/Signed/ S. Kennell  
Resident &c.

Truce hospital  
/Signed/ A. B. Kemball  
Assistant Resident Persian Gulf  
Office No. 181 of 1848

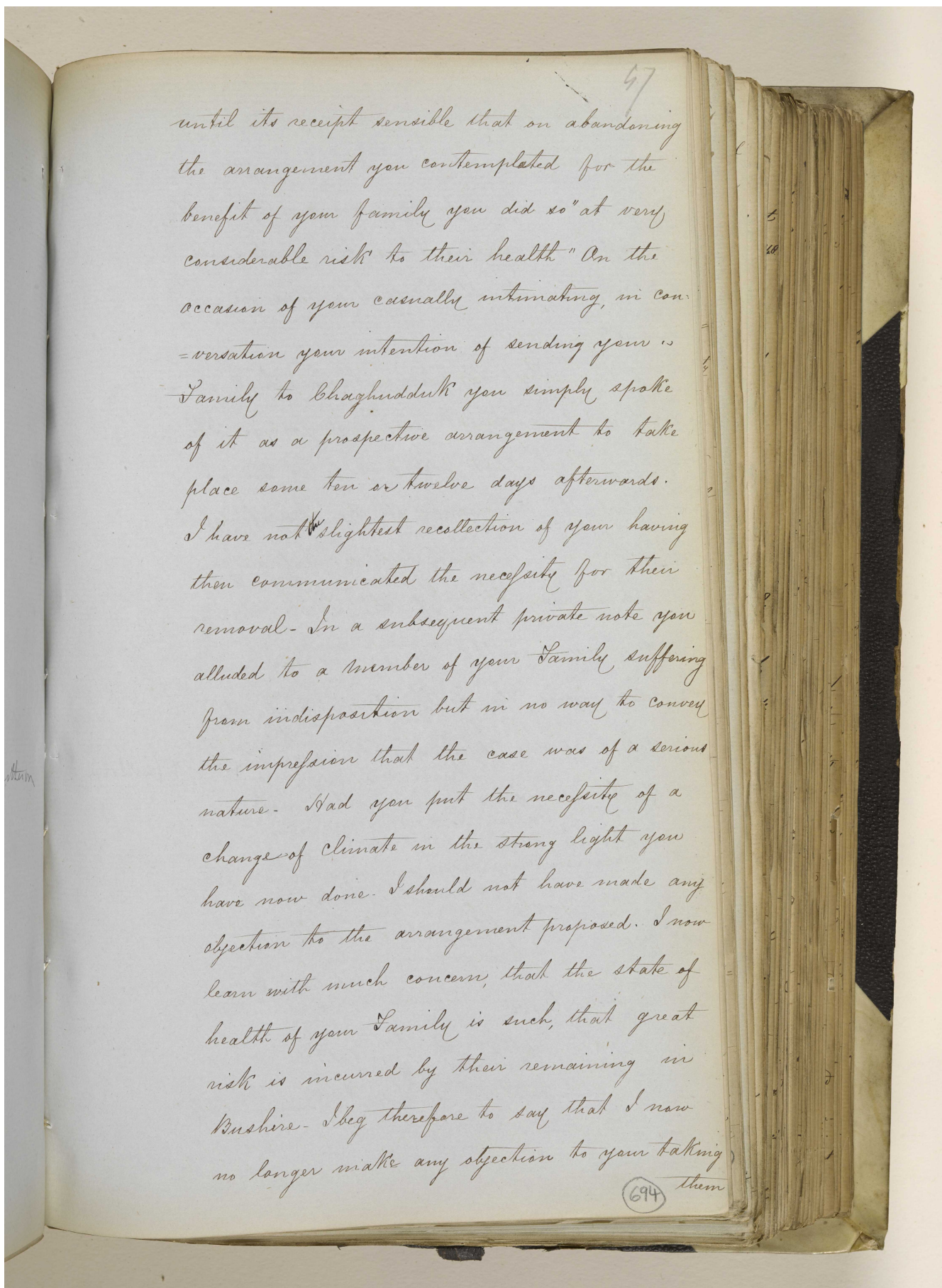
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To  
W. Campbell Esquire M.D.  
Civil Surgeon

Sir  
Bushire

I have the honor to acknowledge the  
the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date in:  
- <sup>+ further on</sup> ~~turning~~ that it is not your intention to  
act in opposition to the recommendation conveyed  
in my letter of the 26<sup>th</sup> ultimo, by availing  
yourself of the permission granted on the  
terms of my communication dated the 31<sup>st</sup>  
Idem -

2. With reference to the 2<sup>d</sup> paragraph  
of your letter I beg to observe that I was not,  
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 until its receipt sensible that on abandoning  
 the arrangement you contemplated for the  
 benefit of your family you did so "at very  
 considerable risk to their health" On the  
 occasion of your casually intimating, in con-  
 -versation your intention of sending your  
 Family to Baghdad you simply spoke  
 of it as a prospective arrangement to take  
 place some ten or twelve days afterwards.  
 I have not slightest recollection of your having  
 then communicated the necessity for their  
 removal. In a subsequent private note you  
 alluded to a member of your Family suffering  
 from indisposition but in no way to convey  
 the impression that the case was of a serious  
 nature. Had you put the necessity of a  
 change of climate in the strong light you  
 have now done. I should not have made any  
 objection to the arrangement proposed. I now  
 learn with much concern, that the state of  
 health of your Family is such, that great  
 risk is incurred by their remaining in  
 Bushire. I beg therefore to say that I now  
 no longer make any objection to your taking  
 them

