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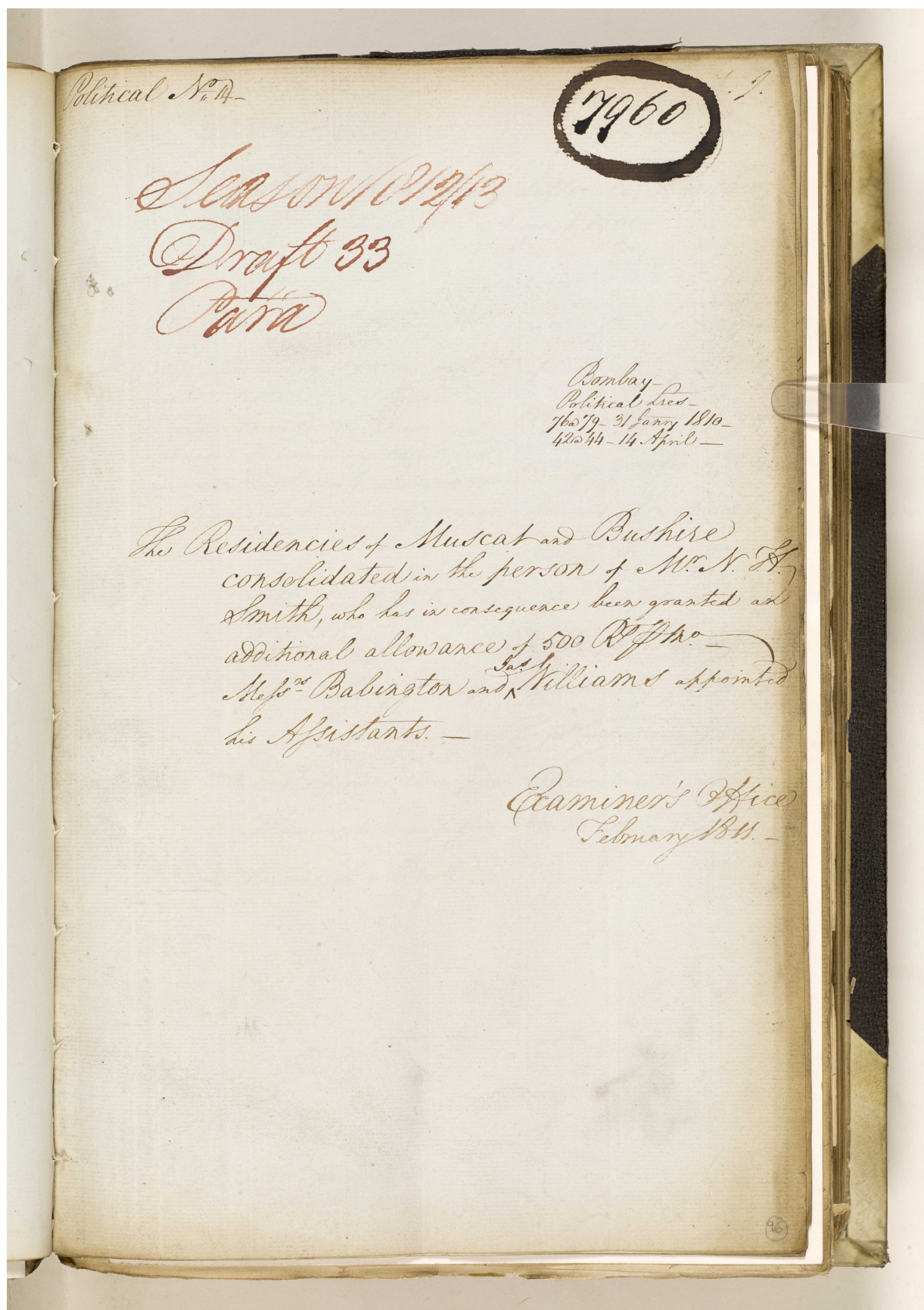
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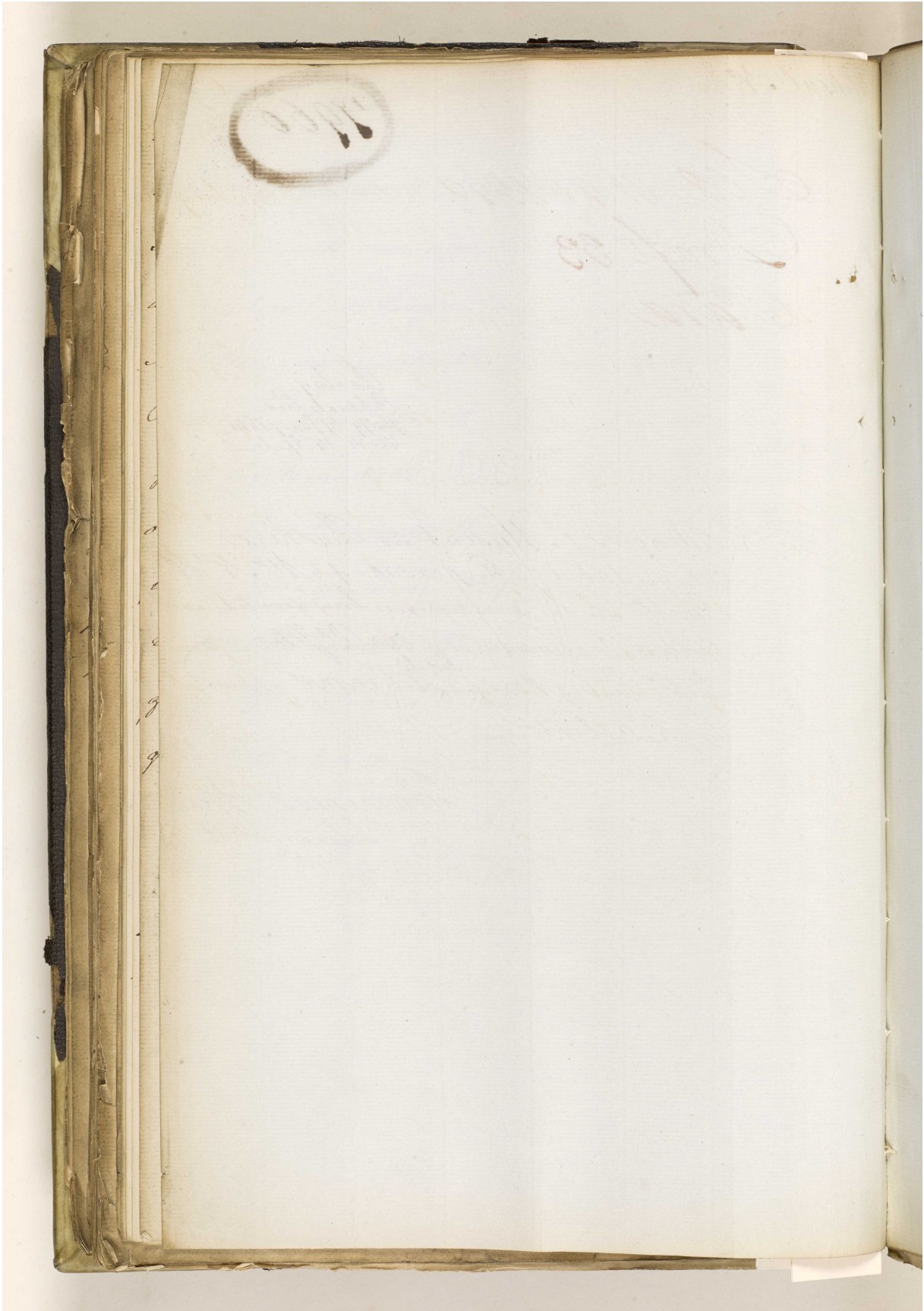
The main event discussed is the consolidation of the Political Residency at Muscat and the Commercial Residency at Bushire [Būshehr] in the person of Nicholas Hankey Smith following the death of the previous Resident at Muscat, William Chichely Bunce. Stephen Babington and James Williams have been appointed as his assistants, and the assistant to the Civil Auditor and the Deputy Accountant-General have provided the accounts of Muscat 1805-09. The proposed salaries and expenses for the new appointments are mentioned.

