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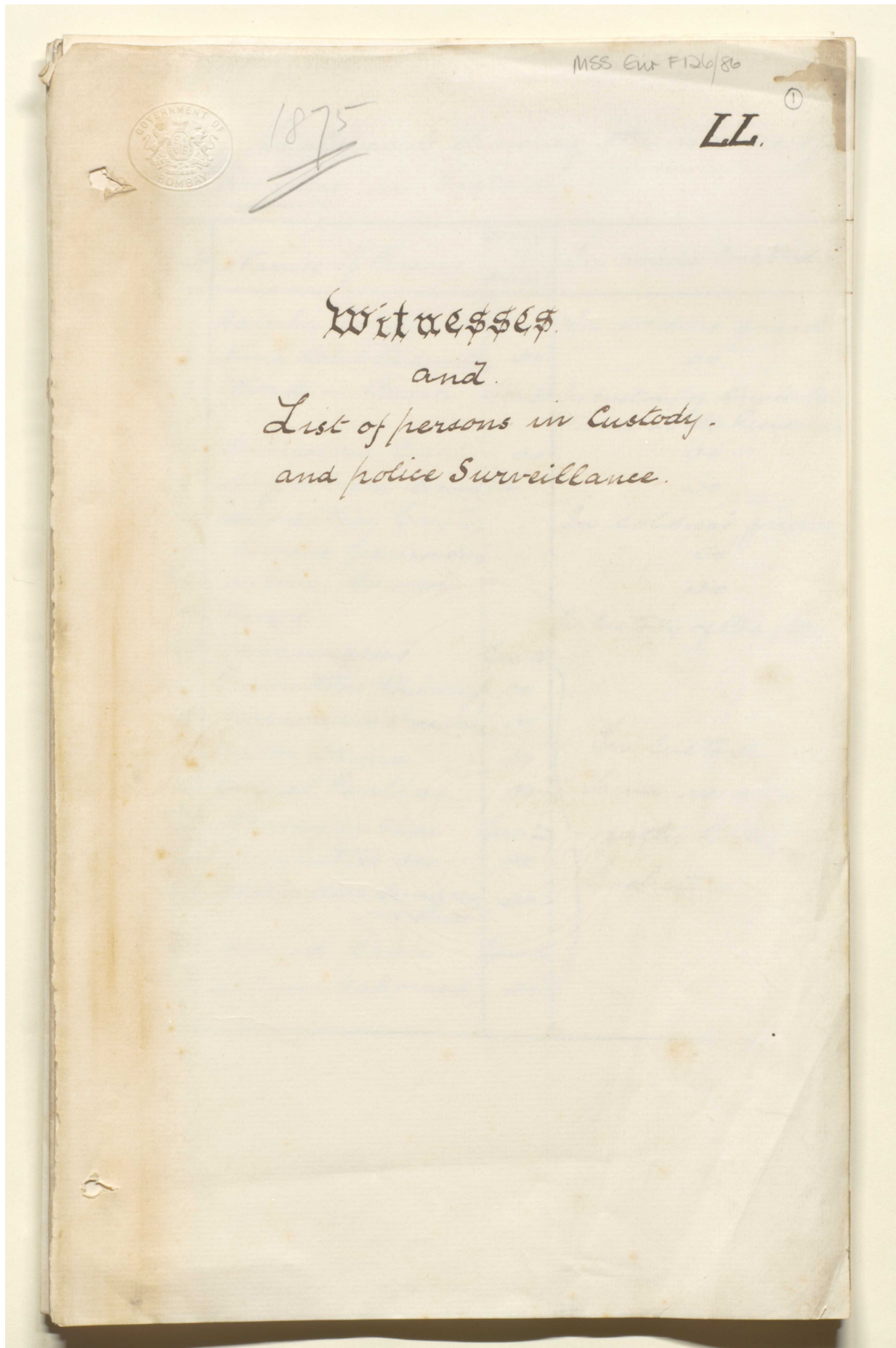
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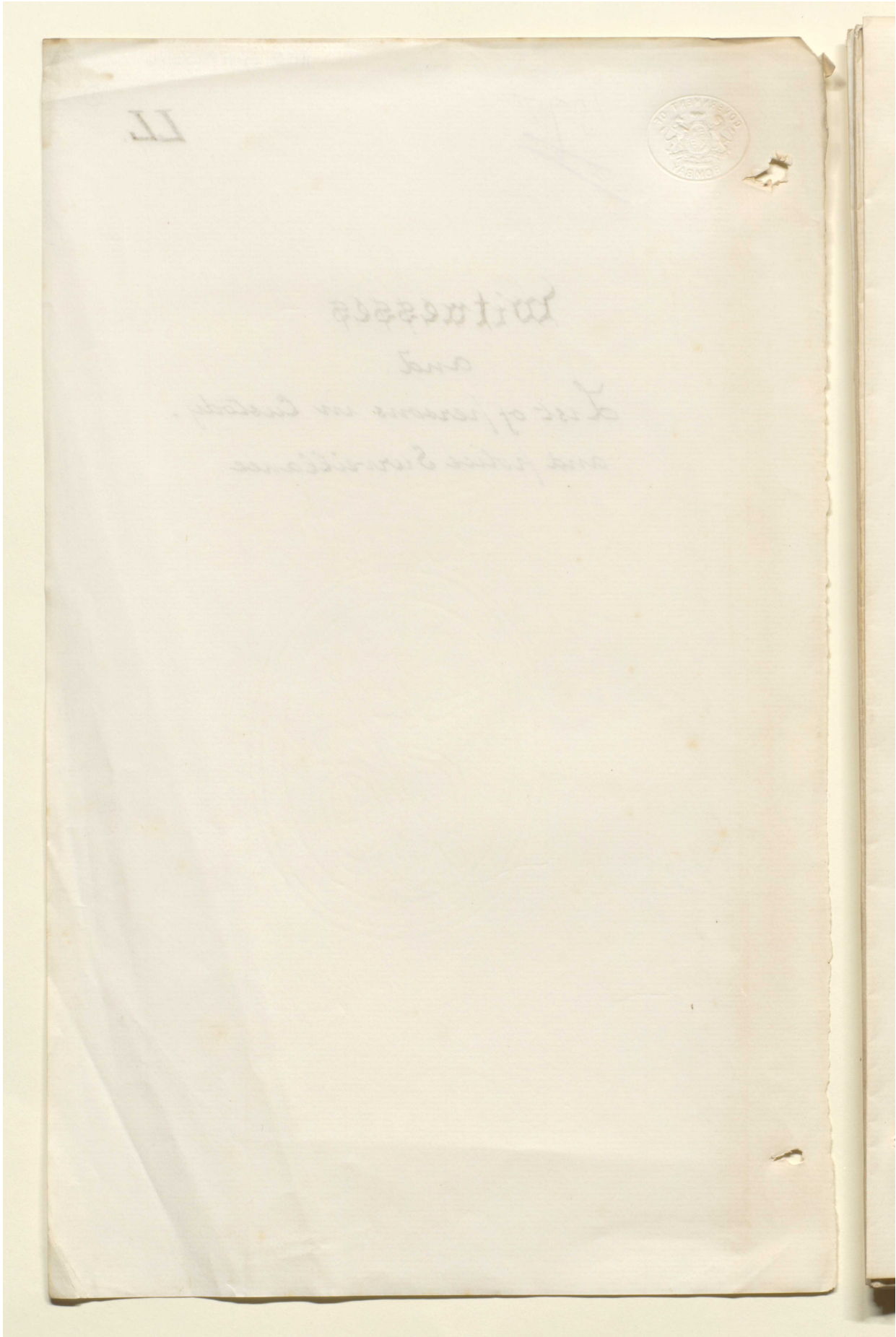


About this record

Correspondence, telegrams and lists relating to prisoners and witnesses in both the case of attempted poisoning of Colonel Robert Phayre, and other cases which were been investigated at the time of the Gaekwar, Malharrao's arrest. Matters discussed include arrangements for the confinement and surveillance of prisoners, discussions about those individuals who could be released on bail, and medical assessments of prisoners in confinement suffering from illnesses.

The correspondence is between Sir Lewis Pelly; Freeman Henry Jackson, Assistant Resident at Baroda; George Edwin Seward, Residency Surgeon at Baroda; Andrew Richard Scoble, Advocate General of Bombay; Frank Henry Souter, Commissioner of Police at Bombay on Special Duty; Thomas George Baring, Second Baron Northbrook, Viceroy of India; and Charles Umpherston Aitchison, Foreign Secretary, Government of India.



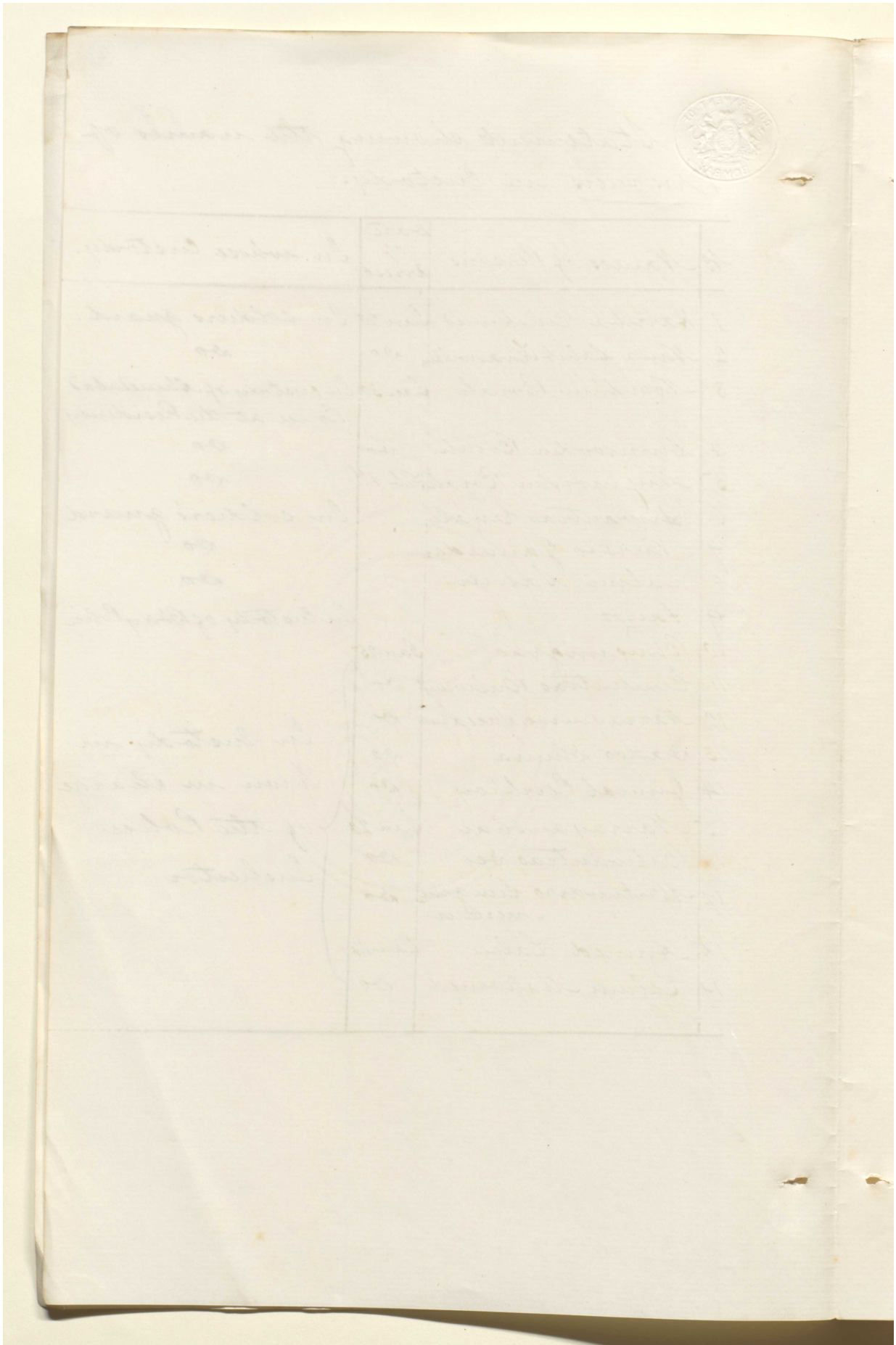


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Statement showing the names of
Prisoners in Custody.

No.	Names of Persons	Date of arrest	In whose Custody.
1.	Harriba Guickwad	Jan 20	In soldiers guard.
2.	Nana Salib Thawilka	do.	do.
3.	Noordhin Borah	Jan 30	In custody of Ahmedabad Police at the Presidency
4.	Lunsoodun Borah	do.	do.
5.	Nijmoodun Borah	Feb 1 st	do.
6.	Bedwantrao Gwale		In soldiers guard
7.	Nursoo Jamadar		do.
8.	Salim Sawun		do.
9.	Faigoo		In custody of Bhay Police
10.	Bhugingrao	Jan 25	In Custody in Sawun in charge of the Police Inspector.
11.	Gurputrao Bulwank	do.	
12.	Narayenrao Succarna	do.	
13.	Dados Dhuna	do.	
14.	Junal Peerbhoy	do.	
15.	Narayambhai	Jan 20	
16.	Bilwantrao deo	do.	
17.	Martindras Singum -nerkur.	do.	
18.	Ahmed Lalpu	Jan 14	
19.	Salim Mahomed	do.	

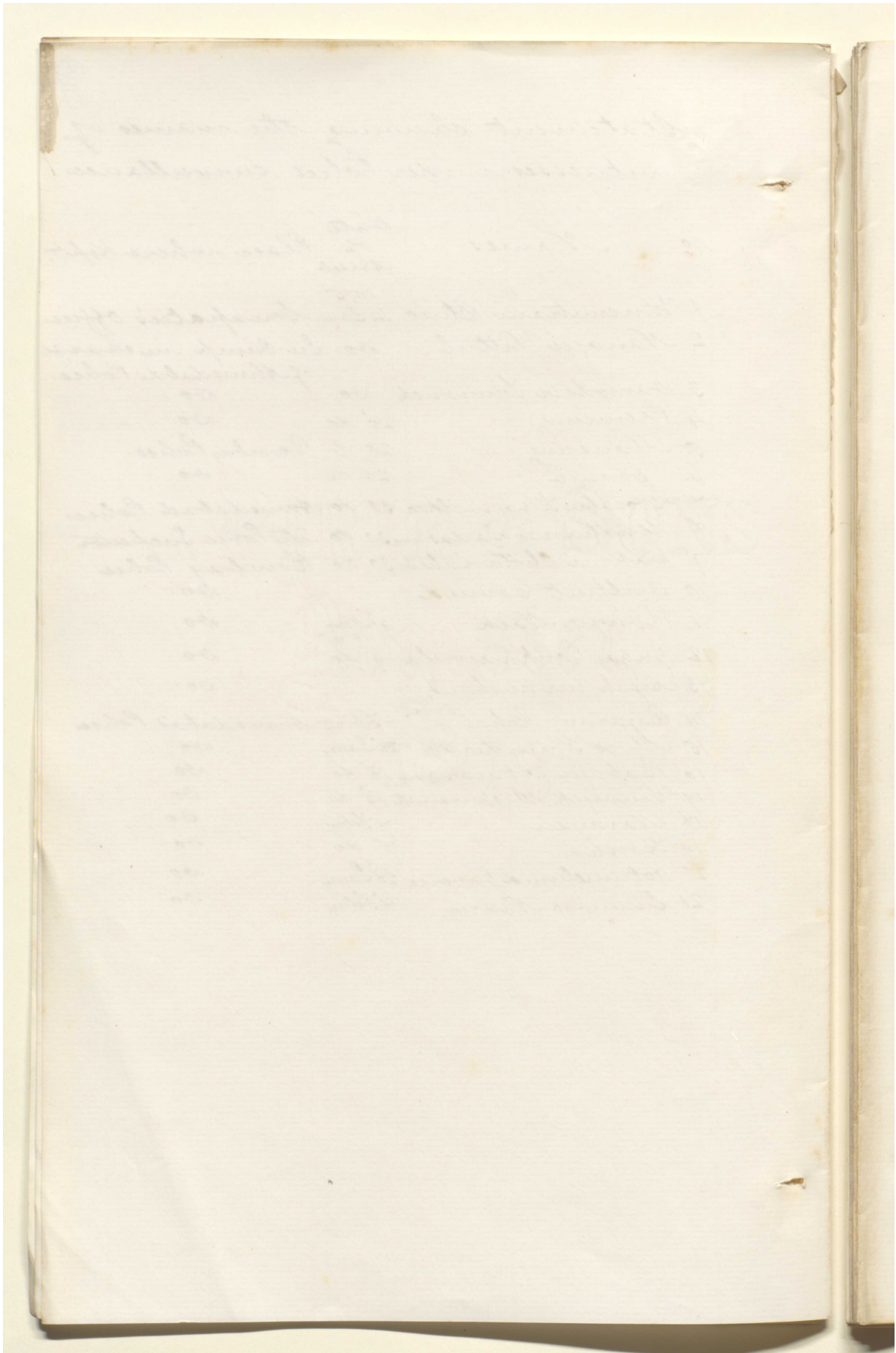
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Statement showing the names of
witnesses under Police surveillance.

No.	Names.	Date of Arrest	Place where kept.
1	Wusemtraam Chao.	1875	Senapati's office
2	Nanaji Vittal	do.	In Camp in charge of Ahmedabad Police.
3	Damodar Sumbuck	do.	do.
4	Premung	28 do.	do.
5	Mansung	28 do.	Bombay Police.
6	Soolub.	28 do.	do.
7	Soojaba Kiranvelker	30 do.	Ahmedabad Police.
8	Madhwarao Ladashim	30 do.	City Police Inspector
9	Rakim Chota Sahib	30 do.	Bombay Police
10	Dulput Govind		do.
11	Ronjee Naik	9 th Nov 1874	do.
12	Juga Rankhawala	9 do.	do.
13	Syab, her husband, &		do.
14	Rajaram Kopal	7 Feb 85	Ahmedabad Police
15	Moro Khunderao	28 Jan	do.
16	Babaji Atmaram	18 do.	do.
17	Wingyek Wishwanath	19 do.	do.
18	Narayan.	7 Feb	do.
19	Loosha.	7 do.	do.
20	Botumchand Javeri	28 Jan	do.
21	Shumboo Naree.	8 Feb	do.

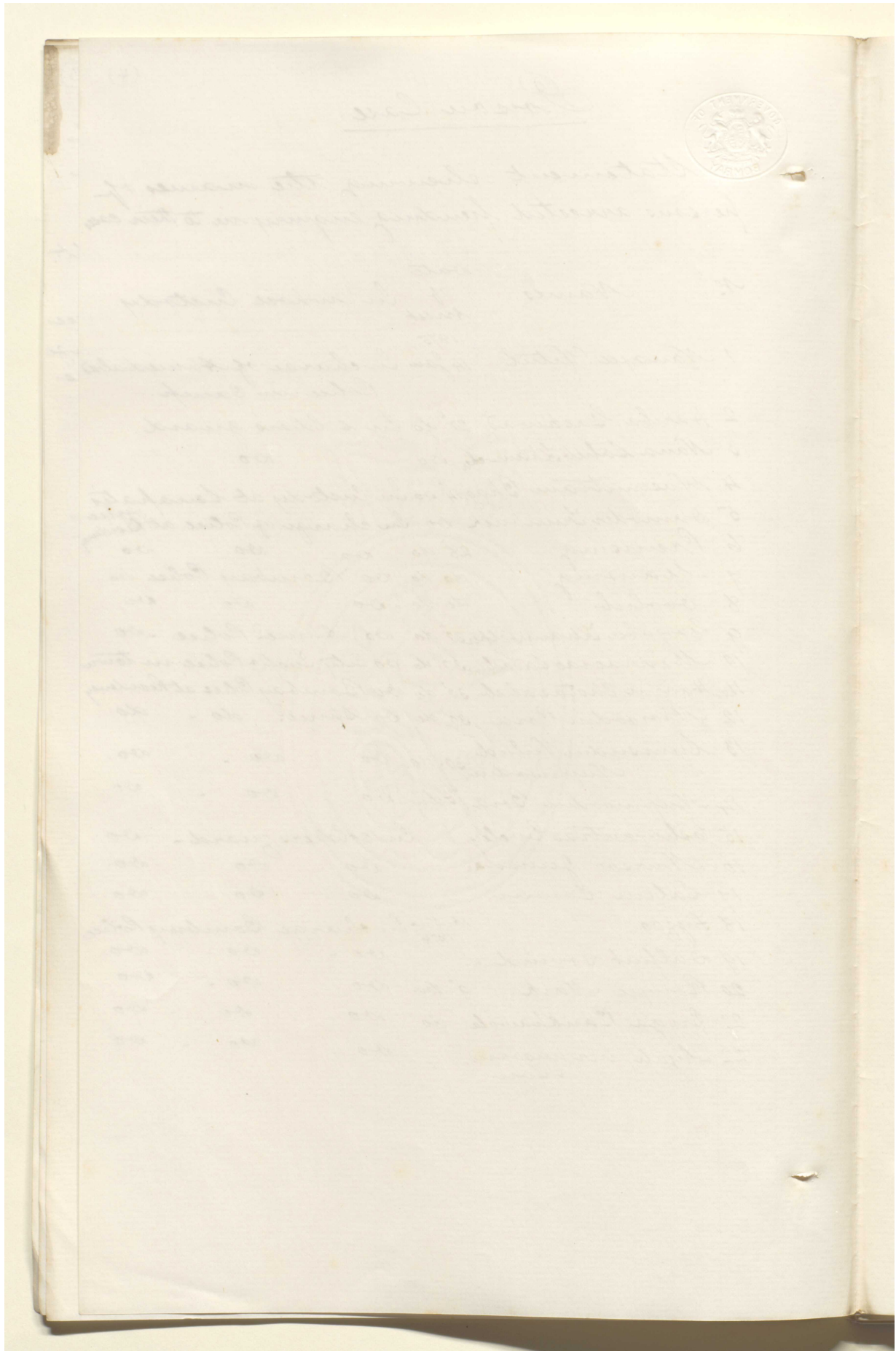


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Poison Case.

Statement shewing the names of persons arrested pending enquiry in to their case.

No.	Names.	Date of Arrest	In whose Custody
1.	Nanapu Wital	14 Jan 1875	In charge of Ahmedabad Police in Camp.
2.	Hariba Bakhwad	20 th do	In soldiers guard.
3.	Nana Sahib. Khanwale	do.	do.
4.	Musumtraam Bhaa	14 th do	In custody at Sanapati's office
5.	Damodar Jumbuck	do.	In charge of Police at ^{Police} Residency
6.	Premrang	28 th do	do do do
7.	Mansing	do do	do Bombay Police do
8.	Doolub	do do	do do do
9.	Goopaba. Khanwale	20 th do	do. Shree? Police. do.
10.	Madhocras Ladashna	30 do	do City Suspr. Police in town
11.	Hakim Chotasahib.	30 do	do Bombay Police at Residency
12.	Mooroodin Bora.	30 do	do Shree? do - do
13.	Mumendin Wulud Mujmoodin	30. do	do. do. do.
14.	Mujmoodin Bora.	1 st Feb	do. do. do.
15.	Estwantras Gveley		In soldiers guard - do.
16.	Nursoo Jemadar		do. do. do.
17.	Salem Lawar.		do. do. do.
18.	Lyzoo.	15 Nov 1874	In charge Bombay Police.
19.	Dalput Govind.		do - do - do.
20.	Roupe Nark	9 Nov	do. do. do.
21.	Juga Pandhawal	do.	do. do. do.
22.	Ayah, her husband & son.		do - do - do.



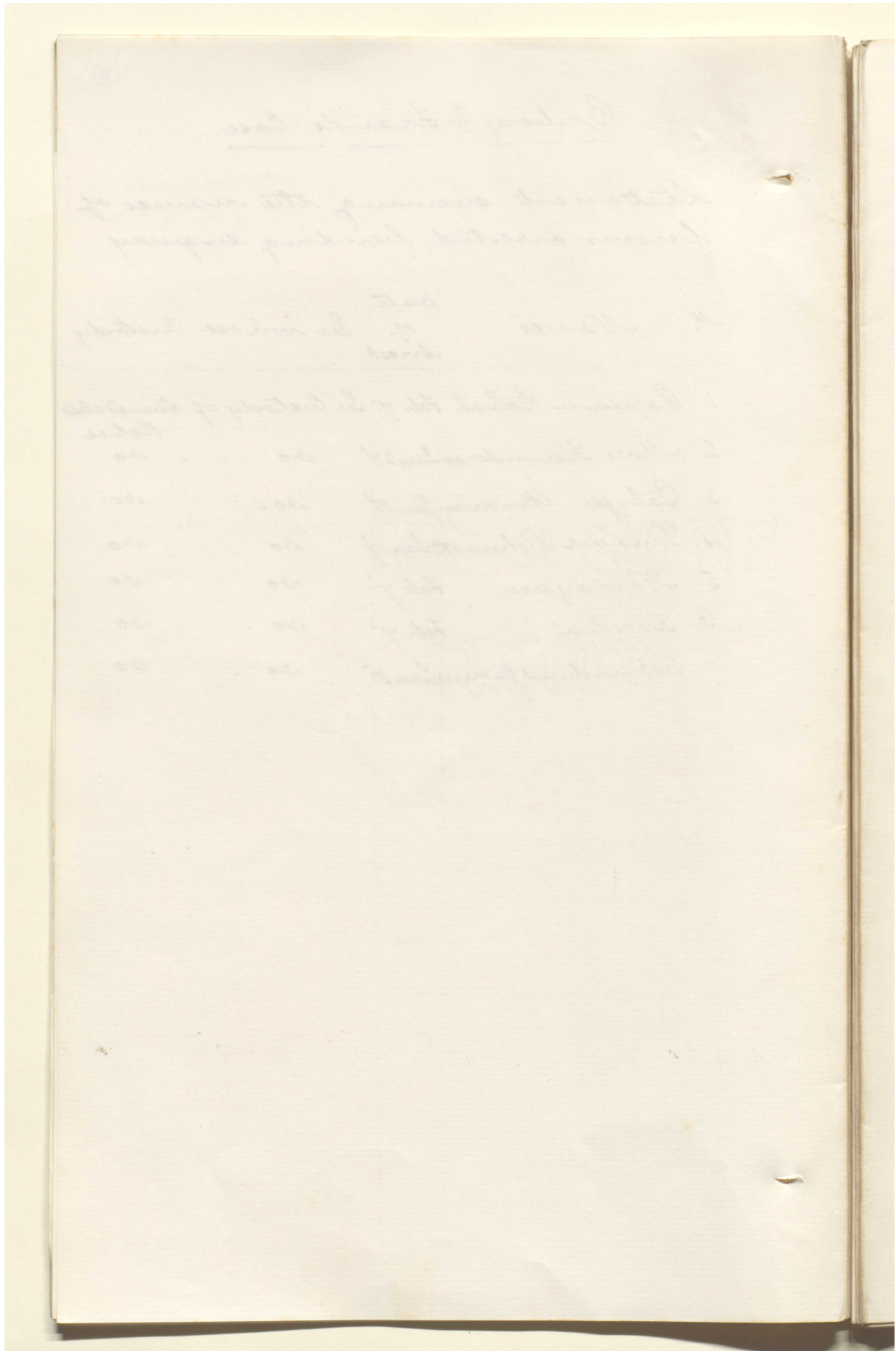
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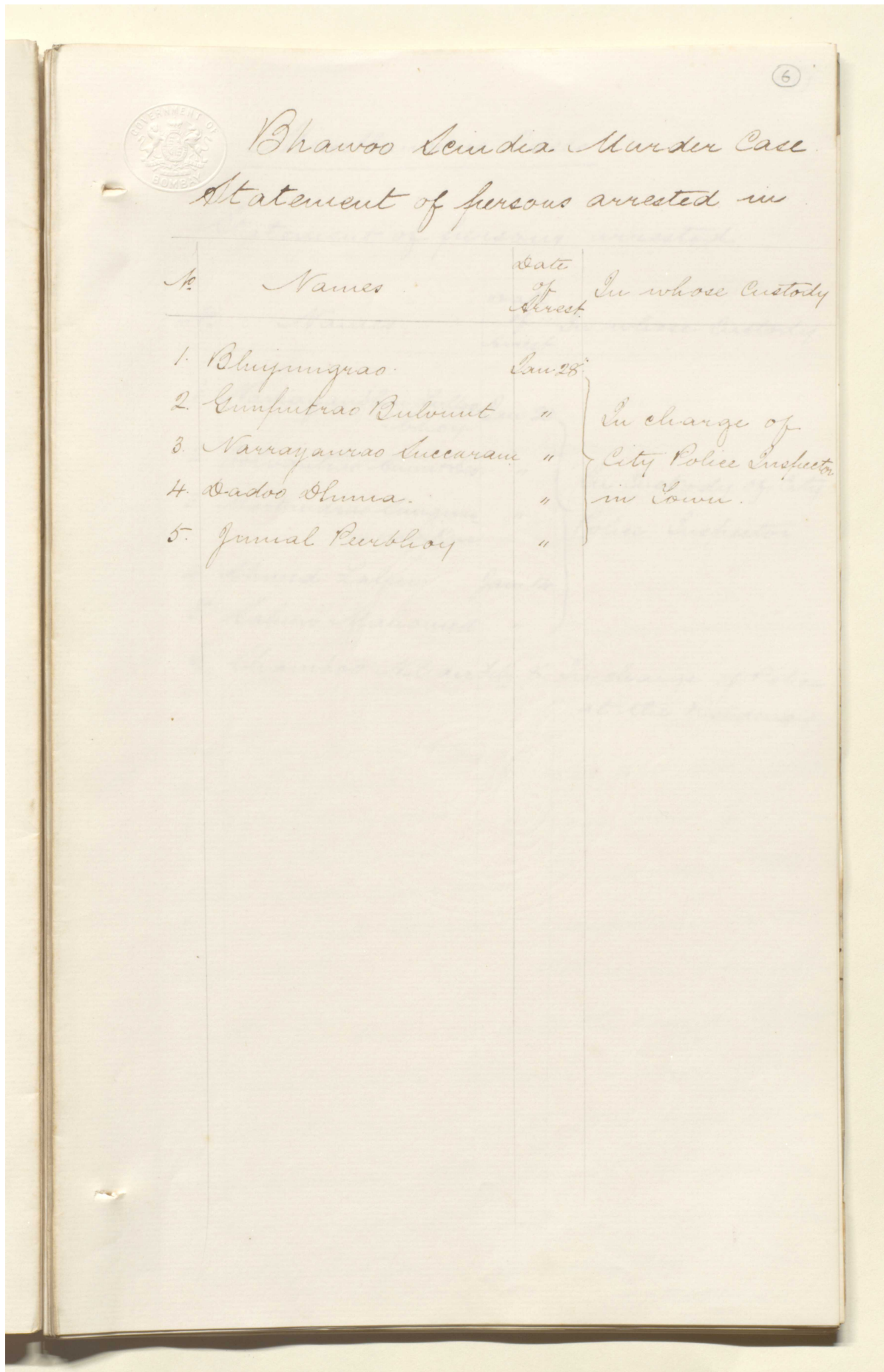
Bribery & Frauds' Case.

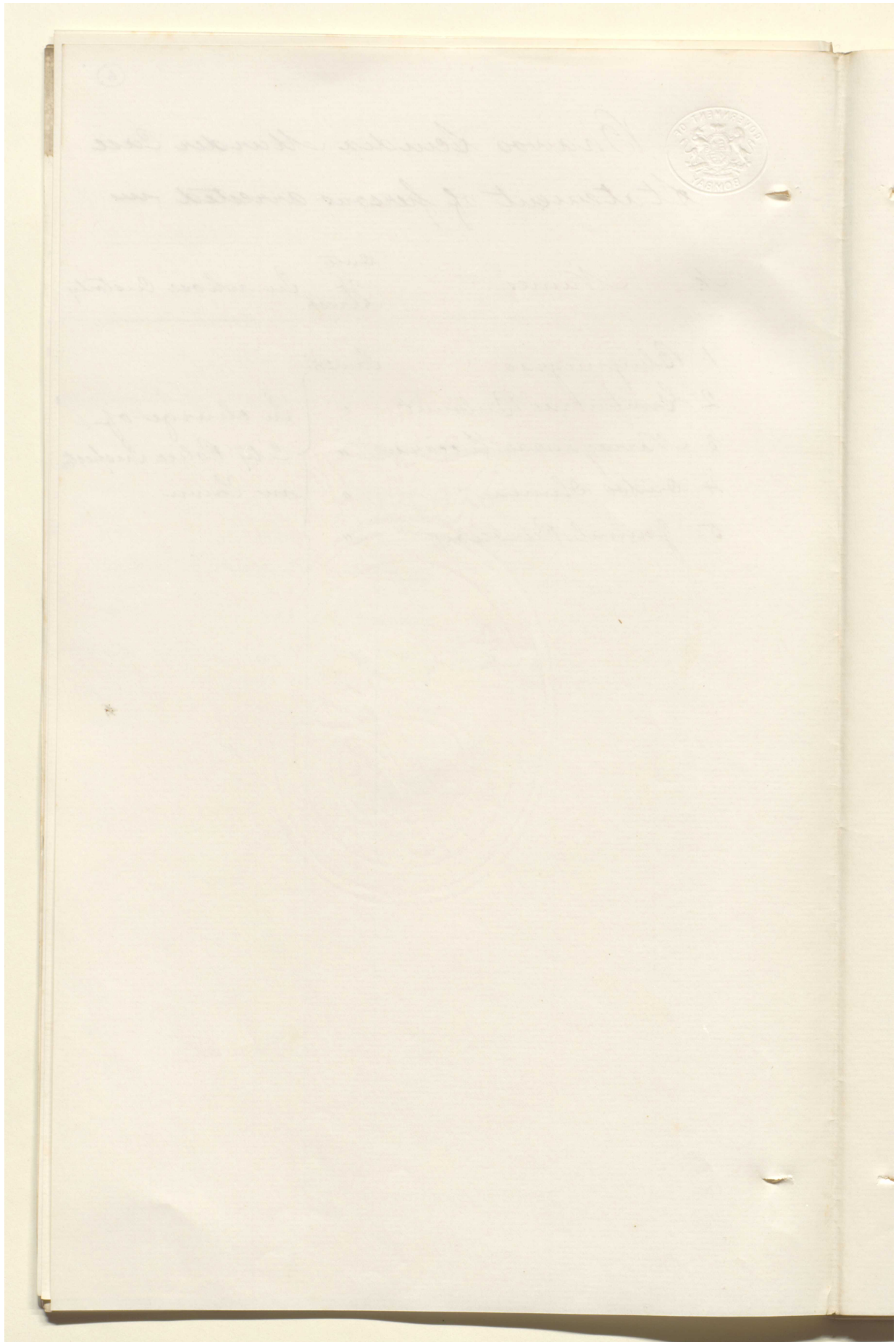
Statement showing the names of
persons arrested, pending enquiry.

No.	Names.	Date of Arrest	In whose Custody
1.	Rajaram Kopal	Feb. 7.	In Custody of Ahmedabad Police
2.	Moro Khunderao	Jan 28.	do - do.
3.	Babaji Anwaran	Jan 18.	do. do.
4.	Vinayak Vishnutt	Jan 19.	do. do.
5.	Narayana.	Feb. 7.	do. do.
6.	Koosha.	Feb. 7.	do. do.
7.	Cotunnchand Javara	Jan. 29.	do. - do.

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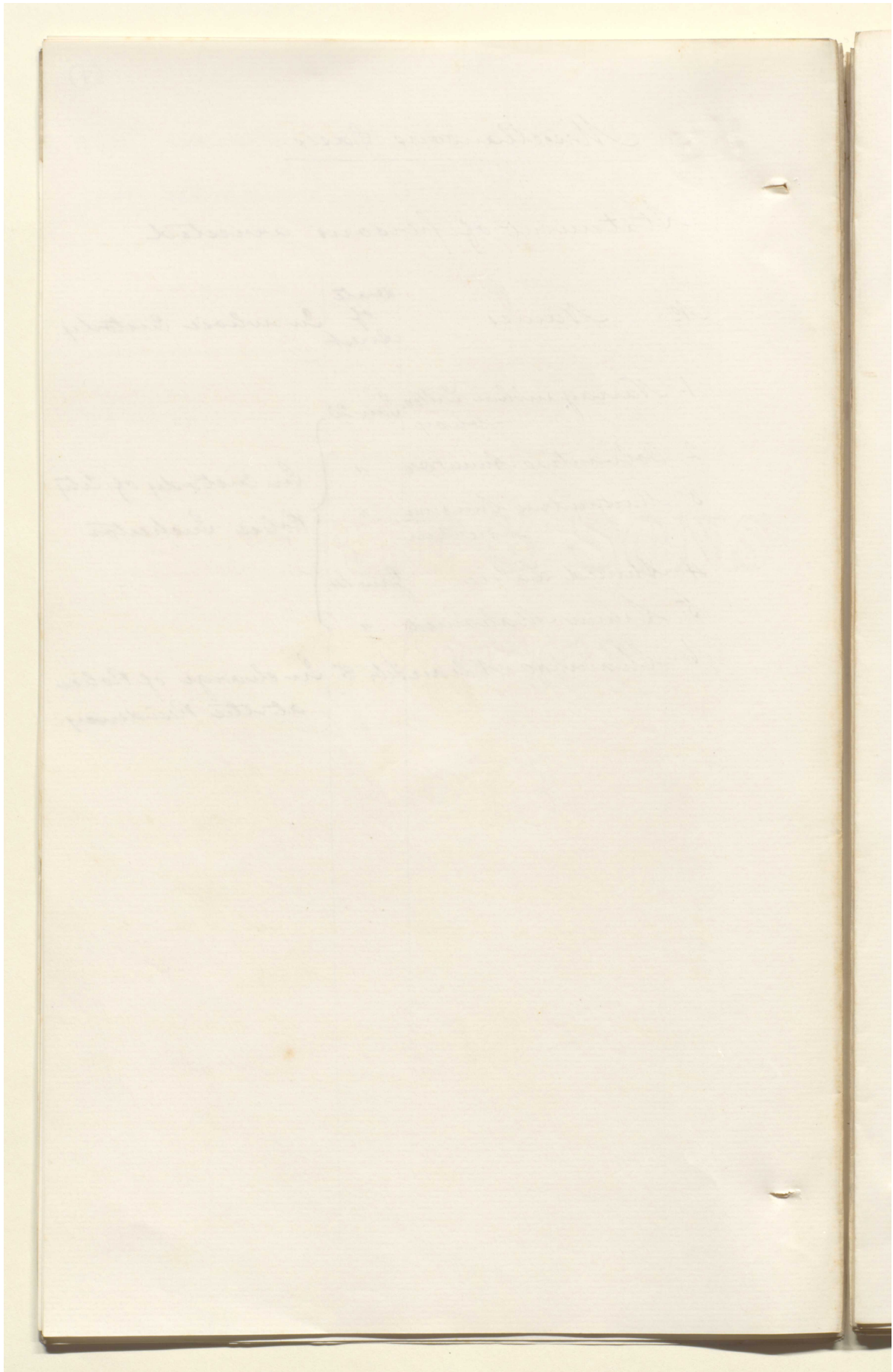
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Miscellaneous Cases.

Statement of persons arrested

No.	Names.	Date of arrest	In whose Custody.
1.	Narayambhai Lalloo - bhoy.	Jan 20	In Custody of City Police Inspector.
2.	Bolvantrao Amutdeo.	"	
3.	Martandraso Lungum - nekur.	"	
4.	Ahmed Laljee.	Jan 14.	
5.	Salim Mahomed.	"	
6.	Shaniboo Khair.	Feb. 8.	In charge of Police at the Residency.

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No 27 of 1875.

From,
Frank Henry Souter Esquire C. S. I.
on Special duty.

To,
Colonel Sir Lewis Pelly K. C. S. I.
Agent Governor General, and
Special Commissioner
Baroda.

Baroda 6th March 1875.

Sir

With reference to your instructions of this morning regarding the persons named in the margin who are now, and have been for some time under the surveillance of the Police in connection

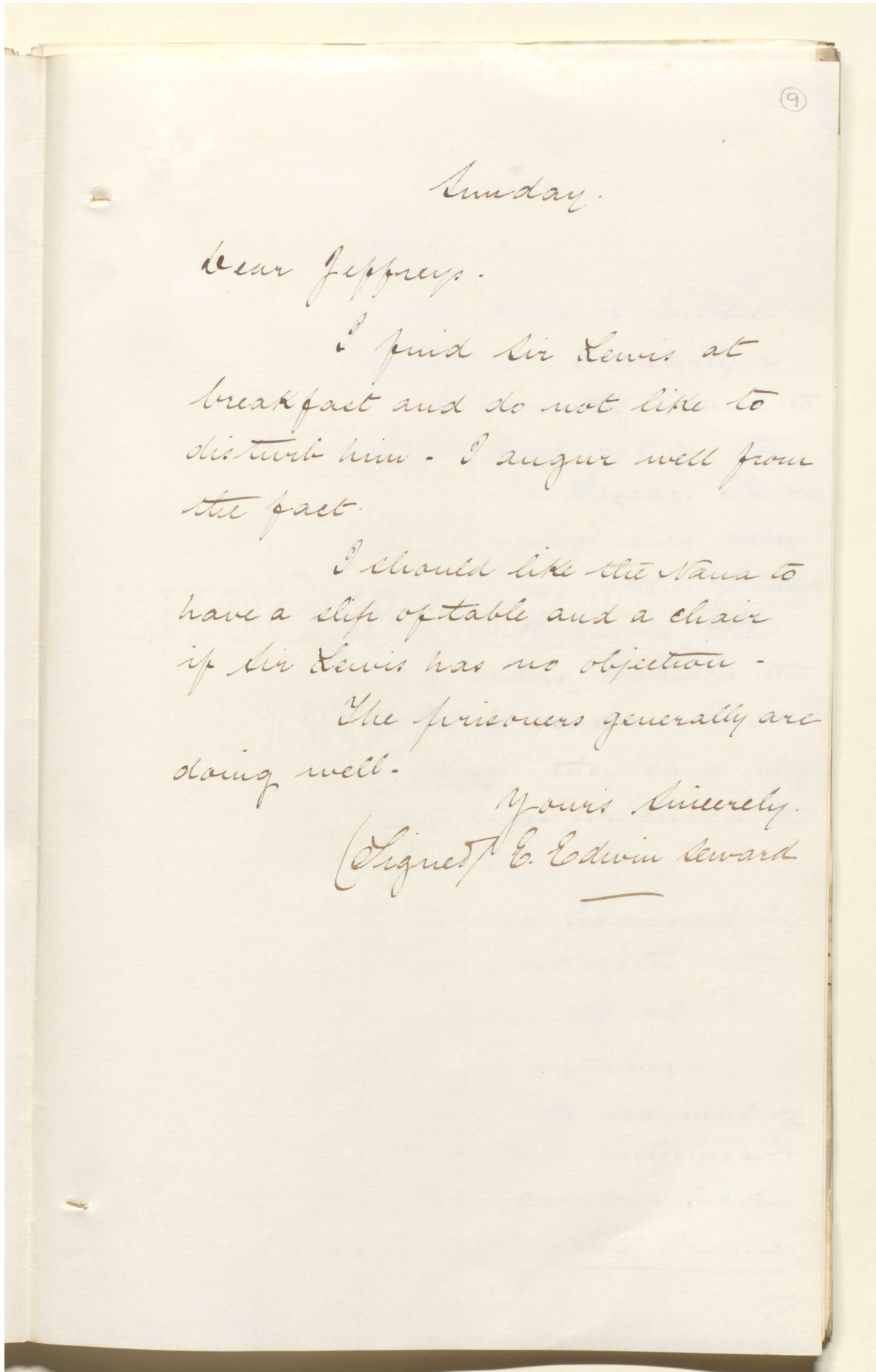
Doobahing, Deweesing, Dulput Govindram Jugga Bhungwan Syah Amarsena Shik Madola Shik Shinn Chotos Shik Boodos Khabhai.	with the enquiry into the charges against the Maharajah Gaekwar, I have the honor to report that they have all been allowed the option of returning to their homes, the witnesses have however mostly begged for permission to be allowed
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allowed

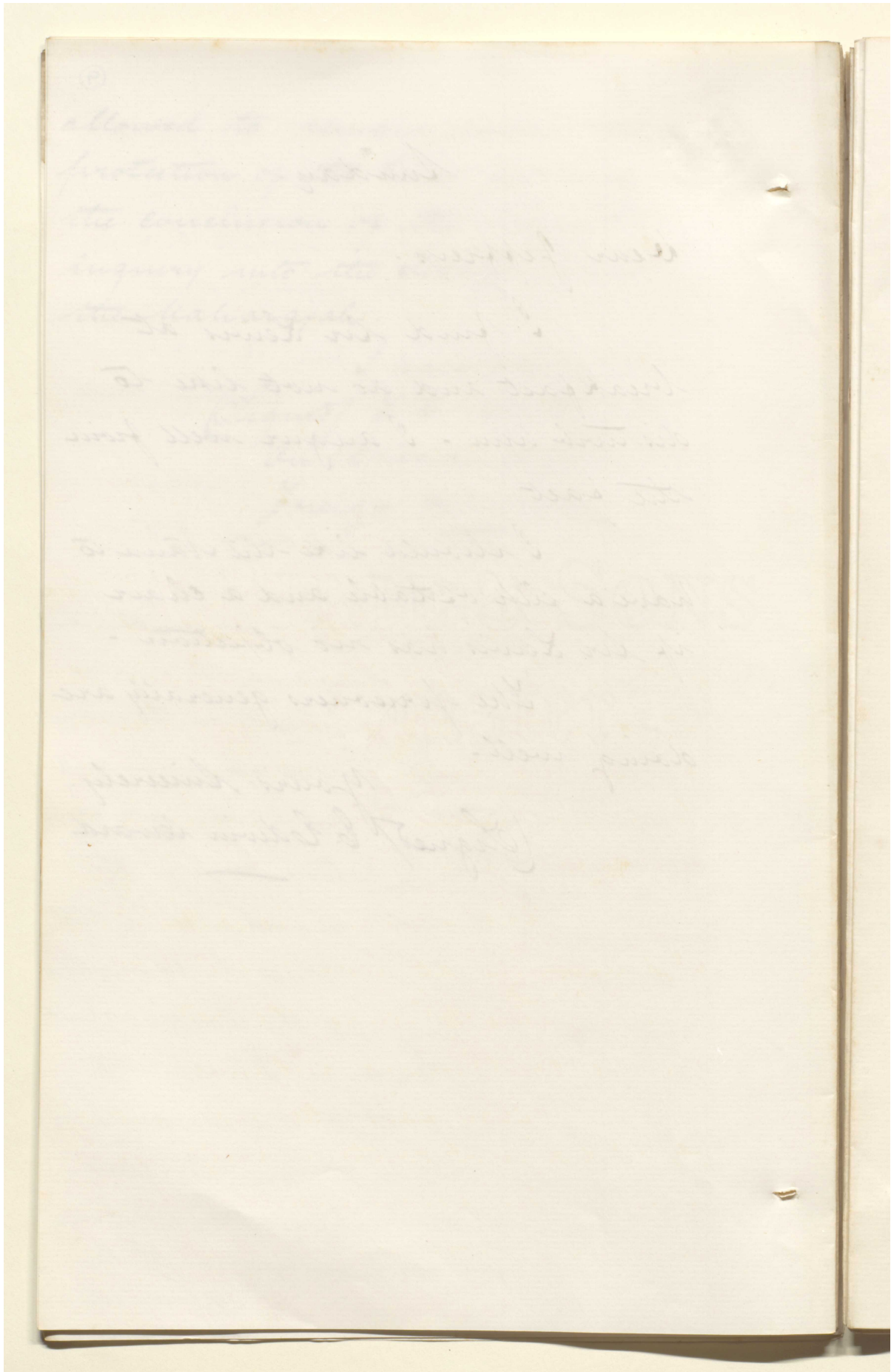
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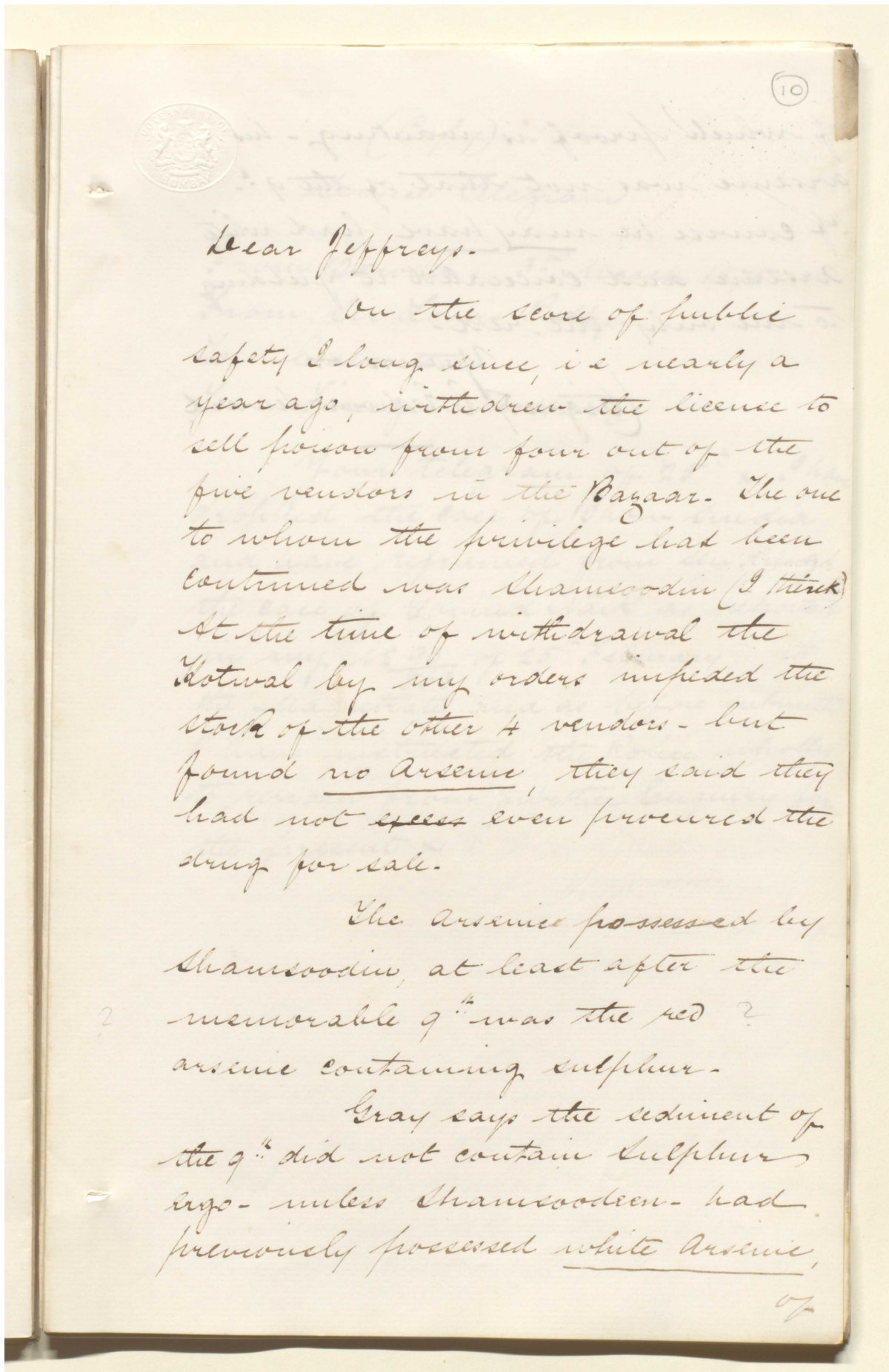
allowed to remain under the
protection of the Police pending
the conclusion of the present
inquiry into the charges against
the Maharajah.