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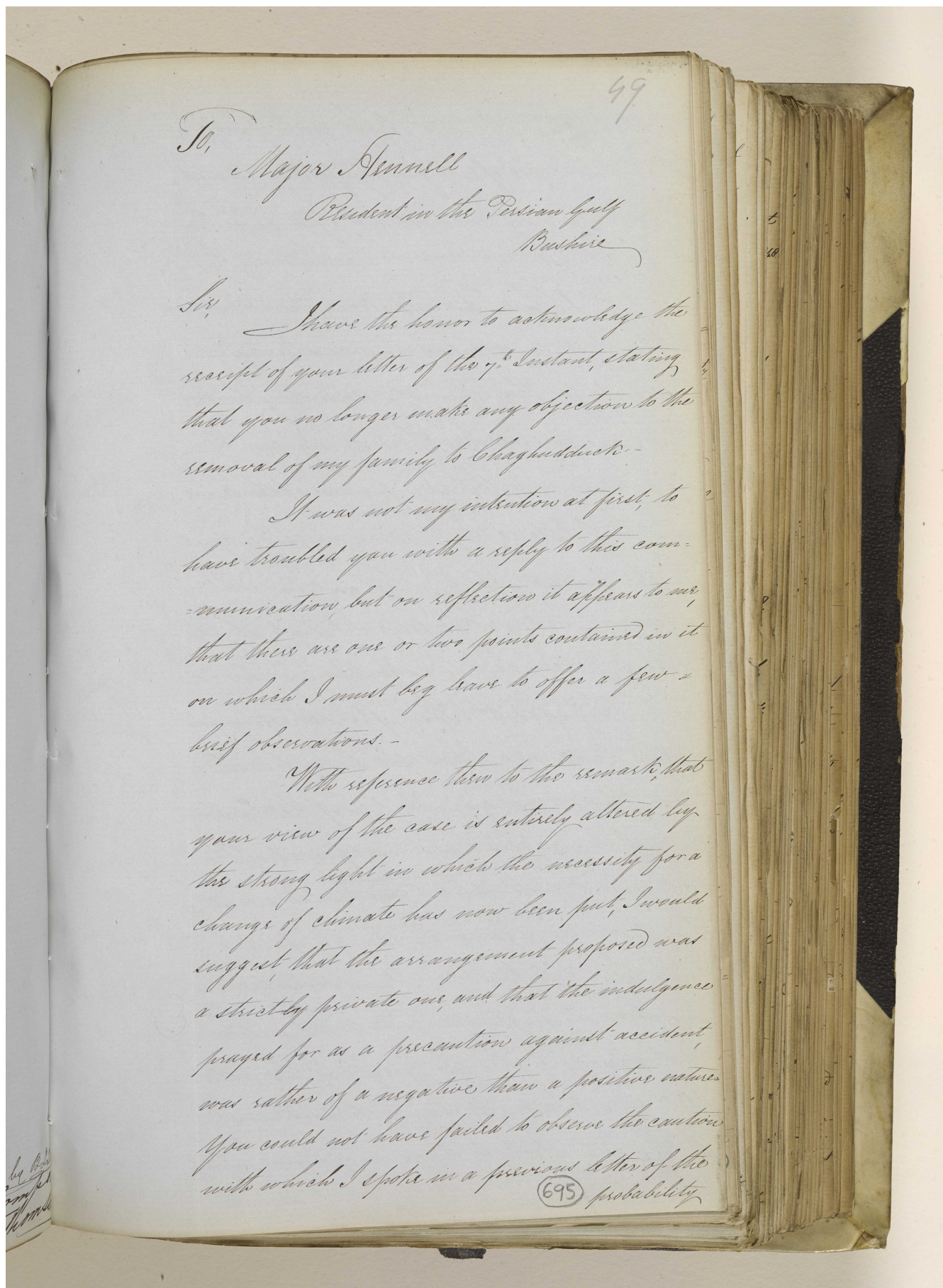
them out to Chaghanduk immediately or to  
your visiting them there as often as you  
may consider it necessary until an opportunity  
may offer for sending them to Bombay, should  
you continue to think such a measure is  
advisable -

There is one point on which I  
would wish to correct your impressions - The  
House at Chaghanduk was not built on ac-  
-count of the superiority of the climate of  
that place over Bushire, but as a refuge from  
the overpowering heats of the Sun during  
the summer months. As far as my own  
experience goes, the death of one, and the  
foundation of the dangerous illness of another,  
out of three children would rather incline me  
to an opposite opinion -

I have the honor to be &c  
/Signed/ S. Hennell  
Resident &c

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/Signed/ A. W. Kemball  
Assistant Resident. Persian Gulf