The title page of this item contains the following references: 'Political No. 14, Draft 33, Season 1812/3, Examiner's Office February 1811'.

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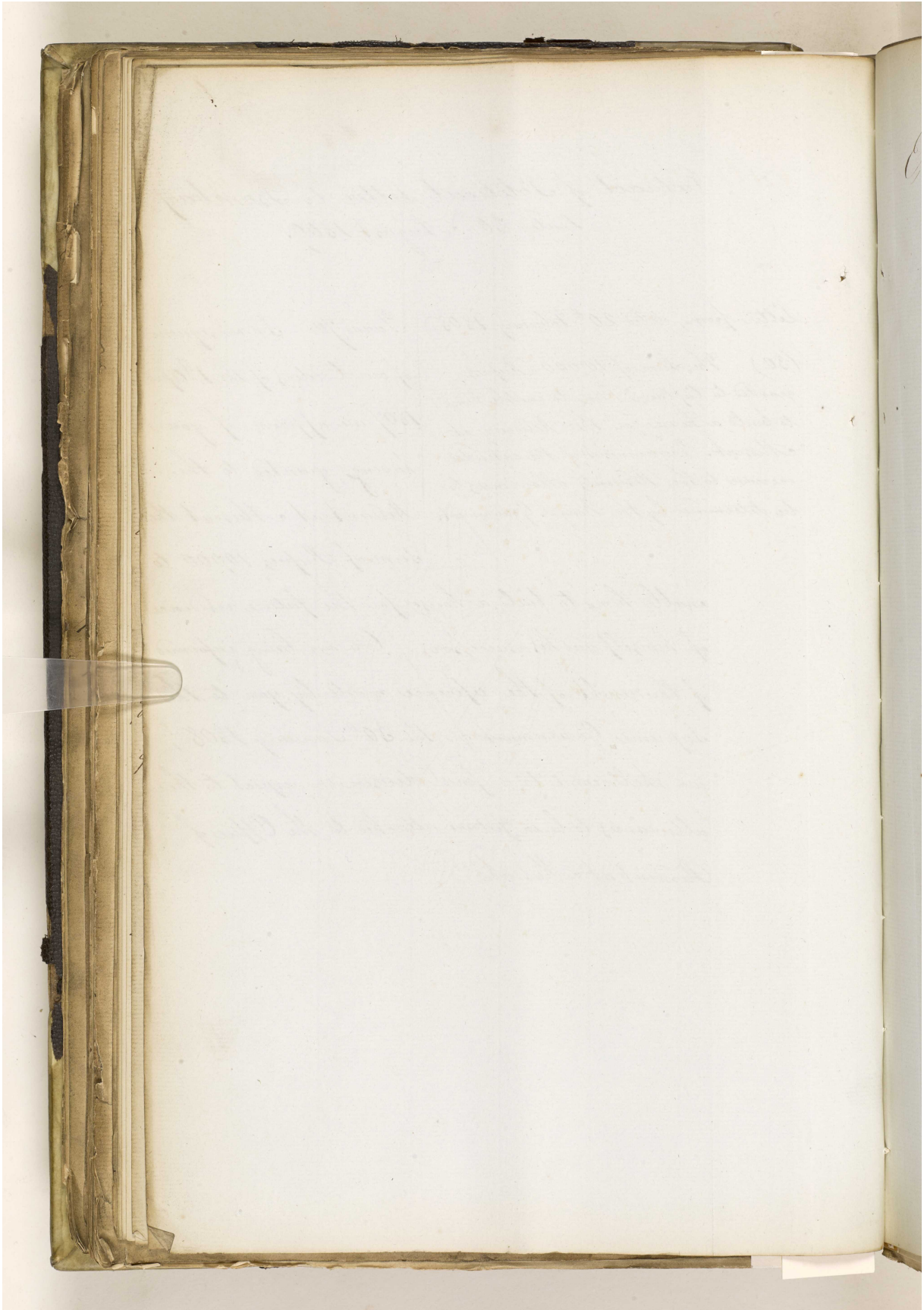


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Extract of Political Letter to Bombay,
Dated 30th August 1809.

Letter from, dated 20th February 1808.) Para^o 70. In consequence
(30.) The Sum of 10,000 Rupees of our Orders of the 1st April
granted to Captain Titor, to enable him 1807 we approve of your
to build a house for the Residency at having granted to the
Muscat. The amount of the intended Resident at Muscat the
increase to the Resident's allowances to be determined by the Bengal Government. Sum of Rupees 10,000 to
enable him to build a house for the future residence
of himself and his successors. On our being informed
of the result of the reference made by you to the
Supreme Government on the 30th January 1808,
we shall come to a final decision in respect to the
allowances to be in future attached to the Office of
Resident at Muscat.

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3
Extract Political Letter from Bombay
Dated 31st Janry 1810.

Para: 70. Since writing the above we have received the melancholy intelligence of the death of Mr Bunce in November last. This Gentleman being the third Resident who has fallen a victim to the insalubrity of Muscat within the short period of these two years, viz:

1st Lieut Watts of your Native Infantry, who died while acting as Resident in September 1808.