I have &c
Signed F. H. Souter.
on Special duty
Foreign Department



Letter from George Edwin Seward to (William?) Jeffreys [9v] (2/2)





of which proof is wanting - his
arsenic was not that of the 9th.
of course he may have had white
arsenic and concealed it yielding
to me only the red.

Yours
(Signed) G. Edwin Seward

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(Copy).

Service Telegram.

From Baroda - 3rd March 1875.

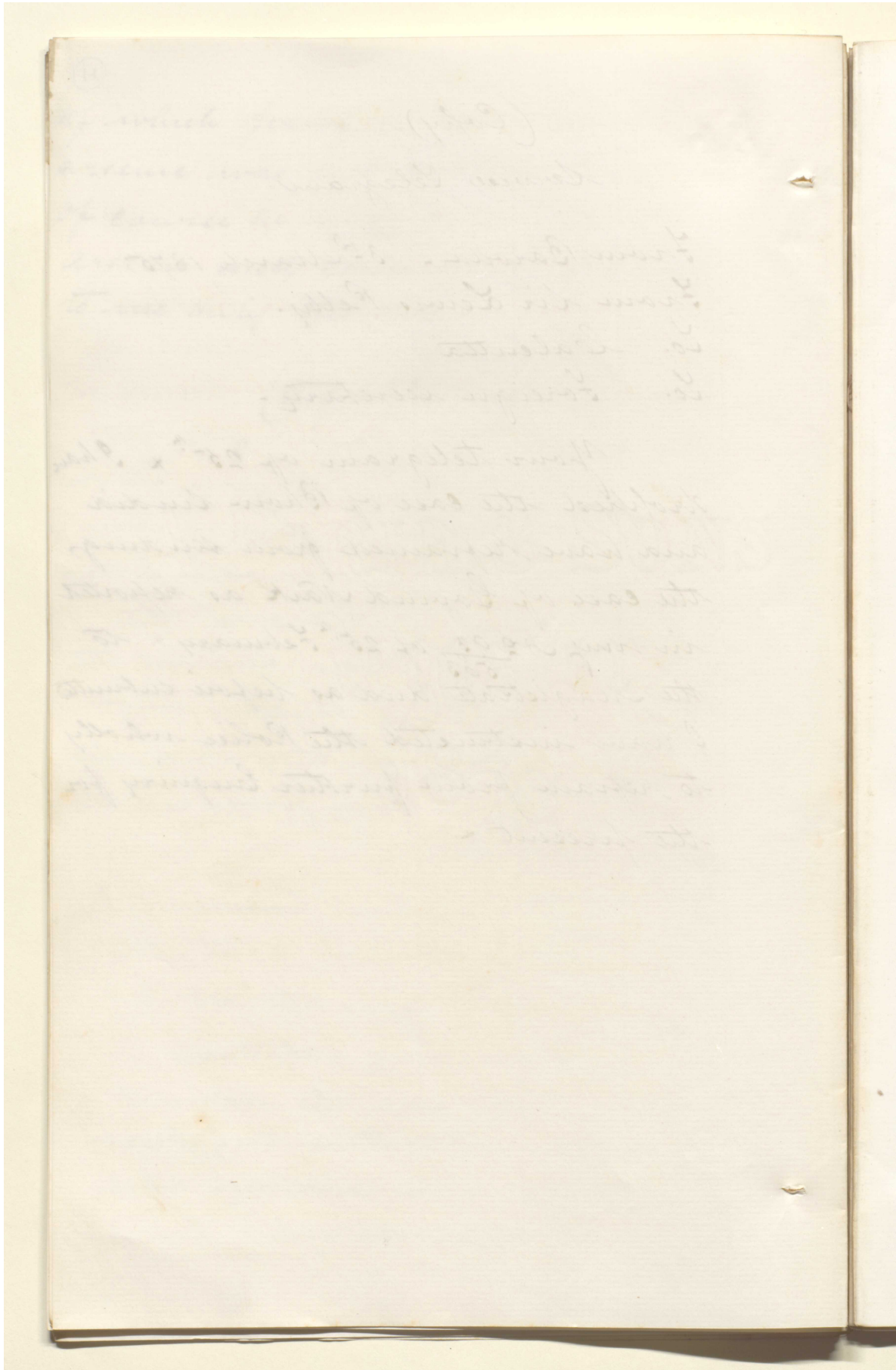
From Sir Lewis Pelly.

To. Calcutta.

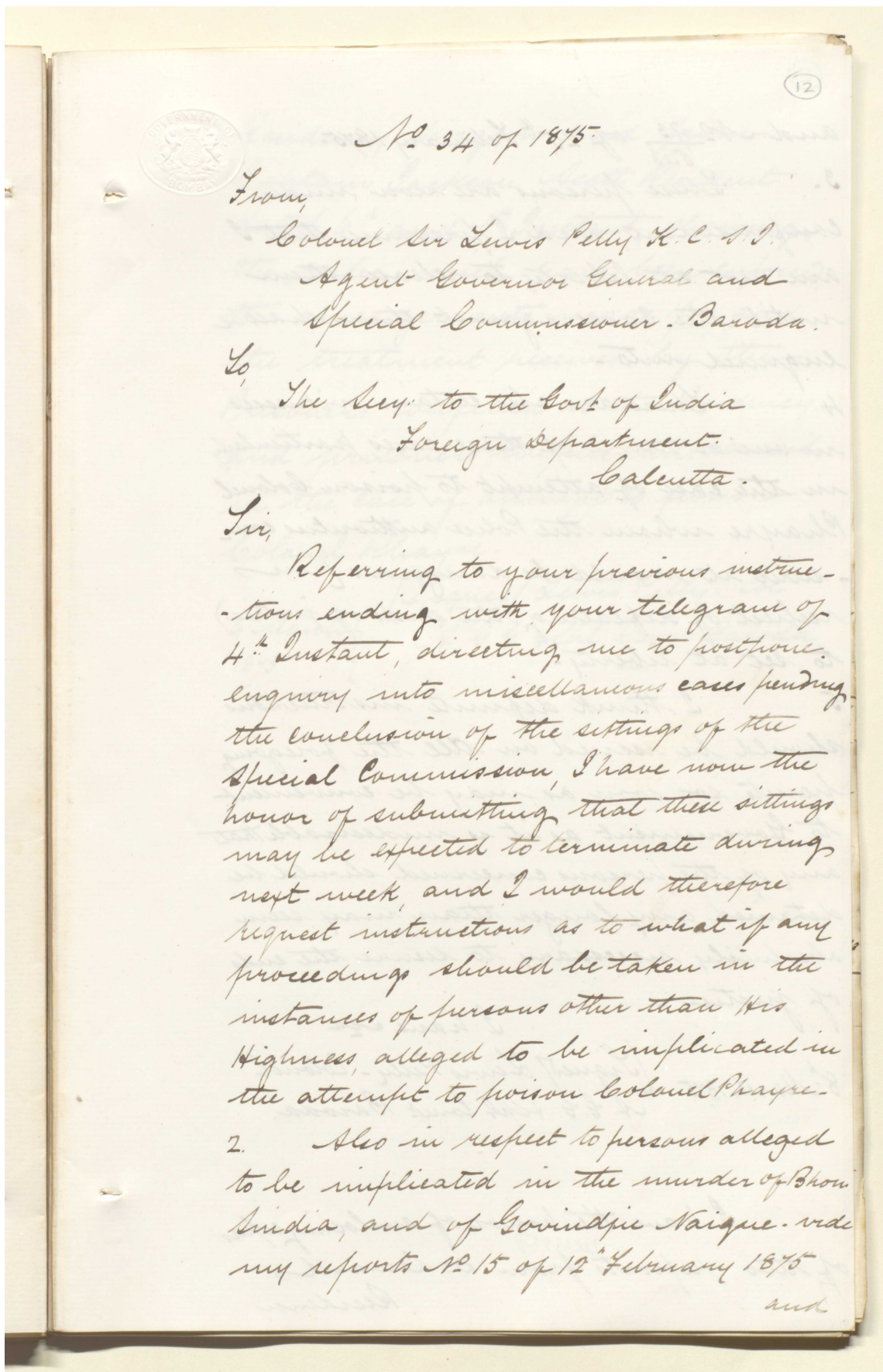
To. Foreign Secretary.

Your telegram of 25th x I have
dropped the case of Bhow India
and have refrained from sending
the case of Govind Naik as reported
in my No. 93 of 25th February to
the Magistrate and as before submitted
I have instructed the Police wholly
to refrain from further Enquiry for
the present x.

Copy Service Telegram from Sir Lewis Pelly, Baroda to the Foreign Secretary,
Calcutta [11v] (2/2)



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and No. 93 of 25th February 1875.
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3. These persons are now under confinement, and I presume that I am not at liberty to release them until the cases against them shall be enquired into.

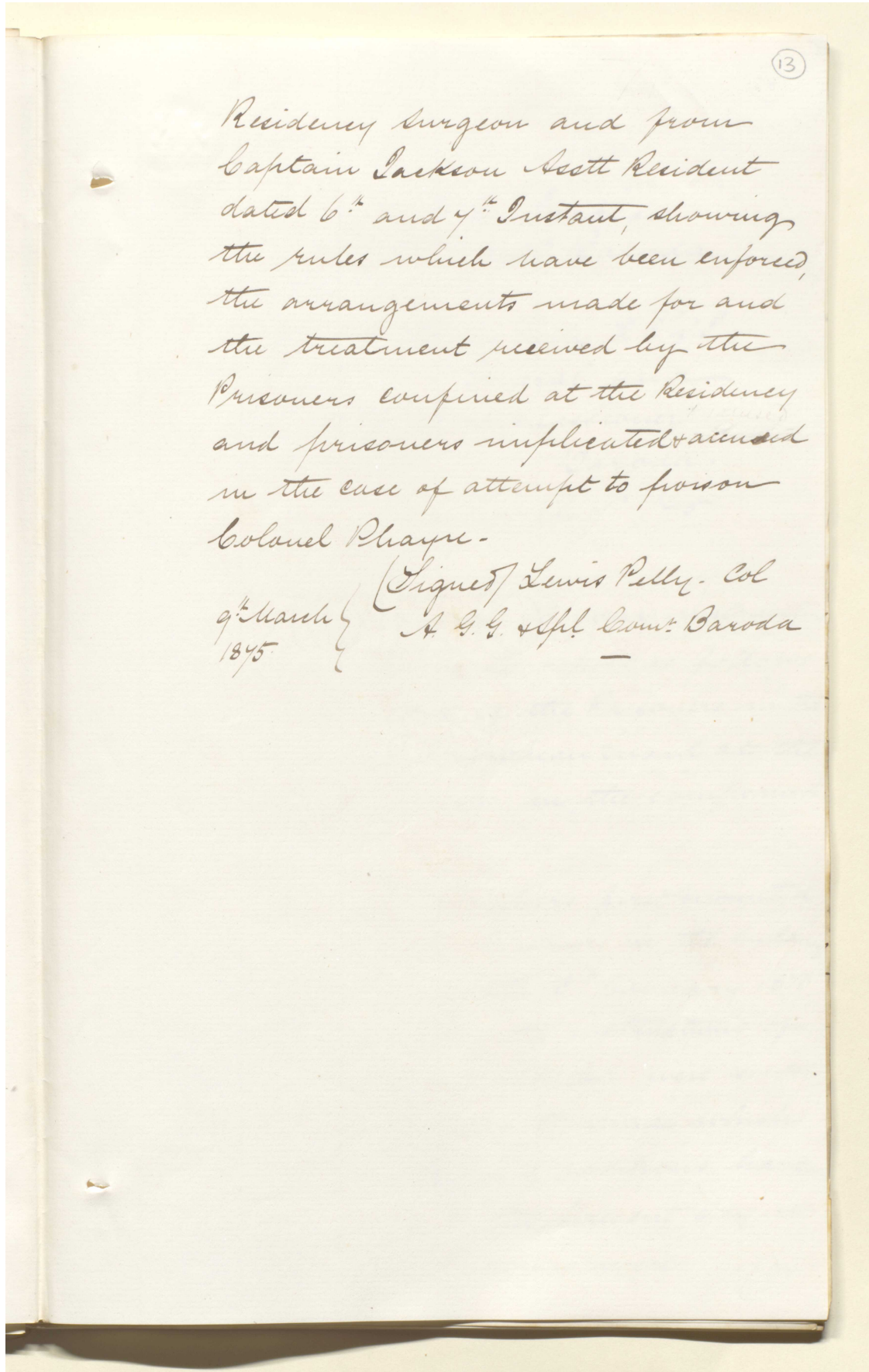
4. There are also certain witnesses in one or more of these cases, particularly in the case of attempt to poison Colonel Phayre whom the Police authorities consider it would be dangerous (in respect of defeating the ends of justice) to set at liberty.

5. I think definite instructions should be issued on all the foregoing points so soon as may be convenient to Government, as it is undesirable that any of the persons concerned should be detained any longer than may seem absolutely necessary to secure the ends of justice.

I have seen
8th March 1875. [Signed] Lewis Pelly - Colonel
A. G. S. & Lt. Col. Baroda.

I have the honor of enclosing copies
of two reports from B. Seward
Residency

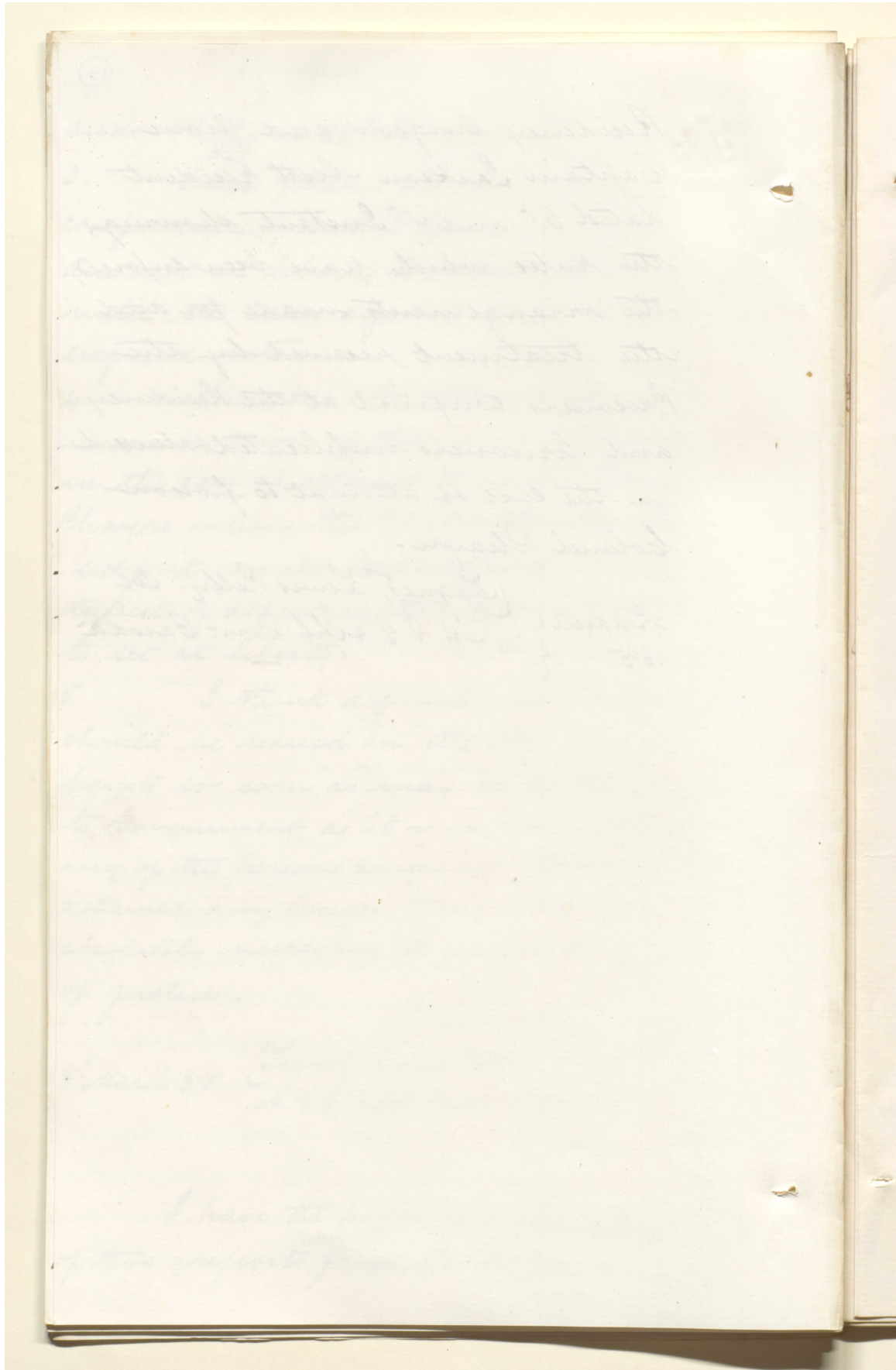
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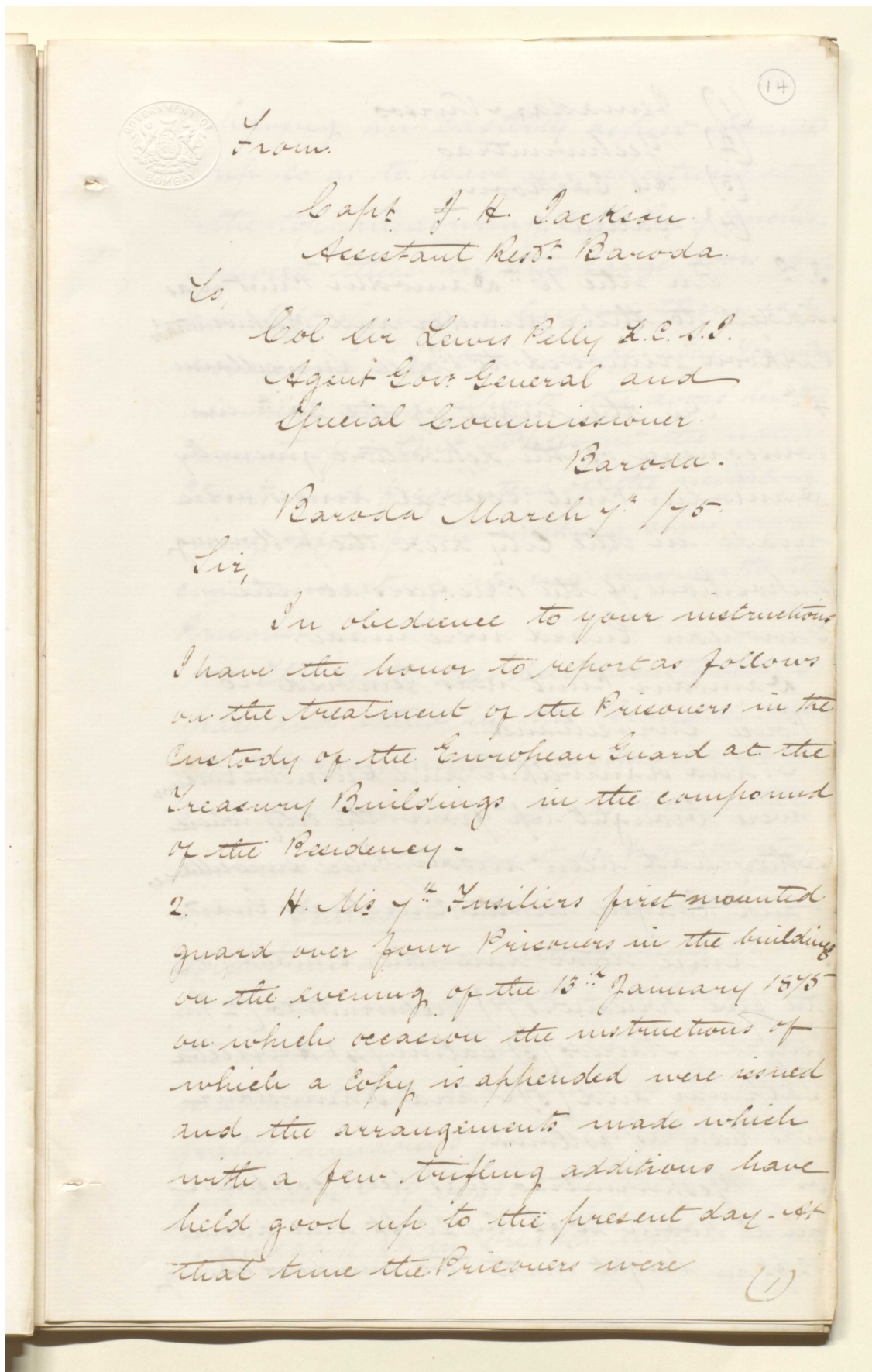
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Residency surgeon and from
Captain Jackson Scott Resident
dated 6th and 7th Instant, showing
the rules which have been enforced,
the arrangements made for and
the treatment received by the
Prisoners confined at the Residency
and prisoners implicated & accused
in the case of attempt to poison
Colonel Phayre.

(Signed) Lewis Pelly. Col
A. G. G. Spl. Comm. Baroda
9th March }
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- (1) Jamadar Nuroo.
- (2) Yeshumtrao.
- (3) His Carkeon.
- (4) Lalim

3.rd On the 16th Damodar Punt was
added to their number and Yeshumtrao
Carkeon removed to Police Surveillance.

4.th On the night of the 29th in
consequence of the deposition given by
Damodar Punt several arrests were
made in the City and the following
dispositions of the Prisoners at the
European Guard were made.

Damodar Punt was removed to
Police Surveillance.

Nana Damvelkur and Hurreba Gachwar
were brought up from the City where
they had been under Police surveillance
and lodged in the European Guard.

5. Since that date the situation of
the five prisoners (1) Yeshumtrao (2)
Jamadar Nuroo (3) Lalim (4) Hurreba
Gachwar and (5) Nana Damvelkur
has been as follows.

6. Yeshumtrao has been confined
in a room 26 ft by 20 ft and about
12 ft in height with two windows having

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having an easterly aspect boarded up so as to leave air apertures at the top measuring 3 ft by 9 inches. Opposite these are two large doors which are left open and beyond them is a verandah 6 ft 6 in. wide. The Verandah has been closed opposite the doors by the Khawat of a tent to prevent the native Clerks and frequenters of the neighbouring office from making signs or communicating in any way with the Prisoner.

The Sentry has been accustomed to pace and stand in the Verandah opposite the two doors mentioned. This is a large and airy room, but it has been rather darkened by the Khawat in front of it.

Jemadar Naresoo has been employed in a room measuring 22 ft by 11 ft 10 inches with a sloping roof the higher supporting wall of which is about 20 ft and the lower 14 ft one grated window 5 ft 11 in. by 3 ft 2 in. and a door 7 ft ^{2 in.} by 4 ft 1 in. open on to a verandah 11 ft in breadth with a dwarf wall

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wall having an entrance opposite the
aforesaid door.

This door has a northern aspect and
gives me a view (across the verandah)
of the highway at a distance of about
50 or 100 yds. To prevent the prisoners
communicating by signs with any one
in the road a tent *Komāt* has been
erected beyond the Verandah at a
distance of 10 ft.

The sentry has been accustomed
to stand in the Verandah opposite the
Prisoners door.

This room is spacious enough but
rather dark except the space immediately
opposite the door.

8. Kalim has been confined in a
room measuring 11 ft 3 in: by 4 ft 11 in:
and 7 ft 10 in: in height having a door
5 ft 11 in: by 2 ft 4 in: and a small
window 1 ft 2 in: square looking out in
the open compound of the building and
about 50 or 100 yards from the
aforesaid highway.

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To obscure the Prisoners view of the road the Cent Kamat alluded to in the case of Jemadar Nurees has been prolonged so as to form a Verandah 10 ft. wide in which the Sentry stands.

The door and window have a Northern aspect.

9 Kuricha Cackmar has occupied a room measuring 15 ft. by 10 ft. with a sloping roof the higher support of which is about 14 ft. and the lower 7 ft. in a line with salins room. It has a door opening to the same aspect and the same verandah ^(10 ft.) has been supplied by the Cent Kamat in which the Sentry stands.

This room has no window but it is amply lighted by the door.

10. Nana Dandekur. has been in a room measuring 15 ft. by 10 ft. 10 in. with a sloping roof of which the higher support is about 14 ft. and the lower 7 ft. - It has a door with an eastern aspect and a window looking out to the northward

This room is small but well lighted (S. J. H. P.)

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on the highway before alluded to, which has been boarded up so as to allow an air aperture above of 3 ft. 1/2 in. by 8 inches.

This room is sufficiently well lighted and ventilated.

11. Of all three rooms Salim's was the least spacious and comfortable and as he suffered from fever & toward about a fortnight ago recommended his removal to a room measuring 25 ft. 2 in. by 20 ft. 2 in. and 12 ft. in height having a door opening to the East and a window with an aperture of 2 ft. 11 in. long and 9 in. high looking towards the South, which room he has since occupied.

12. In each case the door of the room has been always open.

13. With the exception of Geshwuntia and Salim the Prisoners have enjoyed good health. These two have suffered from fever but it would be hard to ascribe this to any defect in their rooms because although Salim had for some time

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some time the smallest and least comfortable, Yeshwantrao has had the largest and most airy room of all.

I rather ascribe this illness to the fact that these two men were accustomed (in the service of H. H. Lakhtar) to a great deal of exercise, principally on horseback, and that the enforced inactivity of their confinement has been more trying to them than to the others.

14. I consider that the rooms in which the Prisoners are at present confined are more than sufficiently comfortable for them, but in this point Dr. Edwards' opinion would be perhaps more useful than mine and that opinion he has doubtless given in his report.

15. The arrangements for supplying the Prisoners with food and water are shown in the accompanying copy of instructions and as these have been carefully acted up to I need not enlarge on the subject. The Prisoners' relatives have

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have usually brought their meals at about 9 A.M. and 4 P.M. and there have been no restrictions on the quality or quantity but only on the manner of conveying the food to the Prisoners.

16. During the first few days of their confinement the Nana and Kurrecha who are men accustomed to considerable comfort, complained on a few minor points connected with their food supply which complaints I attended to and since then I have heard nothing from them on this subject.

17. Jemadar Nureso has never complained on any subject.

18. Salim once complained about his tobacco not being good and on several occasions about clean clothes not being supplied him. This was the fault of his relative who brought him his supplies, and I had to write to the Fouzdar in the City on the subject. He never complained about his food or water.

I once had to reprimand him for

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for abusing the Policeman in attendance
about his Opium supply.

19. Yeshwantrao has never com-
-plained about his food or water.

20. The Prisoners have been allowed
to go out singly and bathe in the
compound once a day the place being
first cleared and then carefully watch-
-ed by the sentries in charge of them.

21. With respect to exercise Lt.
Seward recommended them to have
this indulgence and for a few days
Yeshwantrao walked up and down the
Verandah opposite his room for $\frac{1}{2}$ an
hour in the mornings. I asked the
others if they cared to go out and walk
but they declined the indulgence and
even Yeshwantrao appeared to think he
was pleasing no matter than himself
by his daily labor and so the matter
dropped.

22. The Prisoners have been visited
daily by Lt. Seward and myself and
every opportunity given them to complain
and

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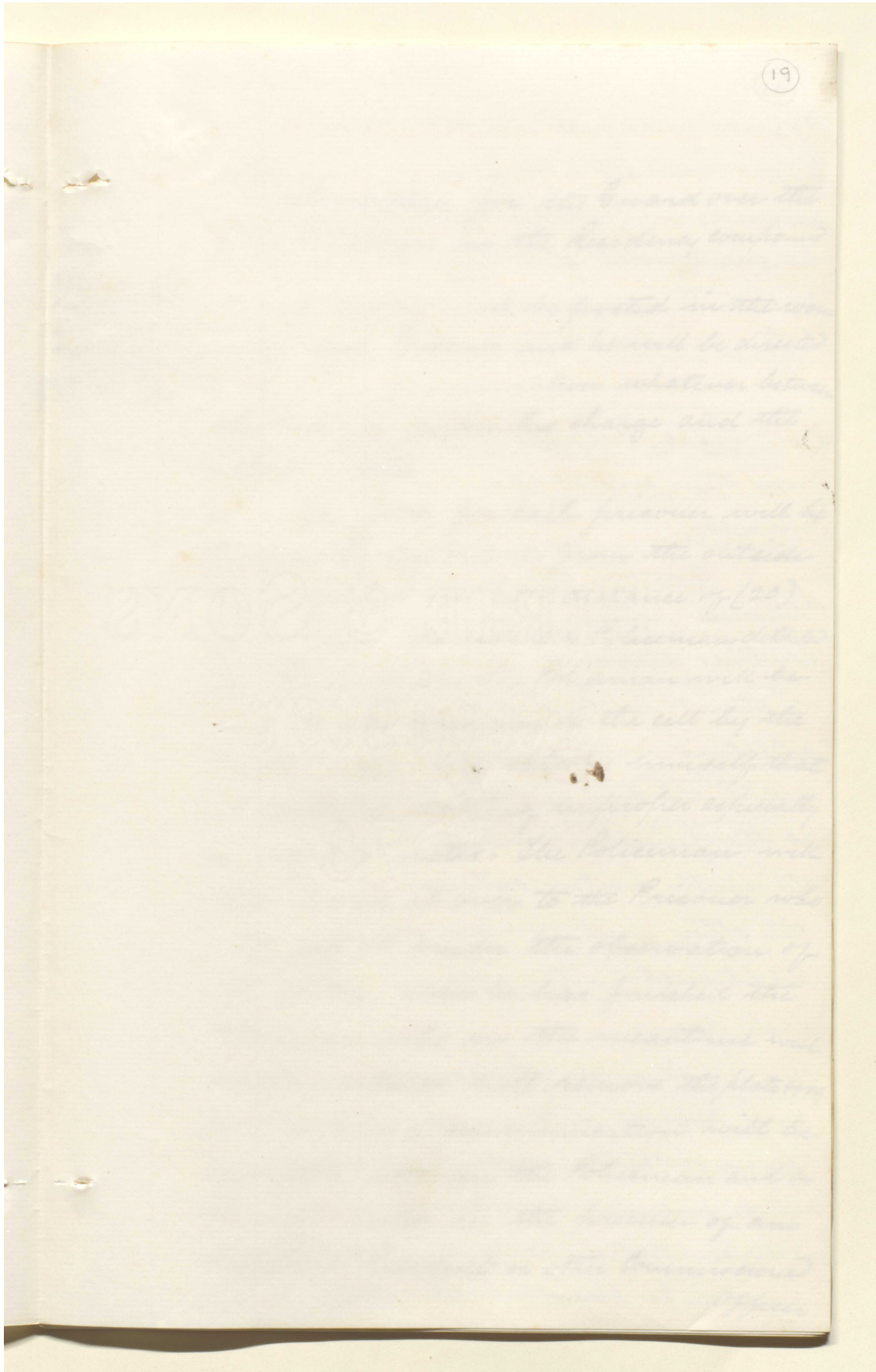
and make representations of any sort.
With the exception of their natural
dislike to be in confinement at all
they appear to me to have been contented
with the arrangements made for their
accommodation while in this confinement.

23 - Since the 1st inst. Kalim and
Nechwuntias have been removed from
a European to a Native guard and now
occupy together the room described in
para. 11.

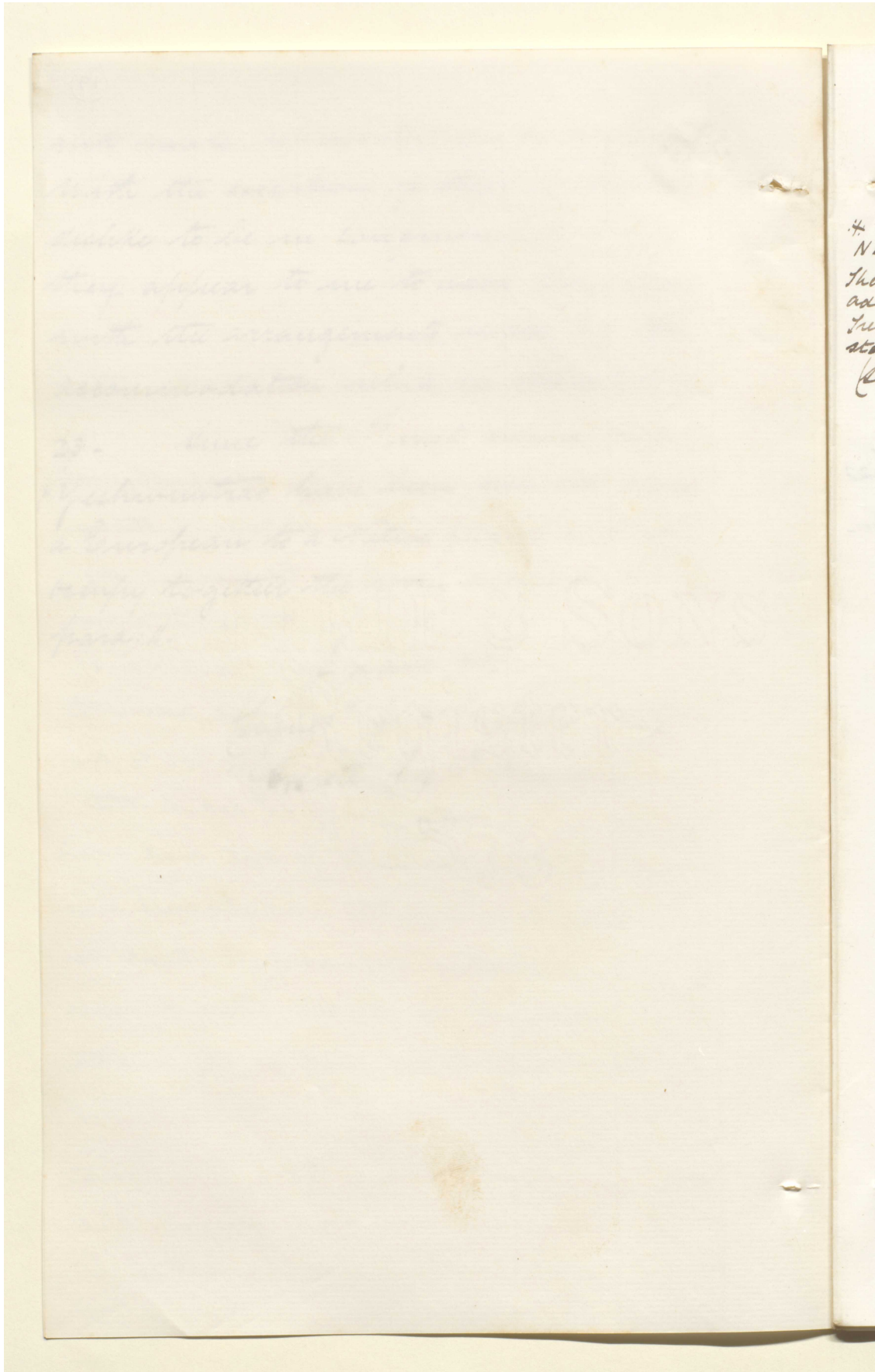
I have &c

Signed J. H. Jackson. Captain
Asstt. Res. Baroda

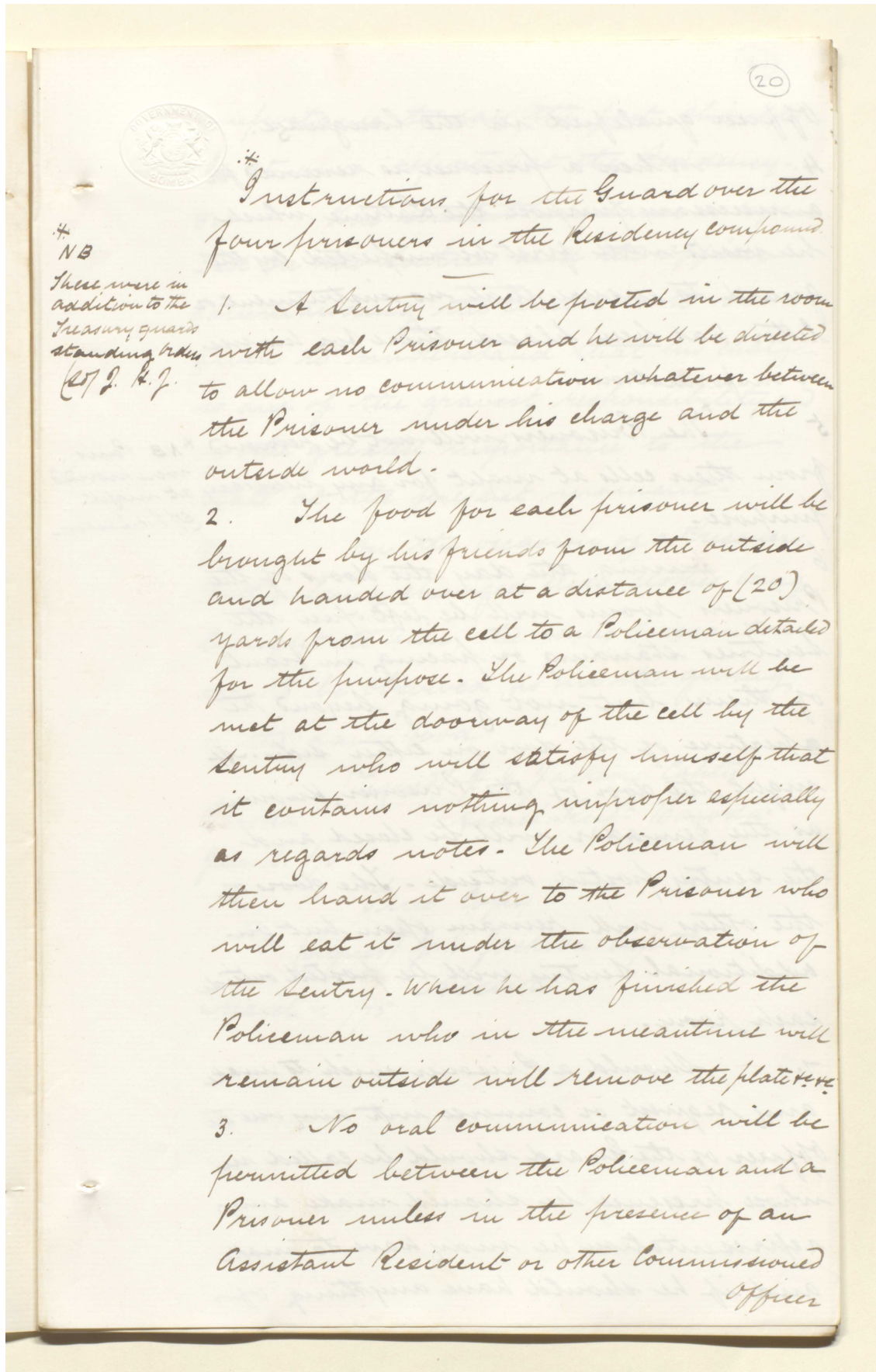
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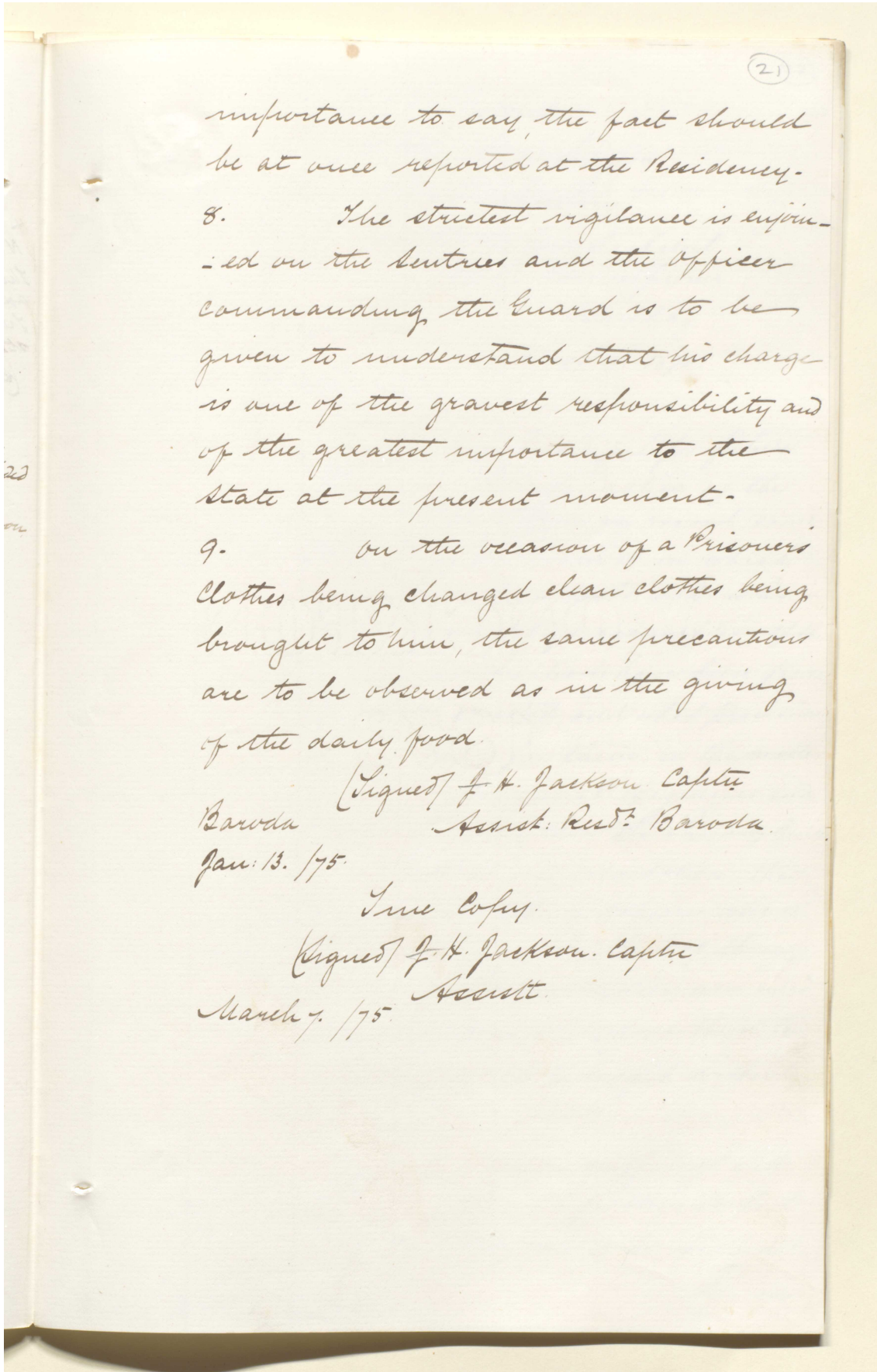
4. When a prisoner is removed for a necessary purpose the Latrine which he visits will first be inspected by the guard to ensure that no instrument or letter has been placed there for his use or information.

5. The Prisoners will not be removed from their cells at night for any necessary purpose. ^{*NB. Pans were provided at night.}
By H. Jackson

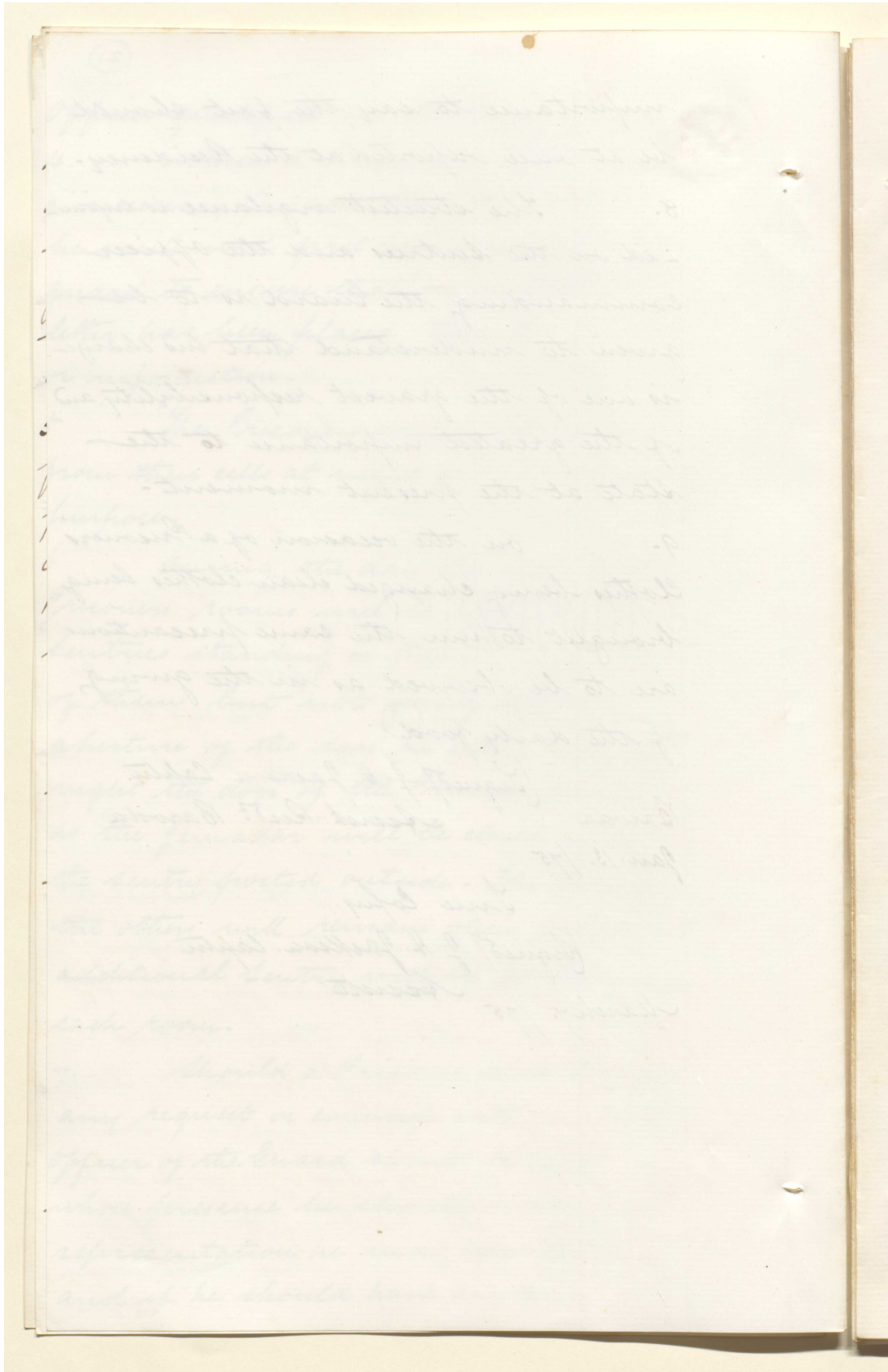
6. During the day the doors of the Prisoners rooms will be left open the sentries standing or pacing in front of them but not going beyond the aperture of the door on either side. At night the door of the Prisoner known as "the Jemadar" will be closed and the sentry posted outside. The doors of the others will remain open but an additional sentry will be posted outside each room.