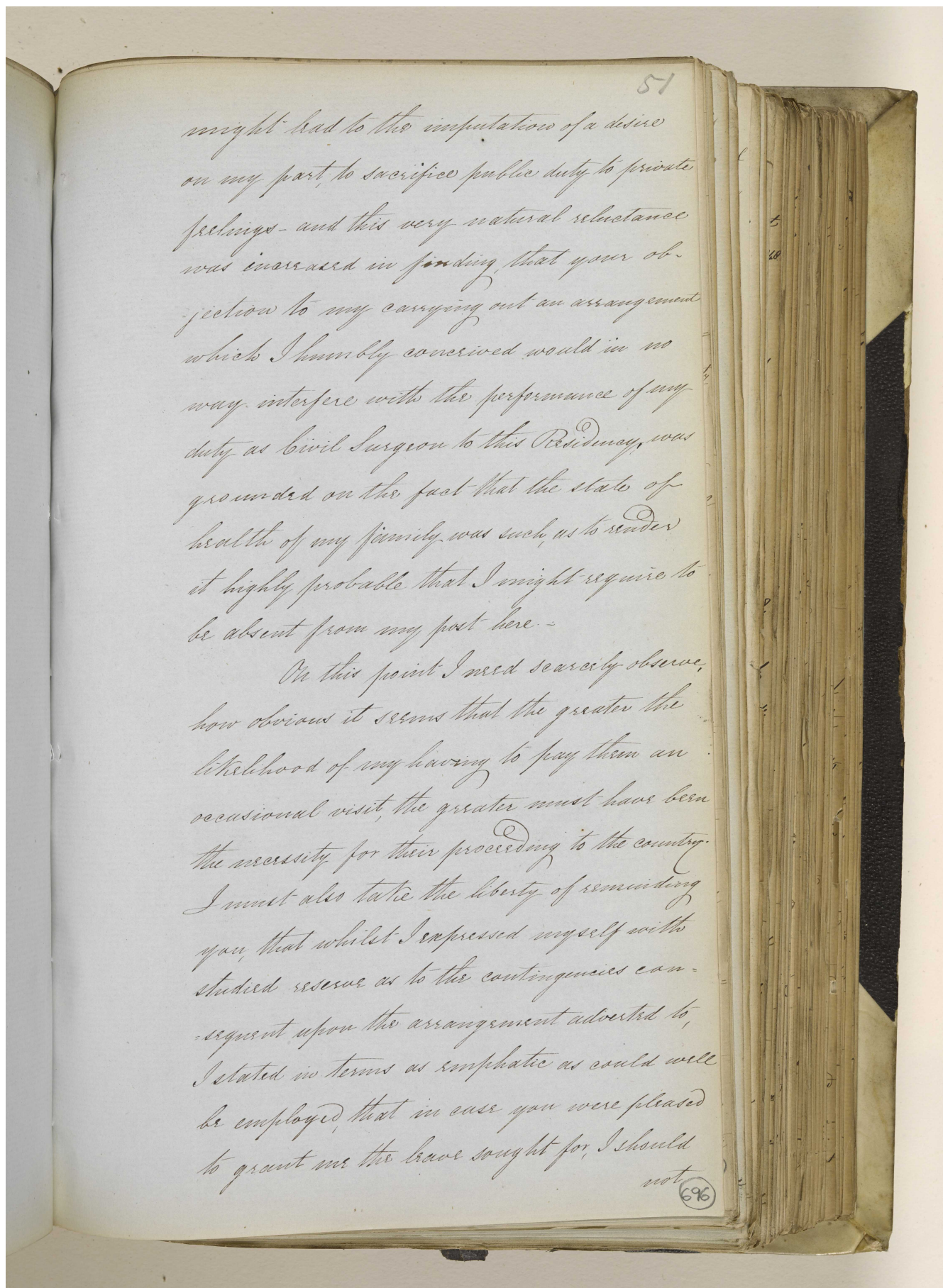
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probability or otherwise of the contingency  
of any member of my family falling ill, and  
of their requiring medical aid, after proceeding  
to the plains. -

I believe I did mention in conversation  
although it has escaped your recollection, the  
necessity for their removal - Admitting however  
that I am in error here, there surely can be  
no question as to the significance of the terms,  
in which I stated my opinion on this subject  
in the private note to which you refer - The  
expression used was as follows: "I think it ne-  
cessary for her health's sake, that she should  
go to Chagaddock." - Soon after addressing you  
in this language, I had the honor to receive  
your Official Communication of the 6<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>,  
in which you record your disapproval of the  
arrangement contemplated, <sup>and recommend</sup> me in the event  
of my family requiring a change of air, to  
bring them into Bushire - I can scarcely be  
wondered at, if after the private intimation  
just alluded to, and the receipt of this letter,  
I felt an extreme reluctance to press any  
further, or in stronger terms, an opinion, which  
might





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 might had to the imputation of a desire  
 on my part, to sacrifice public duty to private  
 feelings - and this very natural reluctance  
 was increased in finding, that your ob-  
 jection to my carrying out an arrangement  
 which I humbly conceived would in no  
 way interfere with the performance of my  
 duty as Civil Surgeon to this Residency, was  
 grounded on the fact that the state of  
 health of my family was such, as to render  
 it highly probable that I might require to  
 be absent from my post here -

On this point I need scarcely observe,  
 how obvious it seems that the greater the  
 likelihood of my having to pay them an  
 occasional visit, the greater must have been  
 the necessity for their proceeding to the country.  
 I must also take the liberty of reminding  
 you, that whilst I expressed myself with  
 studied reserve as to the contingencies con-  
 sequent upon the arrangement adverted to,  
 I stated in terms as emphatic as could well  
 be employed, that in case you were pleased  
 to grant me the leave sought for, I should  
 not

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not avail myself of it "except under most urgent necessity, arising out of the serious illness of my wife or children". -