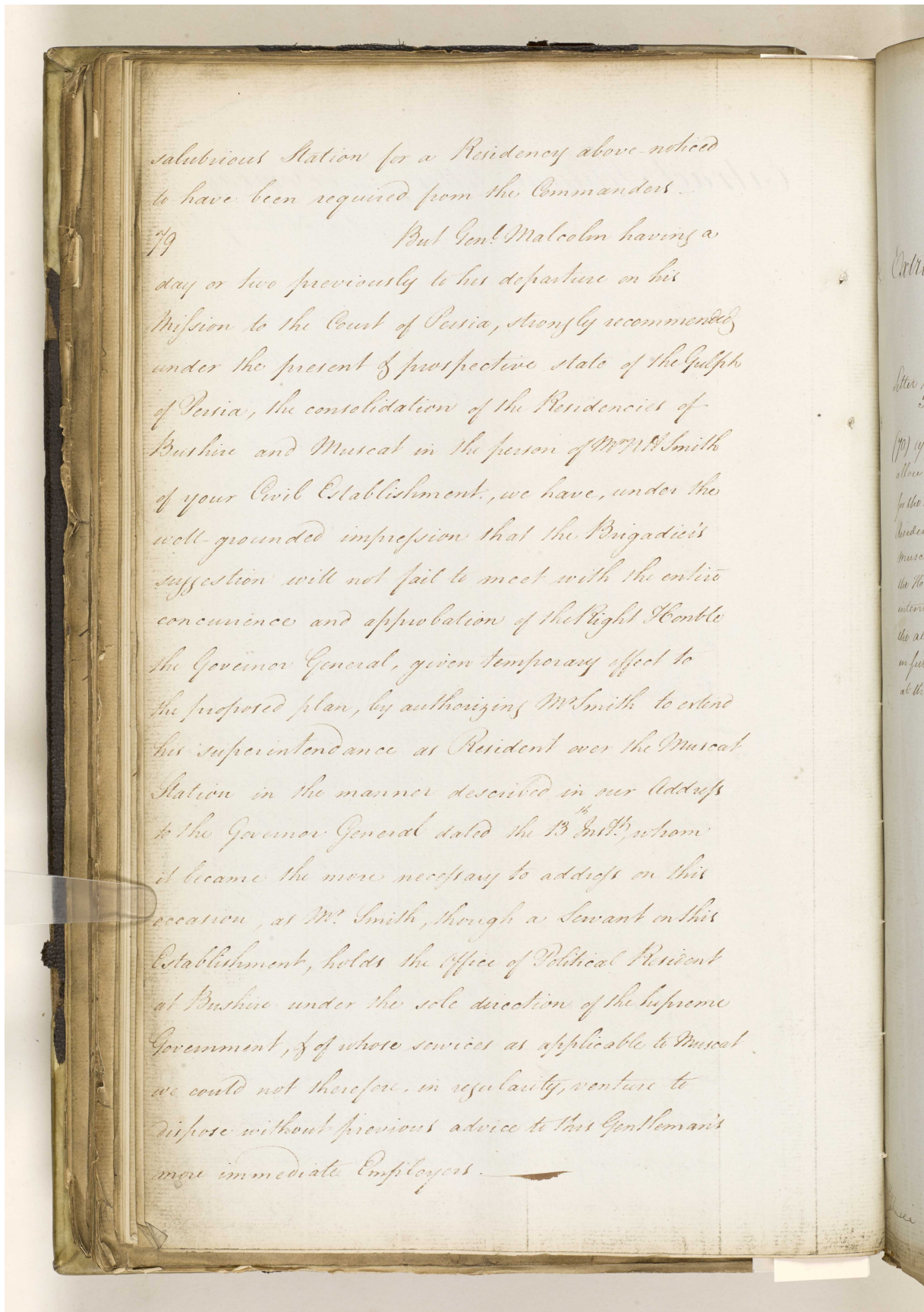
2^o Capt^m Seton, in July 1809, and

3^d Lastly Mr Bunce in December following.

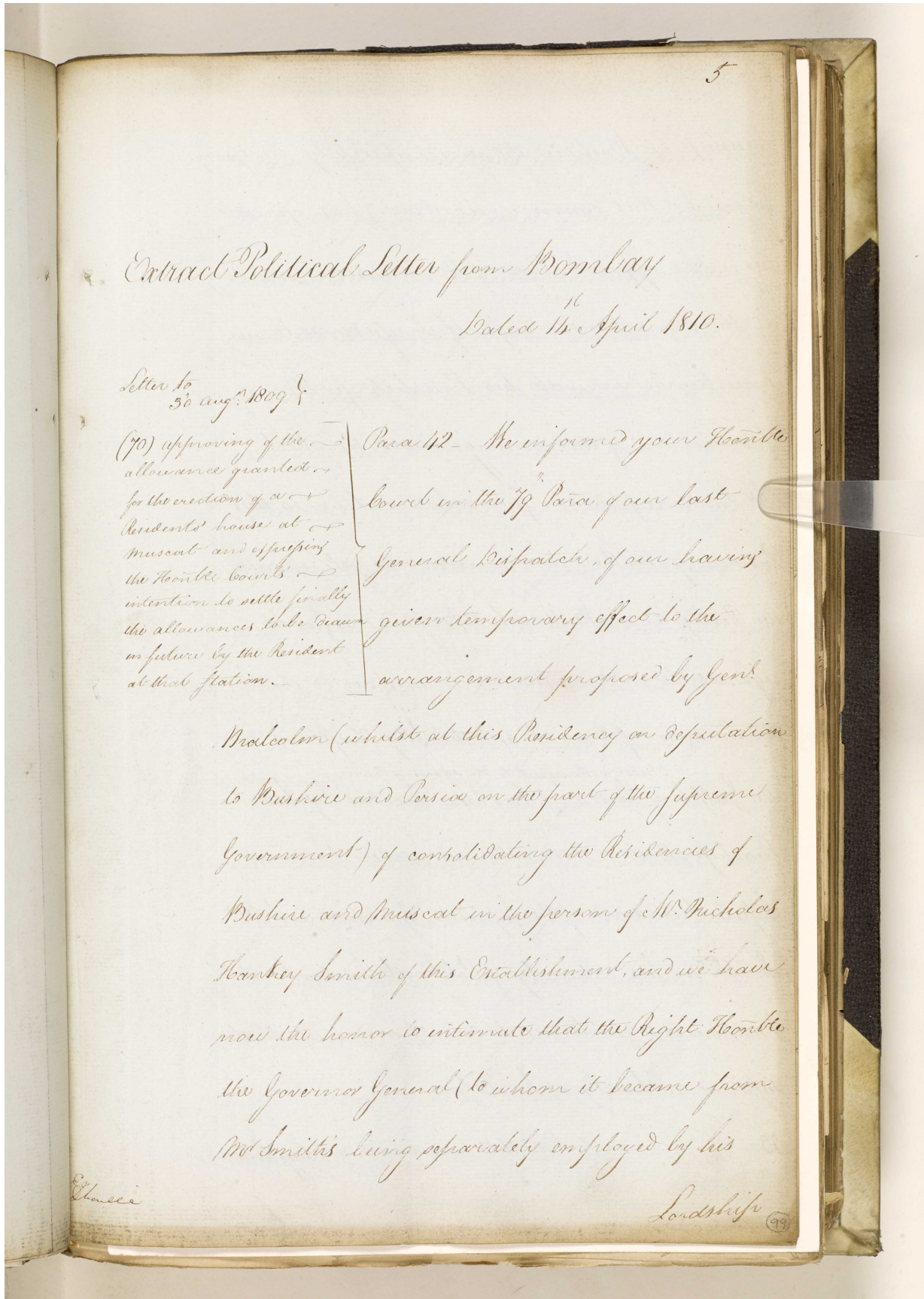
77 After the experience of such repeated instances of mortality from any continued sojourn at that Station, we could not but hesitate with respect to the appointment of a successor in the person of any British Subject, whose constitutions are too obviously unequal to withstand the baneful effects of that climate.