7. Should a Prisoner wish to make any request or converse with any one the Officer of the Guard should be called in whose presence he should make any representation he may have to make and if he should have anything of

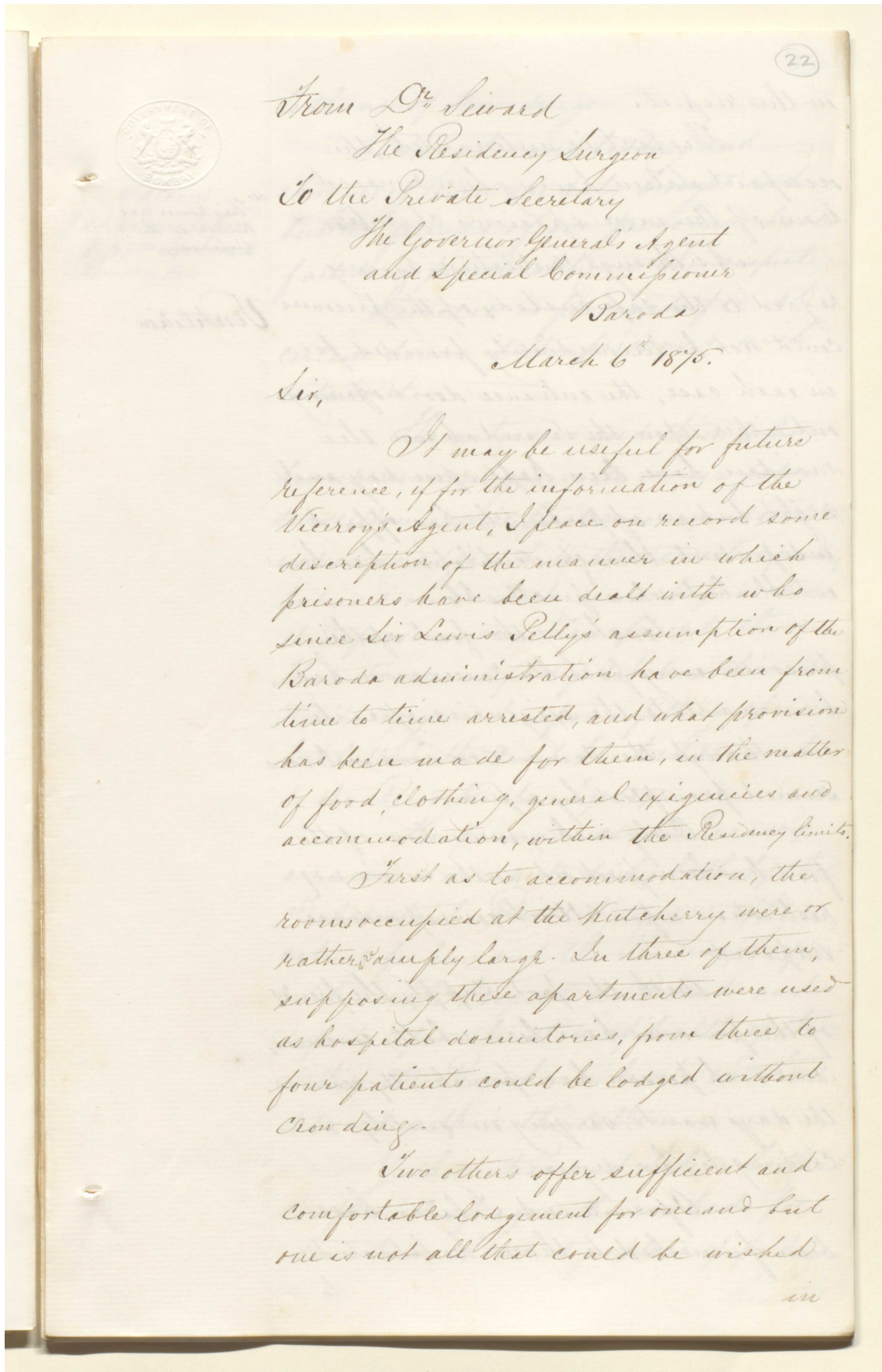
Letter No.34 of 1875 from Colonel Sir Lewis Pelly, Agent Governor General and
Special Commissioner, Baroda to The Secretary to the Government of India,
Foreign Department, Calcutta [21r] (19/26)



Letter No.34 of 1875 from Colonel Sir Lewis Pelly, Agent Governor General and
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Foreign Department, Calcutta [21v] (20/26)




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in this respect.

This last is untenanted, the
occupant Saleem having been removed
to one of the more spacious chambers *


* This room was
known as the
dispensary.

As through ventilation, having
regard to the safe custody of the prisoners
could not be immediately provided for
in each case, the entrance doors opening
out either upon the verandah or the
maidan have been kept open day and
night, but as opportunity has offered
independent through ventilation has been
established where practicable.

Ventilation

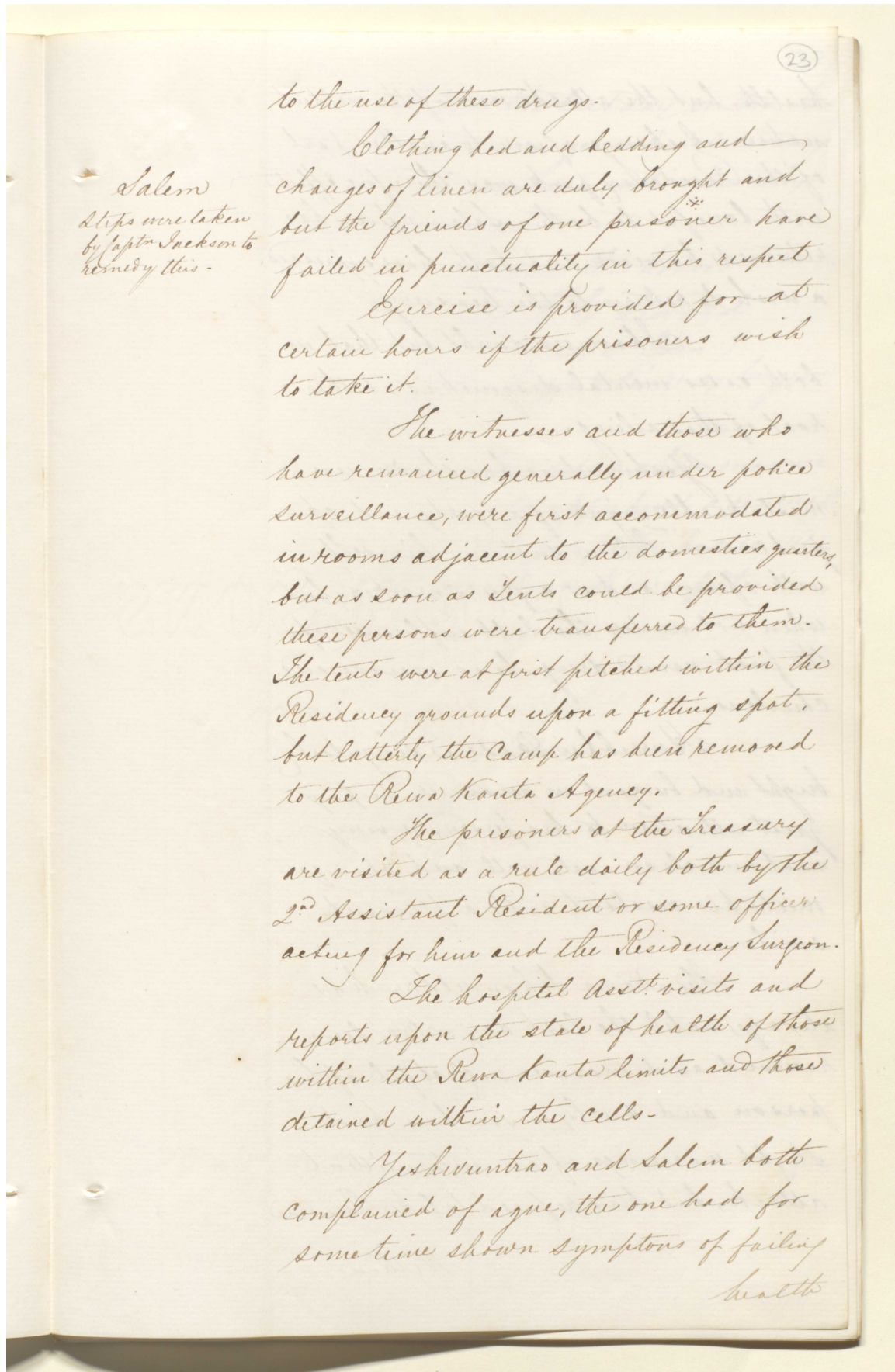
Touching the food of the
prisoners every possible concession has
been made to the exigencies of caste,
even though the demand in some instances
seemed prompted by caprice.

Only such examination of the
food has been practised, as the necessary
restriction upon illicit correspondence
imposed.

With the food supply the friends
of the prisoners have been wholly concerned,
and each person has punctually received
the days wants, varying in quality ac-
cording to his degree.

Opium and Tobacco have
been furnished to those habituated
to

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health, but the attacks were of the mildest nature. A change of air to another part of the Residency park was therefore effected with benefit to both. Salem's fever has returned however and both have expressed a wish to return to the treasury.

I have no doubt but that in both cases mental disquiet is at the root of this ailment.

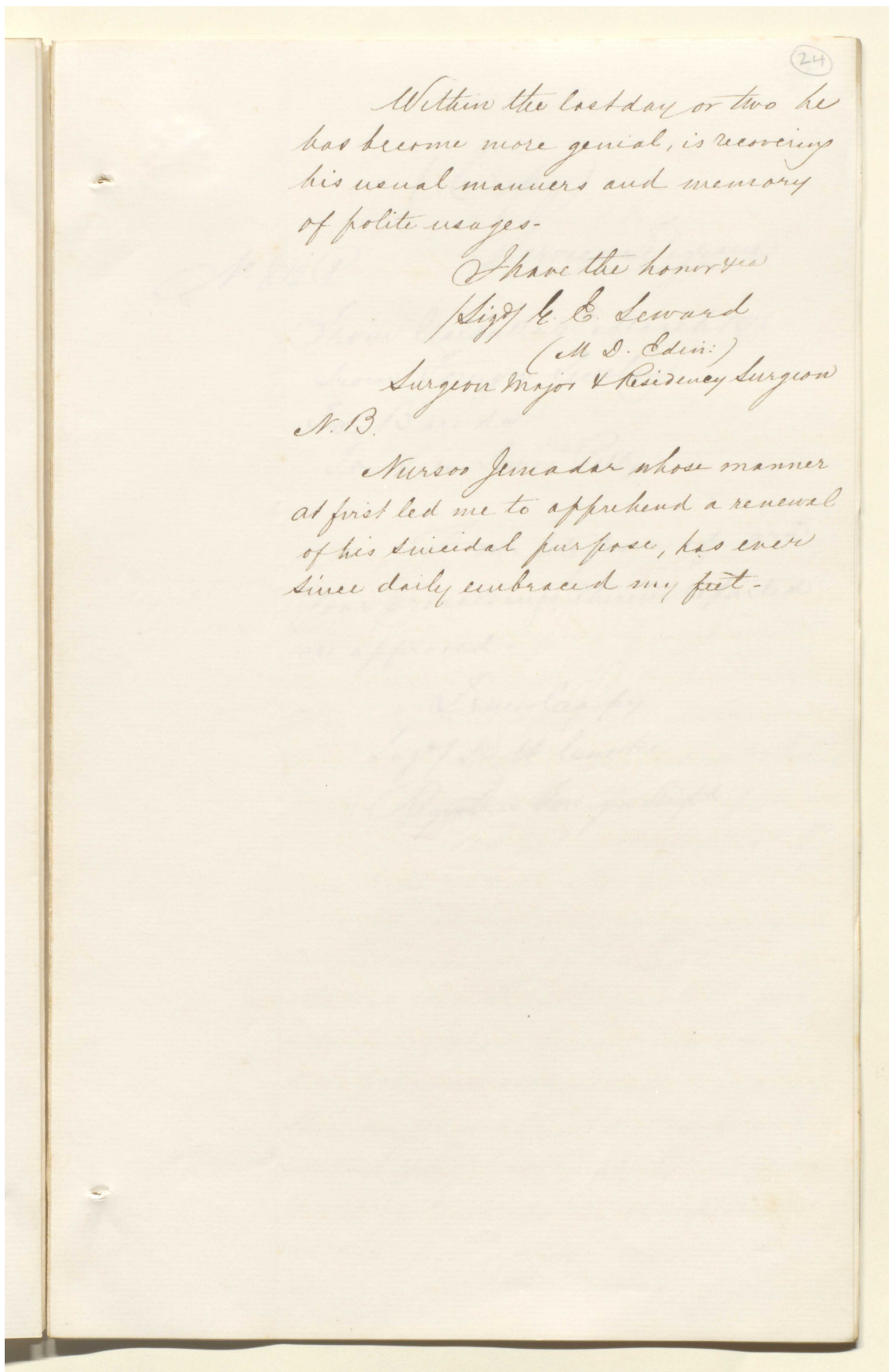
Yeshwantrao has shown unmistakable signs of anxiety and apprehension. Salem sustains himself with opium and is a free smoker, but when not under the lull influence of the first named drug, he is morose and cheerless.

Hurribhai Dada is singularly bright and buoyant in manner. he pays great attention to his person, is very neat and clean, eats well and always meets his visitant with a pleasant smile.

The Nana Khanolkar has always, until the last day or two, been reserved and morose, neglectful of his person and surly. He has had slight warnings of an intermittent attack, but has refused to take Quinine

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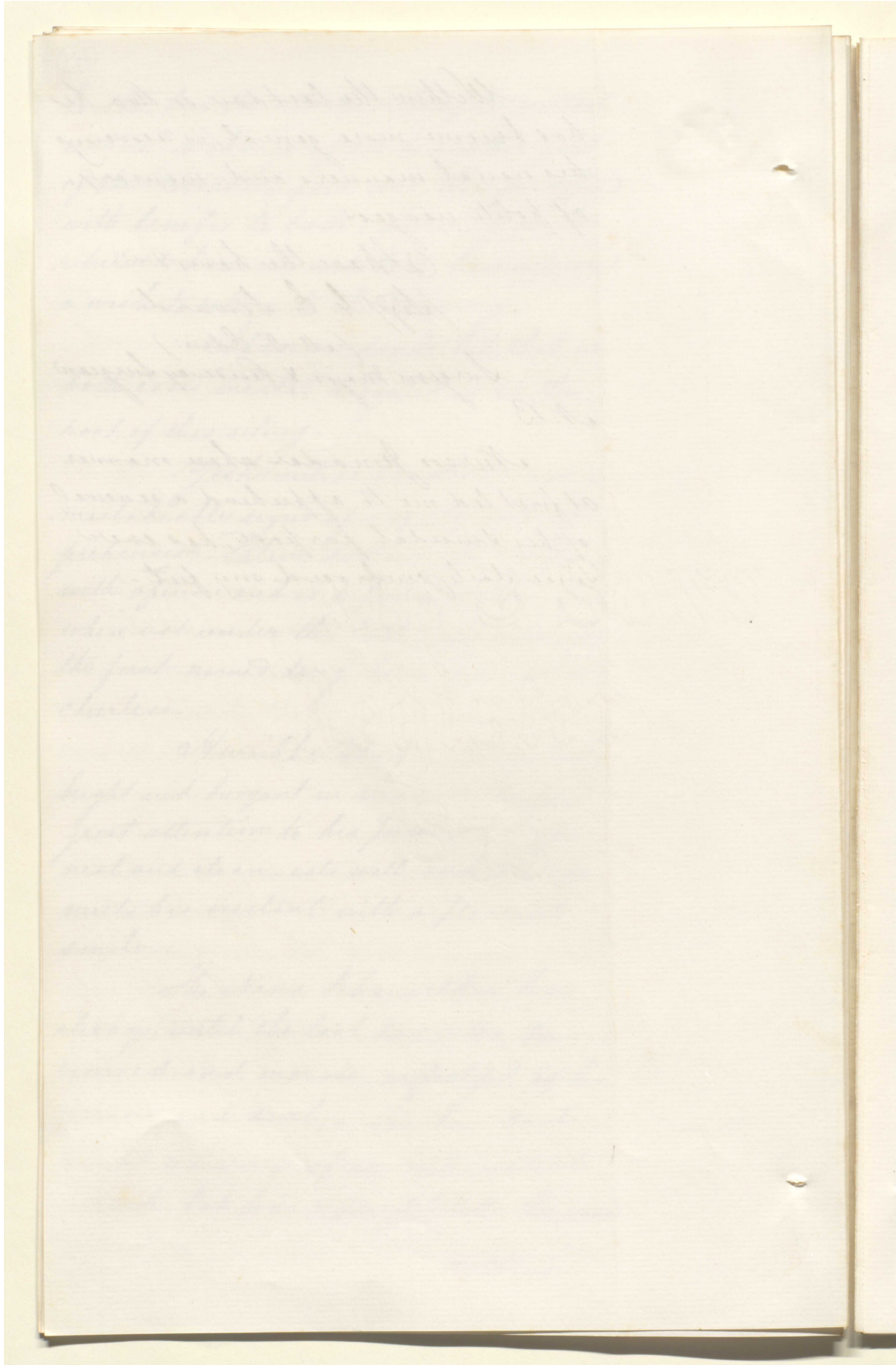


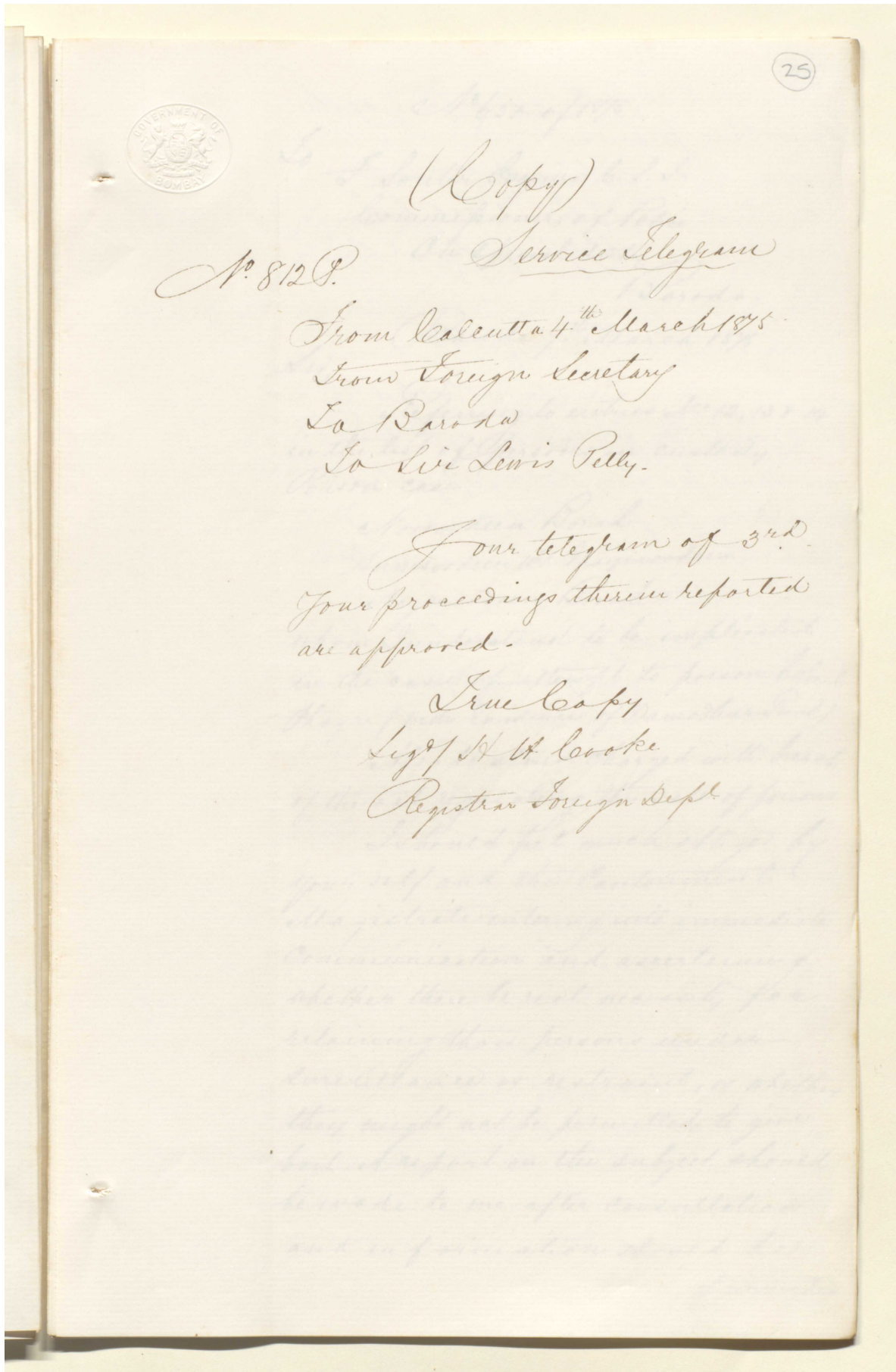
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Within the last day or two he
has become more genial, is recovering
his usual manners and memory
of polite usages-

I have the honor
to sign
Major L. C. Seward
(M. D. Edin.)
Surgeon Major & Residence Surgeon
N. B.

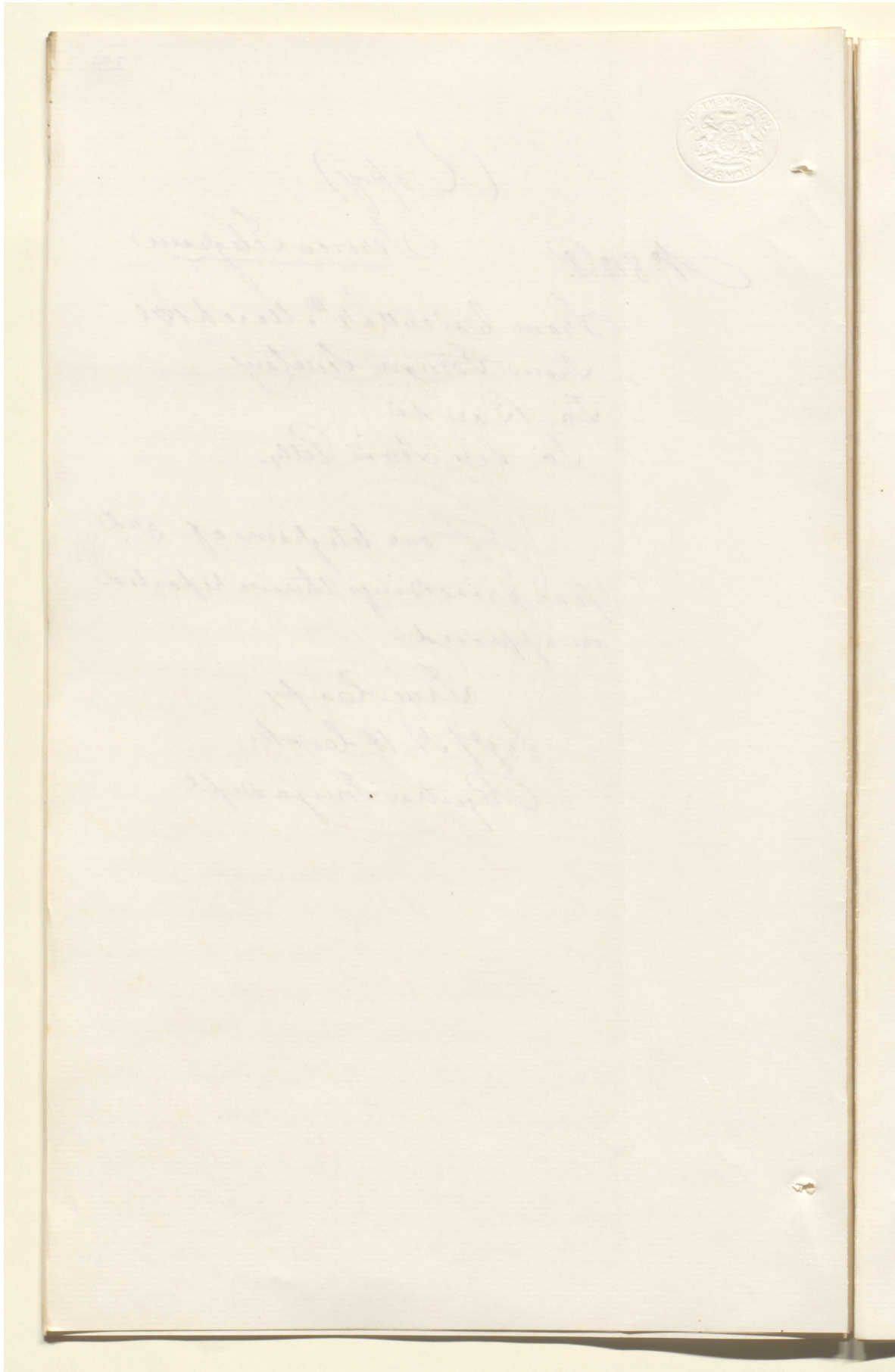
Kursoo Jemadar whose manner
at first led me to apprehend a renewal
of his suicidal purpose, has ever
since daily embraced my feet.

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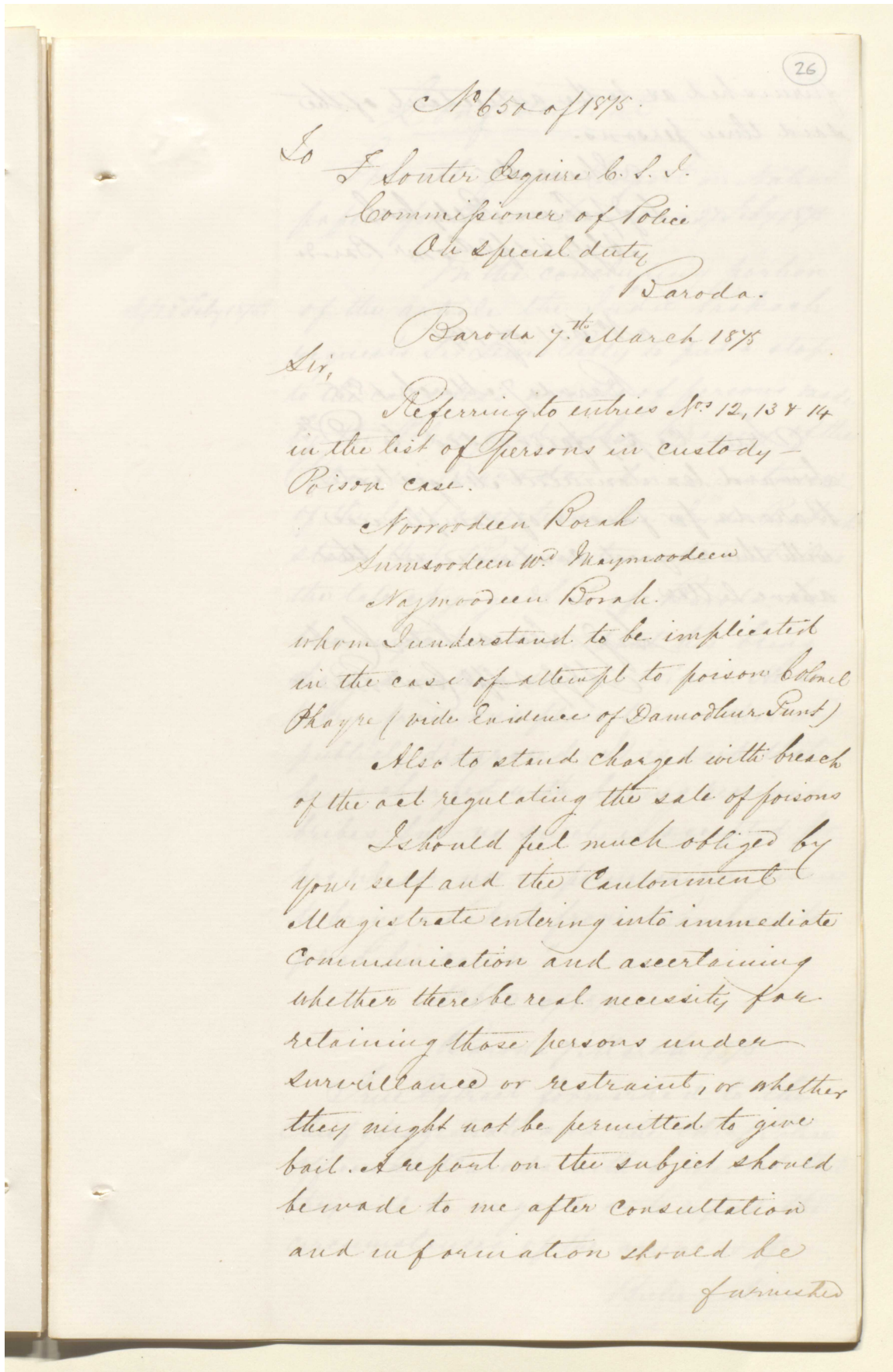




Copy Service Telegram from the Foreign Secretary, Calcutta to Sir Lewis Pelly,
Baroda [25v] (2/2)



Letter No.650 of 1875 from Sir Lewis Pelly, Agent Governor General and Special
Commissioner, Baroda to Frank Henry Souter, Commissioner of Police, on Special
Duty, Baroda [26r] (1/2)



Letter No.650 of 1875 from Sir Lewis Pelly, Agent Governor General and Special
Commissioner, Baroda to Frank Henry Souter, Commissioner of Police, on Special
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furnished as to the antecedent of the
said three persons.

I have &c.

Sir Lewis Pelly Col.
Agly & Spl Comr Baroda

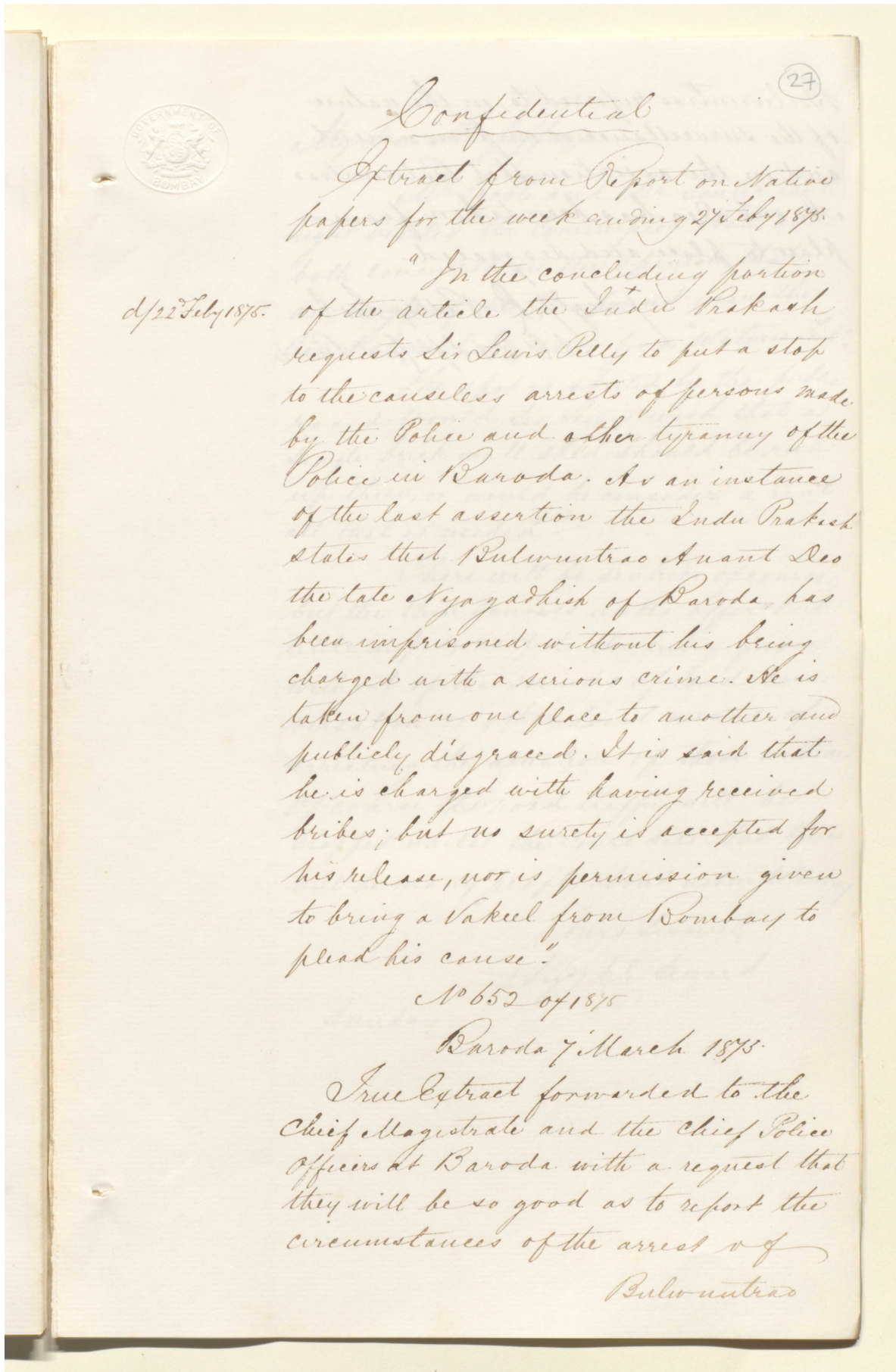
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Baroda 7th March 1875

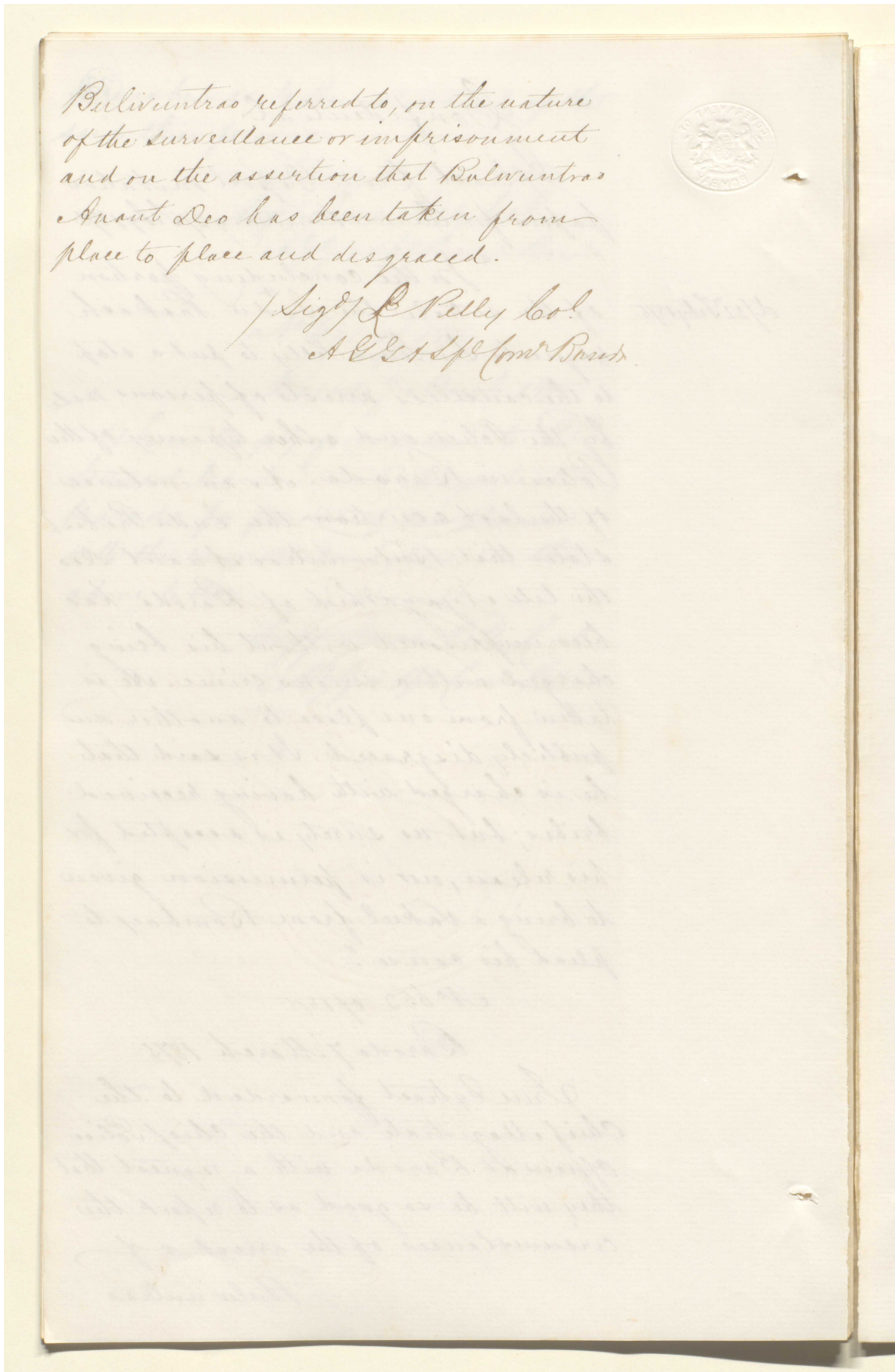
True copy forwarded to D^r
Seward Lieutenant Magistrate
Baroda for favour of compliance
with the request contained in the
above letter.

Sir Lewis Pelly Col.
Agly & Spl Comr Baroda

'Letter No.652 of 1875 containing an Extract from the report on Native Papers
for the Week ending 27 February 1875' [27r] (1/2)



'Letter No.652 of 1875 containing an Extract from the report on Native Papers
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My dear Mr. Jeffreys

Mr Seoble and Mr Sauter last night visited the Commission Hall and both concurred in the opinion that an angle of the Compound near the Court should be used for a "Witness Tent."

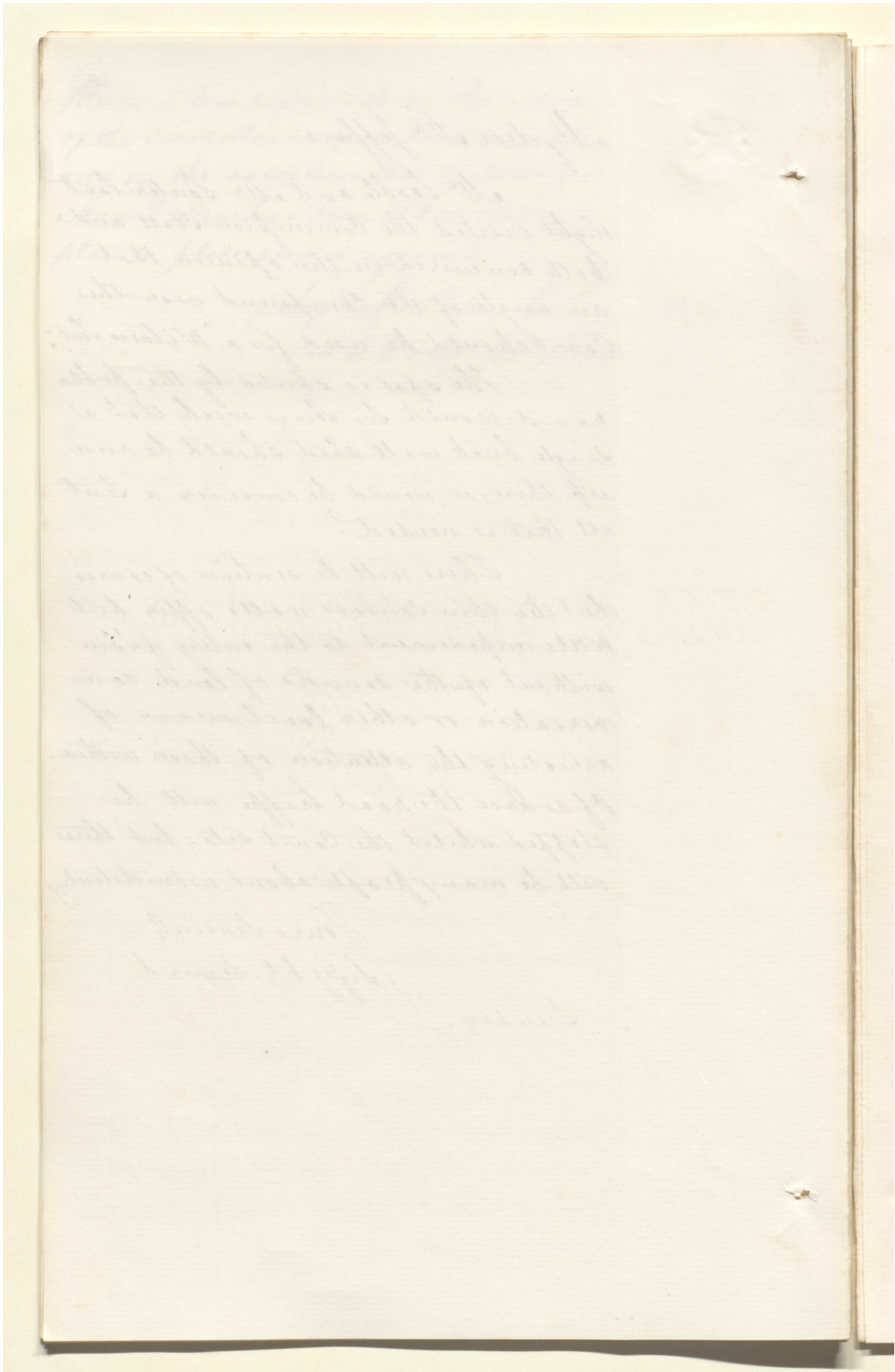
The spot is skirted by the public road - would Sir Lewis wish that a single brick wall shed should be run up there, or would he consider a Tent all that is needed?

There will be sentries of course, but the thin Canvas walls offer but little impediment to the entry from without of the sounds of loud conversation or other local means of arresting the attention of those within. Of course the road traffic will be stopped whilst the Court sits - but there will be many people about notwithstanding.

Yours sincerely
Geo. E. Seward.

Sunday.

Letter from George Edwin Seward to (William?) Jeffreys [28v] (2/2)



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From
Frank Henry Butler, Esquire, Major
Cavalry
Bengal Department

Dear Jeffreys

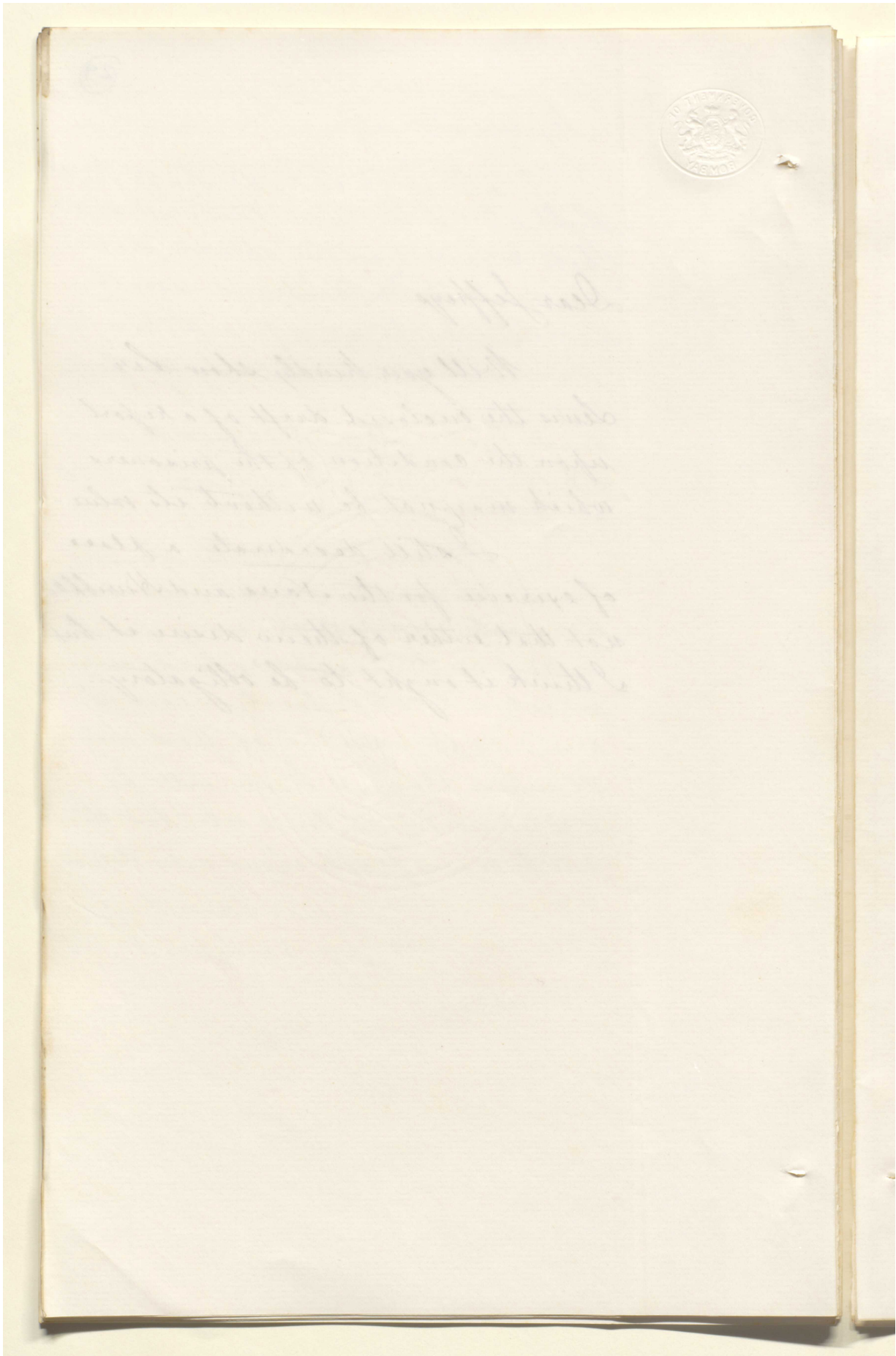
Will you kindly show Sir
Lewis the enclosed draft of a report
upon the condition of the prisoners
which may not be without its value.

I still desiderate a place
of exercise for the Nana and Hurukhi,
not that either of them desire it, but
I think it ought to be obligatory.