My thanks are due for your kindness in concurring to my original intention being now carried into effect, considering however the very decided opinions you have expressed in former communications, I do not feel that I should be justified in taking advantage of this permission, except under circumstances so imminent and pressing as to admit of no alternative whatsoever. In a Government servant public duty ought to be paramount to every other consideration, and after what has passed, it would require a necessity such as I dread even to contemplate, to induce me to do any thing which might lead to a neglect of mine. -

In the last paragraph of the letter under reply, you refer to the difference between the climates of Bishire and Chaghudduck, and I entirely agree with you, that our houses were built at the latter place, as a refuge from the overpowering heats of the  
Town

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Town in the summer months - But heat  
it may be observed is an important element  
of climate, and long exposure to it an active  
cause of disease - When one considers too, the  
openness of the situation of Chaghaduck, the  
better means it affords for reducing the  
temperature, and the coolness of the nights,  
there cannot in my estimation be a doubt of  
its sanitary superiority over the place where  
we are now residing -

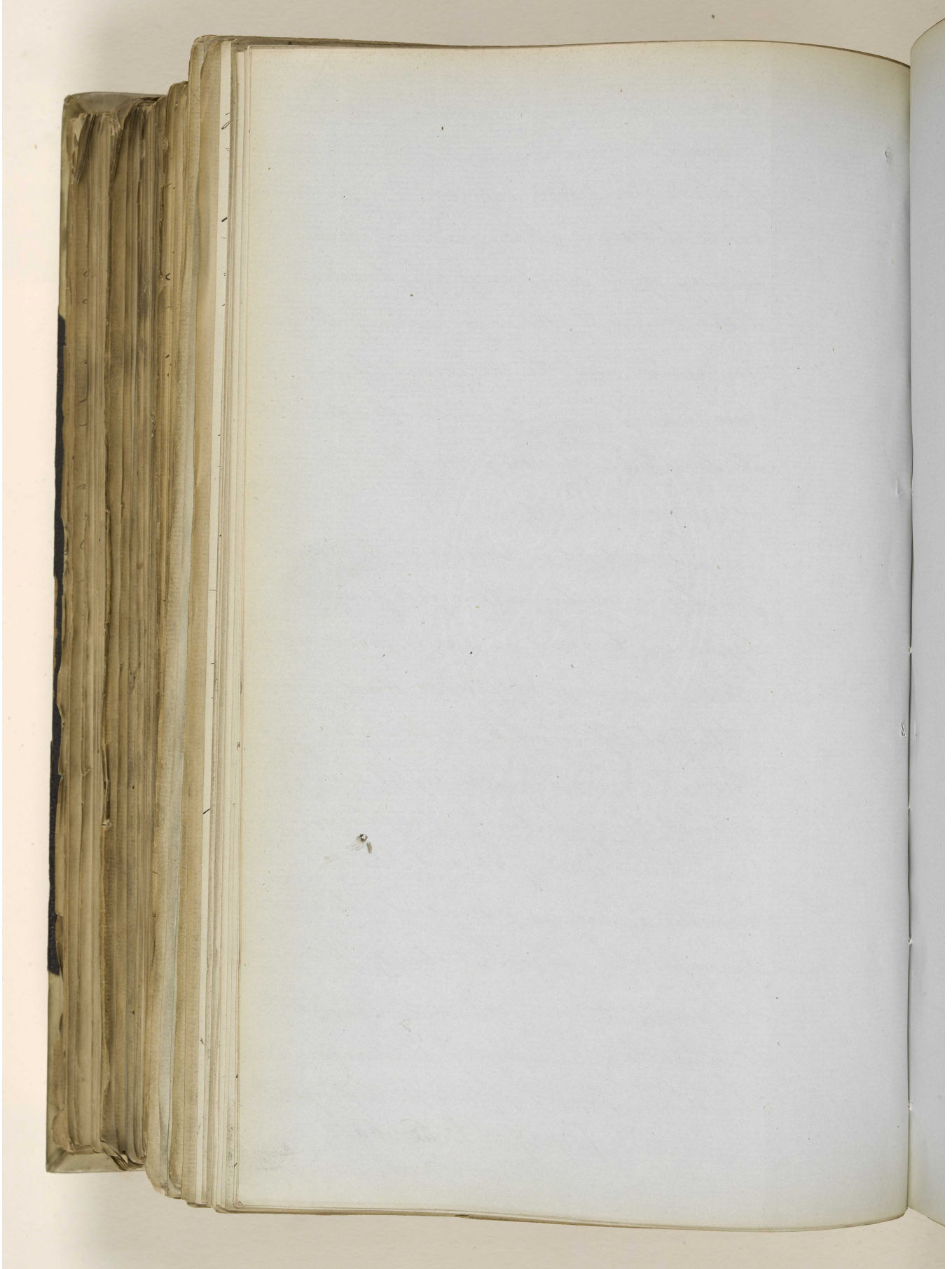
Permit me in conclusion to assure  
you, how unwilling I have felt from the  
beginning to carry on a correspondence, in  
which I may have appeared to stand in an  
attitude of opposition to my Commanding  
Officer - Yet I can scarcely regret having been  
allowed the opportunity of explaining  
my views and objects, and I trust I have  
evinced a becoming sense of subordination  
by implicitly and unhesitatingly following  
out your wishes - I have the honor to be &c.