78 It was accordingly our intention as announced to the Supreme Government on the 3^d of this Month, to have deferred adopting any final arrangement for Muscat until the return of the Commandant with the information as to any more salubrious

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Extract Political Letter from Bombay

Dated 16th April 1810.

Letter to
30 Aug^r 1809 }

(70) approving of the allowance granted for the erection of a Residents' house at Muscat and expressing the Honble Council's intention to settle finally the allowances to be drawn in future by the Resident at that station.

Para 42 - We informed your Honble Council in the 7th Para of our last General Dispatch, of our having given temporary effect to the arrangement proposed by Genl

Madecolom (whilst at this Presidency on deputation to Bushire and Persia on the part of the Supreme Government) of consolidating the Residencies of Bushire and Muscat in the person of Mr. Nicholas Hankley Smith of this Establishment, and we have now the honor to intimate that the Right Honble the Governor General (to whom it became from Mr Smith's being separately employed by his

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Lordship at Bushire, the more especially necessary to make this communication) has expressed his entire approbation of the measure, making at the same time a respectful reference to our correspondence with his Lordship for the particulars of this arrangement, by which Mr. Smith is placed in full subordination to this Presidency (in the same manner as yet remain, the Residents at Busporah & Bagdad) as far as regards the intercourse to be maintained with the Imams of Muscat and the Petty Chieftains in the Gulf of Persia, ^{whilst with respect to the affairs of Persia} it has been decided by his Lordship, that as these latter are under the direct Superintendance of the Supreme Government, Mr. Smith in his capacity of Political Resident at Bushire is to continue to correspond with that superior authority as heretofore.

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On this occasion, we beg leave

to

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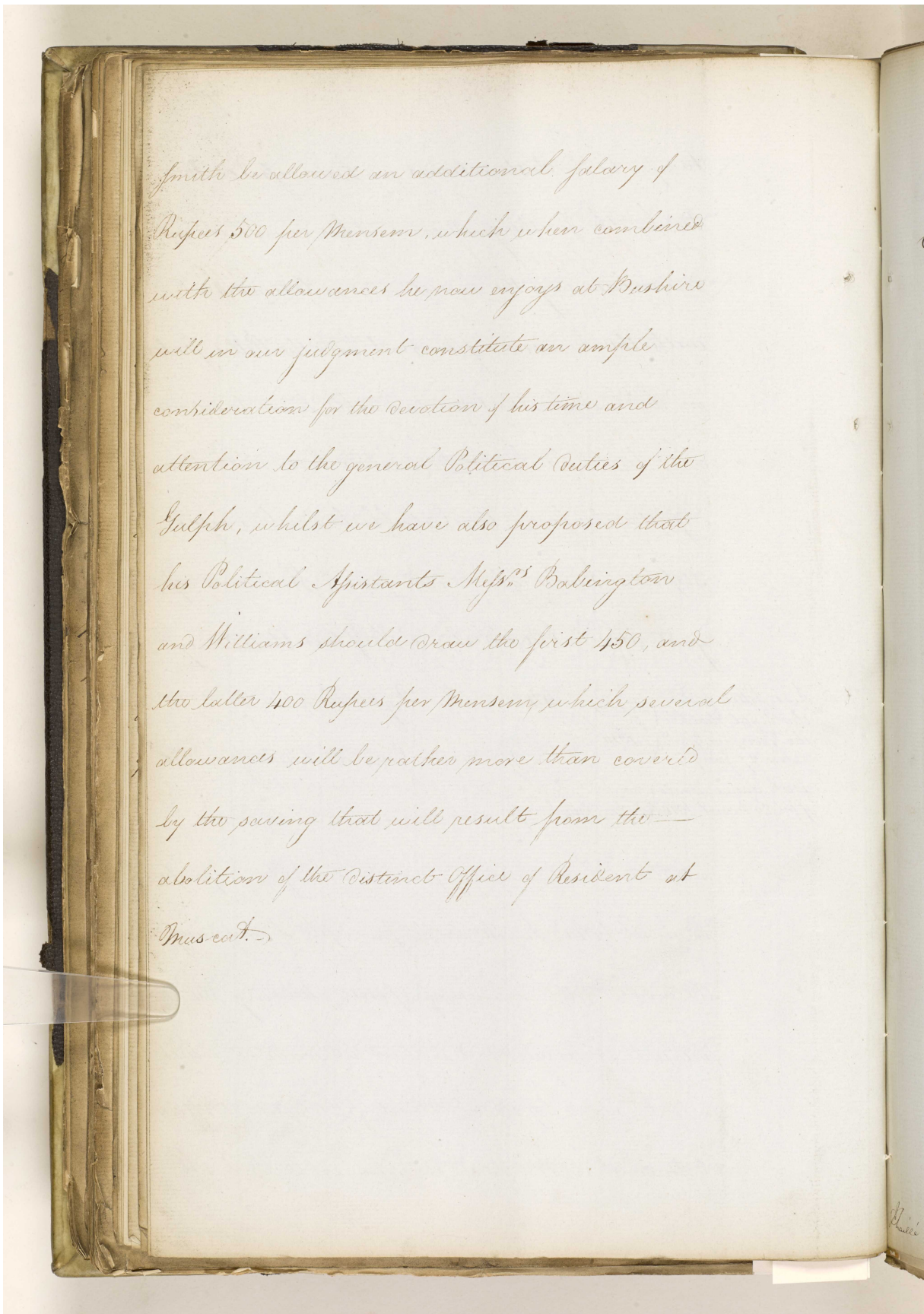
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to refer to the Instructions we have issued to Mr. Smith for the guidance of his conduct in maintaining the accustomed intercourse with the Soveigns of Muscat and the Petty States in the Gulph, the latter to enable him to carry on which we have furnished him with two Assistants from this Establishment, Messrs Stephen Babington and James Williams of your Civil Establishment of this Presidency.