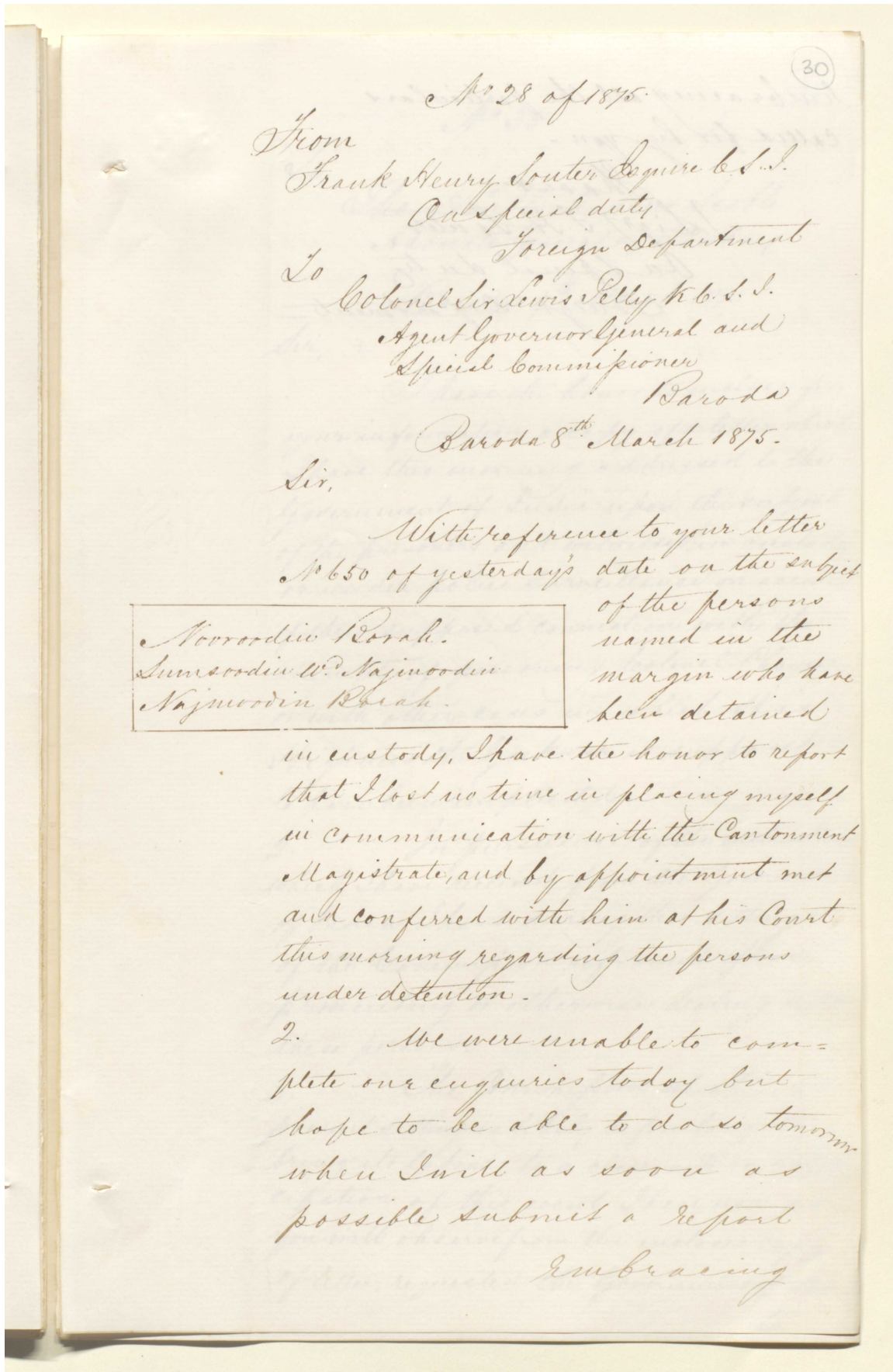
In custody, I have the honor to report
that I had conferred in former report
in communication with the Commander
at Hyderabad by appointment and
did confer with him at his house
this morning regarding the prisoners
under detention.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
George Edwin Seward

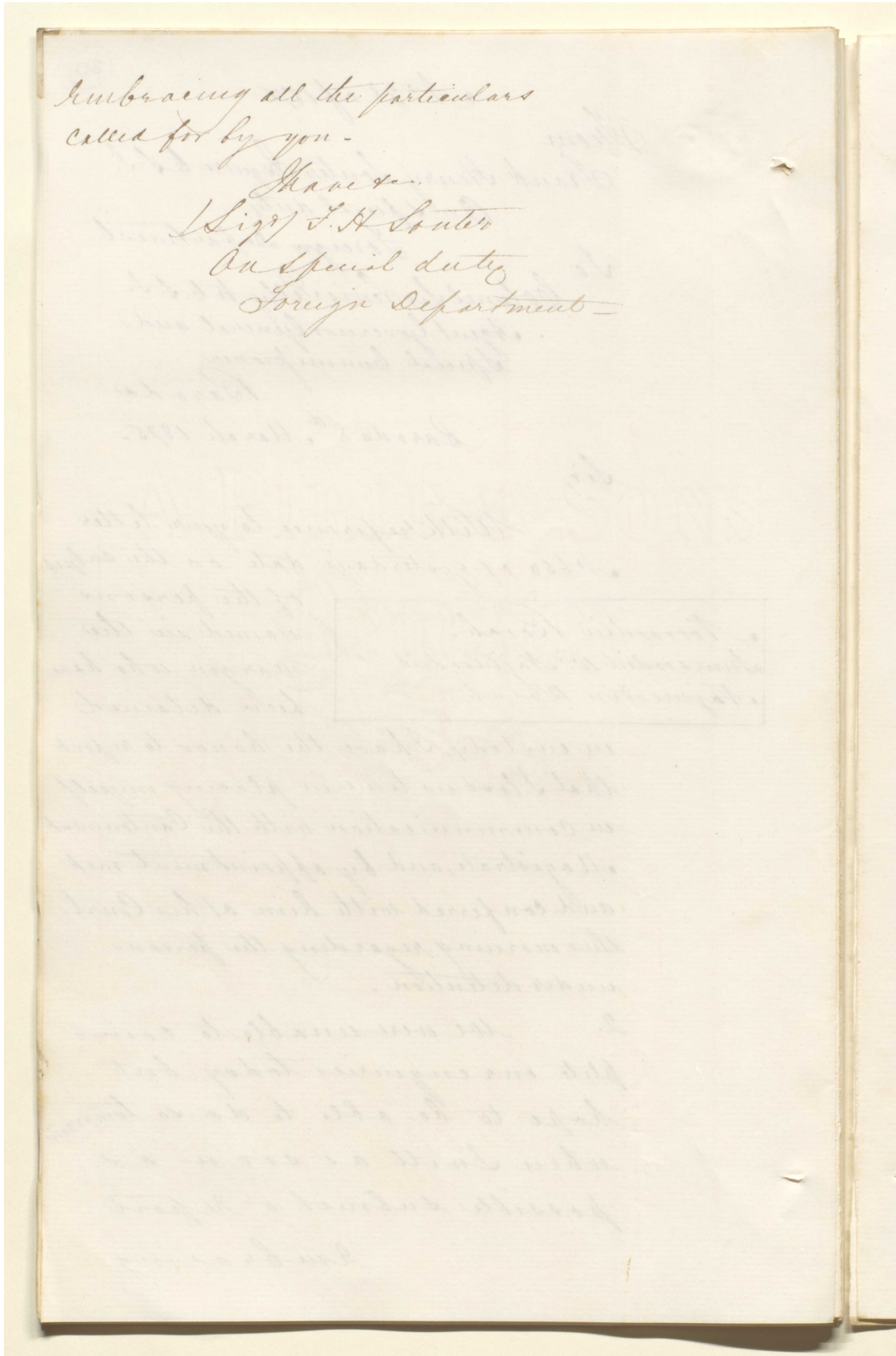
Note from George Edwin Seward to (William?) Jeffreys [29v] (2/2)



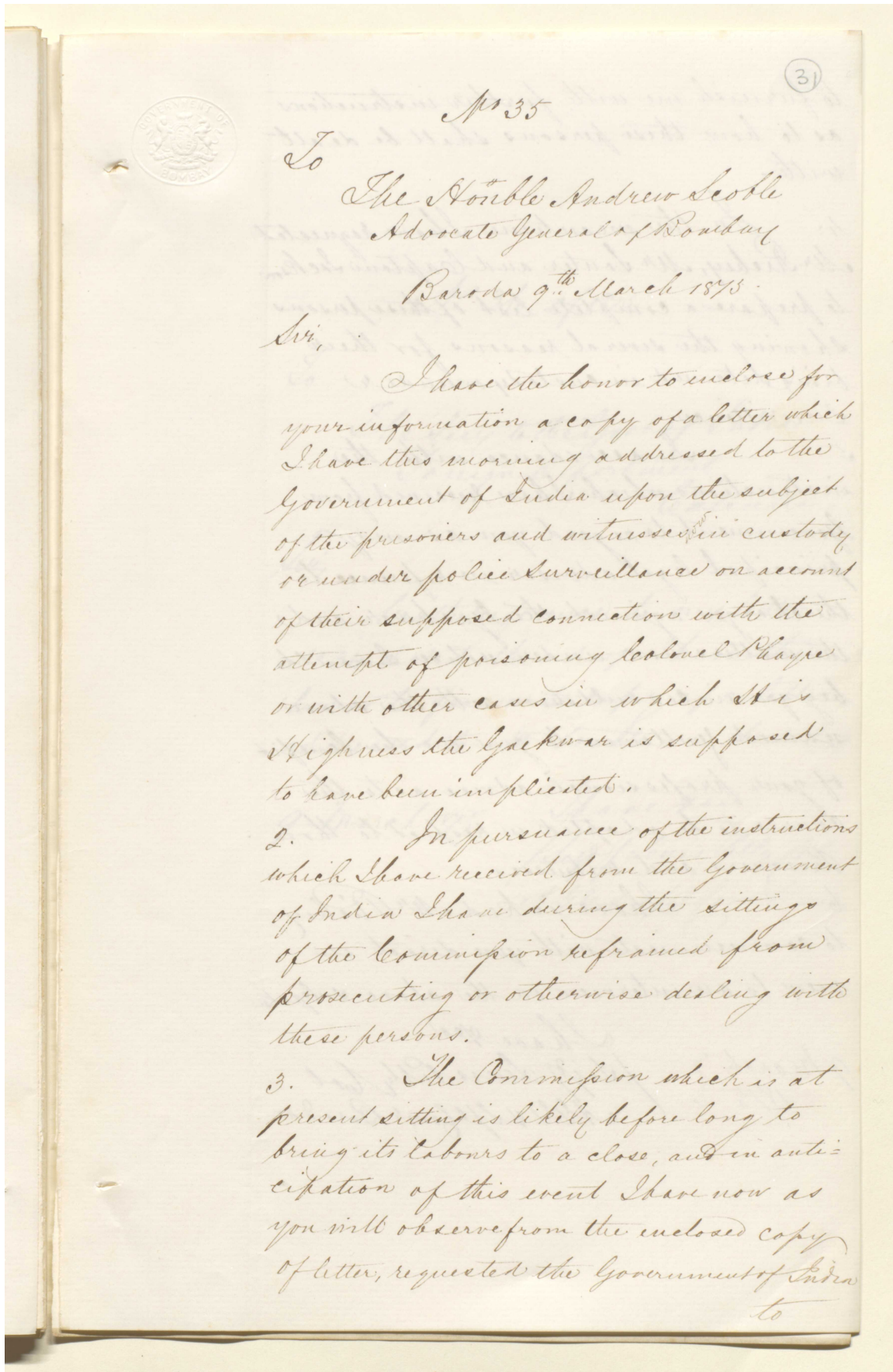
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Letter No.28 of 1875 from Frank Henry Souter, On Special Duty, Foreign
Department, Baroda to Colonel Sir Lewis Pelly, Agent Governor General and
Special Commissioner, Baroda [30v] (2/2)



Letter No.35 of 1875 from Colonel Sir Lewis Pelly, Agent Governor General and
Special Commissioner, Baroda to Andrew Scoble, Advocate General of Bombay [31r]
(1/2)



Letter No.35 of 1875 from Colonel Sir Lewis Pelly, Agent Governor General and
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to furnish me with further instructions
as to how these persons shall be dealt
with.

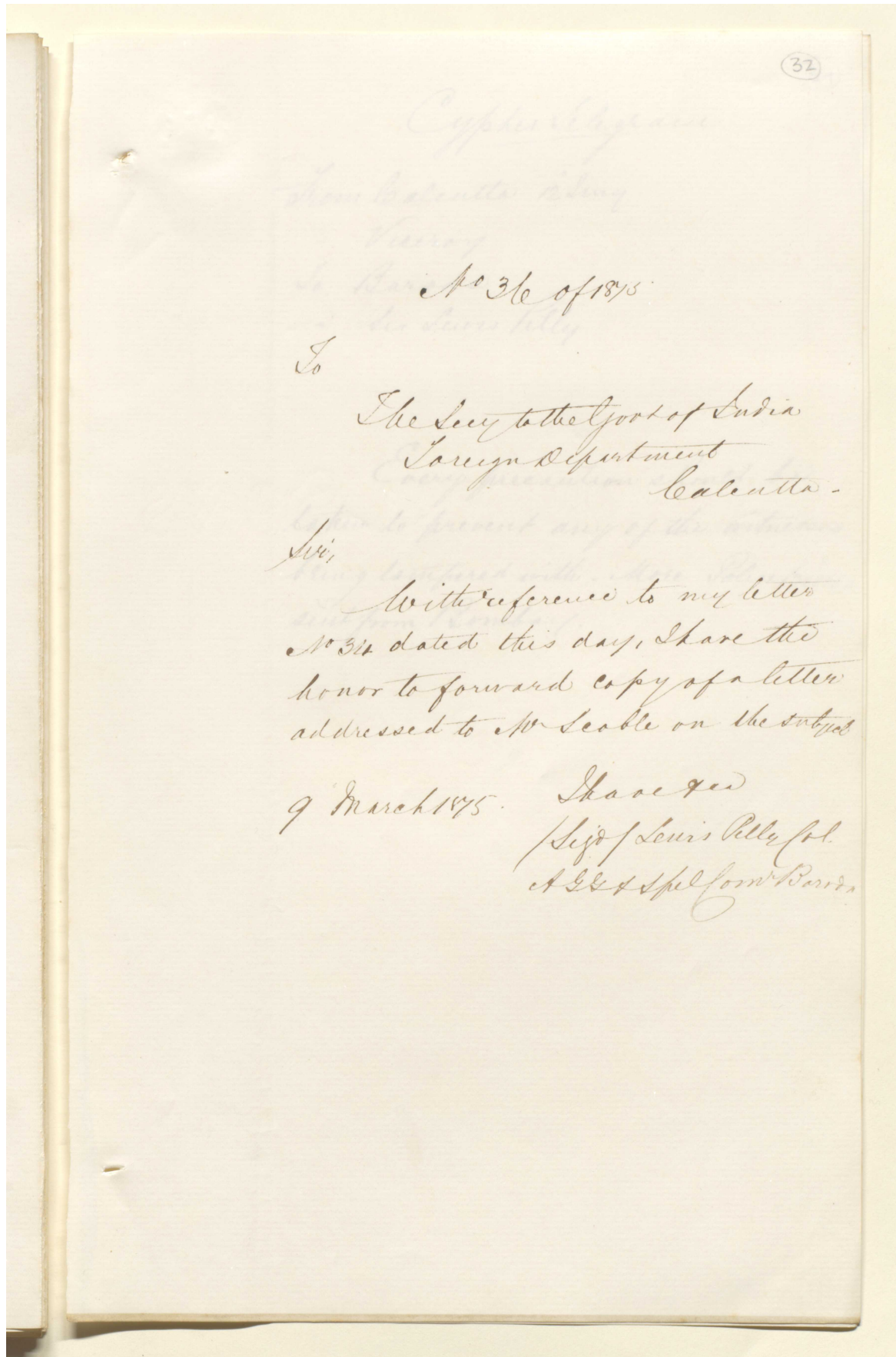
4. In the meantime I have requested
Mr Pichey, Mr Souter and Captain Jackson
to prepare a complete list of these persons
showing the several reasons for their
being detained in custody or under
surveillance.

5. In accordance with the
instructions which I have received from
Government to regard you as my
principal legal adviser in reference to
the charges against the Gackwar and
the matters now under notice I would
beg you in consultation with the above
named gentlemen to give me the benefit
of your professional advice as to the
course to be adopted in respect to those
Prisoners and witnesses.

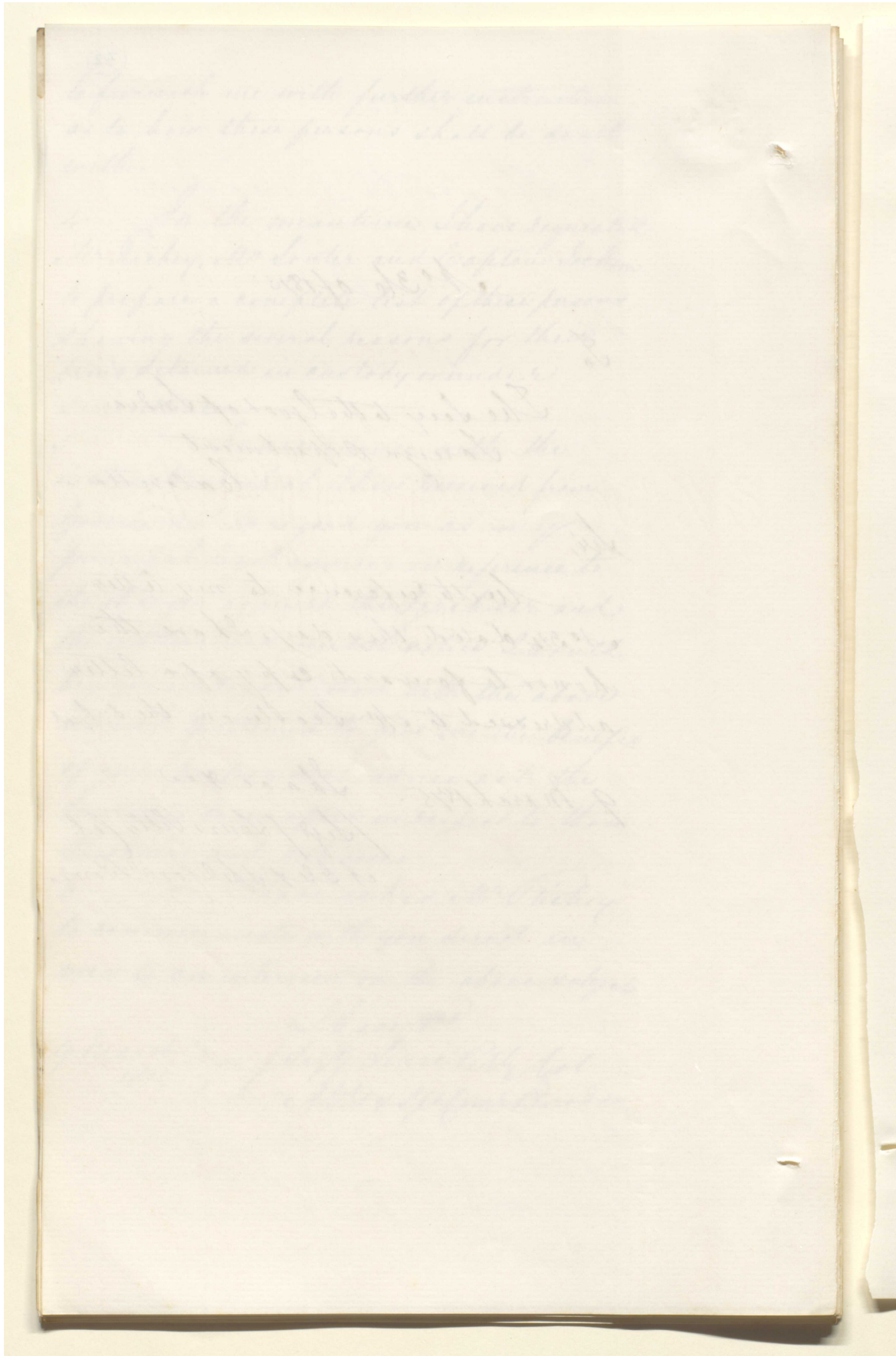
6. I have asked Mr Pichey
to communicate with you direct in
view to an interview on the above subjects.

9 March } I have &c
1875 } Sir Lewis Pelly Col
A.G. & S. Commr Baroda.

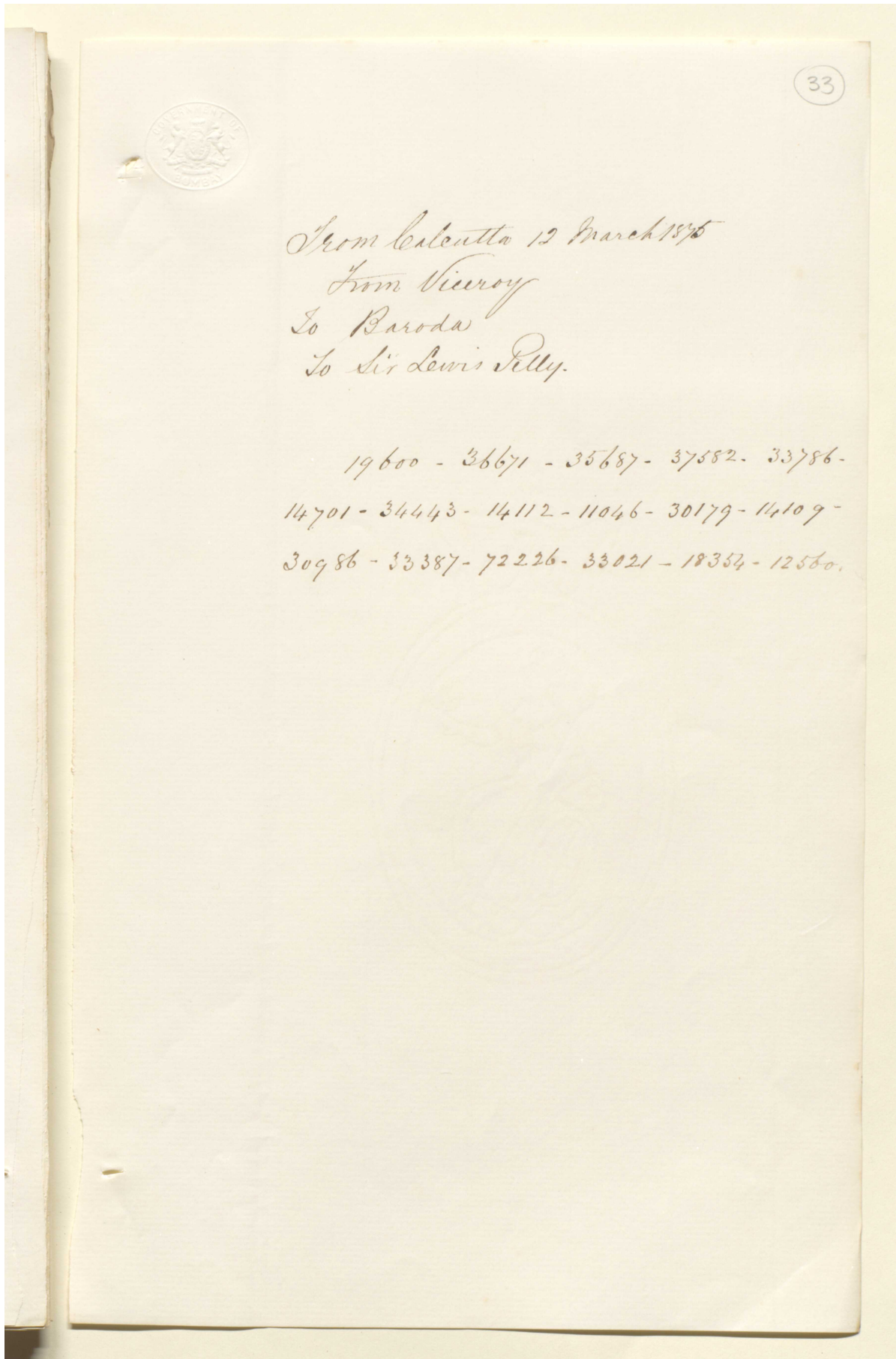
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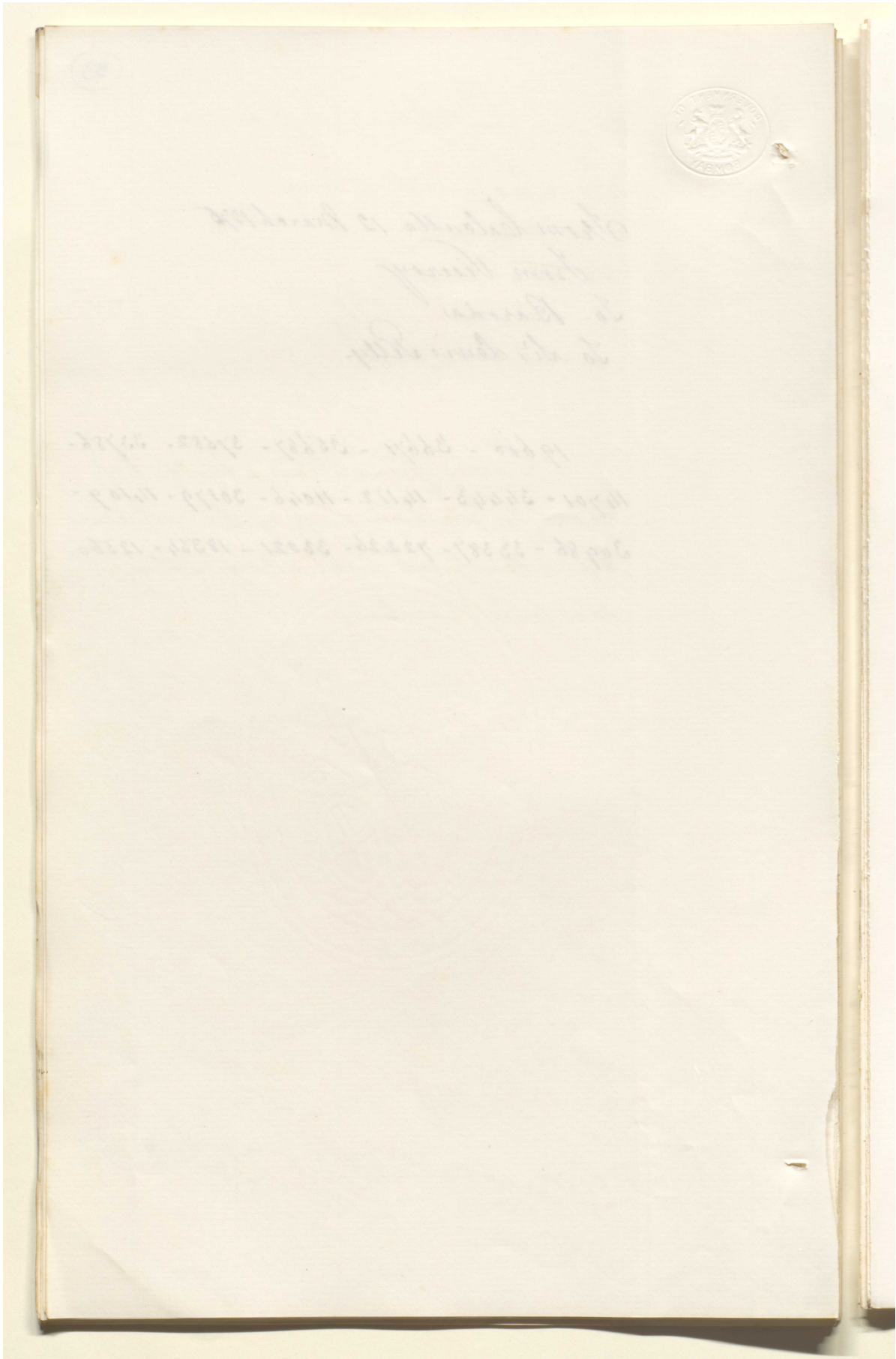
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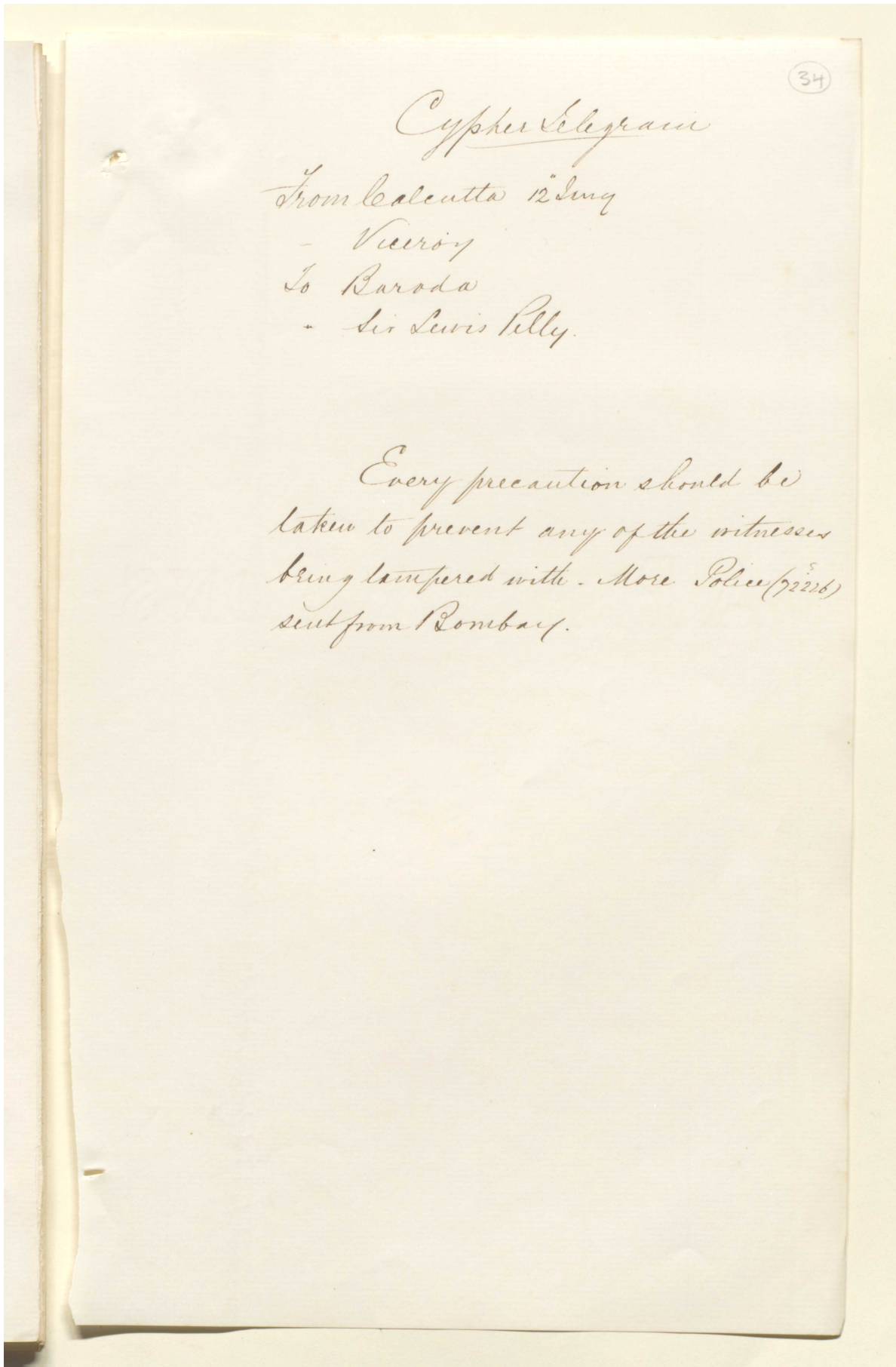


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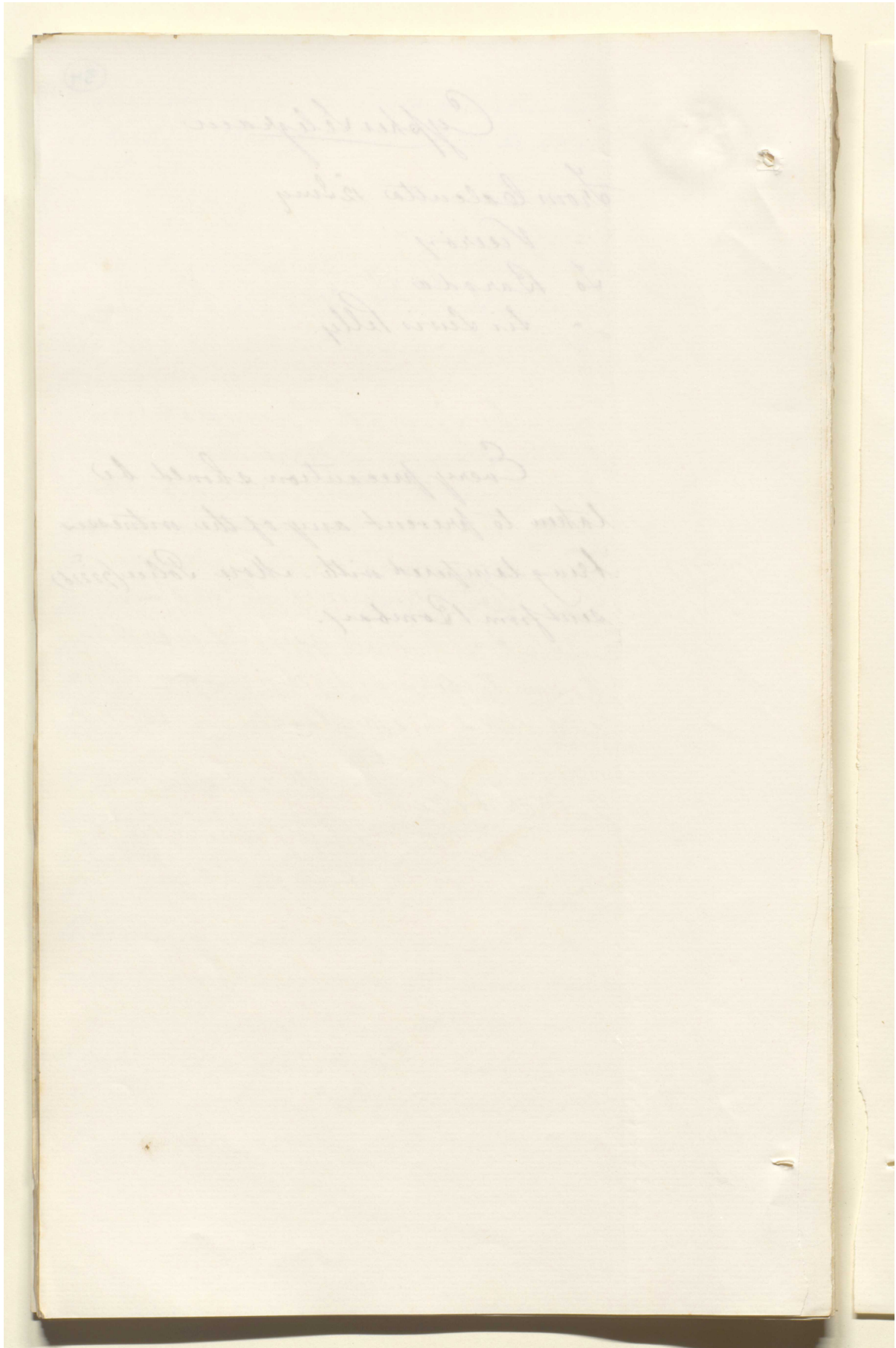


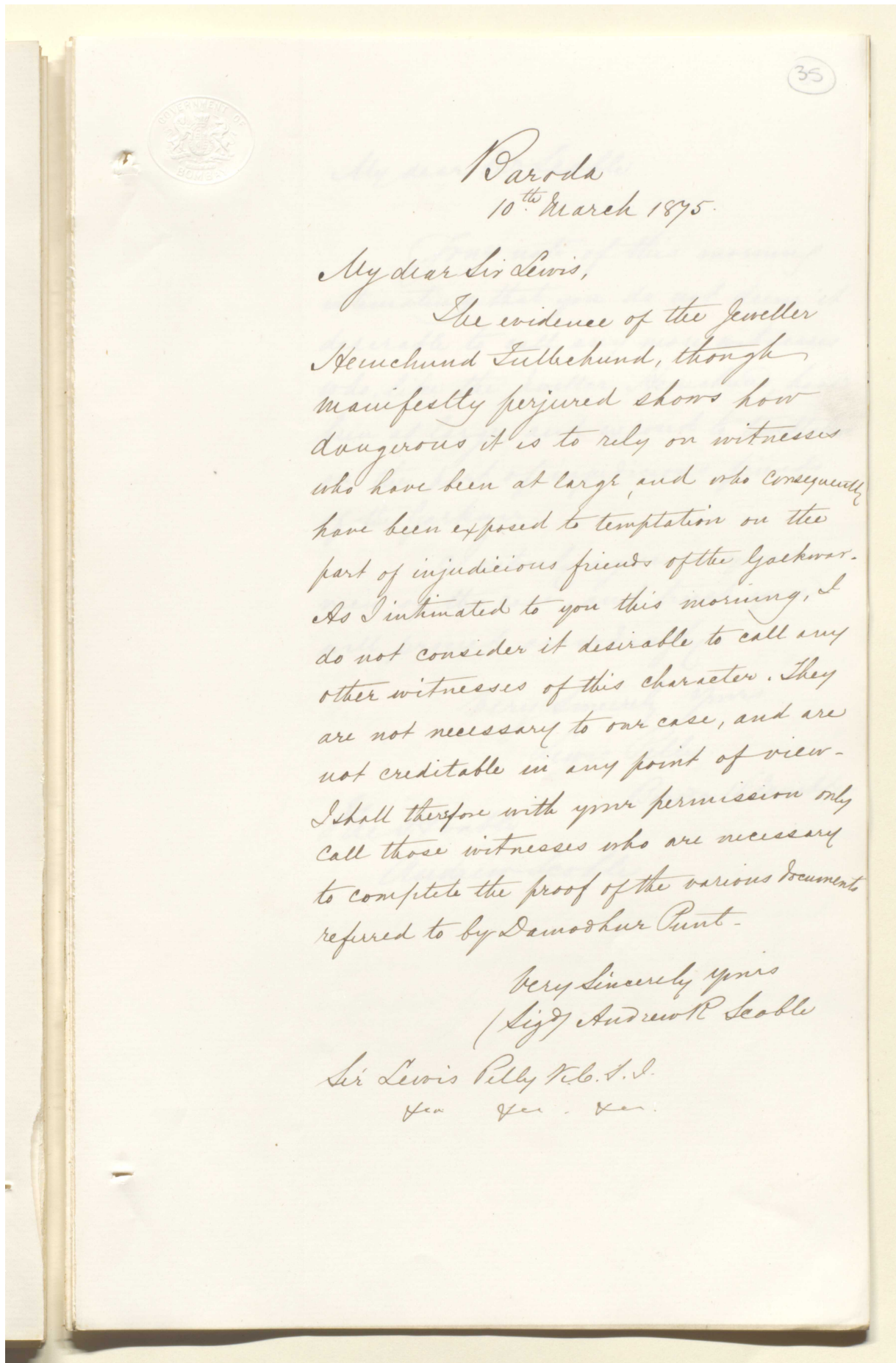
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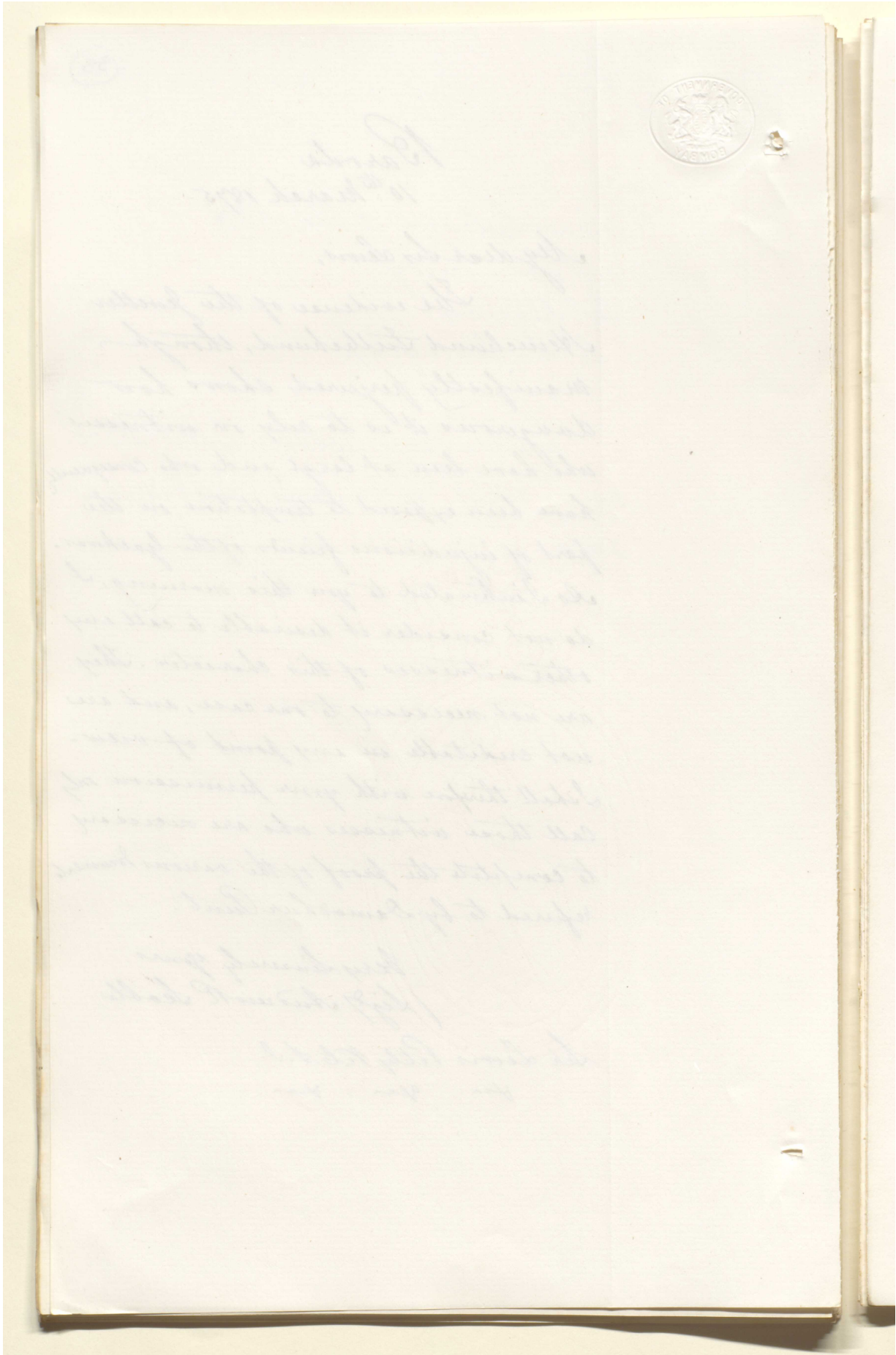


Cypher Telegram from the Viceroy, Calcutta to Sir Lewis Pelly, Baroda [34v]
(4/4)





Letter from Andrew Richard Scoble, Baroda to Sir Lewis Pelly [35v] (2/2)



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My dear Mr Scoble

Your note of this morning intimating that you do not deem it desirable to call any more witnesses who, like the Jeweller. Kenuchund, have been at large, and exposed to temptations on the part of impudicious friends of the Garkhar.

I entirely agree in your view of the case, and trust you will proceed accordingly.

Very sincerely yours

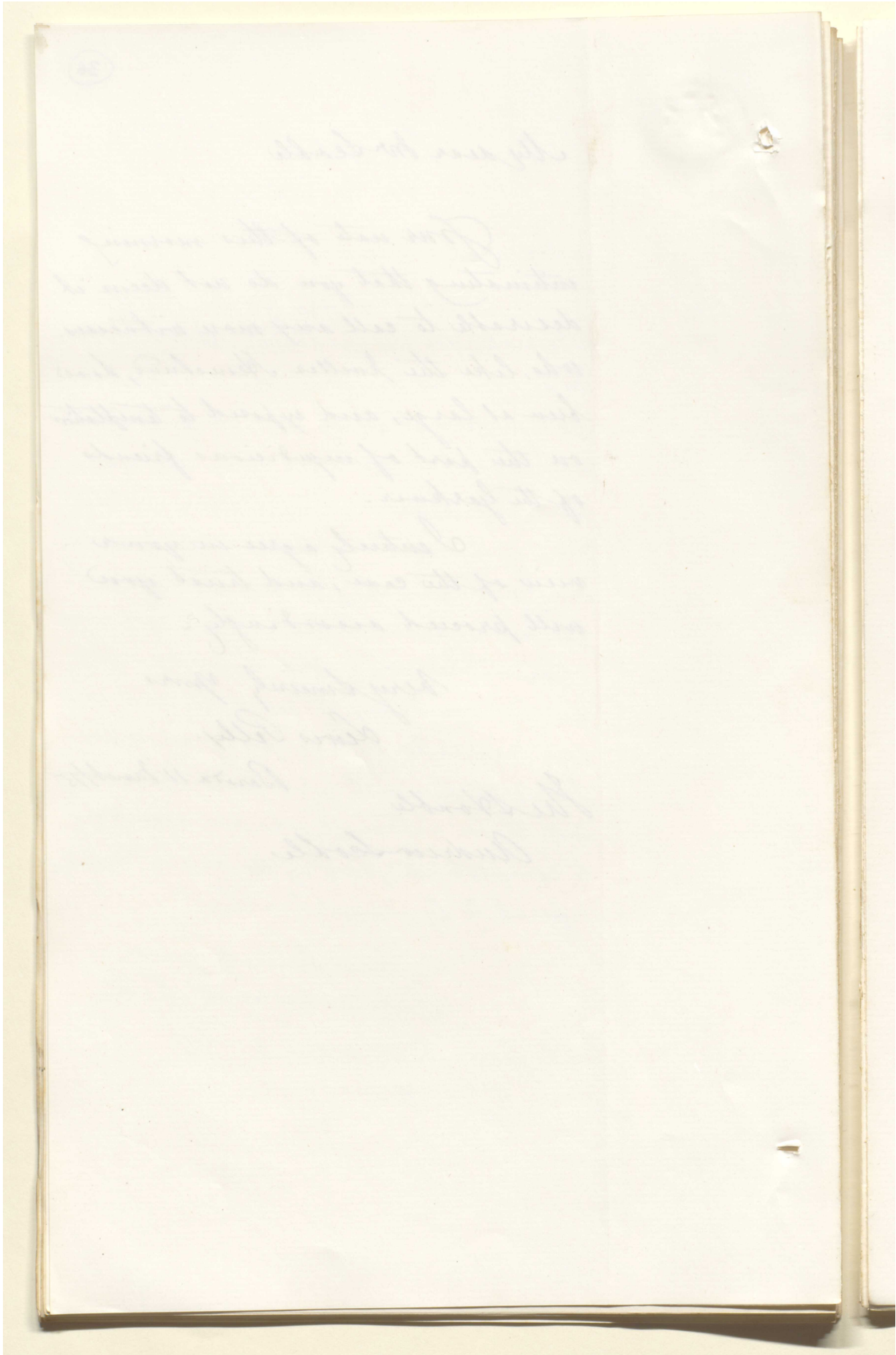
Lewis Pelly.