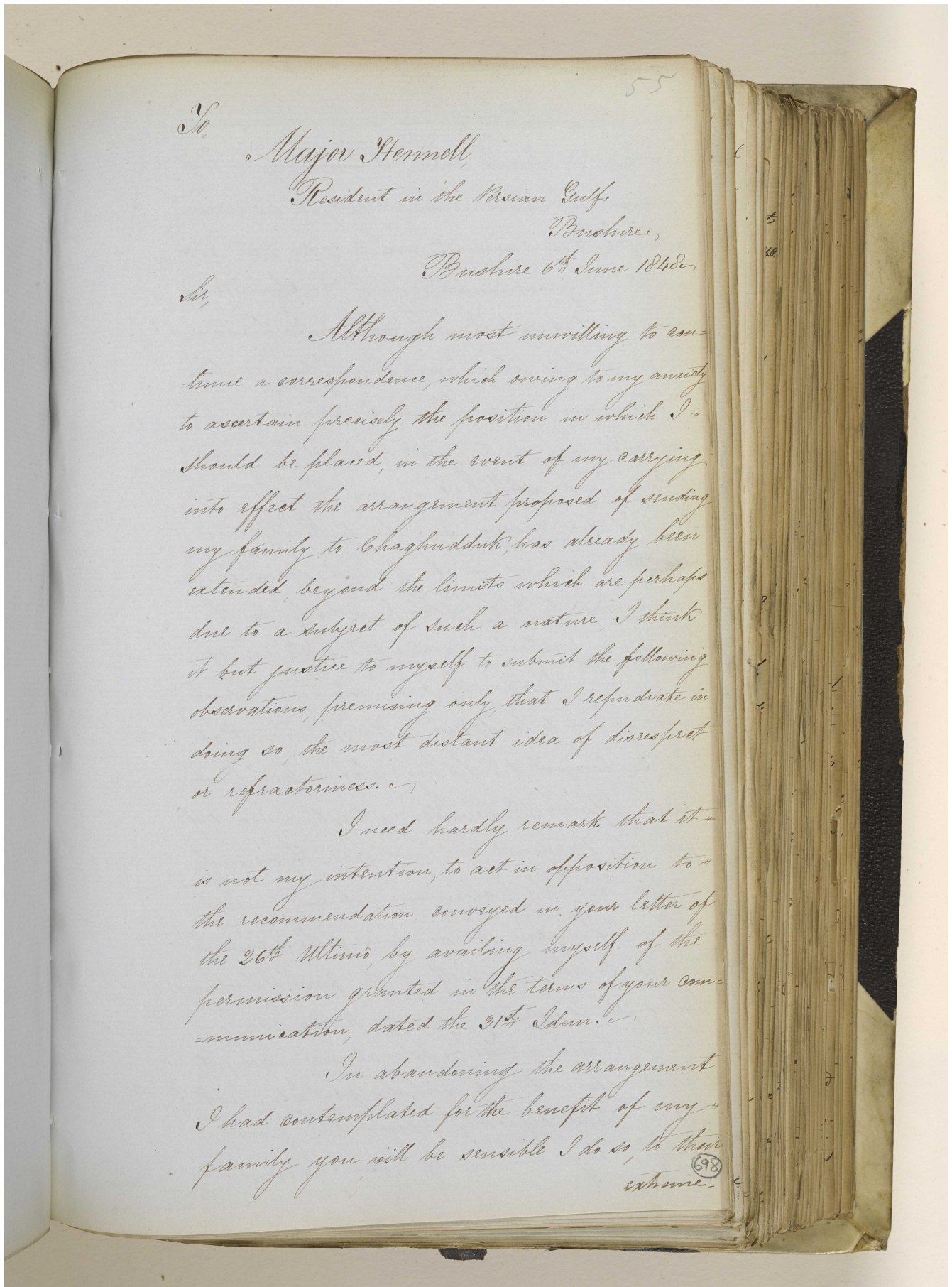
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June 1848  
Signed / William Campbell  
Civil Surgeon  
Signed / A. B. Kimball  
Asst. Surg. Persian Gulf

Copied by  
W. G. de la Cruz  
Camp  
Bull. 1848

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Sir,

Major Hemmell,  
Resident in the Persian Gulf.

Bushire,

Bushire 6<sup>th</sup> June 1848

Sir,

Although most unwilling to continue a correspondence, which owing to my anxiety to ascertain precisely the position in which I should be placed, in the event of my carrying into effect the arrangement proposed of sending my family to Chaghudduk, has already been extended beyond the limits which are perhaps due to a subject of such a nature, I think it but justice to myself to submit the following observations, premising only that I repudiate in doing so, the most distant idea of disrespect or refractoriness.

I need hardly remark that it is not my intention, to act in opposition to the recommendation conveyed in your letter of the 26<sup>th</sup> Ultimo, by availing myself of the permission granted in the terms of your communication, dated the 31<sup>st</sup> Idem.

In abandoning the arrangement I had contemplated for the benefit of my family you will be sensible I do so, to their extreme.

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extreme discomfort, and at very considerable risk to their health, when I remind you, that I personally communicated to you the necessity for their removal - when you call to mind the great superiority of the climate of Shaghudduk, which induced you to build a house at that spot, and me subsequently to follow your example - and when you remember that in the year 1845, whilst your children were still here, it was thought expedient for reasons similar to those which weighed with me on the present occasion to remove them to Shaghudduk as early - to the best of my recollection - as the 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> of May.