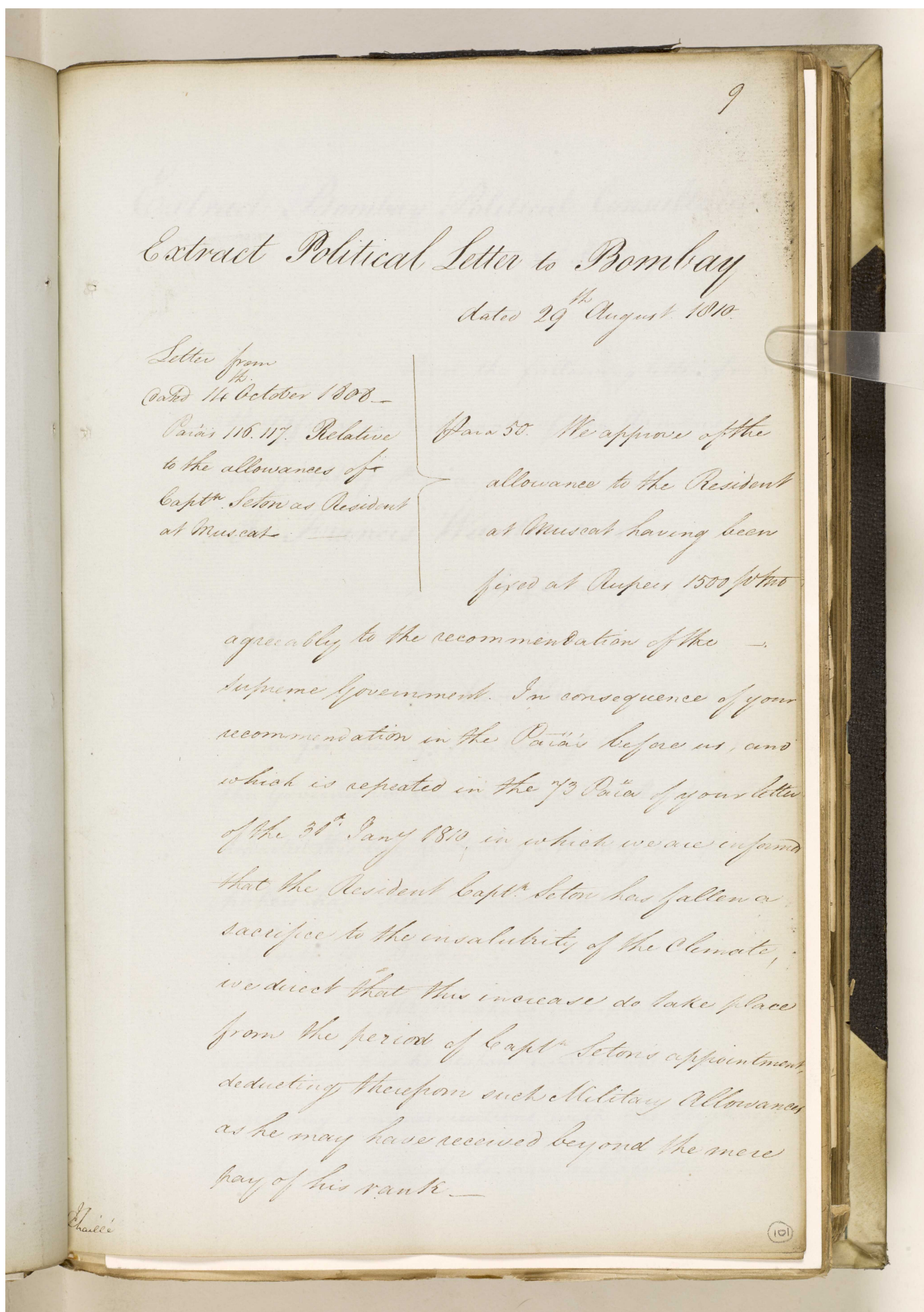
This Letter from the Right Honorable the Governor Genl. dated 27 Janry. 1810. Pl. cons. 2 March 1810. 44. — The Right Honorable the Governor General having called for our opinion relative to the additional allowance of which it might be proper to grant to Mr. Smith on the principle of confining the whole of the increase of expense attending the present arrangement within the amount which will be saved by the abolition of the District Office at Muscat. We have recommended that Mr.