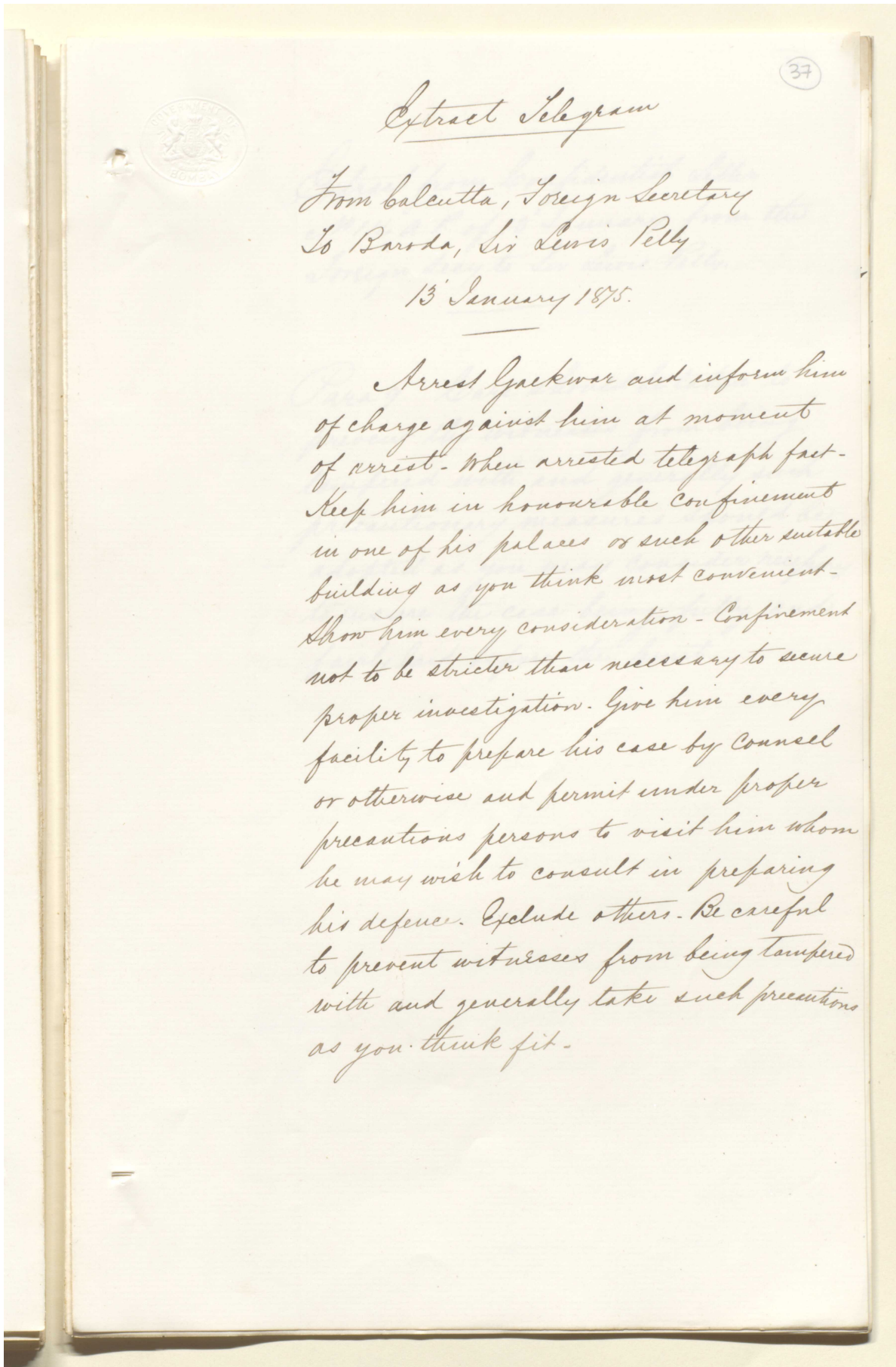
Baroda 11 March/75

Mr Scoble

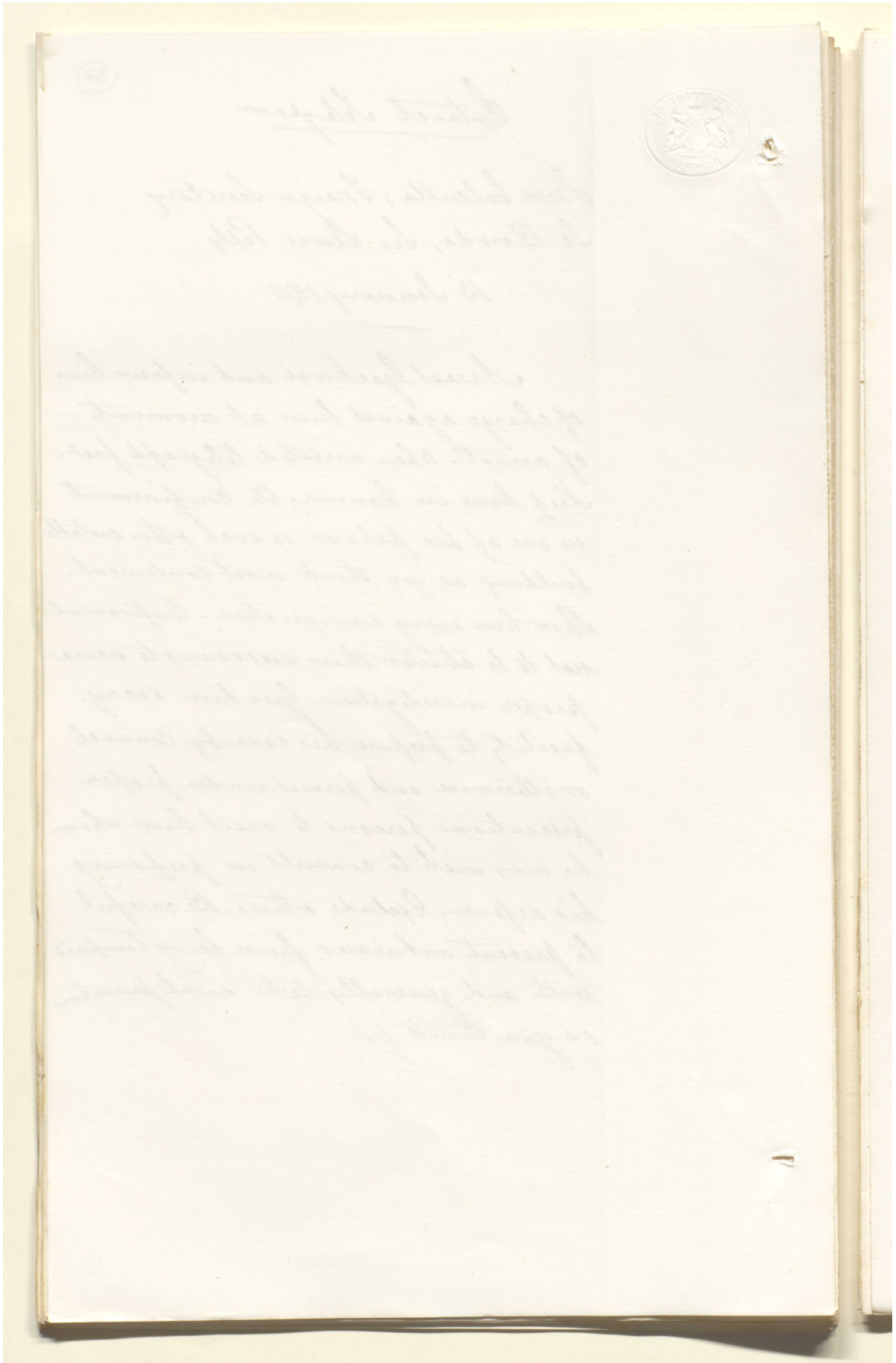
Andrew Scoble

Letter from Sir Lewis Pelly, Baroda to Andrew Richard Scoble [36v] (2/2)





Extract Telegram from Foreign Secretary, Calcutta to Sir Lewis Pelly, Baroda
[37v] (2/2)



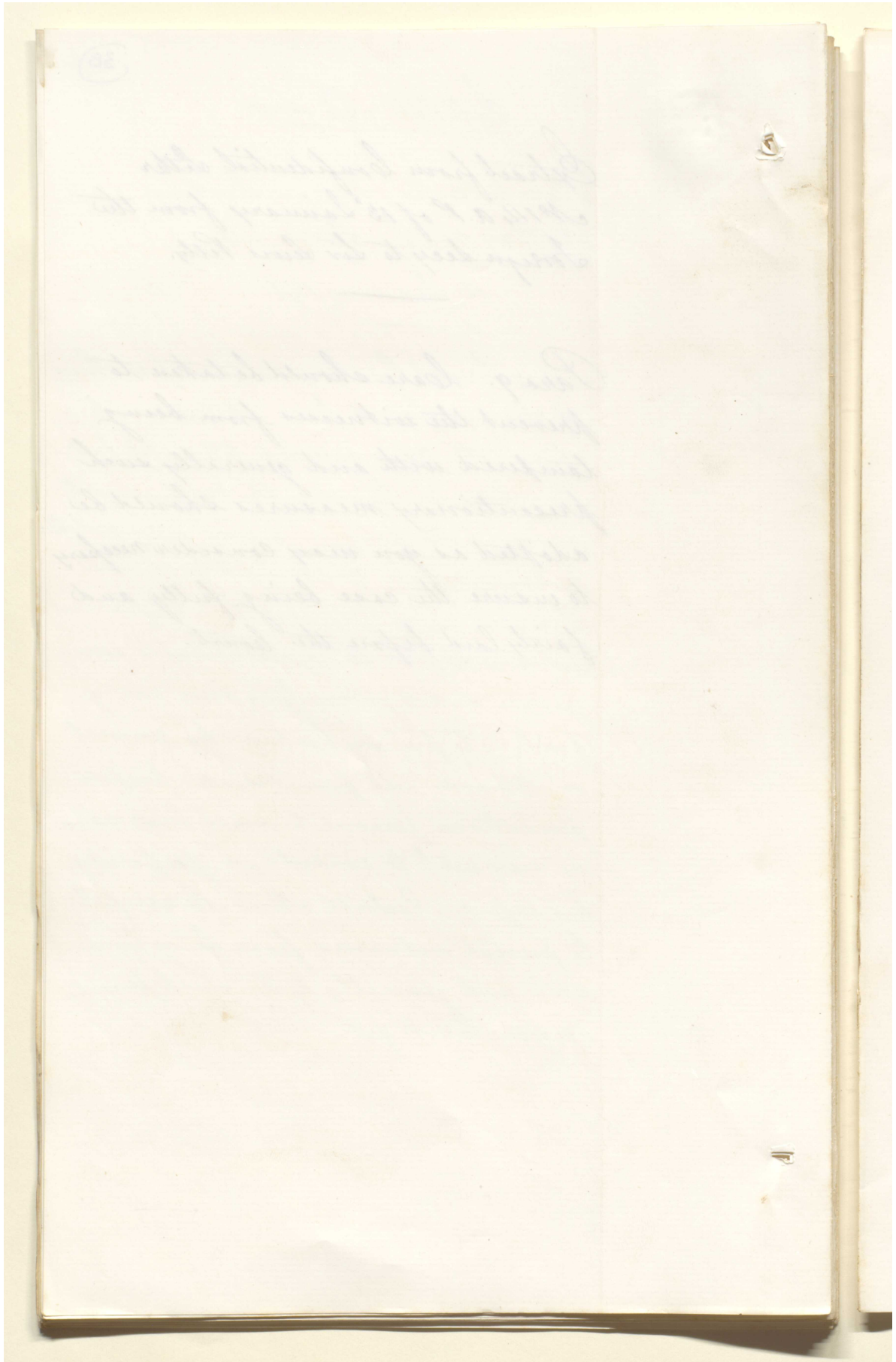
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Secretary to Sir Lewis Pelly [38r] (1/2)

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Extract from Confidential Letter
No 114 a. P. of 13 January from the
Foreign Secy to Sir Lewis Pelly.

Para 9. Care should be taken to
prevent the witnesses from being
tampered with and generally such
precautionary measures should be
adopted as you may consider necessary
to ensure the case being fully and
fairly laid before the court.

Extract from Confidential Letter No.114a P of 13 January from the Foreign
Secretary to Sir Lewis Pelly [38v] (2/2)



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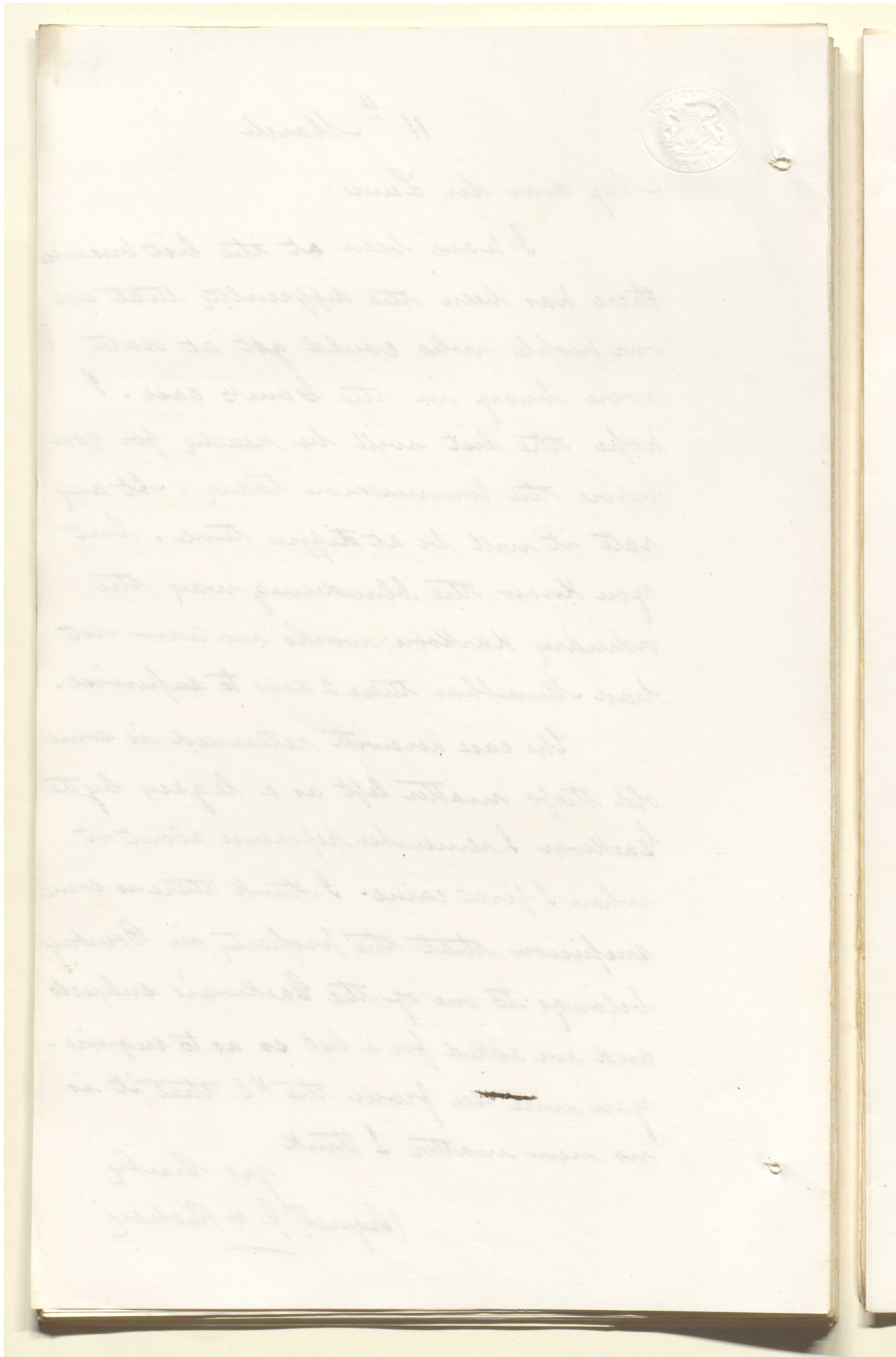
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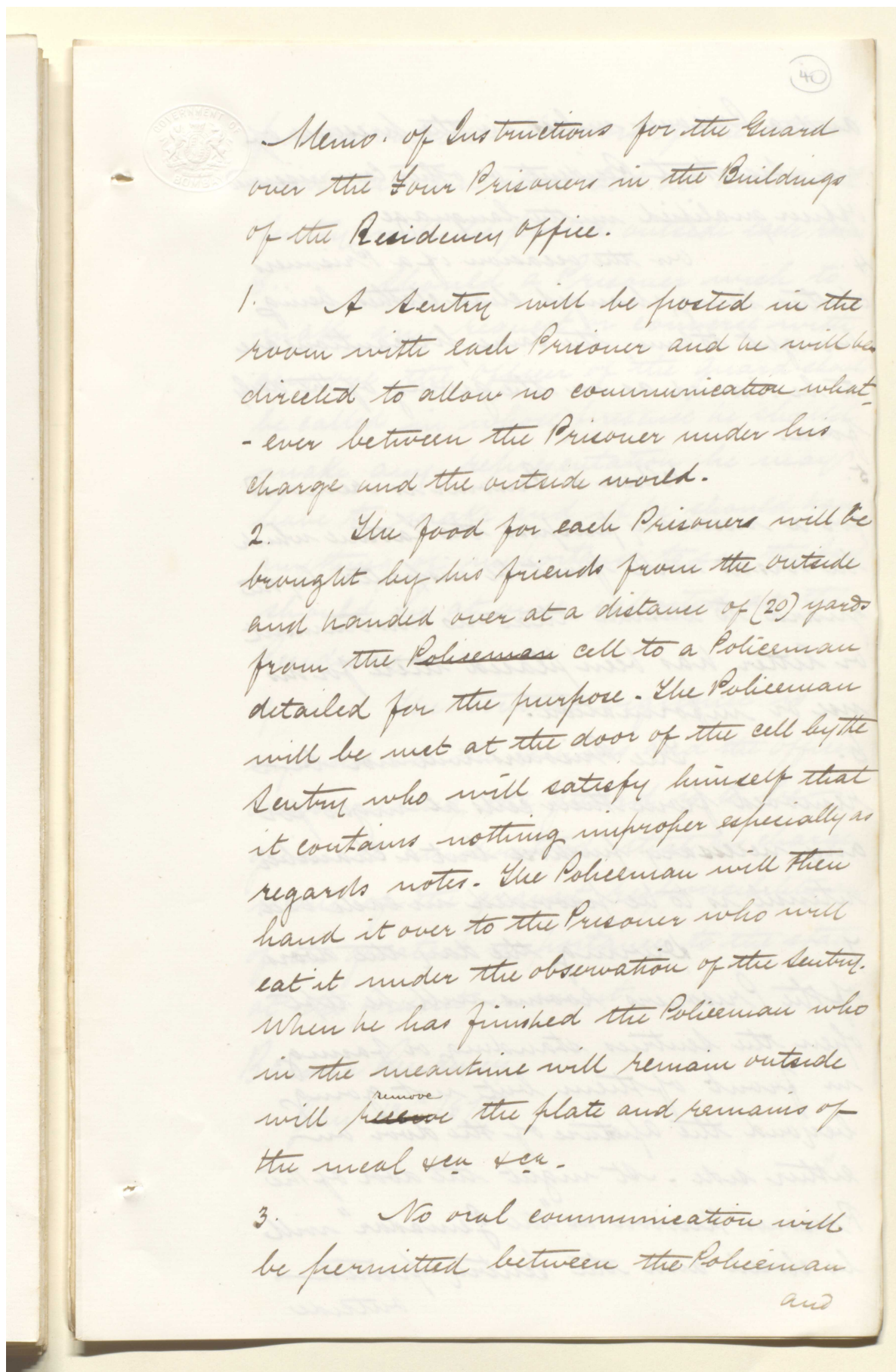
My dear Sir Lewis.

I have been at the list business there has been the difficulty that all our people who could get at date were busy in the same case. I hope the list will be ready for you before the Commission today - At any rate it will be at diffin time. but you know the blundering way the ordinary Karkoon works we have not had Munibhai these 2 days to supervise.

The case herewith returned is some old theft matter left as a legacy by the Gaekwar. I remember reference about it when I first came. I think there is some suspicion that the property in Bombay belongs to one of the Gaekwar's subjects and we asked for a list so as to enquire - you will see from the P.C. that it is no new matter I think

Yrs truly
[Signed] J. H. Richey





'Memo. of Instructions for the Guard over the Four Prisoners in the Buildings of
the Residency Office' [40v] (2/4)

and a Prisoner unless in the presence of
an Assistant Resident or other Commissioned
Officer qualified in the language.

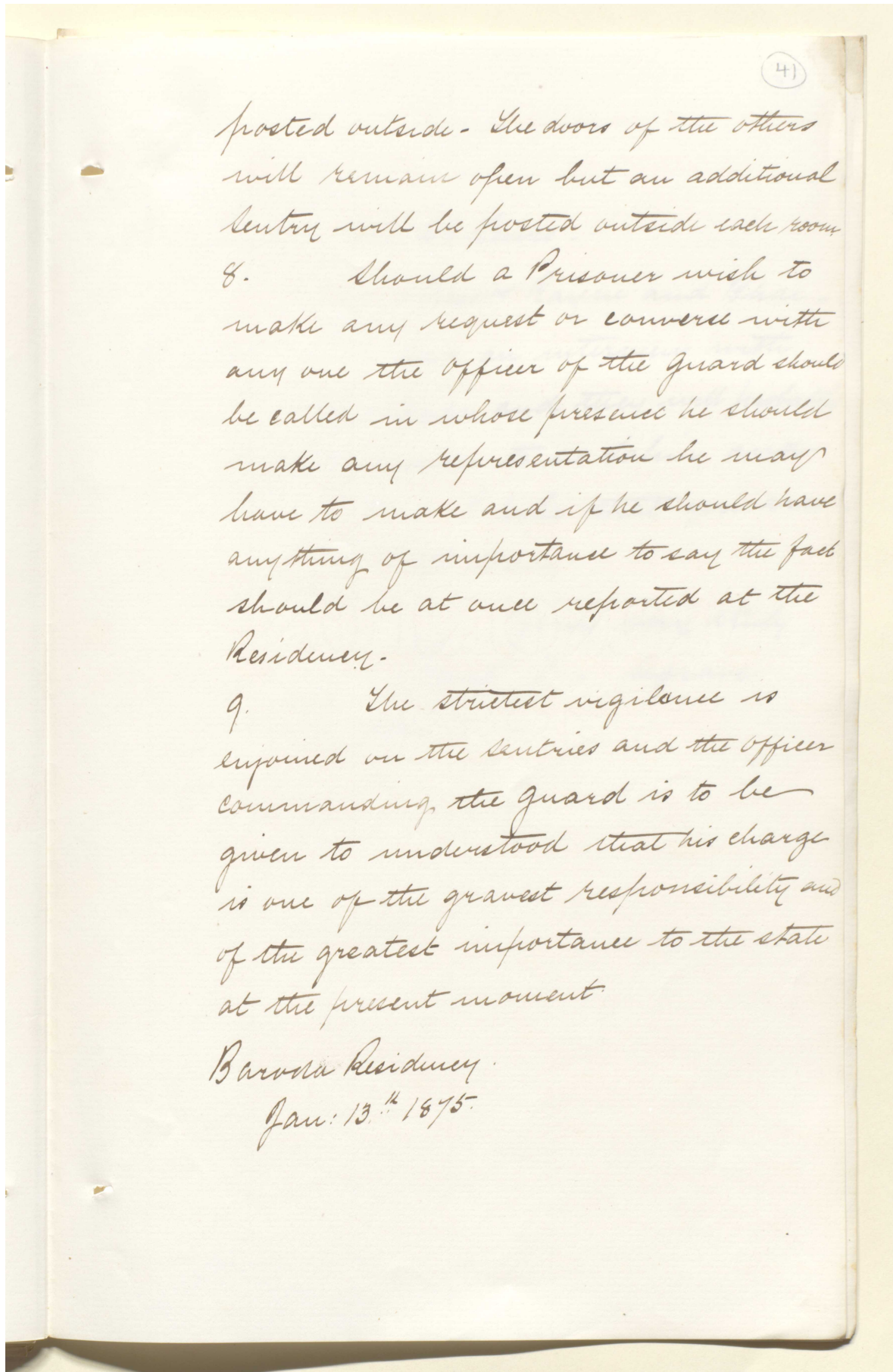
4. On the occasion of a Prisoner's
clothes being changed clean clothes being
brought to him, the same precautions are
to be observed as in the giving of the daily
food.

5. When a Prisoner is removed
for a necessary purpose the Latrine which
he visits will first be inspected by the
guard to ensure that no instrument
or letter has been placed there for his
use or information.

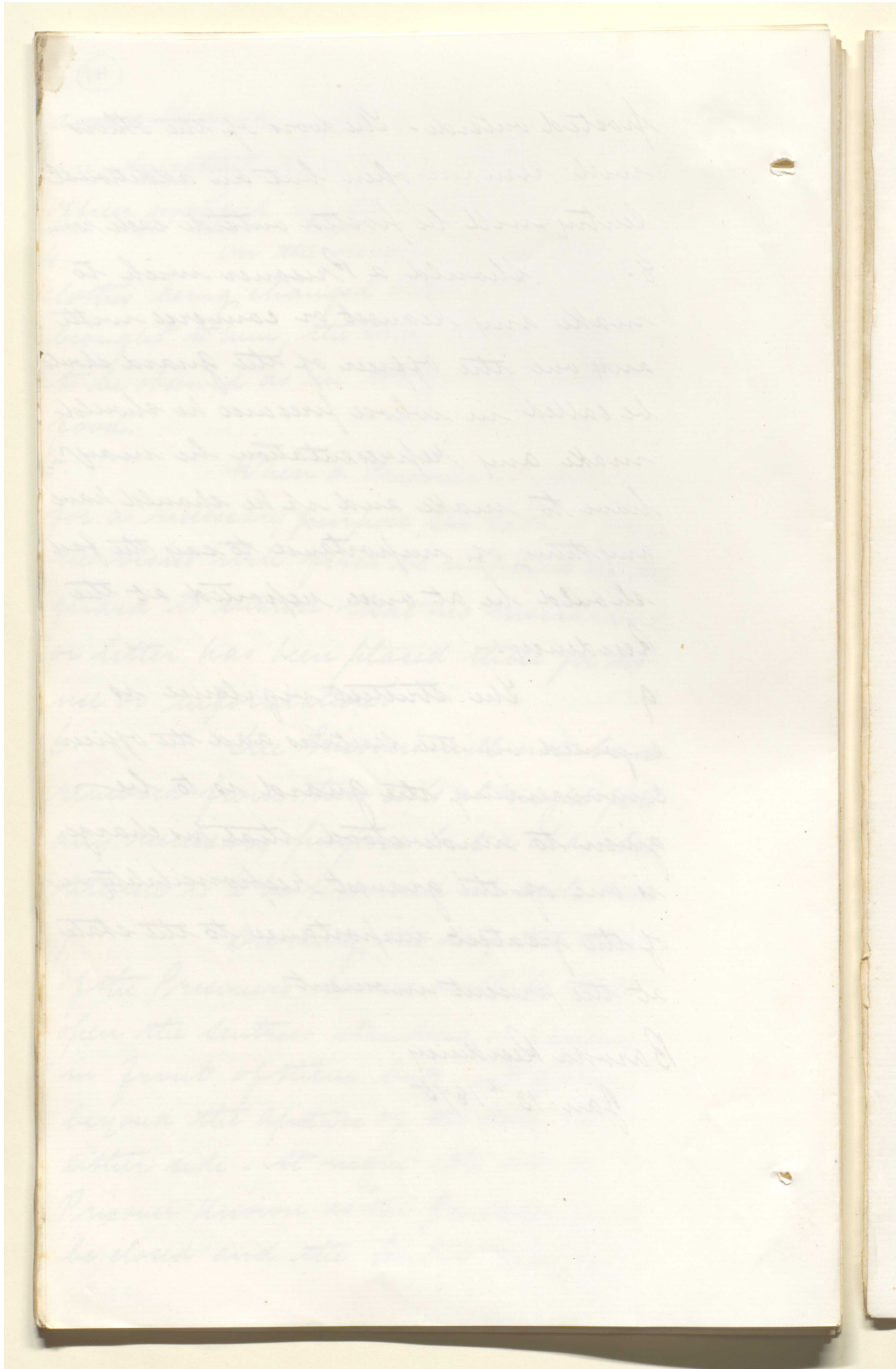
6. The Prisoners will not be
removed from their cells at night for
any necessary purpose but a chamber
utensil is to be provided in each case.

7. During the day the doors
of the Prisoners rooms will be left
open the sentries standing or pacing
in front of them but not going
beyond the aperture of the door on
either side. At night the door of the
Prisoner known as "the Jemadar" will
be closed and the sentry posted
outside

'Memo. of Instructions for the Guard over the Four Prisoners in the Buildings of
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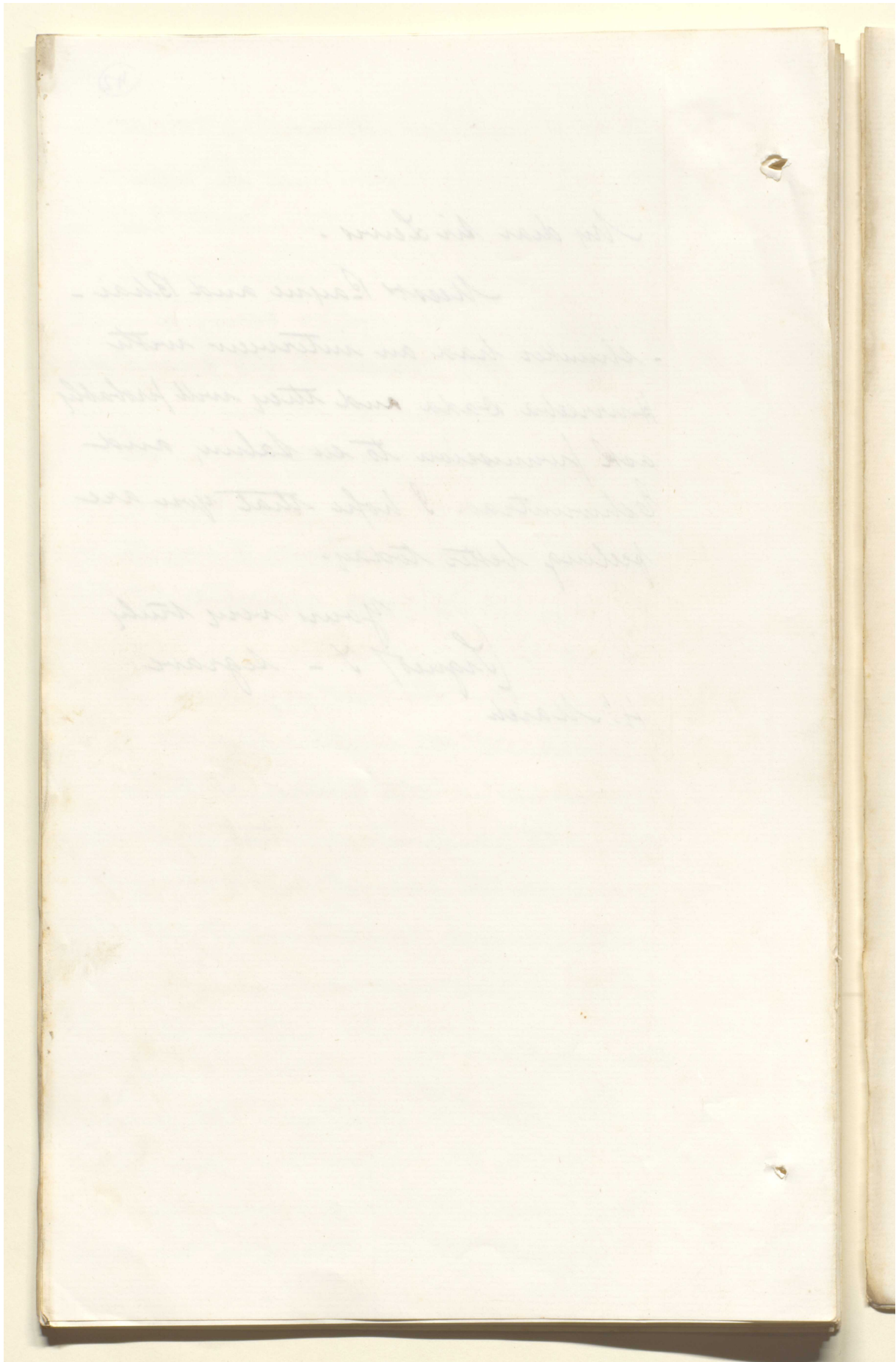
My dear Sir Lewis.

Messrs Payne and Bhai-
shunker had an interview with
Hurreeba Bada, and they will probably
ask permission to see Salim, and
Eshwuntarao. I hope that you are
feeling better today.

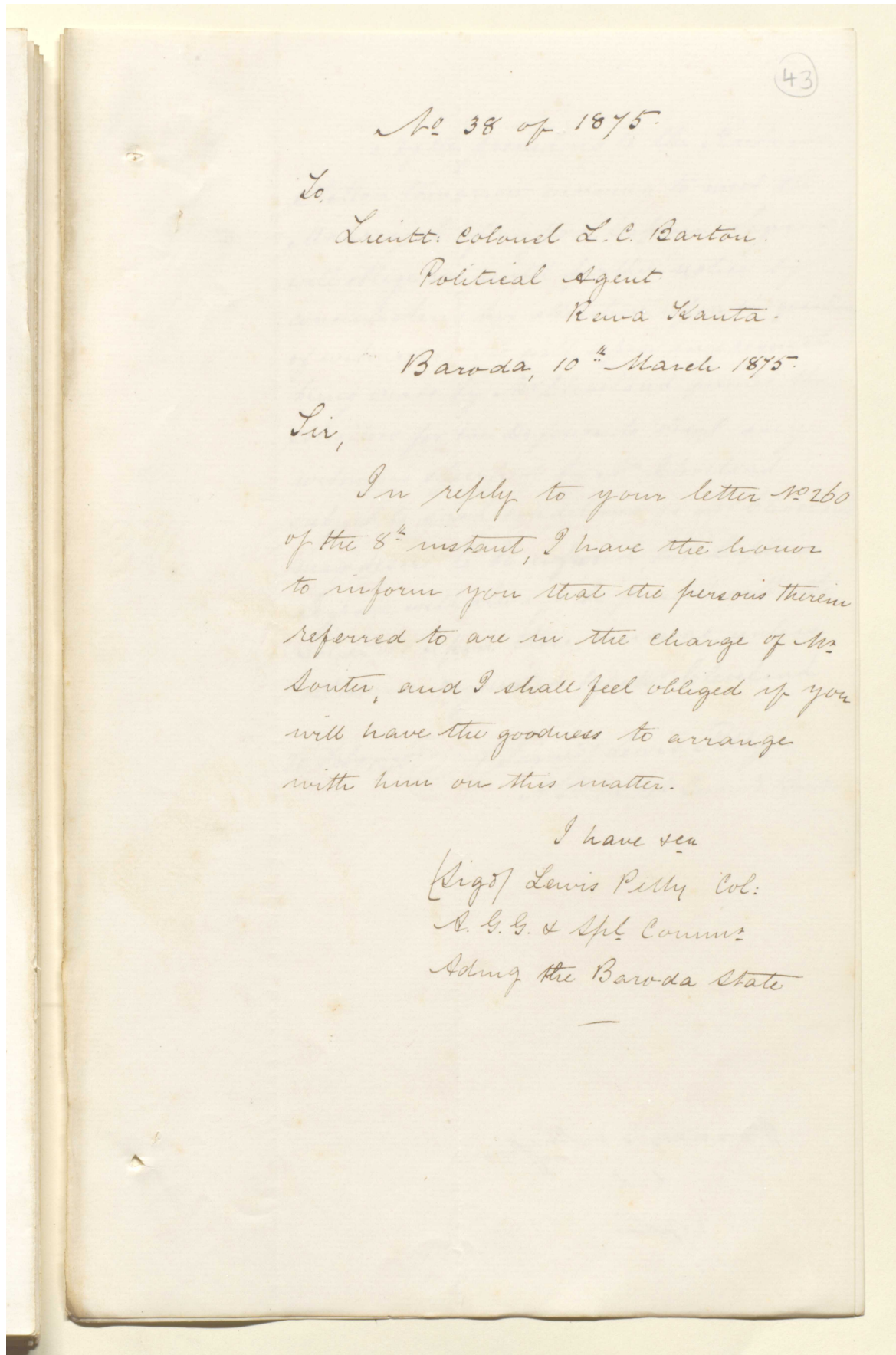
Yours very truly.

[Signed] F. Segrave.

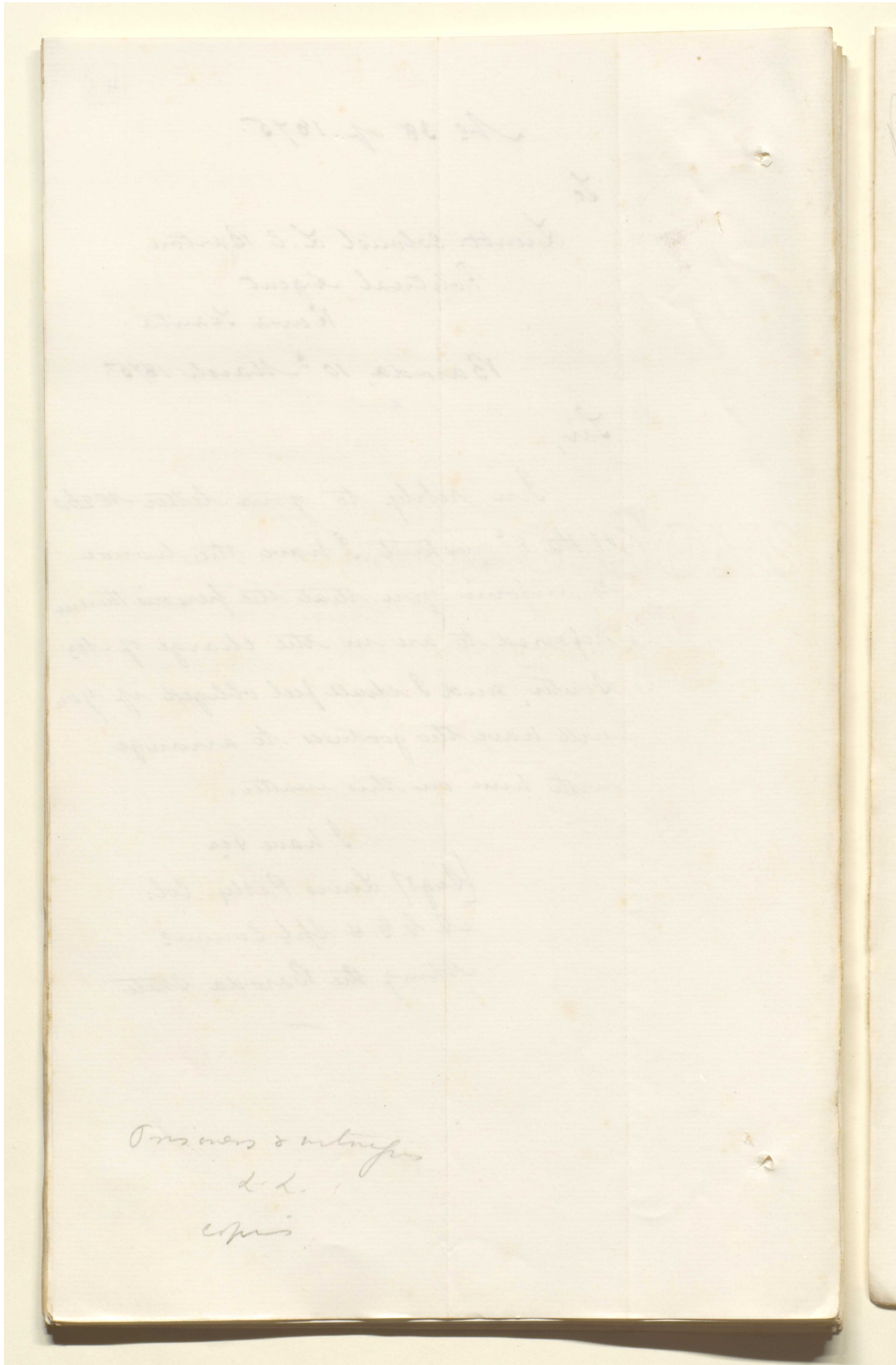
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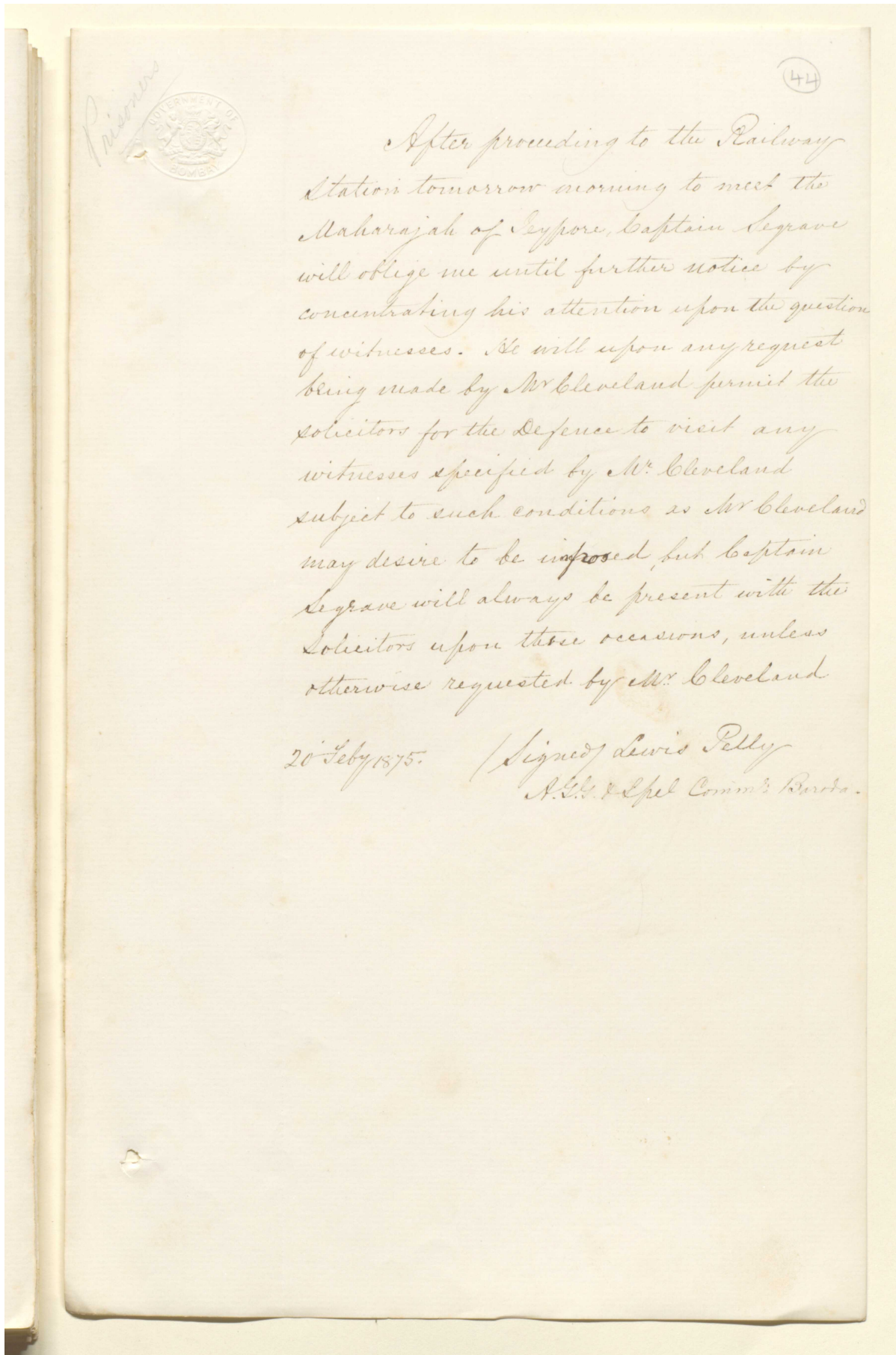


Letter No.38 of 1875 from Sir Lewis Pelly, Agent Governor General and Special
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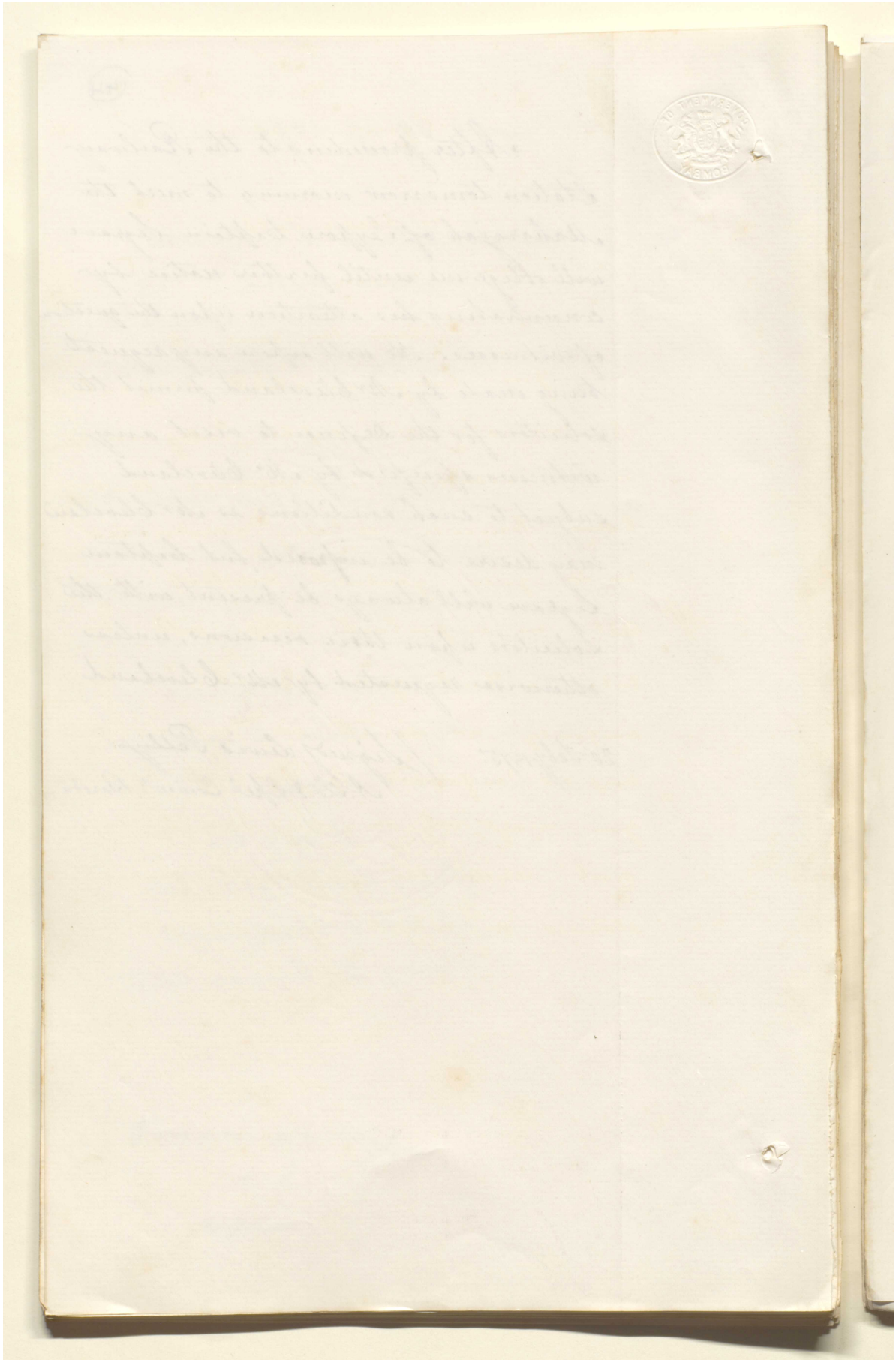


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Instructions from Lewis Pelly, Agent Governor General and Special Commissioner,
Baroda to Frederick Segrave [44v] (2/2)



Telegram from the Viceroy (Thomas George Baring, Second Baron Northbrook) to Sir Lewis Pelly [45r] (1/2)

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For the duplicate file

Telegram - cipher.

To,
Sir Lewis Pelly

From, Viceroy

Clear the line.

Your telegram about resignation of Ministry and cipher Telegram about prison, received - I presume that O.S. Enquiry is being conducted under your general control and that no important step will be taken without your sanction - keep enquiry as secret as possible and keep us informed of progress by cipher. You may rely on my hearty support under the difficult circumstances in which you are placed.

True copy
Mansour
H. A. J. W.