Under the circumstances which have arisen to lead you to the opinion that my occasional temporary absence from Bushire, would deprive the Presidency Establishment of efficient Medical aid and possibly seriously interfere with the performance of my duties as Civil Surgeon, I have come to the determination of availing myself of the first opportunity that offers to send my family to Bombay - This is, I am aware, a private arrangement which should not perhaps properly speaking be thus officially brought to your notice - My aim in communicating it is

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is to evince to you my resolution not to  
act in opposition to your wishes or allow  
private considerations to influence me to  
the prejudice of my public duty, whilst I  
shall at the same time secure for the in-  
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to, that change of climate, which appears  
to me so desirable.

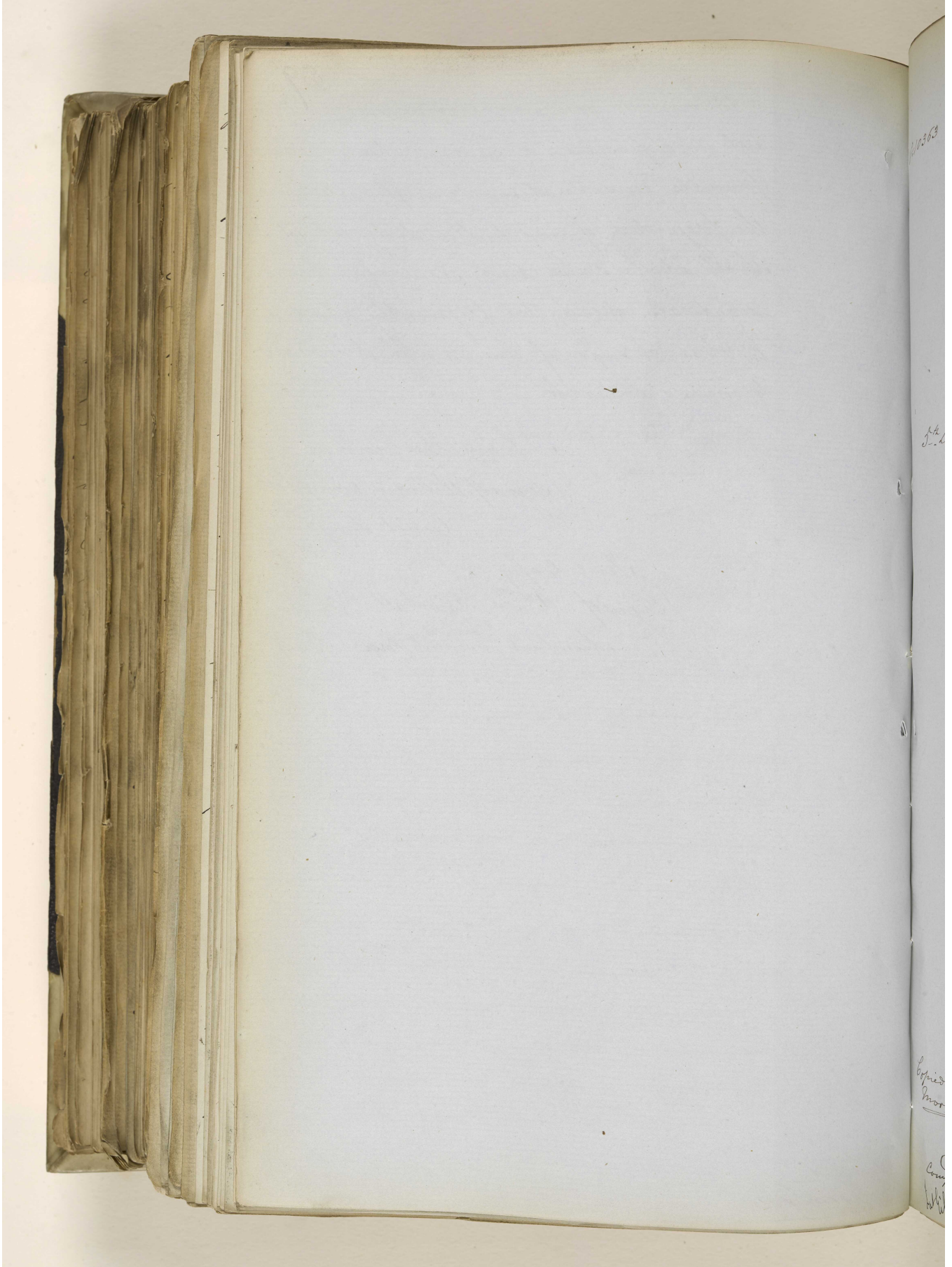
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Yours  
/ signed/ William Campbell.  
Civil Surgeon.

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/ signed/ G. B. Kemball.  
Assistant Resident Persian Gulf.