Smith
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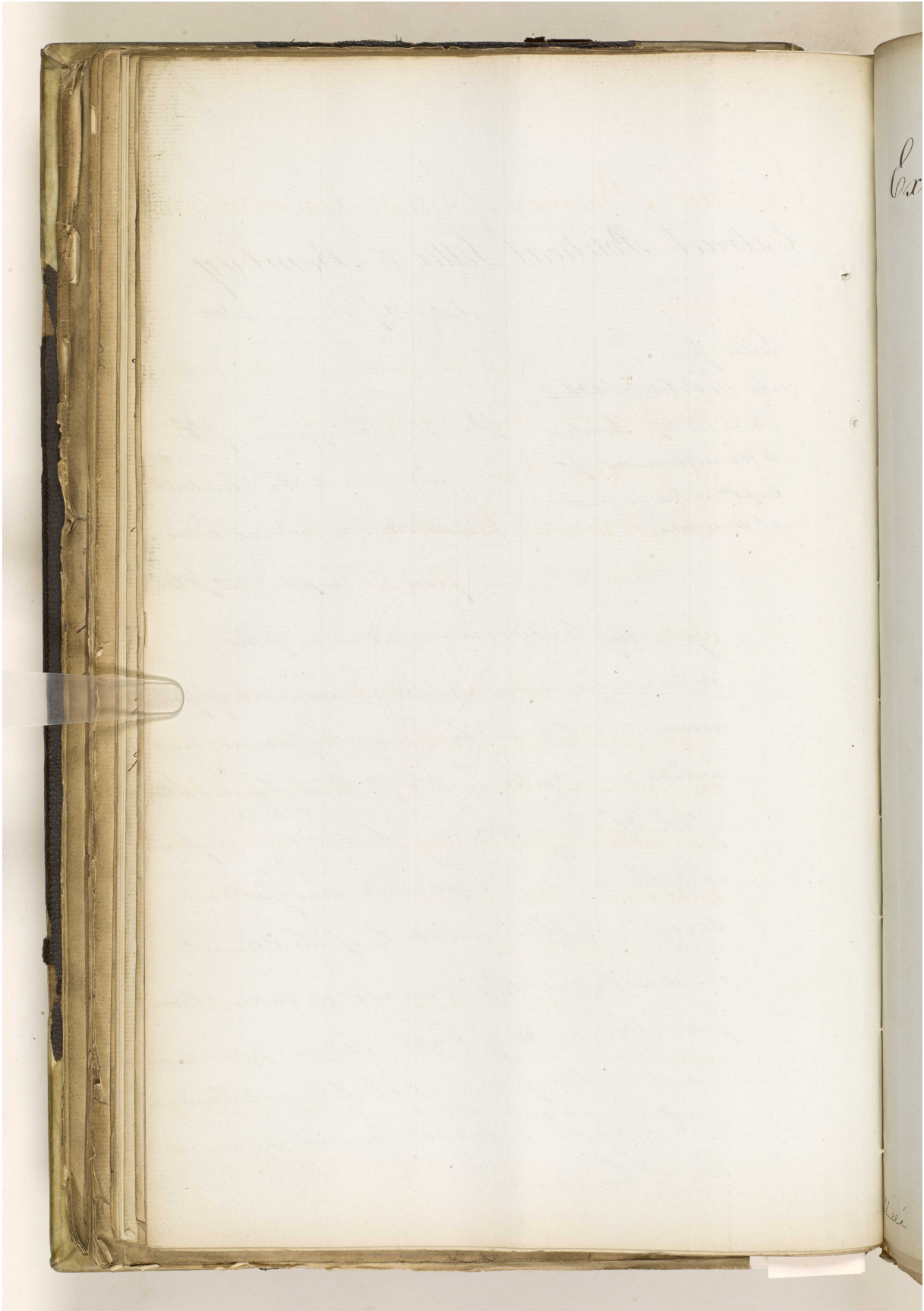
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Extract Bombay Political Consultations

3rd January 1810.