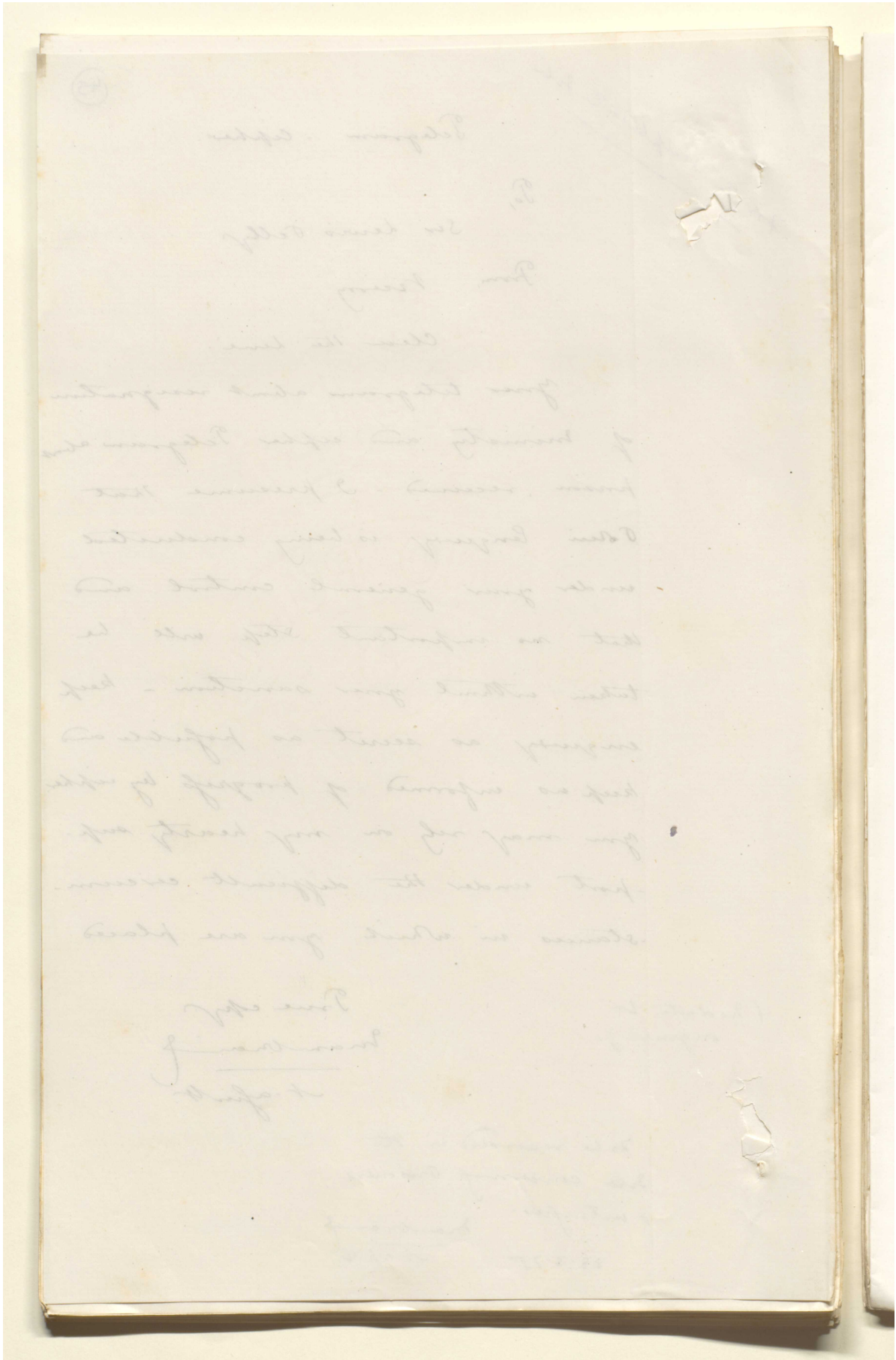
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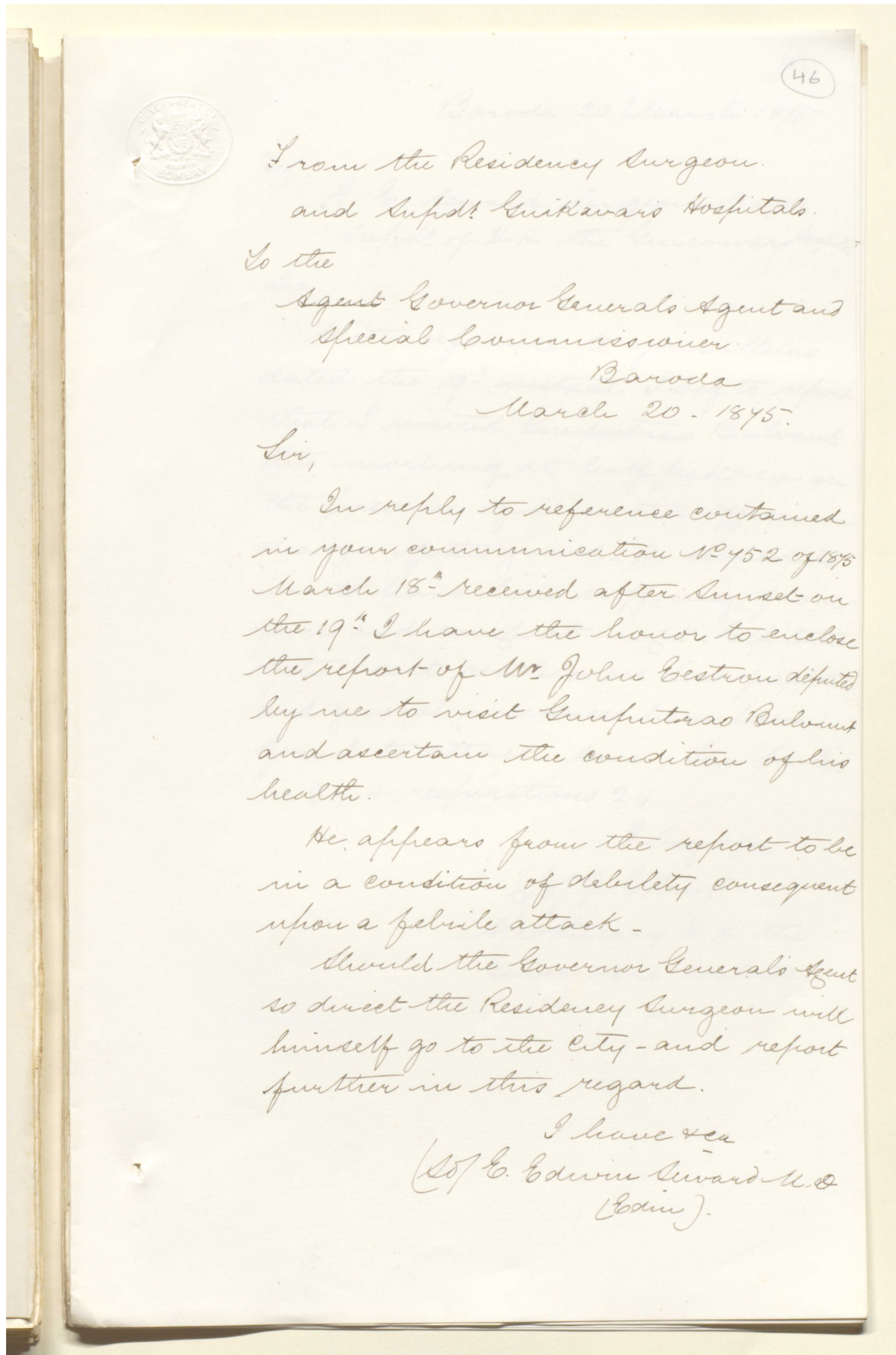
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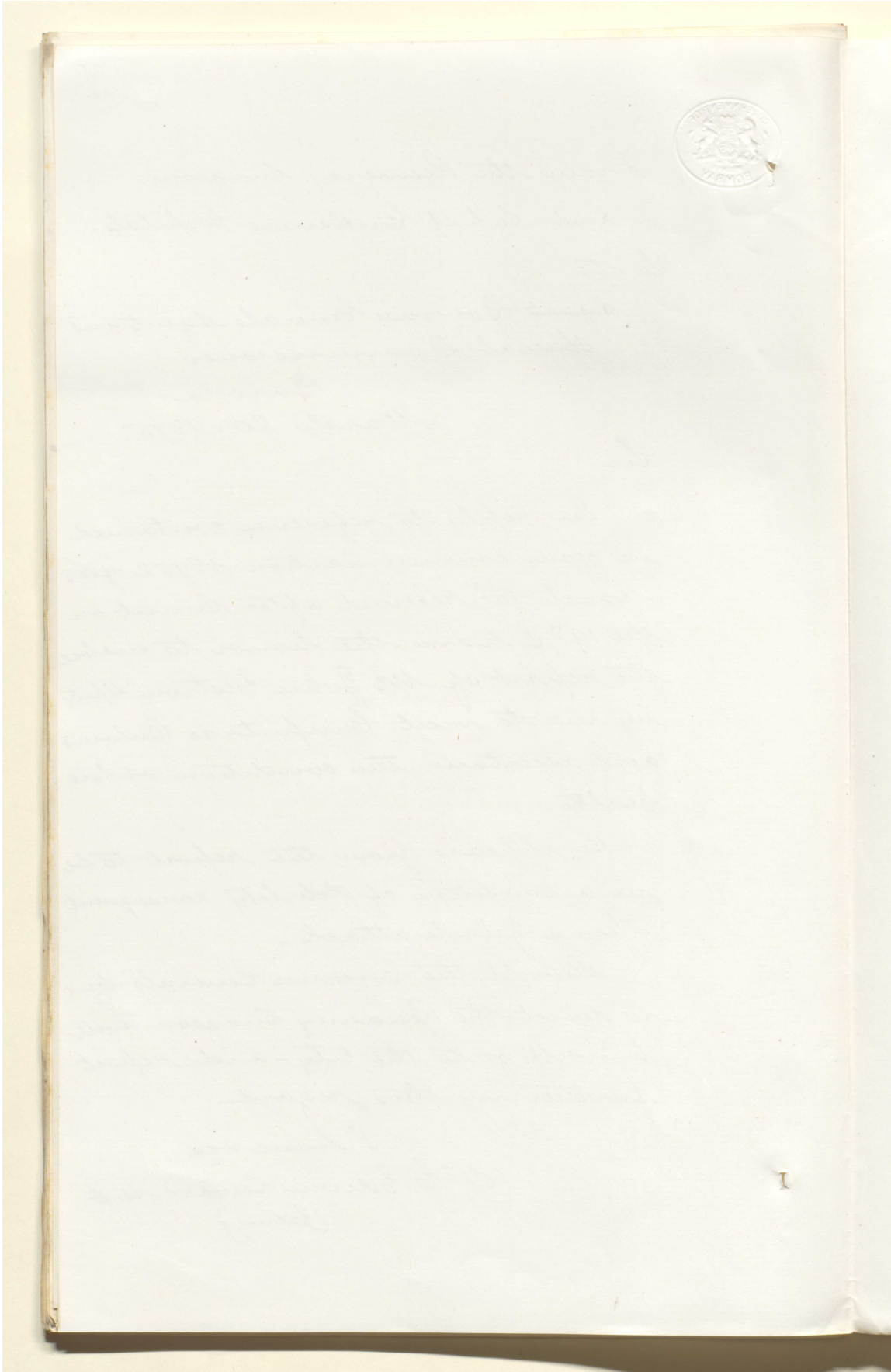
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Lewis Pelly [45v] (2/2)



Letter from George Edwin Seward, Residency Surgeon and Superintendent Guikwar
[Gakewar]'s Hospitals, Baroda to Sir Lewis Pelly, Governor General's Agent and
Special Commissioner [46r] (1/4)



Letter from George Edwin Seward, Residency Surgeon and Superintendent Guikwar [Gakewar]'s Hospitals, Baroda to Sir Lewis Pelly, Governor General's Agent and Special Commissioner [46v] (2/4)



Letter from George Edwin Seward, Residency Surgeon and Superintendent Guikwar
[Gakewar]'s Hospitals, Baroda to Sir Lewis Pelly, Governor General's Agent and
Special Commissioner [47r] (3/4)

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Baroda 20th March 1845

To,
G. E. Seward Surgeon Major
Supdt of H. H. the Guikwar Hospital
Sir

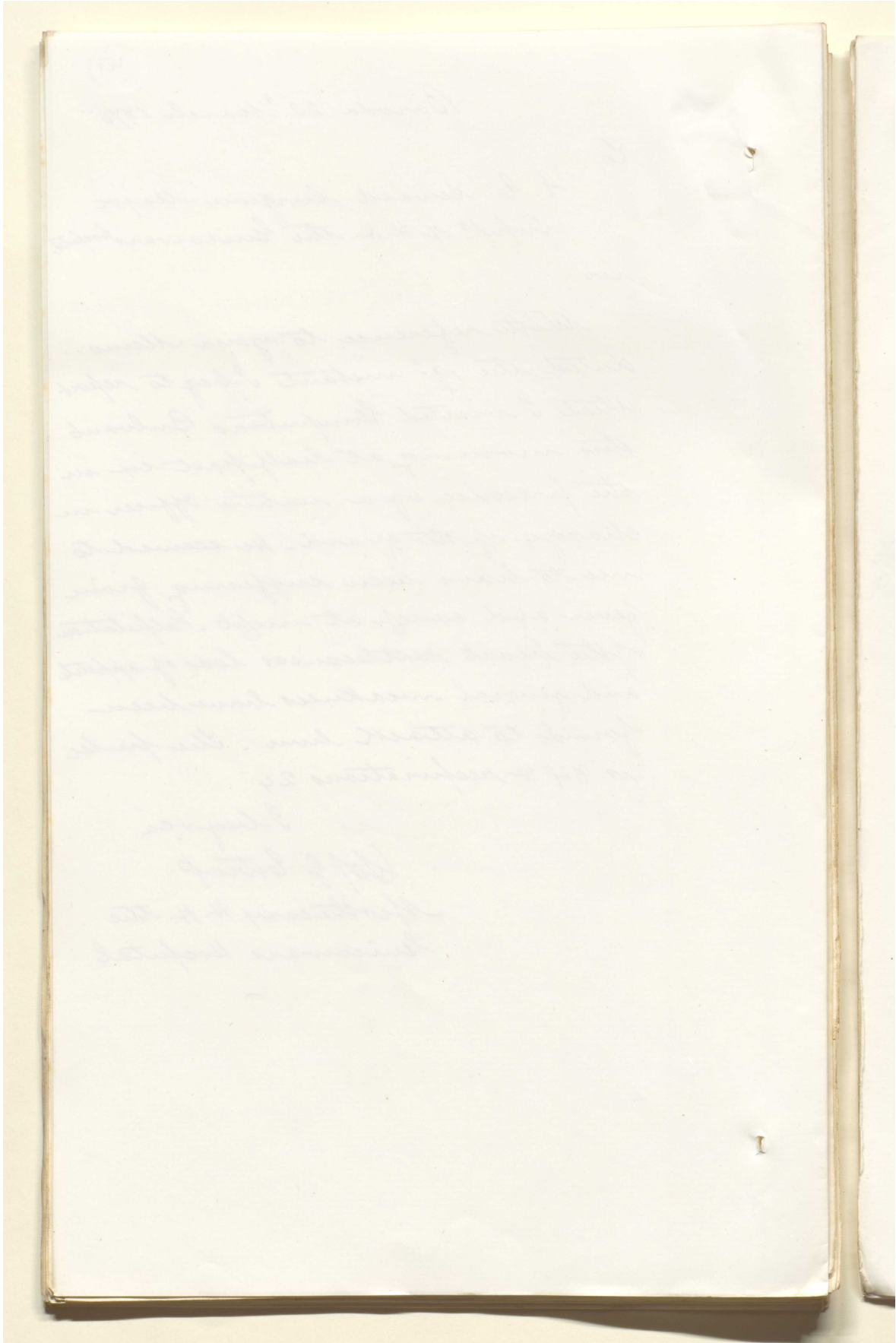
With reference to your Memo:
dated the 19th instant I beg to report
that I visited Gumptrao Bulwant
this morning at half past six in
the presence of a native officer in
charge of the guard. He seemed to
me to have been suffering from
fever and cough at night. Palpitation
of the heart restlessness loss of appetite
and general weakness have been
found to attack him. The pulse
is 84 & respirations 24

I beg you

J. C. Estrop.

Apothecary H. H. the
Guikwar Hospital

Letter from George Edwin Seward, Residency Surgeon and Superintendent Guikwar
[Gakewar]'s Hospitals, Baroda to Sir Lewis Pelly, Governor General's Agent and
Special Commissioner [47v] (4/4)



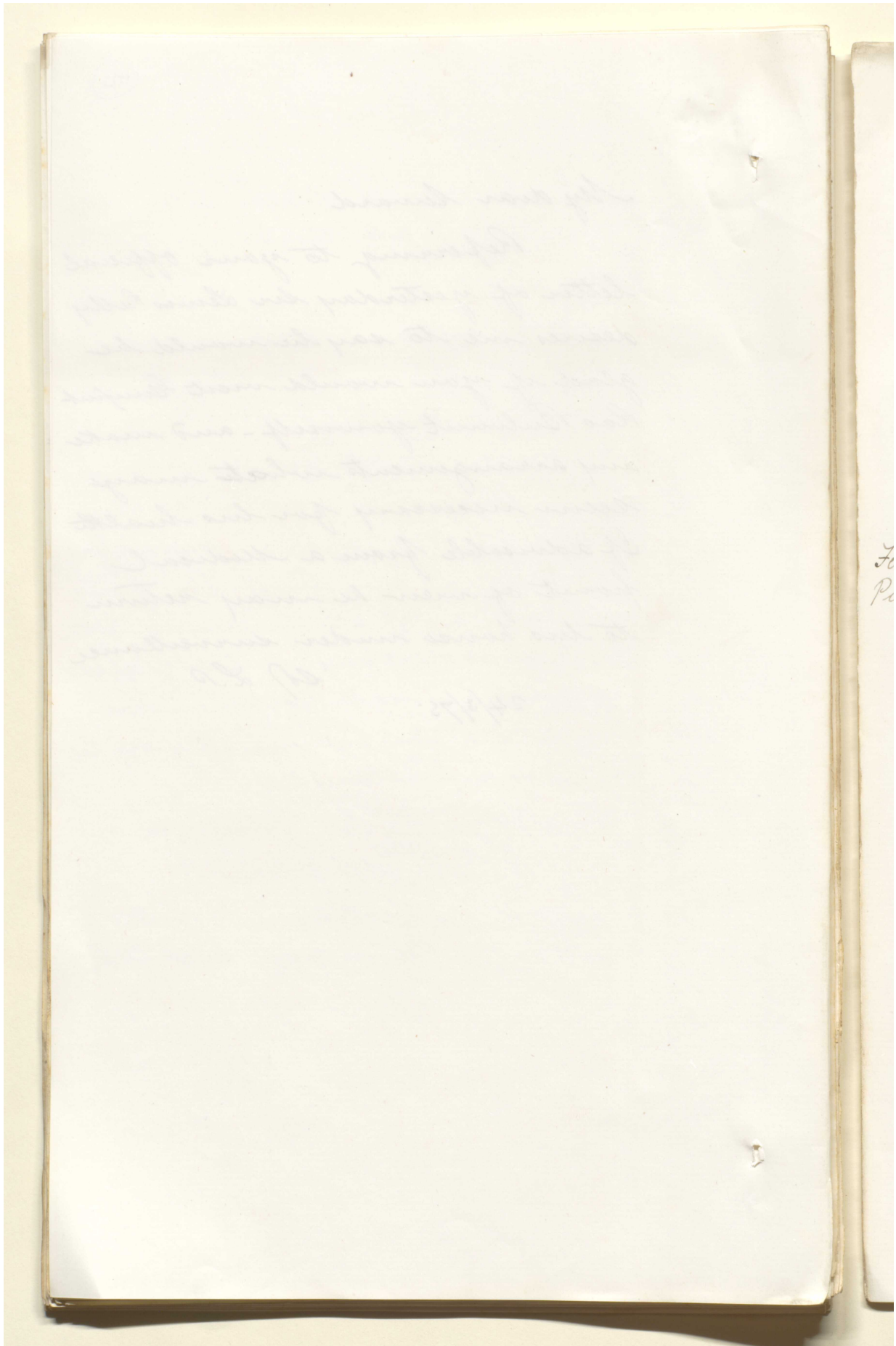
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My dear Seward.

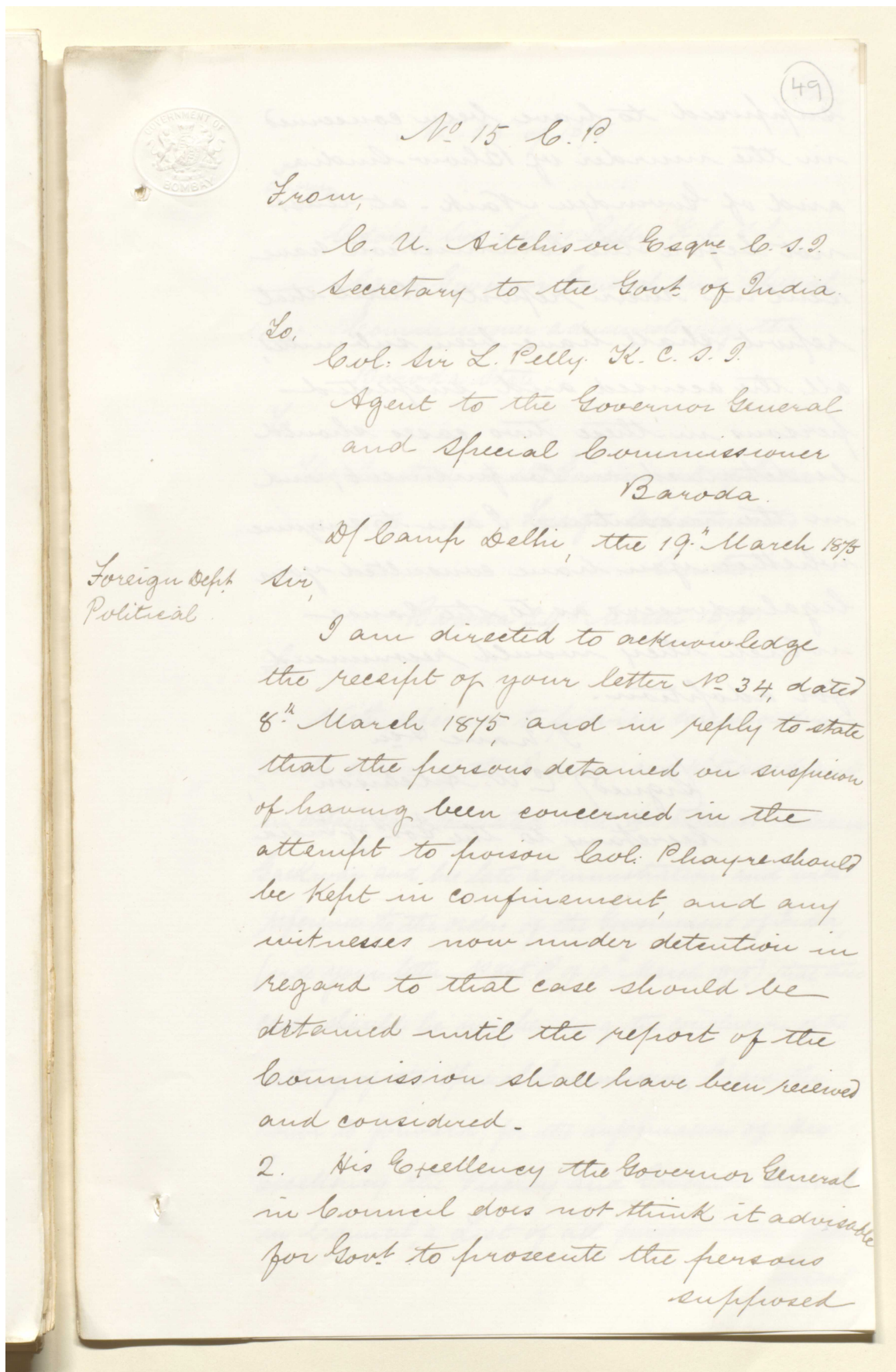
Referring to your official letter of yesterday Sir Lewis Pelly desires me to say he would be glad if you would visit Camput Rao Bulvunt yourself - and make any arrangements ~~what~~ may seem necessary for his health. If advisable from a Medical point of view he may return to his house under surveillance

Edw L.P.

24/3/75



Letter No.15 C.P. from Charles Umpherston Aitchison, Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department, Camp Delhi to Sir Lewis Pelly, Agent to the Governor General and Special Commissioner Baroda [49r] (1/2)

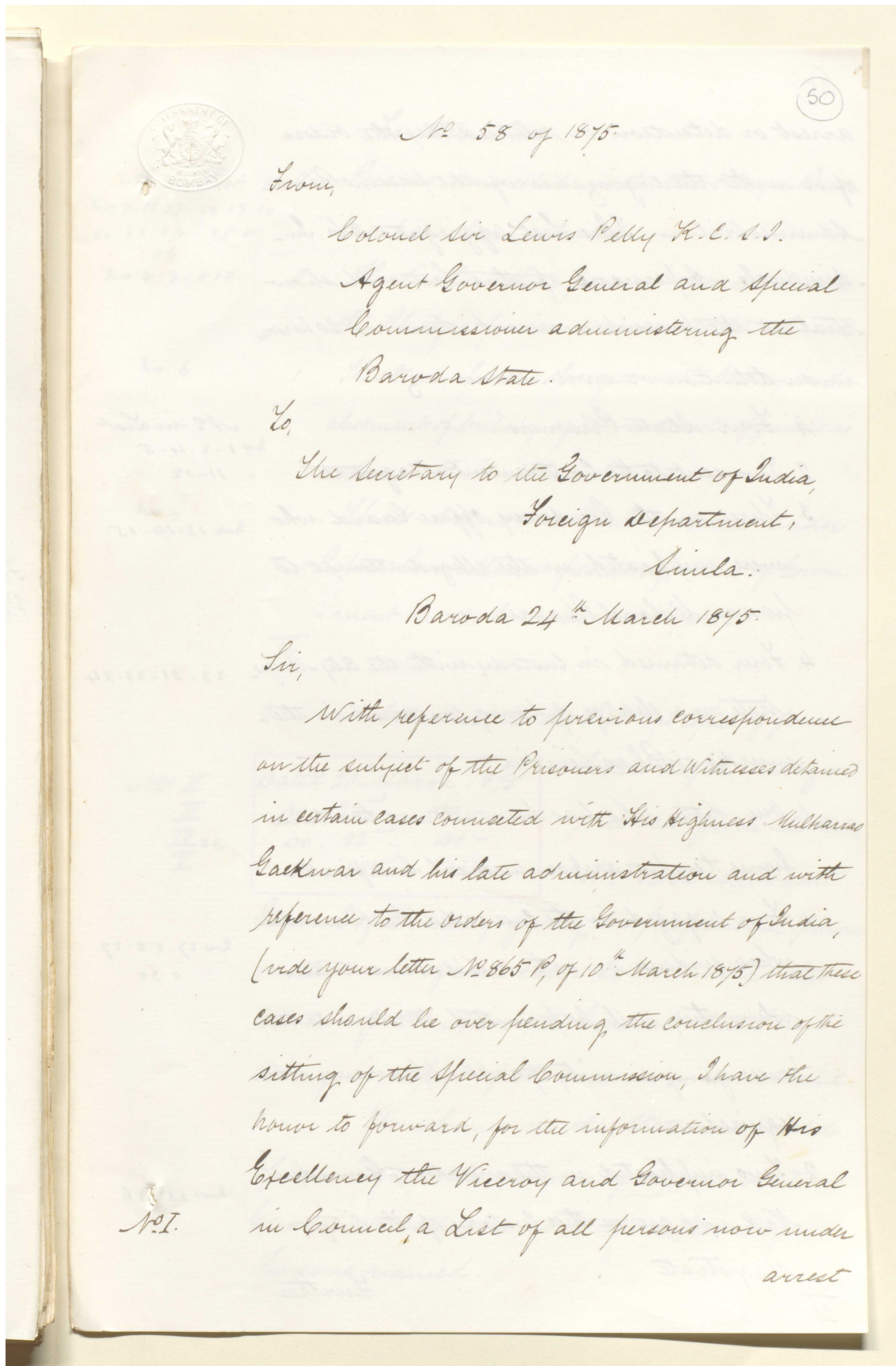


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supposed to have been concerned in the murder of Bhoo India and of Govindji Naik - at least not before the Commission have sent in their report. Until that report shall have been submitted, all the accused and suspected persons in these two cases should be detained in confinement; and in the meantime I am to enquire whether you have consulted your legal advisers as to the course which they would recommend for adoption.

I have &c
Signed C. W. Aitchison
Secretary to the Govt of India

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arrest or detention or released by the orders of or with the cognizance of the present Baroda Administration. This List aggregates 36 Individuals. A perusal of this List will show that at the present moment there are 20 persons under detention or surveillance viz:-

- | | |
|--|---------------------------|
| 4. Four State Prisoners | No. in List
no 1-2-4-5 |
| 2 Two sent to the Cantonment Magistrate | " 11-12. |
| 3 Three in the Residency office Guard who were implicated in the alleged attempt to person Colonel Phayre. | no 13-14-15 |
| 4. Four detained in custody with the City Magistrate on a charge of being concerned in the murder of Shao Seindia | 23-31-33-34 |
| 1. One ditto. who has been allowed to return home temporarily on medical certificate. | 32. |
| 4 Four engaged in the case called The Pereira case whose evidence on oath will be at once taken when they will be permitted to return to their houses giving security for re-appearance when required. | no 27-28-29
or 30 |
| 2 Two implicated in the murder of Govindjee Naik who are in the custody of the City Magistrate | no 35-36 |

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Further that

Nos in List
 nos 7-16-17-18-19-20
 21-22-24-25-26
 nos 8-9-10
 no. 6
 no 3
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11. Persons connected with the Phayre Poine case have been released.
 3 That other three persons connected with the Phayre Poine case are to be released.
 1 That one person charged with bribery and abetment of bribery of Government officials is ordered to be released.
 1 That Damodar Punt continues under Police surveillance pending orders of Government on the Commission Report.

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2 Attached to the List are copies of four letters as per margin received from the Honble Mr. Scoble Advocate General of Bombay giving his professional opinion on the merits of each case. It is under this advice of the Advocate General that I am acting in respect of the cases now enumerated.

nos II	dated 20 th March 1875.	so -
III	do - 22 nd -	do -
IV	do . 22 nd -	do -
V	do . 22 nd -	do -

3. The column in the Statement headed "Opinion" gives the opinion of the Advocate General on each case, as to the disposal of the persons named.

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4. I enclose also copies of two letters showing that the two persons made over to the Cantonment Magistrate were so disposed of under advice from the Advocate General.

No 34 of 15th March 1875 from Commissioner of Police to Agent Gov: Genl and No 55 of 22nd March from Agent Gov: Genl to Cantonment Magistrate

No VI
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VII

5. I enclose ^{also} a list of witnesses in the Phayre poison case and of other persons who have been discharged under the advice of the Advocate General.

No VIII

I have recd

(Signed) Lewis Pelly. Colonel.
Agent Governor General and
Special Commissioner administering
the Baroda State.

P.S.

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P. S. Since writing the foregoing, I have received your No 15 C. P. dated 19th Instant, and agreeably to the orders contained in the 1st paragraph thereof, the following persons connected with the Phayre poison case, who as above stated had already been released, have again been placed under surveillance, and will be detained pending the orders of Government on the Commission Report viz:-

- No 7. Koolubh Devesing
- " 16. Saigoo
- " 17. Dulput Govind.
- " 18. Kowji Nark
- " 19. Jugga Pankhawalla
- " 20. Aya - her husband and servant
- " 21. Narayan
- " 22. Kooshia
- " 24. Chota Shaikh Bindoo
- " 25. Kabbai
- " 26. Kurreem Bux.

The other persons concerned in the attempt to poison Colonel Phayre still remain in custody.

Referring to the instructions in para: 2 of your letter No 15 C. P. relative to the persons alleged to be implicated in the murders of Bhaoo Seindhia and of Govindji Nark, I have
the

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the honor to state that orders have already been issued not to take any Proceedings against them until the result of the Commission is known; and they will be detained in custody as hitherto in conformity with the orders now received.

With respect to the concluding portion of your 2nd Para; it will be seen on a reference to the accompaniments to this letter that in these as in all other cases I have consulted the Advocate General, and acted according to his advice.

I have &c

(Signed) Lewis Pelly. Colonel
Agent Governor General & Special
Commissioner administering the
Baroda State.

True Copy.

Wm. M. M. J.
Secretary,
Baroda Presidency.

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The four letters containing the
Opinion of the Advocate General
in the case of:-

Loringhio Naid
Nana Khanolkar

and the Prisoners and
witnesses in custody or
under Police surveillance
should be appended to this list.

23/3/75

Col L. P.

No. I (53)

List of prisoners and witnesses arrested or detained
by the order or with the cognizance of the Baroda
Administration.

All the cases enumerated in this List have been gone
through by the Advocate General assisted by Captain
Jackson, Mr. Sub Judge Ramchunder and Rao Shik
and the column headed "Opinion" contains the opinion
of the Advocate General as to the manner in which
the persons in custody should be disposed of.

The opinion of the Advocate General should be
immediately acted on and report be made.

23/3/75

(Signed) Lewis Pelly.

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Statement showing the number of persons
the cognizance of the Baroda Administration

No.	Name	Date of Apprehension	Nature of Offences.
1.	Vissantram Bhawo Prisoner in City in Chief Magistrate's Custody (state prisoner). He should remain on the premises known as the Golden Gun Arsenal.	14 th January 1875.	Embezzlement of Government money.
2.	Nanaji Vittul. Witness. Mr Souter's Police Surveillance	14 th January 1875.	Fraudulent appropriation of Government money and jewels.
3.	Danodhur Trimbuck Name. Witness. Police charge under Mr. Souter.	14 th January 1875.	
4.	Hariha Guskwad (State Prisoner. He should remain as above on the premises of the Golden Gun Arsenal).	20 th January 1875.	Implicated in Bhas Sindia Case. Bribery, extortion, misappropriation of Government property &c. About one dozen complaints to be inquired into

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<p>In the 40 lacs business, in the bribery of Govt officials (vide my minute on his detailed statement dated 24/3/75 vide Appendix A)</p>	<p>Liab⁽⁵⁴⁾ to a charge of abetment of Criminal misappropriation of Govt funds with respect to his share with 40 lacs business. Query as to bribery.</p>
<p>(Prepare statement of charges and intimate them to him. If the charges are bailable let him give bail) 24/3/75 C/L P.</p>	<p>Liab⁽⁵⁴⁾ to a charge of criminal misappropriation of State funds.</p>
<p></p>	<p>Pardoned but should remain under surveillance until orders of Govt are obtained.</p>
<p>See Commission report (vide detailed statement). He may give bail when Commission report has been submitted vide Mr. Scott's opinion 22nd March. Intimation of charges to be immediately made to him) C/L P. 24/3/75 Vide Appendix B</p>	<p>Special report called for - When may I expect this report.</p>

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5.	Nana Sahib Khanwilkar. Implicated by Banodur Bunt's evidence. Prisoner at Residency (State Prisoner should remain as above.)	20 th January 1875	Misappropriation of Govt property and bribery. Very many complaints to be enquired into.
6.	Pramsing Witness. Police charge under Mr. Souter.	29 th January 1875	
7.	Boolub devising Witness. Police charge under Mr. Souter.	29 th January 1875	Poison Case.
8.	Goyaba Khanwilkar Implicated by Banodur Bunt's evidence. Prisoner in custody at the Rewa Kanta jail.	30 th January 1875	Poison Case

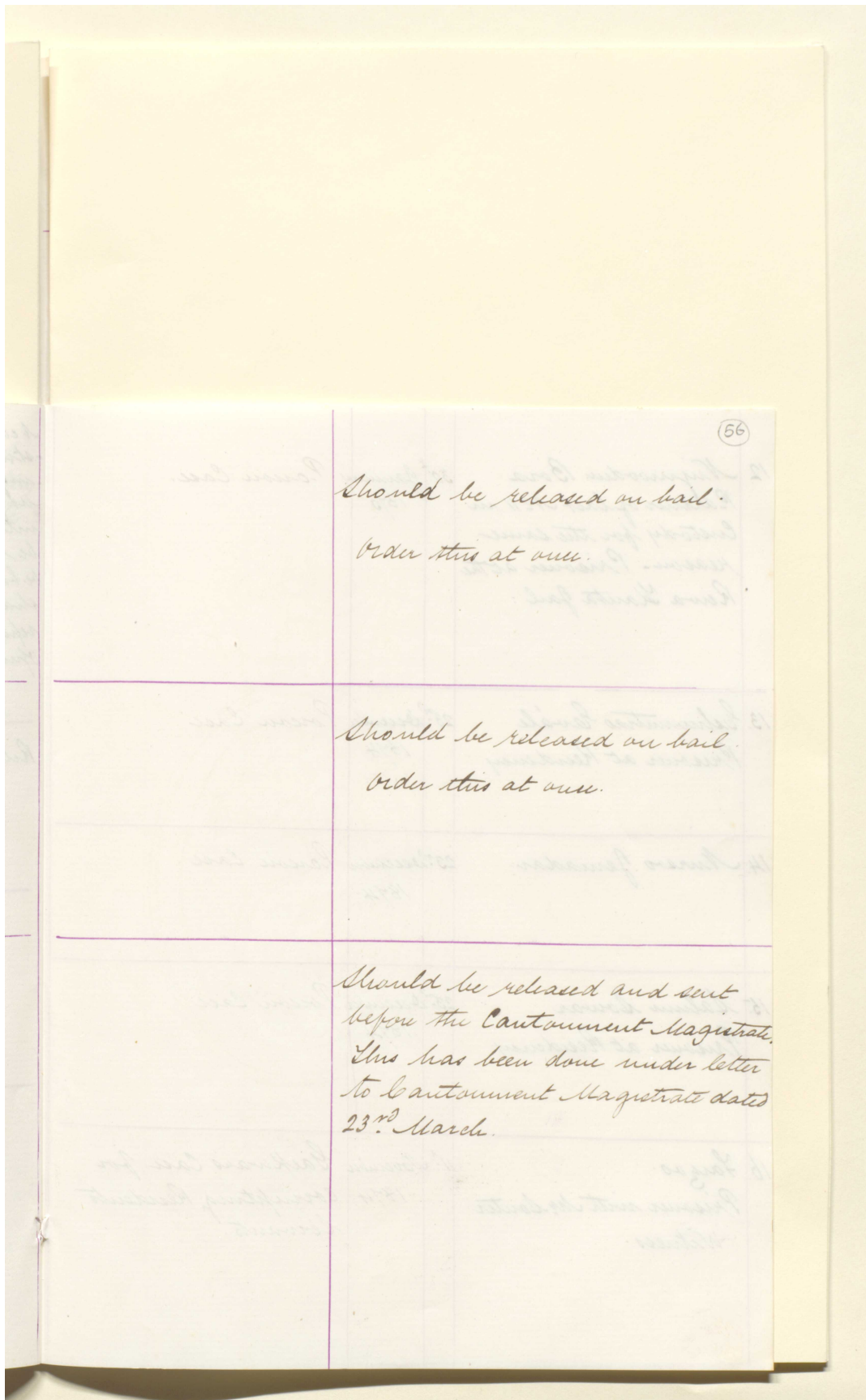
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<p>A case of wrongful re- -straint & bribery is pend- -ing now before Chief Magistrate. Immediate intimation of charges to be made to him. He cannot be bailed until the Commission- ers shall have submitted their report to Govt vide Mr Scott's Opinion dated 22nd March (27) L.P.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">(55)</p> <p>Liable to a charge of criminal misappropriation of Govt property and monies -</p>
<p>Release on bail 24/3/75 (27) L.P.</p>	<p>Bribery and Abetment of Bribery of Govt officials</p>
	<p>Has been released.</p>
	<p>Should be released on bail order plus at once.</p>

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9	Hakeem Chota Sahel Implicated by Dawoodur Punt's evidence. In custody at the Rewa Kanta Jail	30 th January 1875	Poison Case.
10.	Moodin Borah Implicated by Dawoodur Punt's evidence. Prisoner in custody at the Rewa Kanta Jail	30 th January 1875	Poison Case.
11	Munoodin Borah Secondarily implicated by Dawoodur Punt's evidence and by the unlawful concealment of alleged sale of Arsenic. Prisoner in custody at the Rewa Kanta Jail.	30 th January 1875	Poison Case.

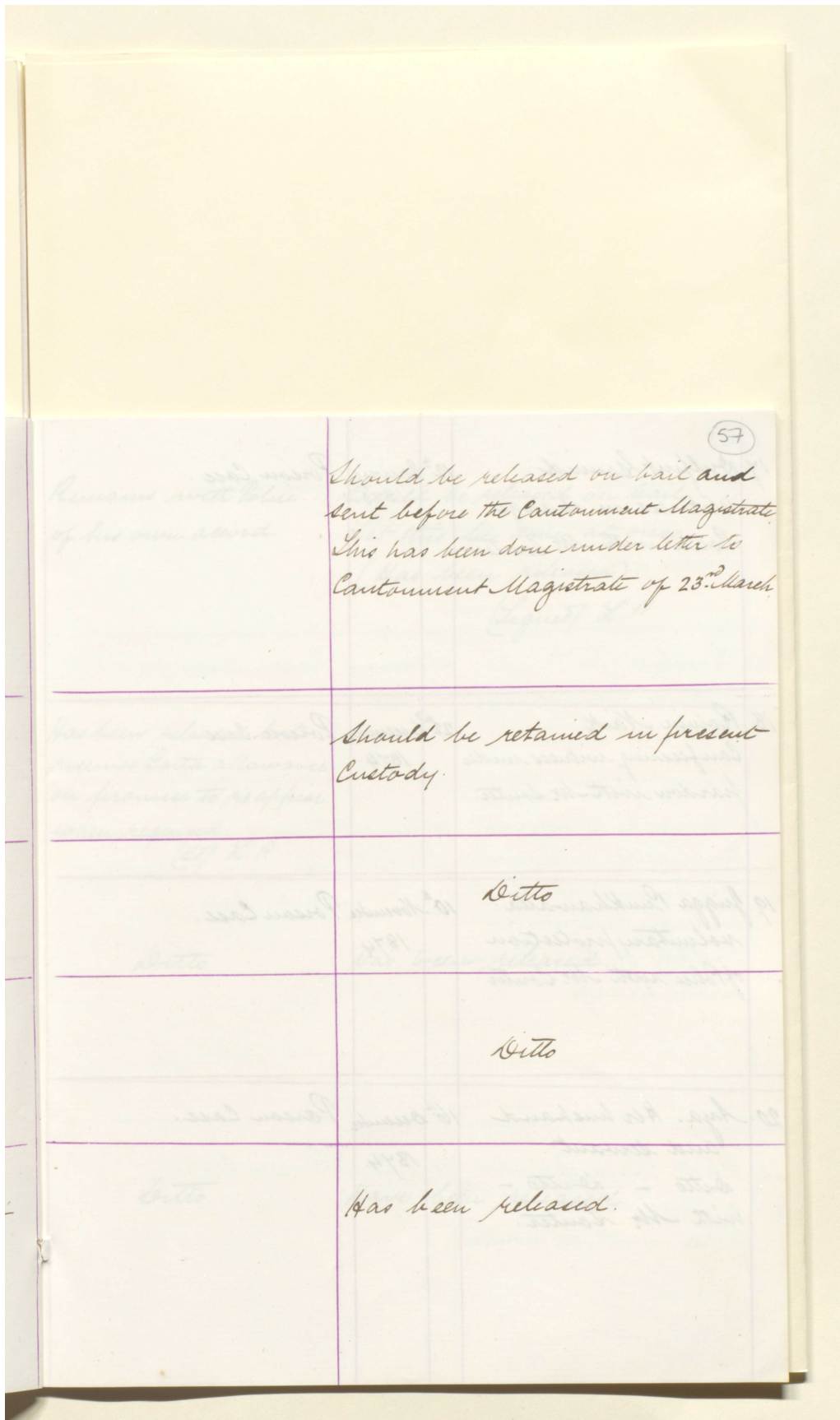
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12	Mujmoodin Bora. Partner of last No. 11 in Custody for the same reason. Prisoner at the Rawa Ganta jail.	30 th January 1875	Poison Case.
13	Iskuruntroo Evale Prisoner at Residency	23 rd December 1874	Poison Case.
14	Mursoo Jemadar.	23 rd December 1874	Poison Case.
15	Salim Sowar. Prisoner at Residency	23 rd December 1874.	Poison Case
16	Saigoo. Prisoner with Mr. Souter. Witness.	11 th November 1874.	Gaekwar's Case for corrupting Residents servants.

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17. Sulput Govind Witness in charge Police with Mr. Souter.	12 th January 1873.	Poison Case.
18. Ranju Naik Confessing witness under pardon with Mr. Souter.	22 nd December 1874	Poison Case.
19. Jugga Pankhawalla. voluntary protection of Police with Mr. Souter.	10 th November 1874	Poison Case.
20. Aya. Her husband and servant ditto - ditto - with Mr. Souter.	16 th December 1874.	Poison Case.

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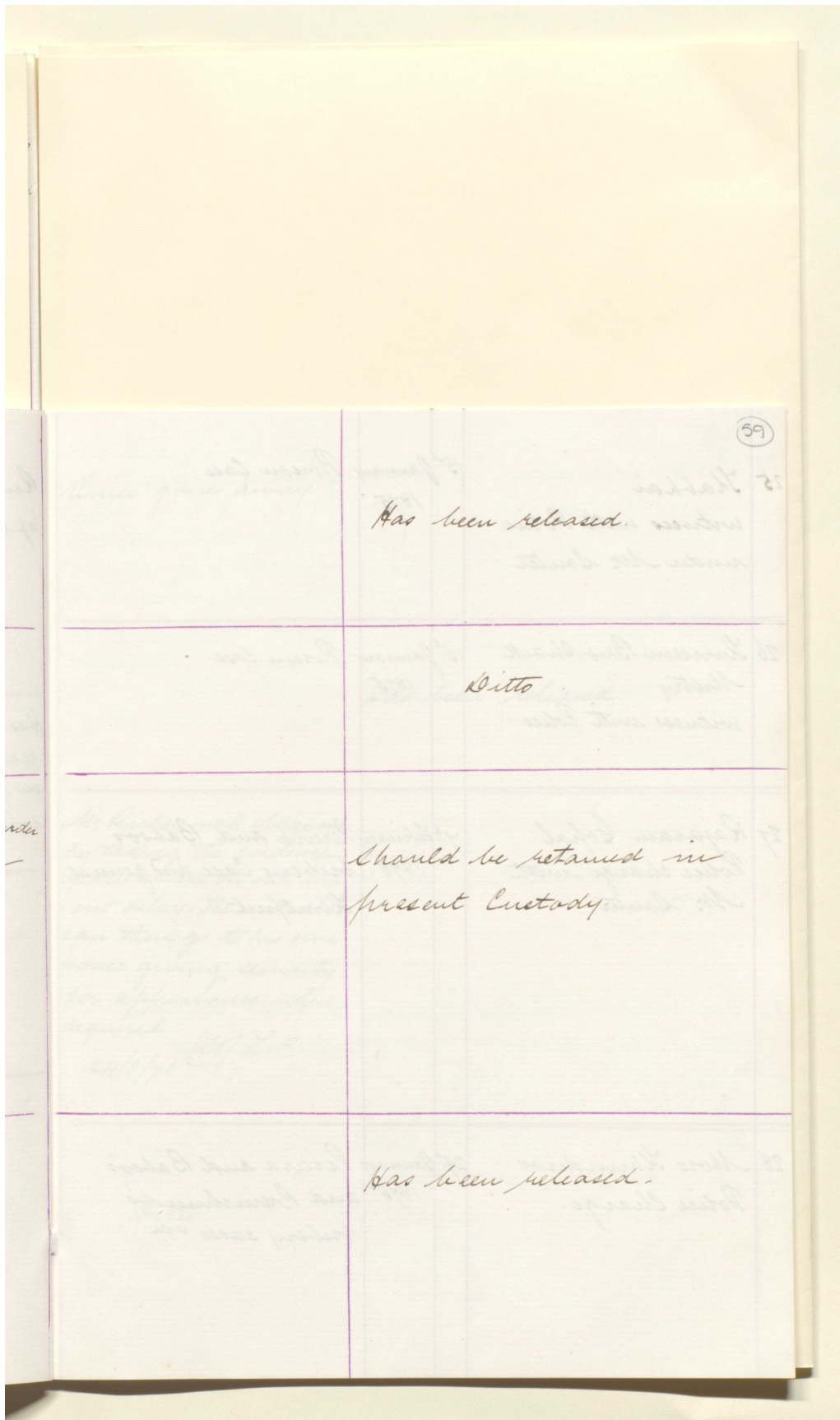
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Remains with Police of his own accord.	Should be released on bail - Let this be done at once. (Has been released). (Signed) L.P.
Has been released but receives Batta allowance on promise to reappear when required. (Signed) L.P.	
Ditto	Has been released.
Ditto	Have been released.

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21	Narrayan Witness. Police charge under Mr. Souter.	10 th February 1875	Poison Case.
22	Koocha Witness. Police charge with Mr. Souter.	10 th February 1875.	Poison Case.
23	Narrayan Succaram. Implicated in poison Case by Damodar Amet's evidence. Prisoner in Custody in Chief Magis- trates charge.	25 th January	Bhawoo Sindia murder case and Koundjie Naik's Case.
24	Choto Shaik Bhudoo witness in charge Police with Mr. Souter.	15 th January 1875.	Poison Case.

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25.	Shabhai witness with Police under Mr. Suter.	15 th January 1875.	Poison Case.
26.	Kursecum Bux Shaik Mistry witness with Police.	15 th January 1875.	Poison Case.
27.	Rajaram Gopal. Police charge with Mr. Suter.	7 th February 1875.	Pereira and Baboo's bribery Case and general Shutput.
28.	Moro Shundarao Police Charge.	29 th January 1875.	Pereira and Baboo's and Premchand's bribery cases &c.