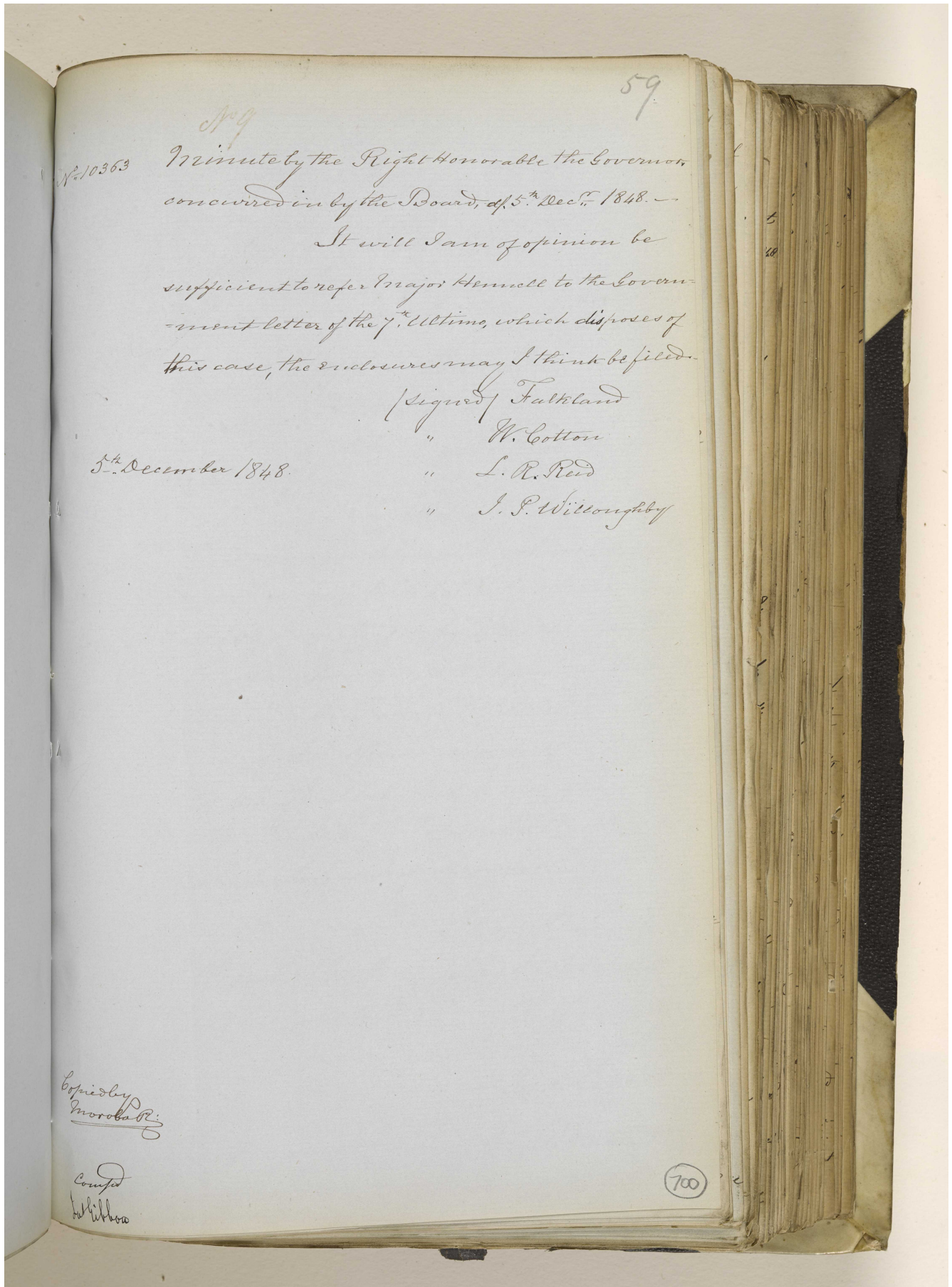
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[Signed] Falkland