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Since gone away.

Has been released.

Mr. Richey will oblige me by taking the evidence of this man on oath without delay. The witnesses can then go to his own house giving security for appearance when required.

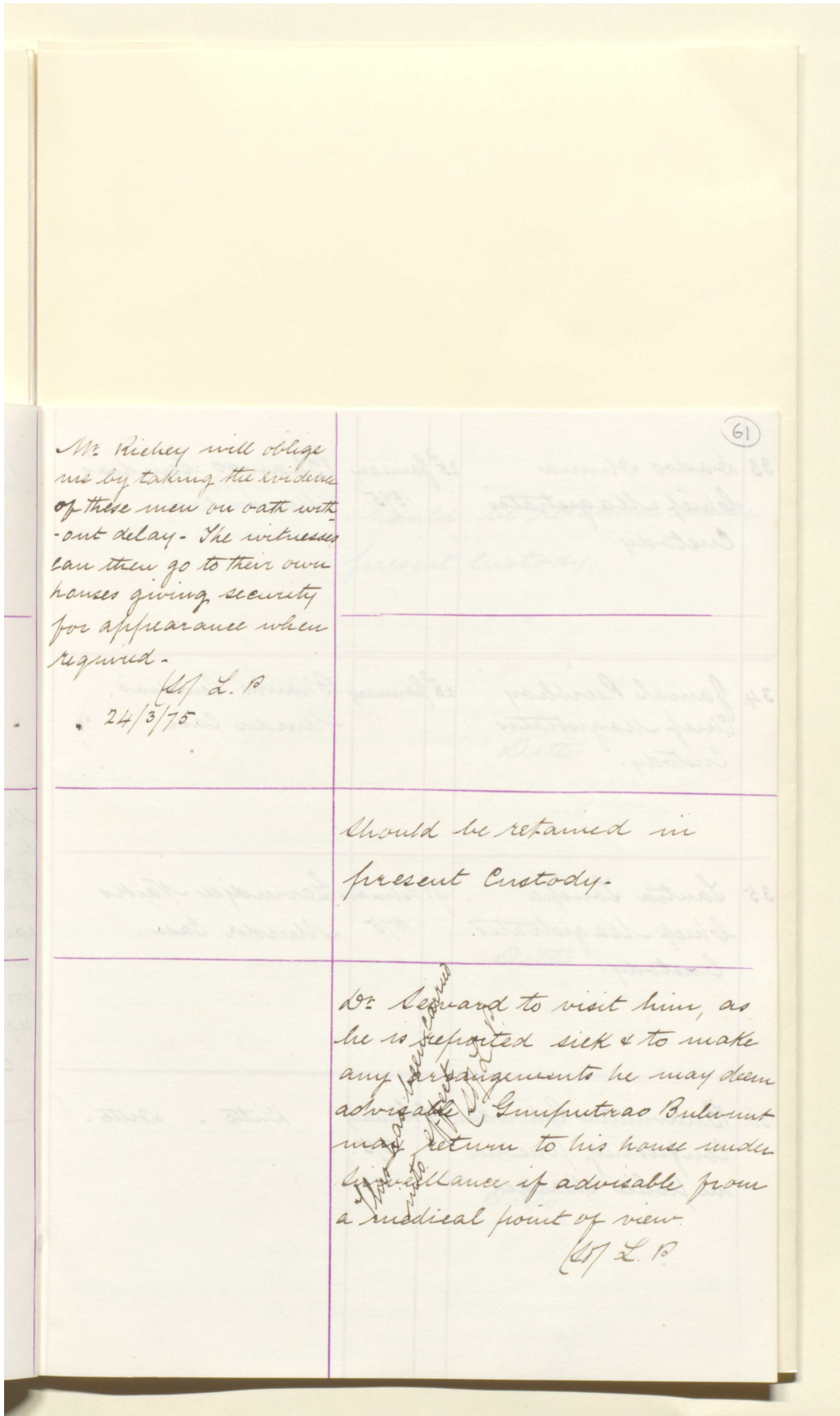
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29	Babaji Anwaram. Police charge.	15 th January 1875	Bribery
30	Vinayak Vishwanath Police charge.	19 th January 1875	Bribery
31	Bhujingrao Chief Magistrate's Custody.	23 rd January 1875	Bharoo Sindia's Murder Case.
32	Ganputrao Bulwant Chief Magistrate's Custody.	25 th January 1875	Bharoo Sindia's Murder Case.

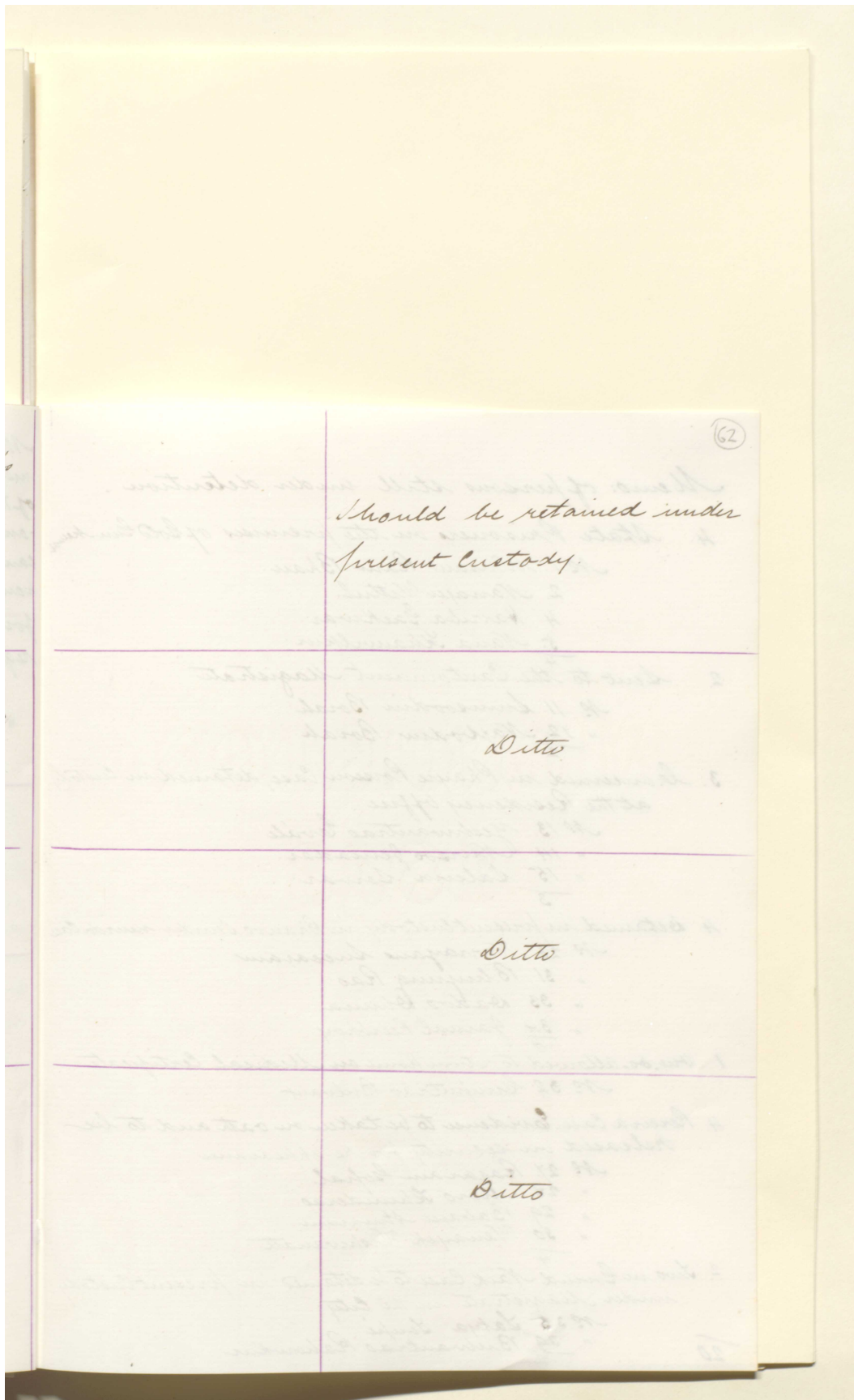
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33	Sadoo Duma Chief Magistrate's Custody.	25 th January 1875.	Bharoo Seindia's Murder case.
34	Jamal Purbhoy Chief Magistrate's Custody.	25 th January 1875.	Bharoo Seindia's Murder case.
35	Lantia Louche. Chief Magistrate's Custody.	9 th February 1875.	Lavindje Naik's Murder case.
36	Bulvuntao Kakhokun. Confessing prisoner in police charge.	18 th February 1875.	Ditto - Ditto.

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Memo. of persons still under detention.

4. State Prisoners on the premises of God Gunkhara
- No 1. Musant Rani Bhan.
 - 2. Nanaji Vitthal.
 - 4. Hariba Bakhwar.
 - 5. Nana Khanolkar.
2. Sent to the Cantonment Magistrate
- No 11. Sunoodin Borah.
 - " 12. Nafodun Borah.
3. Concerned in Phayre Poisson Case, detained in Custody at the Residency Office.
- No 13. Yeshwantrao Covale
 - " 14. Musoo Jemadar.
 - " 15. Salim Sowar.
4. Detained in present custody in Ghanso Sindia murder case
- No 23. Narayans Succaram.
 - " 31. Bhujing Rao.
 - " 33. Baboo Chhuna.
 - " 34. Jannal Purbhoy.
1. One so. allowed to return home on Medical Certificate.
- No 32. Kumpitraso Bulvant.
4. Pereira Case. Evidence to be taken on oath and to be released on security for re-appearance.
- No 27. Rajaram Gopal.
 - " 28. Moro Shunderas.
 - " 29. Balraji Anwaram.
 - " 30. Vevayek Vishwanath.
2. Two in Gound Nair Case to be detained in present Custody under Magistrate in the City
- No 35. Lajya Lajpe.
 - " 36. Bulwantrao Rahankar.

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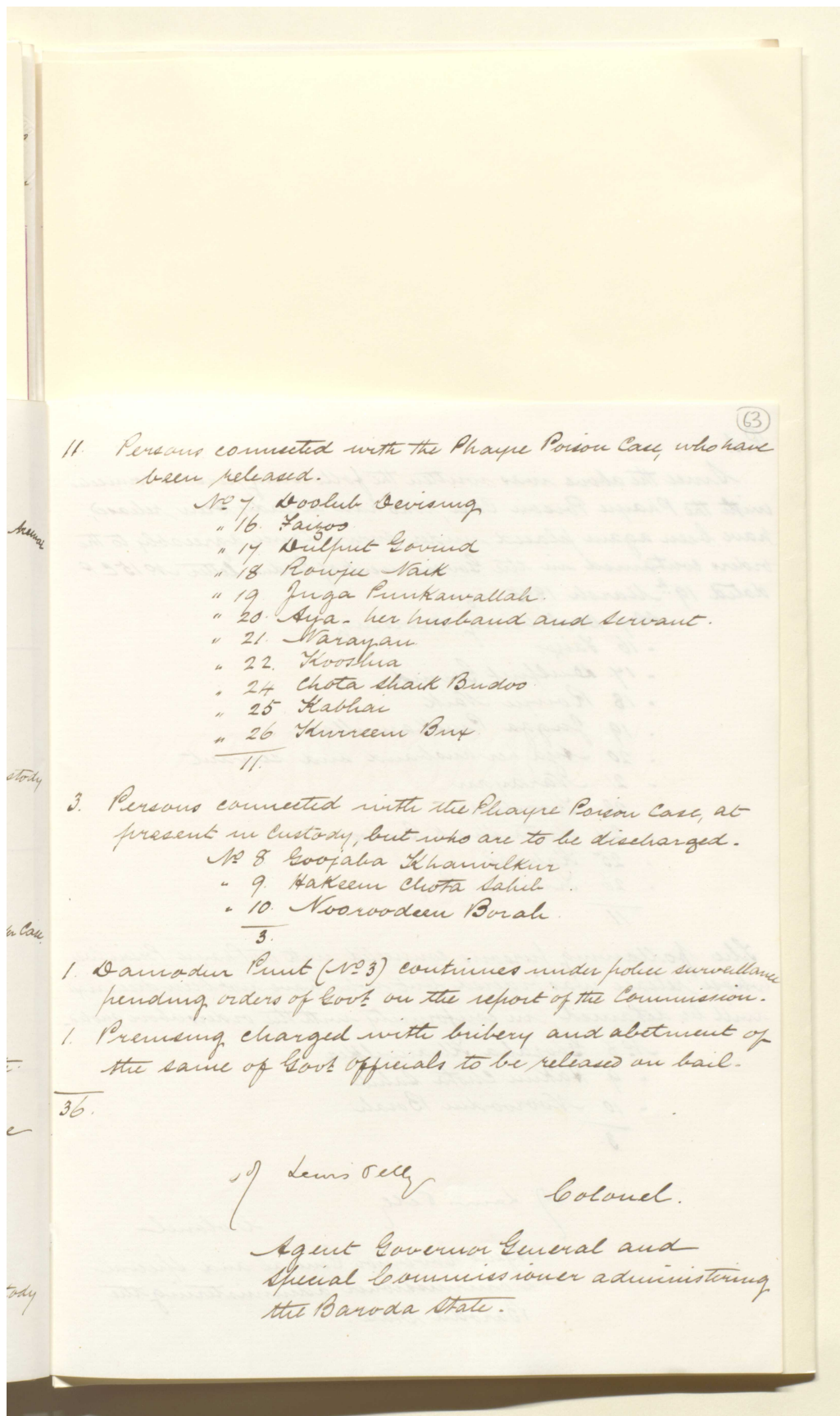
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P.S.

Since the above was written the following persons connected with the Phayre Poison Case, who had already been released, have been again placed under surveillance, agreeably to the orders contained in the Government of India Letter No. 15 C. P. dated 19th March 1875 viz:-

- No. 7. Boolubung, Devising.
 - 16. Lango
 - 17. Dulput Govind
 - 18. Romju Naik
 - 19. Jugga Pankarullah.
 - 20. Aga her husband and servant.
 - 21. Karayan
 - 22. Kooshua
 - 24. Chota Shah Budo.
 - 25. Kabbai
 - 26. Lurcem Bux.
- 11.

The following persons connected with the Phayre Poison Case whose release was ordered but who have not been discharged will be detained, in conformity with the orders above quoted.

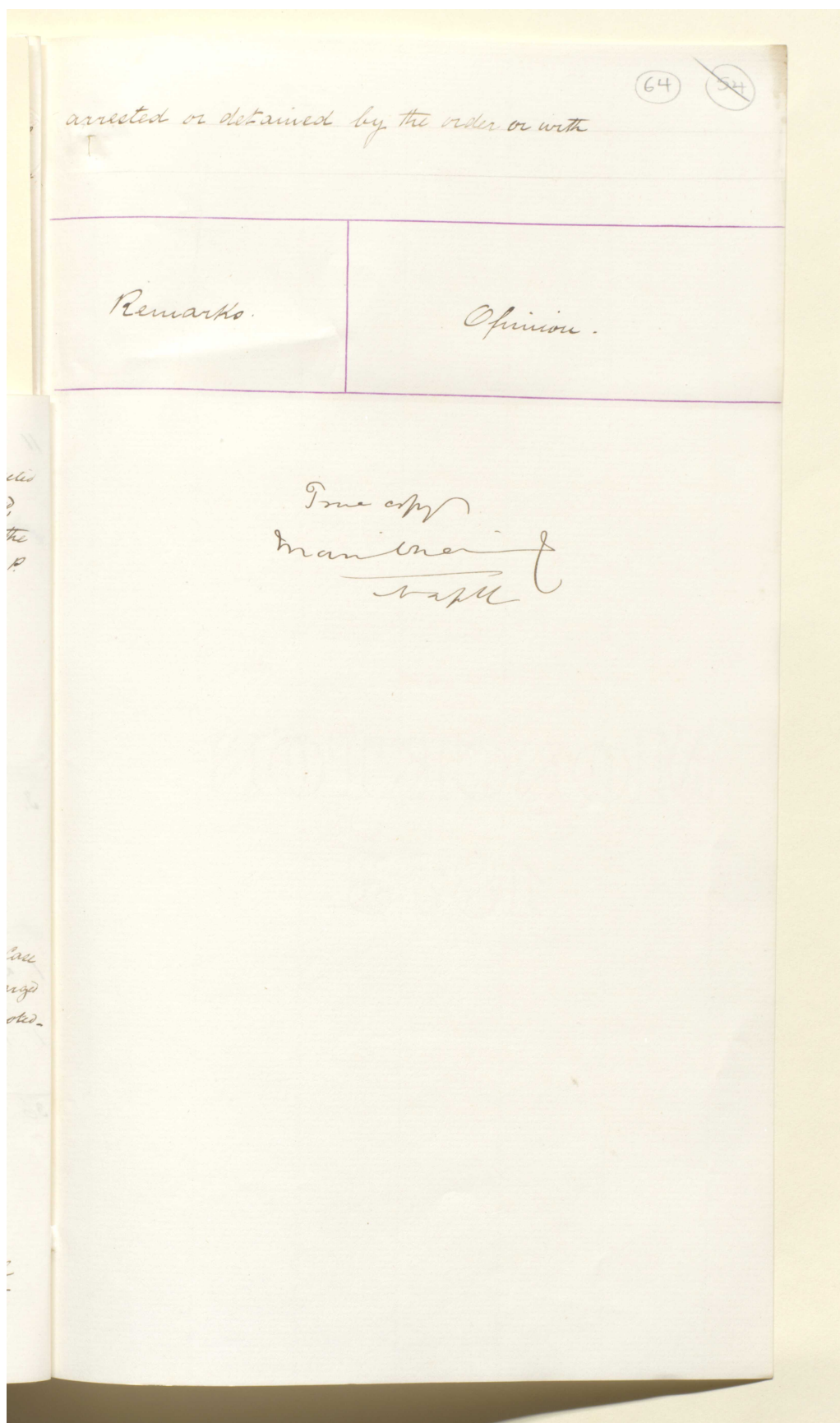
- No. 8. Goozaba Khanwilker.
 - 9. Hakim Chota Sahib
 - 10. Nooroodin Borah
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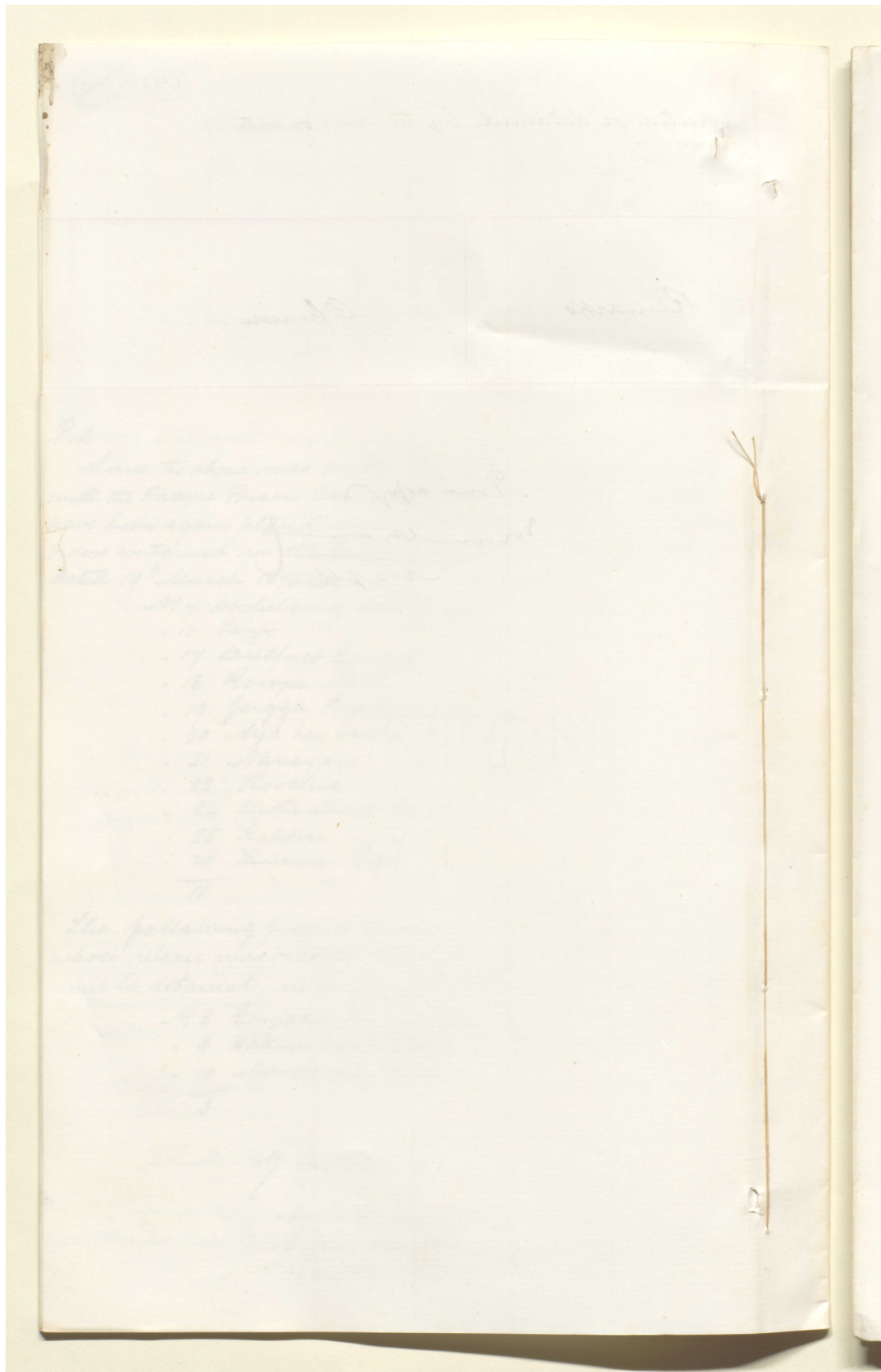
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Agent Governor General and Special
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Statement showing Cases against Wussuntraam Bharoo pending Judicial investigation.

No.	Complainant	Date of receipt of Complainant	Subject matter of complaint.	Relief sought for	Remarks.
1.	Nurau Zikrum Kwajeewan Doolub Pandur Nattia. Nurbha Shunker.	1875 February 6 th	Complains that he has advanced large amount of money to the Opium Farmer from the Mulhar Behwan Shop without Maharaja's order. The Opium Farmer has not paid any money on account of the instalment due by Government and is depriving Government money.	Prays that the matter may be thoroughly investigated and Wussuntraam Bharoo called upon to explain the authority under which the advance was made by him, and to make good the loss which Government have sustained.	There are 8 Petitions against this man to the same effect.

Appendix A

These charges should at once be intimated to the accused, and if bailable he should have the opportunity of giving bail.

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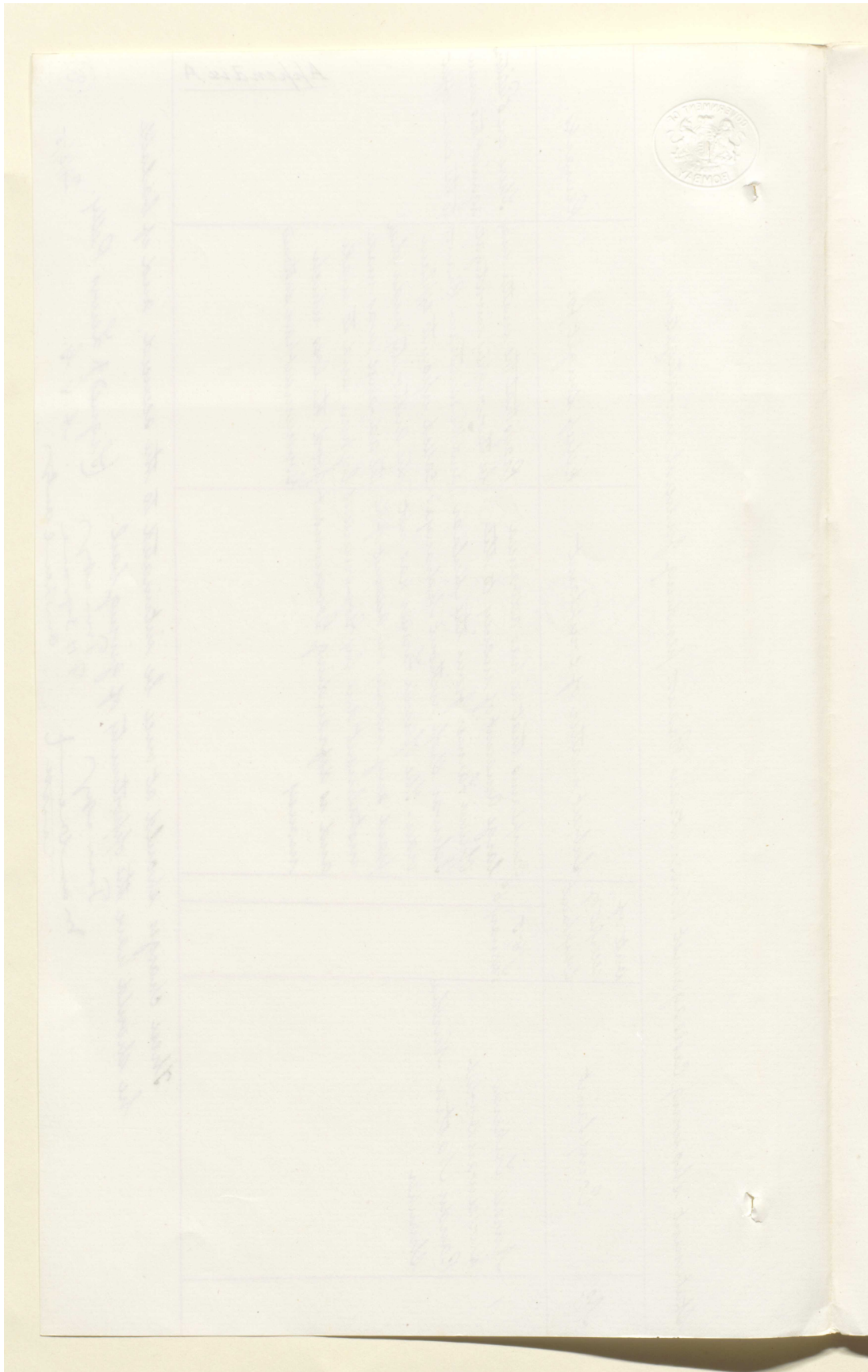
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(Signed) Lewis Pelly.
A. G. S.

24/3/75.

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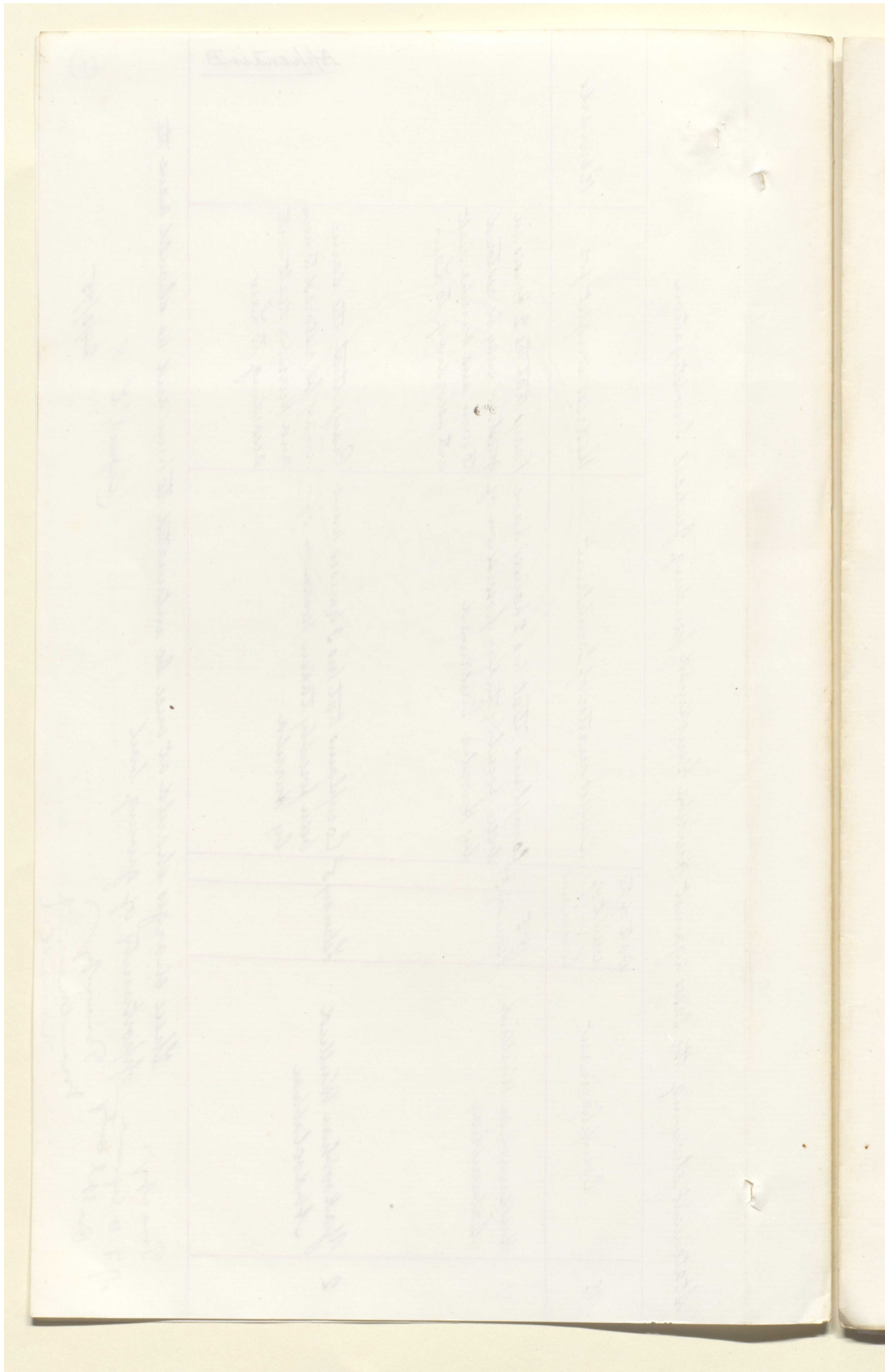
Statement showing the Cases against Huruba Quickwad pending Judicial Investigation

No.	Complainant.	Date of the receipt of Complaint	Subject matter of Complaint	Redress sought for.	Remarks.
1.	Hussambhai Wullud Sabumbhai	1875 February 3 rd	Complains that his 2 houses have been forcibly taken possession of by Huruba Quickwad.	Prays that the 2 Houses in question may be restored to him and Huruba dealt with according to Law.	
2.	Yakooobhai Wullud Abdoolabhai	February 3 rd	Complains that his 3 houses have been forcibly taken possession of by Huruba.	Prays that the same may be restored to him and Huruba dealt with according to Law.	Appendix B.

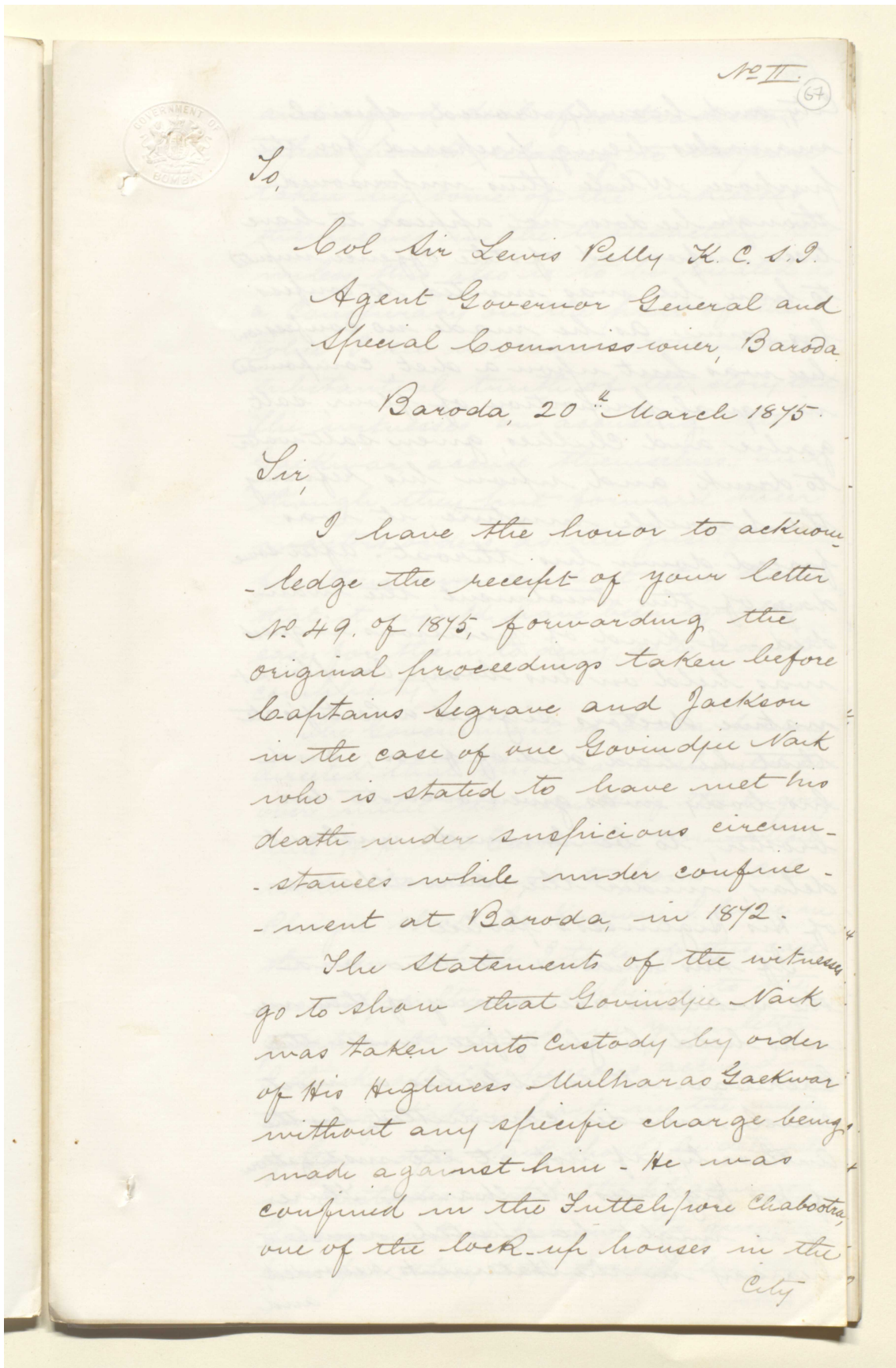
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City, and heavily ironed, special manacles being prepared for the purpose, while thus imprisoned, though he does not appear to have been informed of the offence imputed to him, he was invited to confess his crime, as he made no confession he was put upon a diet, compounded in equal proportion of flour, salt, garlic and chillies, given salt water to drink, and upon his refusing the horrible mixture, it was forced down his throat. After some days of this treatment, the man died. A kind of fictitious inquest was held on his body. Complaisant native doctors signed a Certificate that he had died of fever; and his body was given over to his brother, to be burned without delay, under the surveillance of His Highness's police.

If this evidence be true - and the witnesses are many of them men who held high office under the Gaekwar - it establishes a most cruel murder committed by the Authority, if not at the instigation of His Highness Mulharas. There is, as might be expected, much of hearsay in the statements recorded, and

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and a good deal of contradiction upon points relating to the part taken by some of the witnesses, themselves in the transaction. But unless this also is to be treated as a Conspiracy on the part of the Police, I see no reason to doubt the substantial truth of the story told. The witnesses, in accusing the Gaekwar, accuse themselves; and though they put forward their master's orders as the justification for their own conduct, it is obvious that it would have been equally easy for them to deny, as to admit, complicity.

The Government of India having directed that this matter should be over until the result of the enquiry into H. H. the Gaekwar's connection with the attempt to poison Col Phayre shall be known, I have, in the view which I take of this case, no difficulty in replying to the question contained in your letter. I think all the persons accused of having taken part in the murder of Govindji Nark should be detained in Custody until the pleasure of Government is known. The question, how far they are excused by the plea

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plea of obedience to superior authority, should be left for future consideration, and all who were concerned in ordering or carrying out, any ill-treatment of the prisoner, should remain in confinement, until it is determined whether or not further proceedings are to be taken against them. With regard to those witnesses who took no part in ill-treating Govindji, the only excuse for detaining them is the fear lest they should be tampered with by persons interested in stifling further enquiry. But if their statements have been read over to them in their own languages, and signed or acknowledged by them as true, in the presence of an officer on whom you have confidence, I think they should be liberated, if they desire it. Any of them who may wish to remain under the protection of the Police should be allowed to do so.

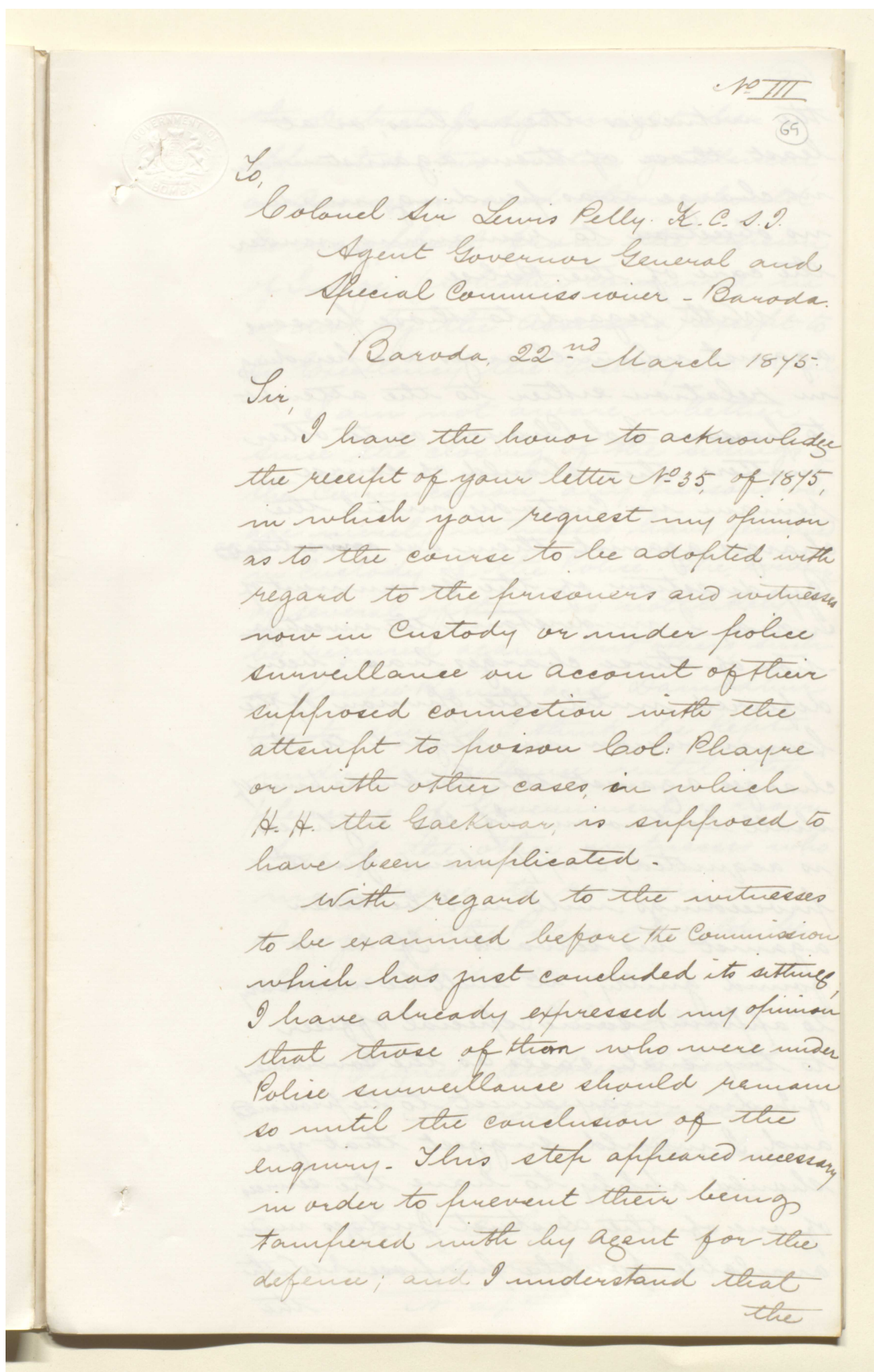
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(Signed) Andrew. R. Seoble.
Advocate General
Bombay.

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the witnesses themselves, or at least those of them against whom no charge was pending, made no objection to remaining under the care of the Police.

With regard to those persons against whom charges are pending in relation either to the attempt to poison Gol Phayre, or to other matters, they should of course remain in custody until the charges against them are investigated. By direction of the Government of India, I understood the investigation of those charges has been deferred until the opinion of the Commission in regard to the charges against the Gackwar himself shall be known. If His Highness is acquitted, I apprehend further proceedings will not be taken against his servants. If he is found guilty, it will be necessary to appoint some special officer to try such cases as the Government of India may direct to be prosecuted, and I would suggest that you should apply to have the services of one of the District Judges made available for the purpose. With
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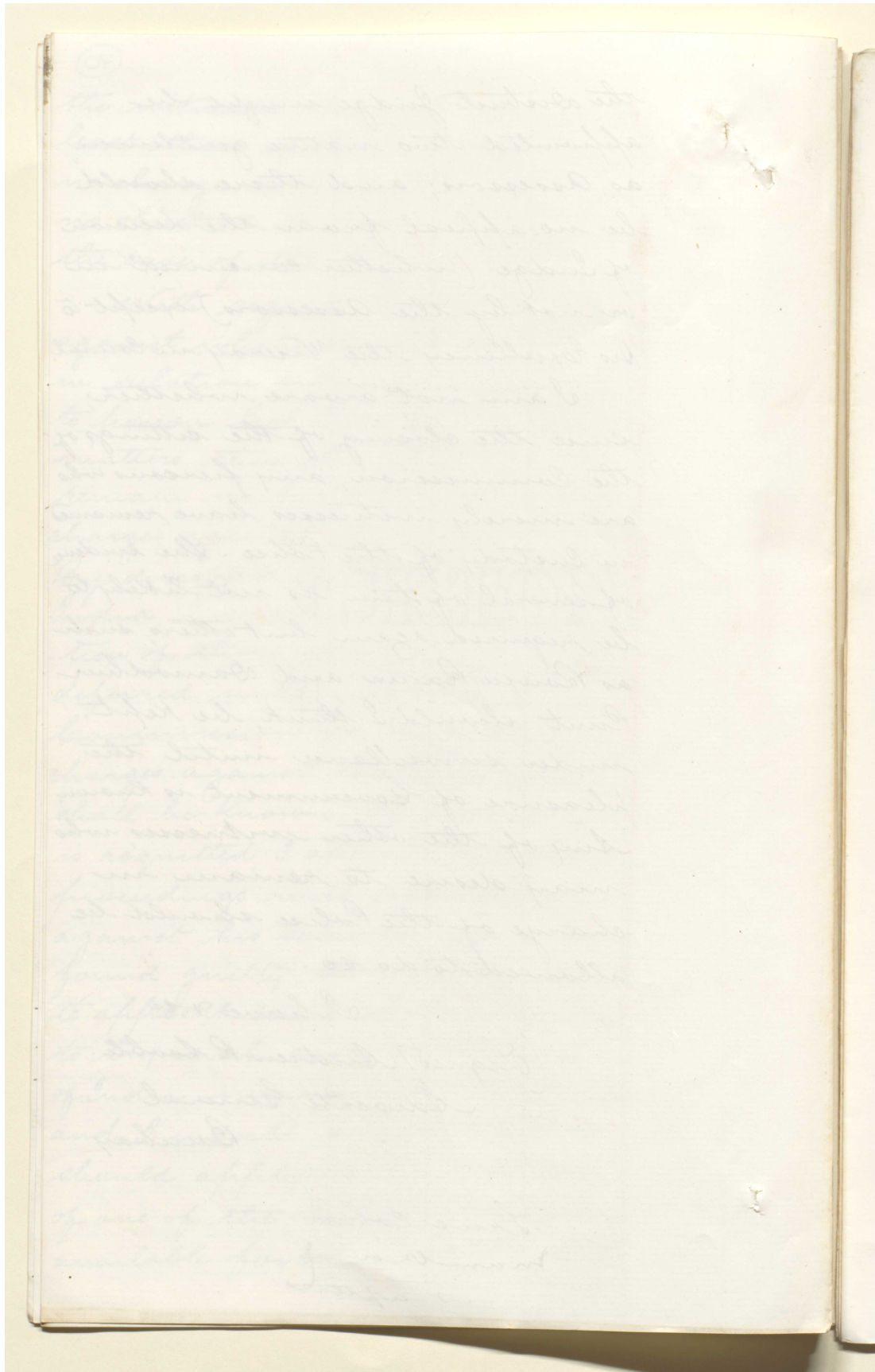
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the District Judge might be appointed two native gentlemen, as Assessors; and there should be no appeal from the decision of Judge, (whether concurred in or not by the Assessors) except to His Excellency the Viceroy in Council.

I am not aware whether, since the closing of the sittings of the Commission, any persons who are merely witnesses, have remained in custody of the Police. The evidence of several of them is not likely to be required again but others, such as Ramji Rama and Damodhur Prunt should I think, be kept under surveillance until the pleasure of Government is known. Any of the other witnesses, who may desire to remain in charge of the Police should be allowed to do so.

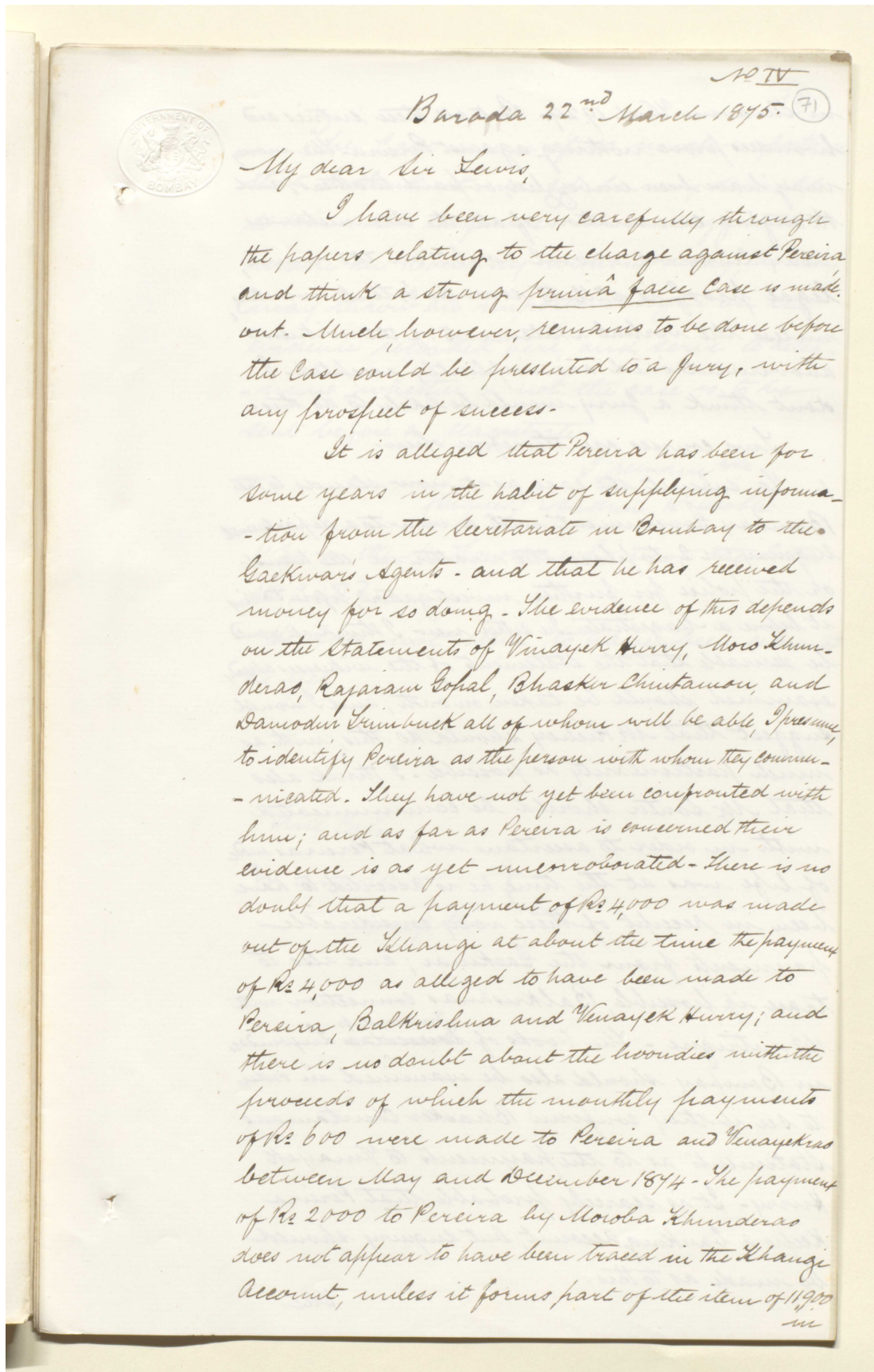
I have &c
(Signed) Andrew R. Scoble.
Advocate General
Bombay.

True Copy.
M. A. B. M. J.
11. Apr.

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in Shrawan Vud 1929. But all these entries and hoondies prove nothing against Pereira. The money may have been embezzled, or paid to others; and though a consideration of all the circumstances may leave no moral doubt on the mind, legal proof is still to some extent wanting, unless the verbal statements of the witnesses above-mentioned are implicitly accepted. I don't think a Jury would be likely to do this.

Two courses are therefore open-

1. To submit the case as it now stands to the Bombay Government with a view to a departmental inquiry; or 2. to place the matter in the hands of the police for further investigation, before taking it before a Magistrate. In either view, I think it would be desirable that the statements of the witnesses already examined should be taken on oath; and I would suggest that Mr. Richey should do this, with as much particularity as possible. I think also that Mr. Bouter should be communicated with in order to ascertain what Pereira's mode of life was at the time he is asserted to have been in receipt of these very considerable payments from the Gaekwar; and also to trace, if possible, Balkrishna's connection with the intrigue. The books of ~~accounts~~ ^{inquiries} ~~inquiries~~ ^{inquiries} in Bombay should also be examined in order to see if they confirm Bhasker Chintaman's statements as to the payments to Vinayek Humay. It is scarcely probable that Pereira keeps a banking account, but inquiry should be made as to this.

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The Case is one of so much importance that I think it would be very desirable to have the enquiries above suggested made in Bombay without delay, as they may throw an important light on the evidence recorded here, and serve to determine whether or not the case is to be sent before a Magistrate.

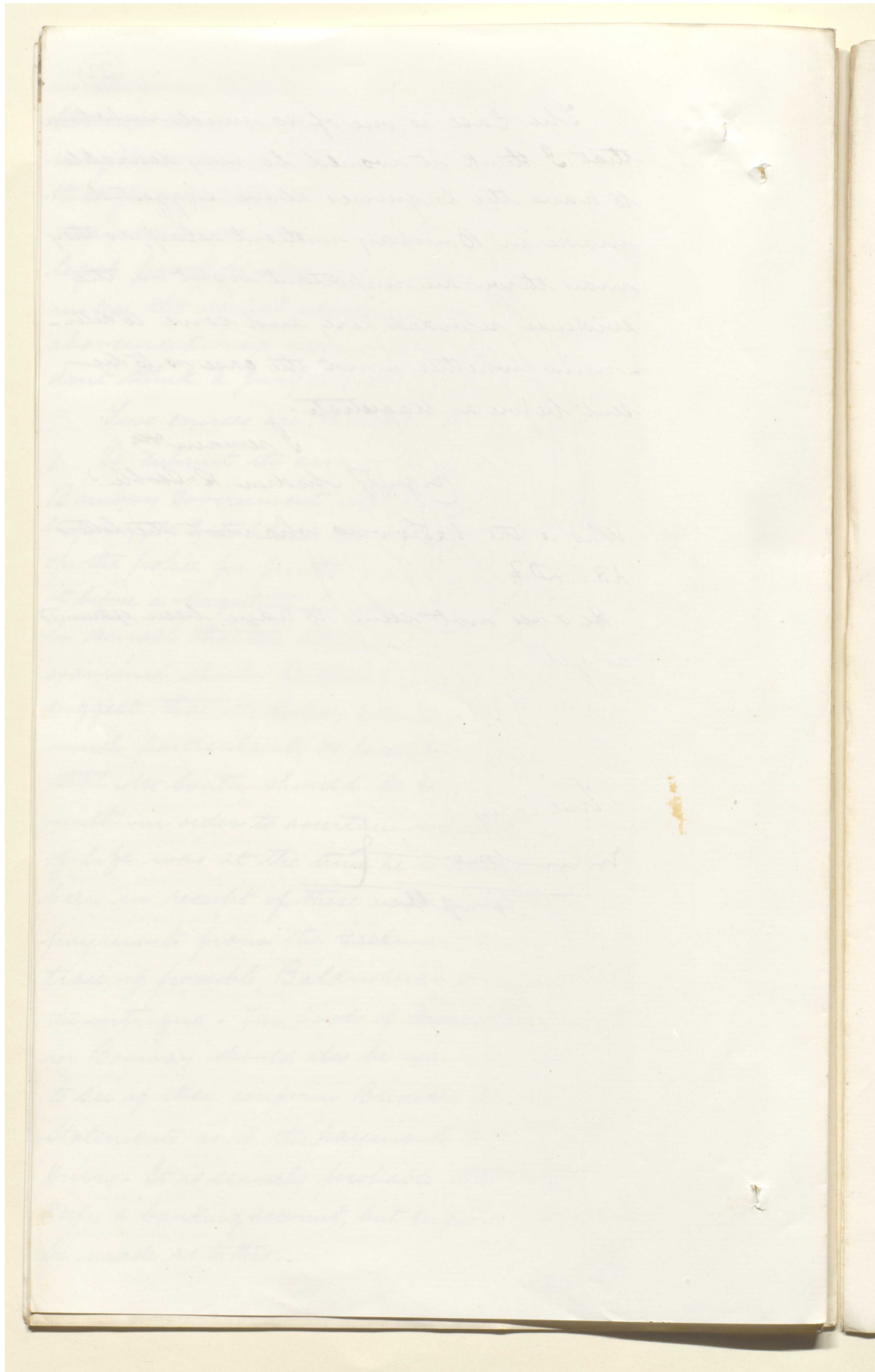
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(Signed) Andrew R. Scott.

Who is the Madhowsas who wrote the letters A.B.C. & D?

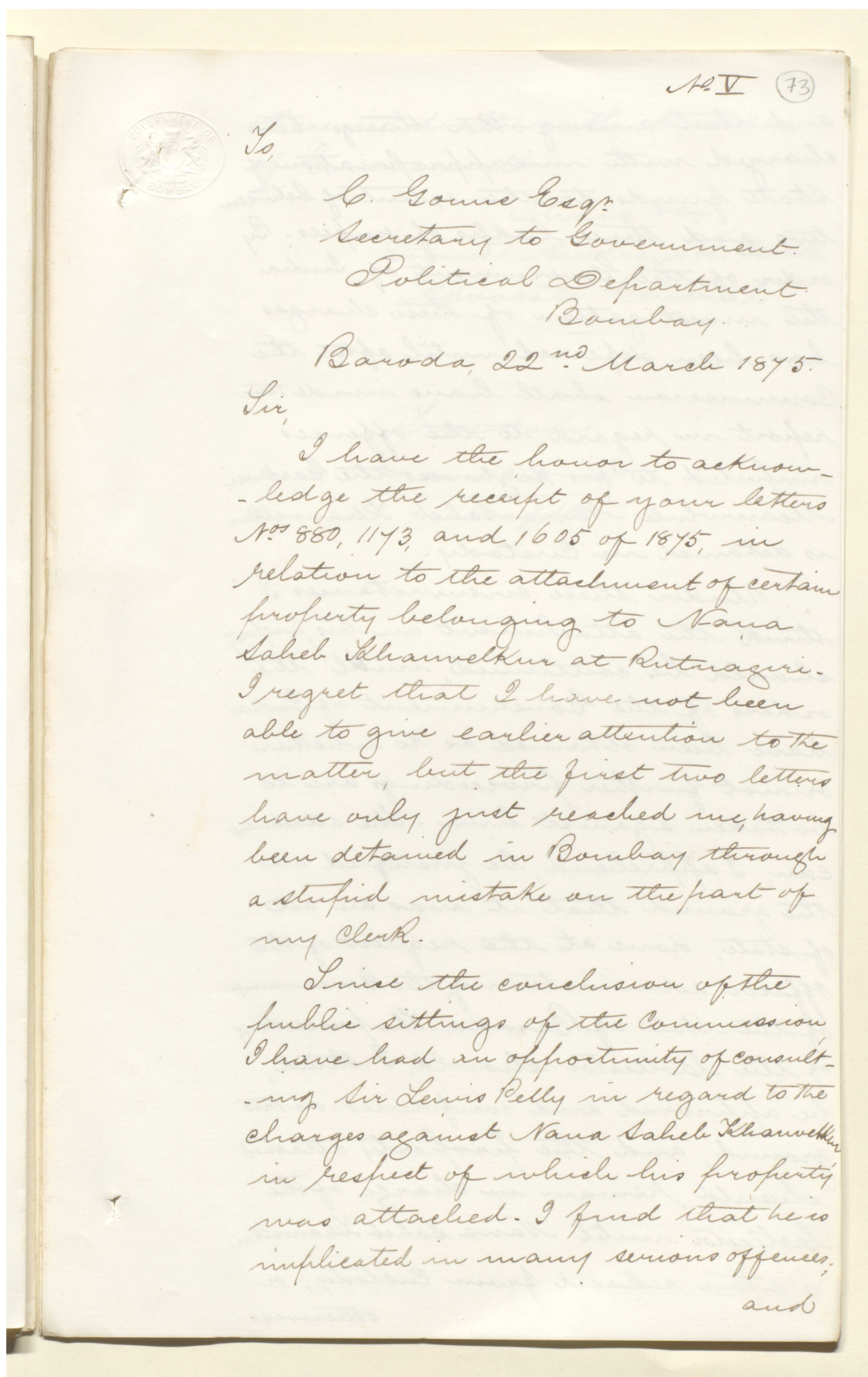
He does not seem to have been examined as yet.

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In an Envelope
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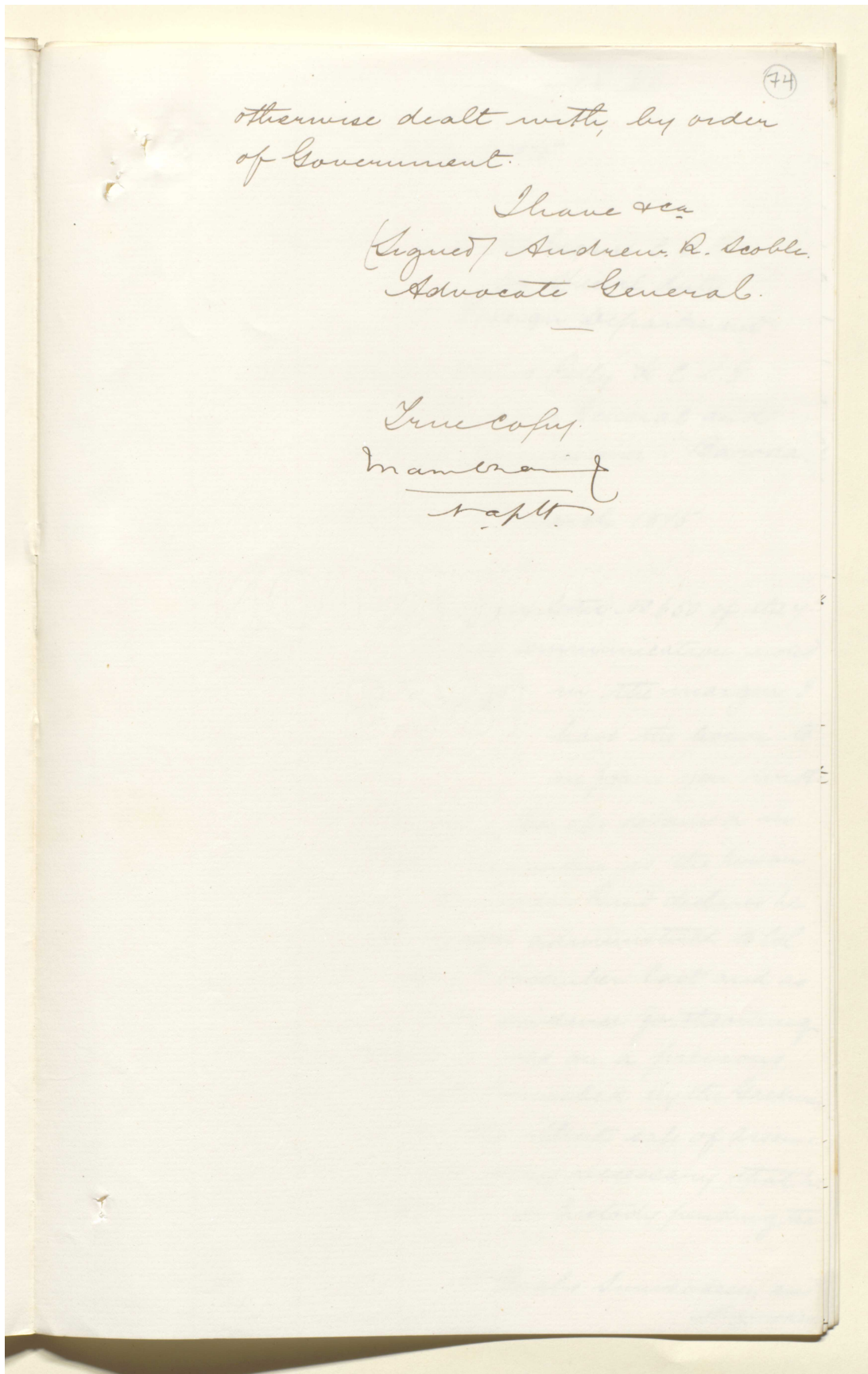


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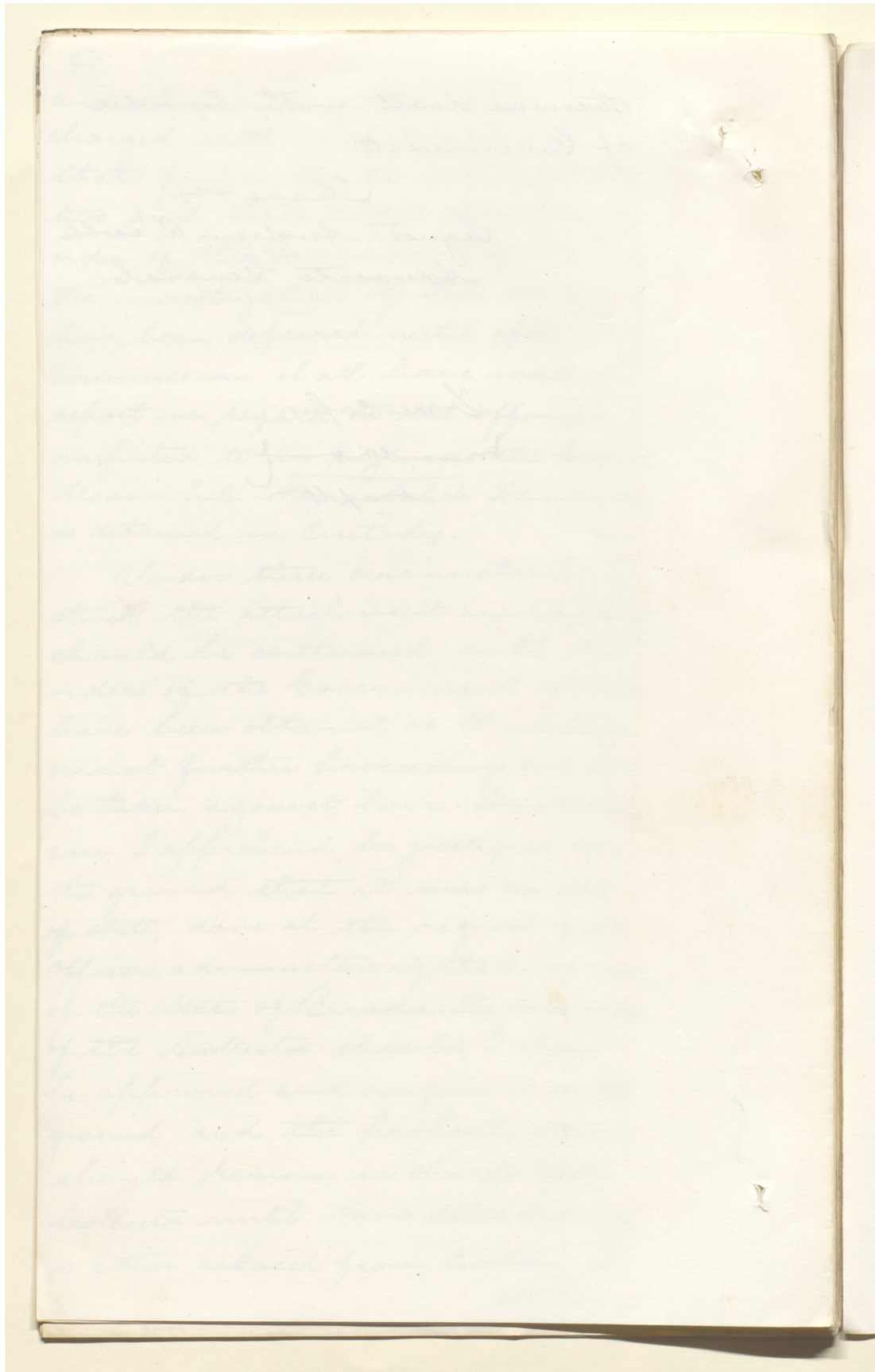
and that among other things, he is charged with misappropriation of State funds to the extent of between two and three lakhs of rupees. By order of the Government of India the investigation of these charges has been deferred until after the Commission shall have made their report in regard to the offences imputed to His Highness the Gaekwar. Meanwhile Nava Sahab Khanvelkar is detained in Custody.

Under these circumstances I think the attachment on his property should be continued, until the orders of the Government of India have been obtained as to whether or not further proceedings are to be taken against him. The attachment can, I apprehend, be justified on the ground that it was an act of state, done at the request of the officer administering the Government of the State of Baroda. The proceedings of the Collector should, I think, be approved and confirmed on this ground, and the property attached should remain in charge of the Collector until Nava Sahab Khanvelkar is either released from Custody, or otherwise

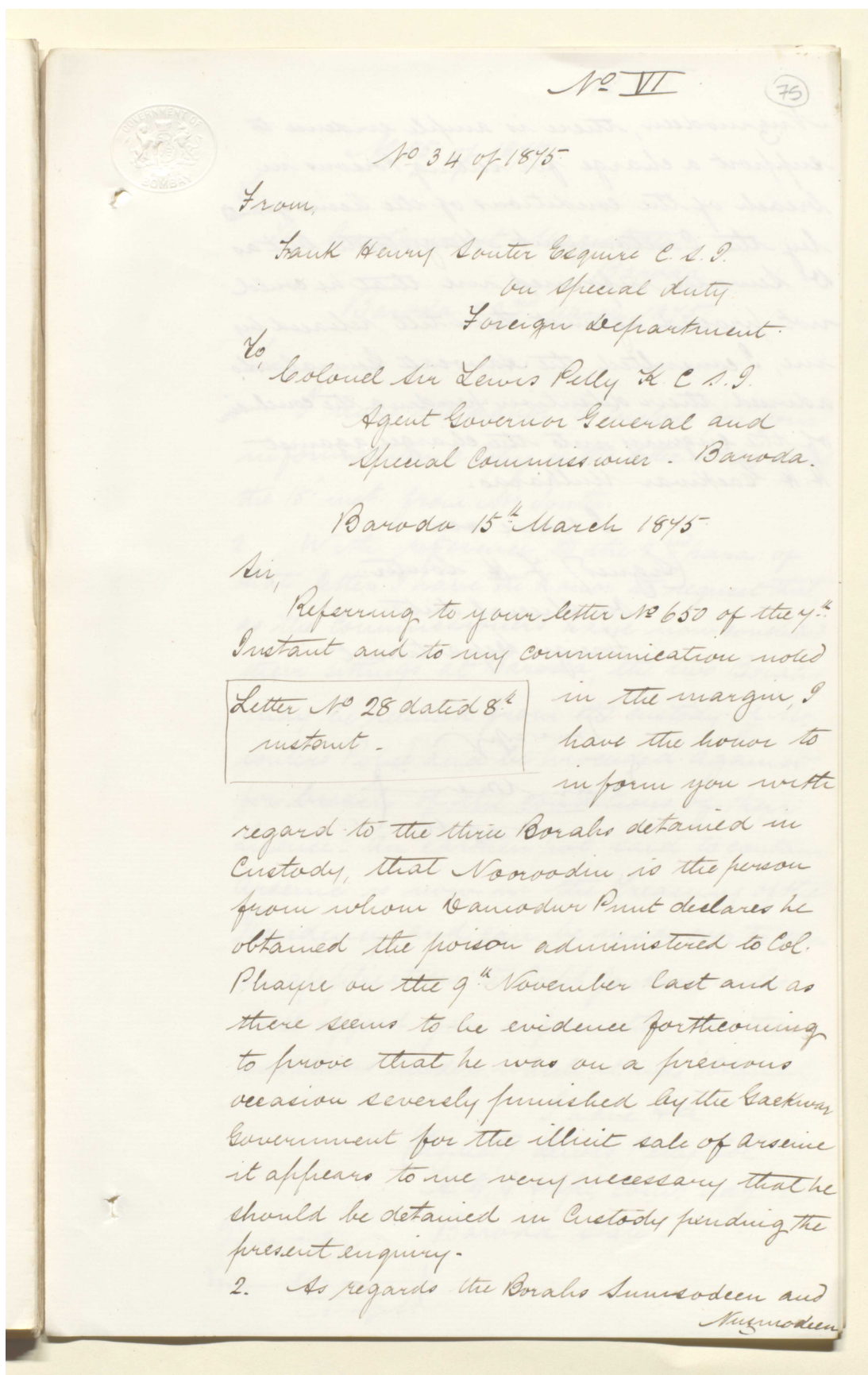
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Nuzmodeen, there is ample evidence to support a charge for selling Poisons in breach of the conditions of the license granted by the Cantonment Magistrate, but as D. Seward informed me that he could not proceed against them till released by me, I consulted the Advocate General who advised their detention pending the conclusion of the enquiry into the charges against H. H. Gaekwar Mulharas.

I have seen
(Signed) F. H. Souter.
on special duty.
Foreign Department.

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Mammoth
v. p. H.

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No 55 of 1845.

To,

The Cantonment Magistrate
Baroda.

Baroda 22nd March 1845.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose for your information a copy of the letter No 34 dated the 15th inst: from Mr Souter.

2. With reference to the 2nd para: of that letter I have the honor to request that, as the Commissioners have now concluded their sittings at Baroda, the two Borals may be released from the custody of Mr Souter's Police and be proceeded against for breach of the conditions of their license. An earthen pot said to contain Arsenic is now in the Treasury of the Residency and can be made over to you on application to Capt. Jackson who will afford you information of the conditions under which it was obtained.

I have &c

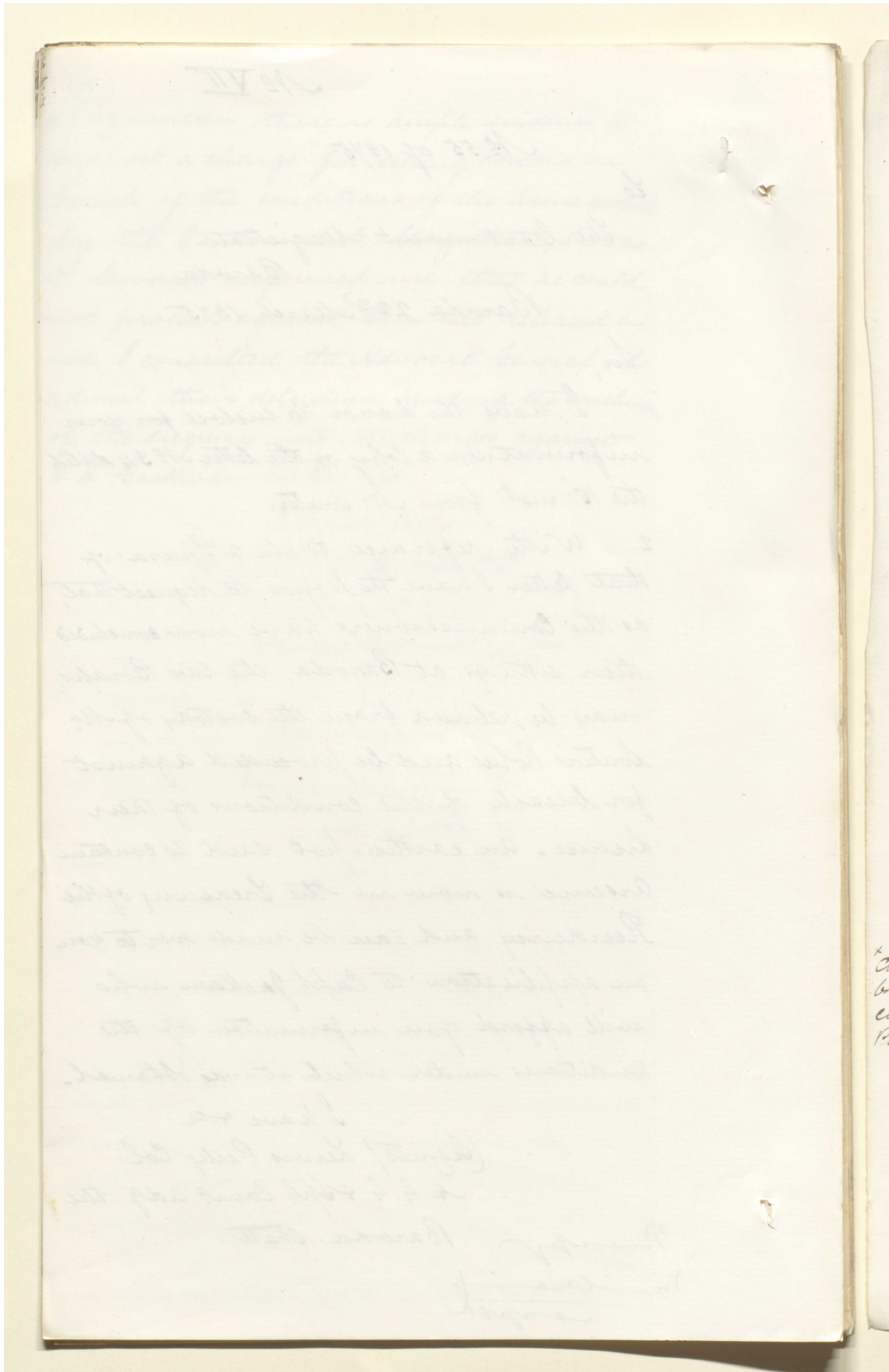
(Signed) Lewis Pelly Col.

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List of witnesses in the Phayre Poison Case and other persons who have been discharged under the advice of the Advocate General.

No 7 Woolub Bevising
 " 16 Fayoo
 " 14 Dulput Gound
 " 18 Rowpe Naik
 " 19 Jurga Pankawala
 " 20 Aya - her husband and servant
 " 21 Karayan
 " 22 Koochia
 " 24 Chota Shaik Budoos
 " 25 Kabbhai
 " 26 Khureem Bay
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Release of the following persons has been advised but they have not been discharged yet.

Persons connected with the Phayre Poison Case.

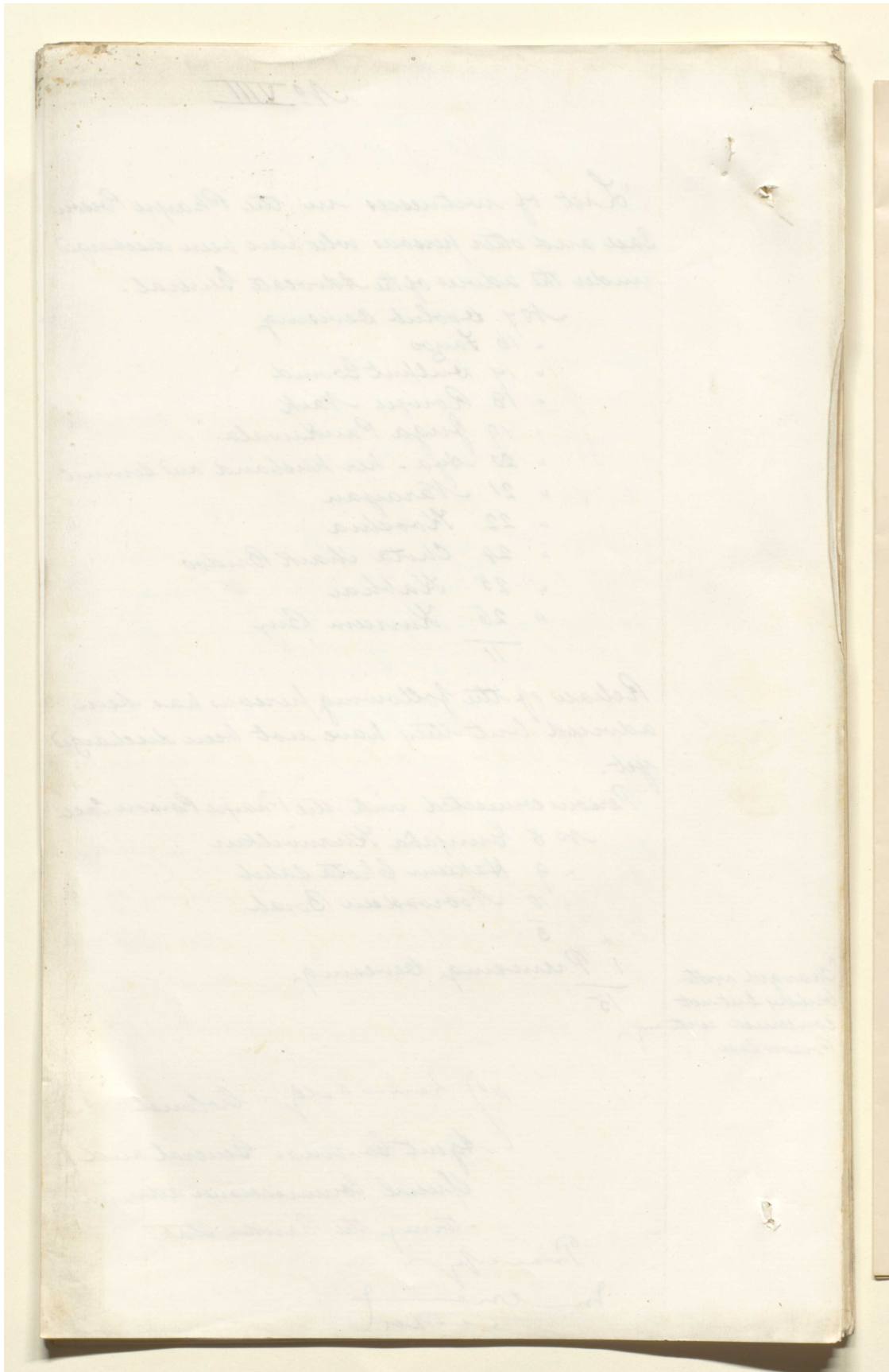
No 8 Gumpaba Khanivalkur
 " 9 Hakem Chota Sahel
 " 10 Noorodeen Borah.
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⁺ Charged with bribery but not concerned with any Poison Case.

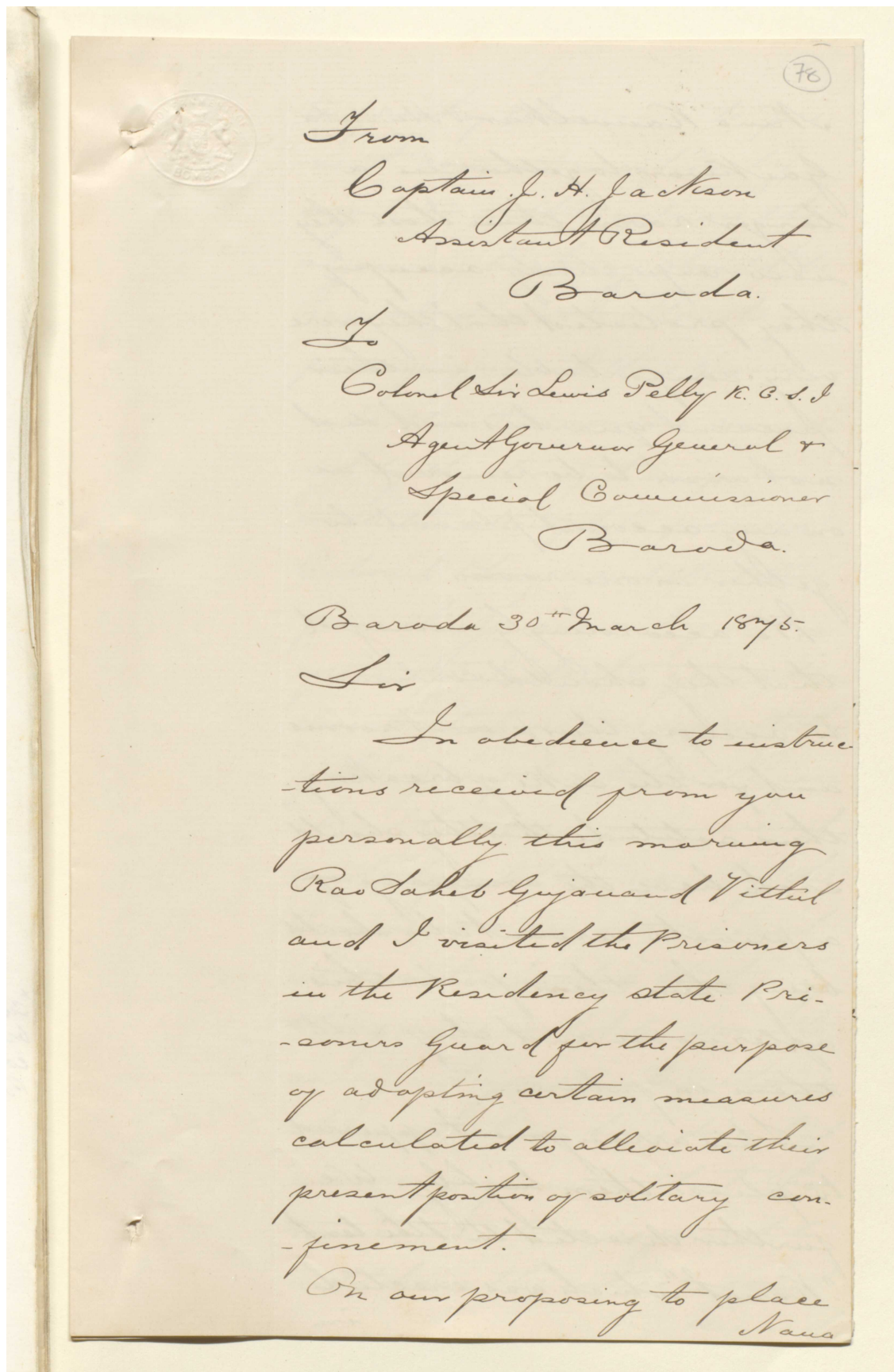
of Lewis Pelly Colonel.
 Agent Governor General and
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D. Pelly
 Secretary

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Mana Kaulvelkur & Hurriba
Garkwar together in a
larger room than those they
now respectively occupy
they protested that they were
very comfortable in their
present quarters and did
not wish to be removed or
on any account placed to
gether in one room.

We accordingly arranged
that they should continue
to occupy their present rooms
and for the sake of breaking
their solitude that they should
each have the company of
a private servant who should
bring them their food this
afternoon and stay with
them in future.

This arrangement appeared
to please them highly. We
further directed that the tent
"Kanat" which was erected
in

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in front of their rooms to prevent communication by signs &c with people in the adjoining highway should be removed so as to allow the free passage of air into their rooms.

As these two men are connected by the strongest suspicion with the attempt to poison Colonel Phayre and the letter from the Government of India of the 19th Instant to your address directs that persons suspected of being implicated in the case should remain in their present custody until the report of the Commissioners is received we do not consider that any thing more could be done to carry out your instructions than what we have done, but we are of opinion that the measures above referred to will have the entire effect desired

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desired by you—
With respect to the prisoner
Wasantrao Bhas at present
confined in the gold gun arsenal
in the City concerning whom
you directed inquiry to be
made, we find that he is
liable to be tried under the
Gaekwar's Criminal Code
for Bribery and fraud and
we therefore propose that
he should at once be hand-
ed over to the Chief Magistrate
of the town Mr. Juggivandas
for trial

The person named Nana-
jee Vitthal late Custodian of
the State Jewel Department
of H. H. Gaekwar is a witness
in the poison case and is
besides suspected of having
been guilty of serious defal-
cations in his Department.
These suspicions could not
assume

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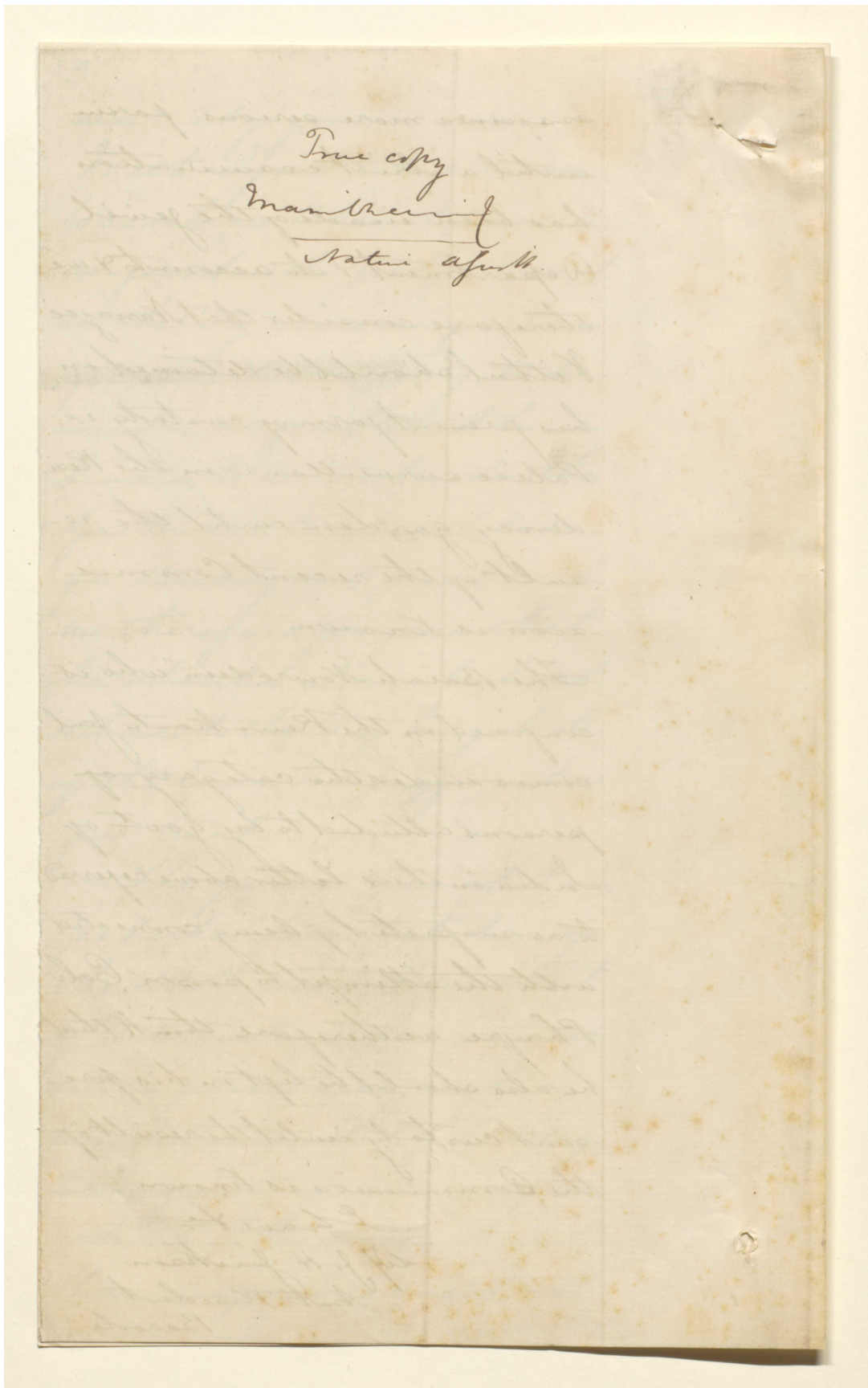
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assume a more serious form until a strict examination has been made of the jewel Department & its accounts & we therefore consider that Nanajee Fithul should be detained in his present form of custody i.e. Police surveillance in the Residency garden until the result of the recent Commission is known.

The Borah "Nowrodeen" who is confined in the Rewankanta jail comes under the category of persons alluded to by Gov^{ts} of India in their letter above referred to as suspected of being connected with the attempt to poison Col. Phayre we therefore think that he also should be left in his present custody until the result of the Commission is known.

I have &c.
W^m J. H. Jackson
Asst. Resident
Baroda

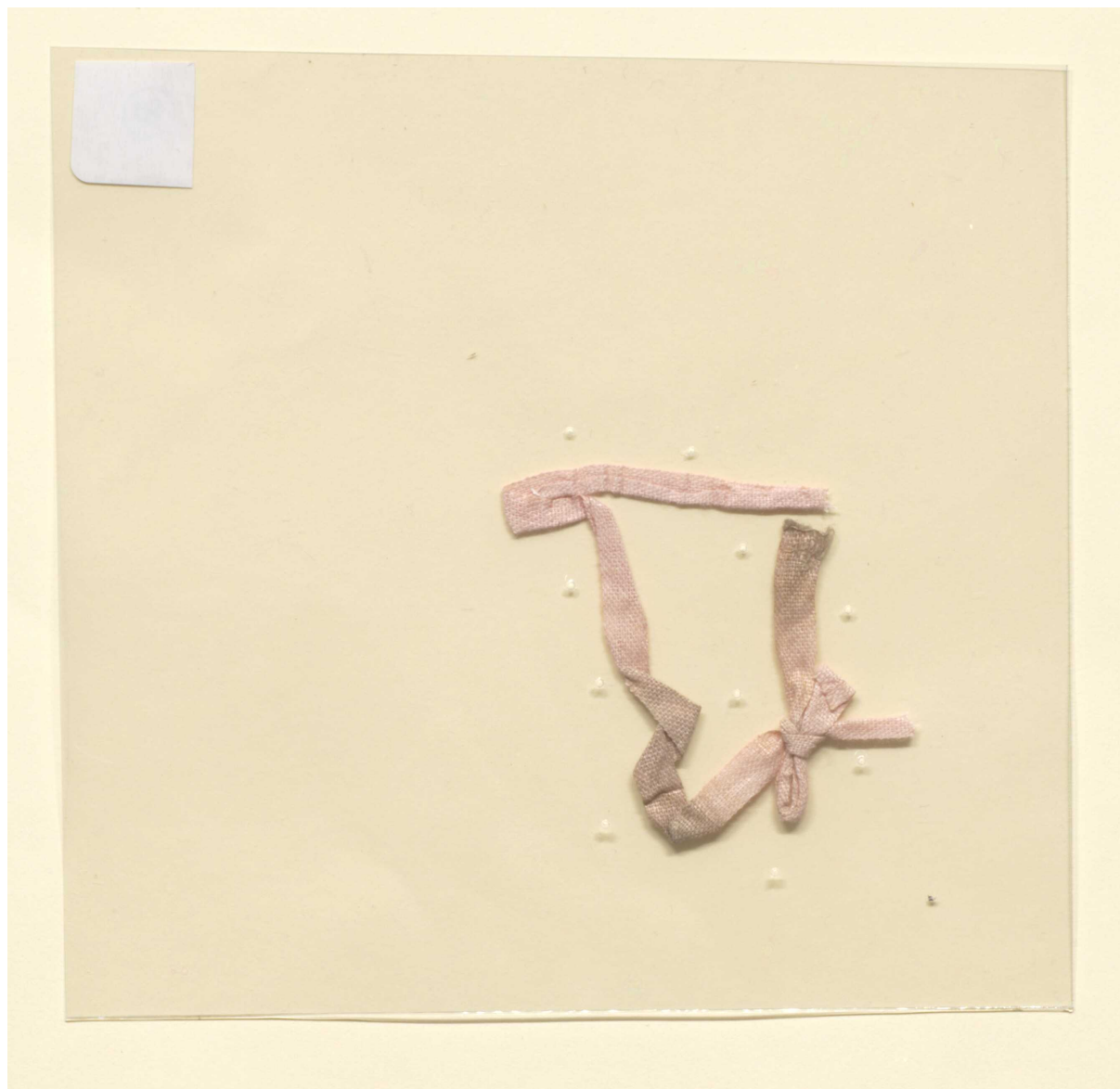
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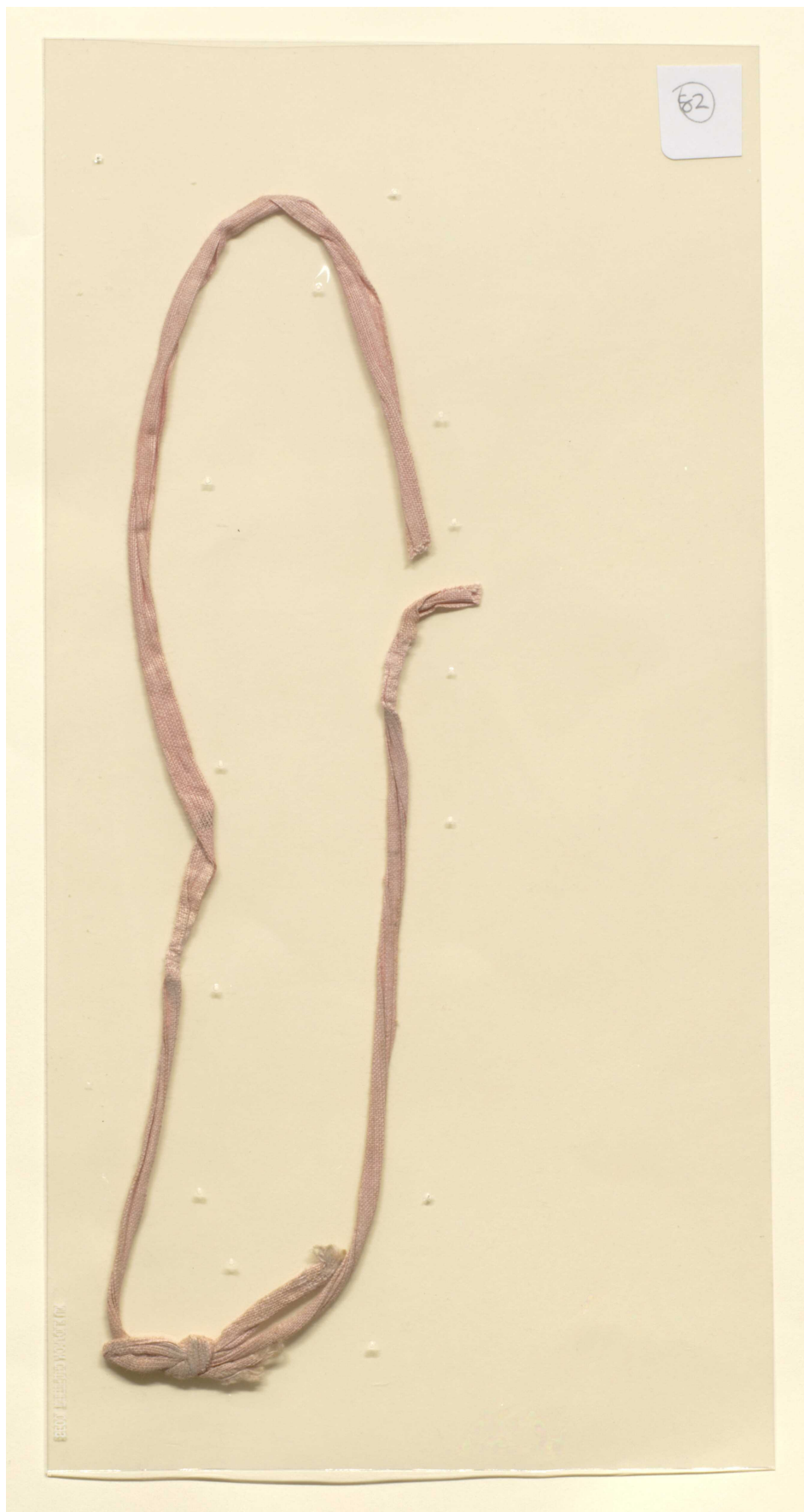
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