" W. Cotton

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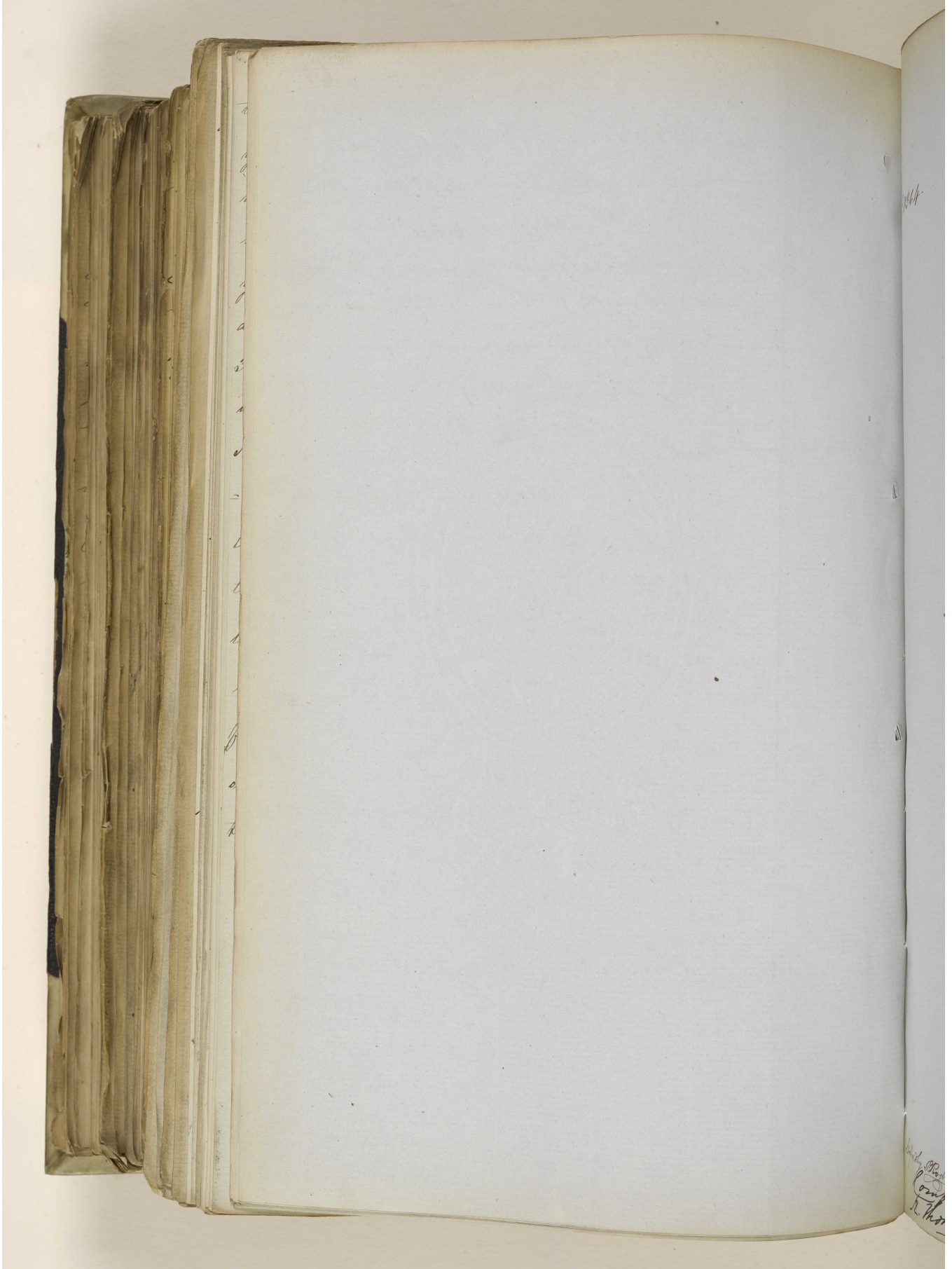
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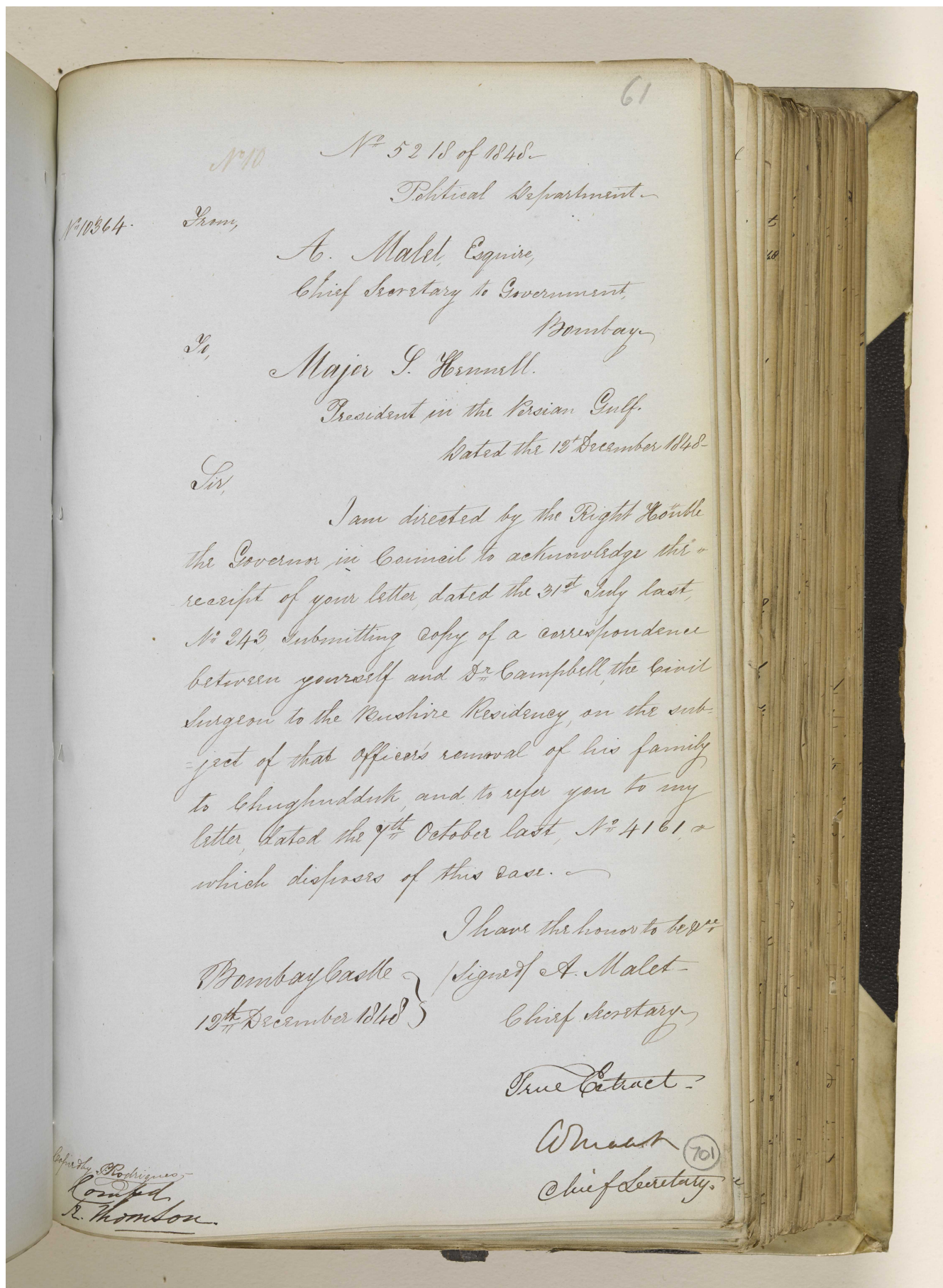
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