*Read the following letter from
the Officers in Command of the Armament in
the Gulph of Persia.*

To Francis Warden Esq^r.

Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

*We have the honor to acquaint
you for the information of the Honorable
the Governor in Council that Mr. Resident Bunce
departed this life yesterday Morning, his public
papers have been secured and left sealed
up with the Broker.*

*Mr. Henshaw interpreter to the
expedition has heretofore carried on our
necessary communications with His Highness
the Imaum much to our satisfaction, and*

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we beg to express a wish that pending this service, no Resident might be appointed from Bombay, which might possibly interrupt that easy and satisfactory system of intercourse now established. -

We take this opportunity of stating our perfect approbation with Mr. Henshaw's conduct in all his duties. -

We have &c.

(Signed) J. Wainwright

H. M. S. La. Chiffonne Captain in the Royal Navy

Muscat Roads (Signed) J. Smith

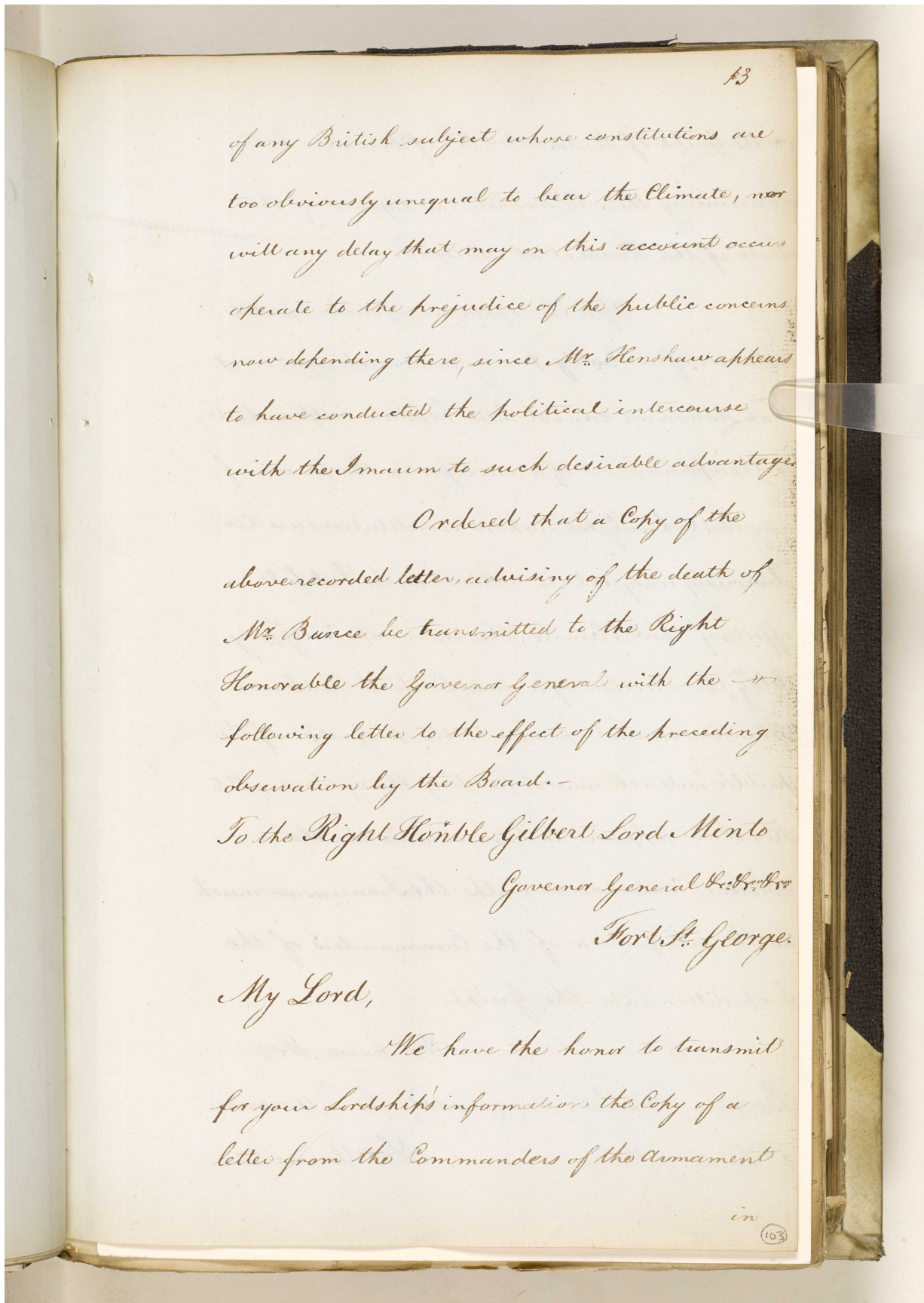
18th December 1809. - Lieutenant Colonel. -

The Board feel much concern at the Melancholy intelligence of the death of Mr. Bounce. -

After the experience of such repeated instances of mortality from any continued residence at Muscat, the Board must hesitate with respect to the appointment of a successor in the person

of

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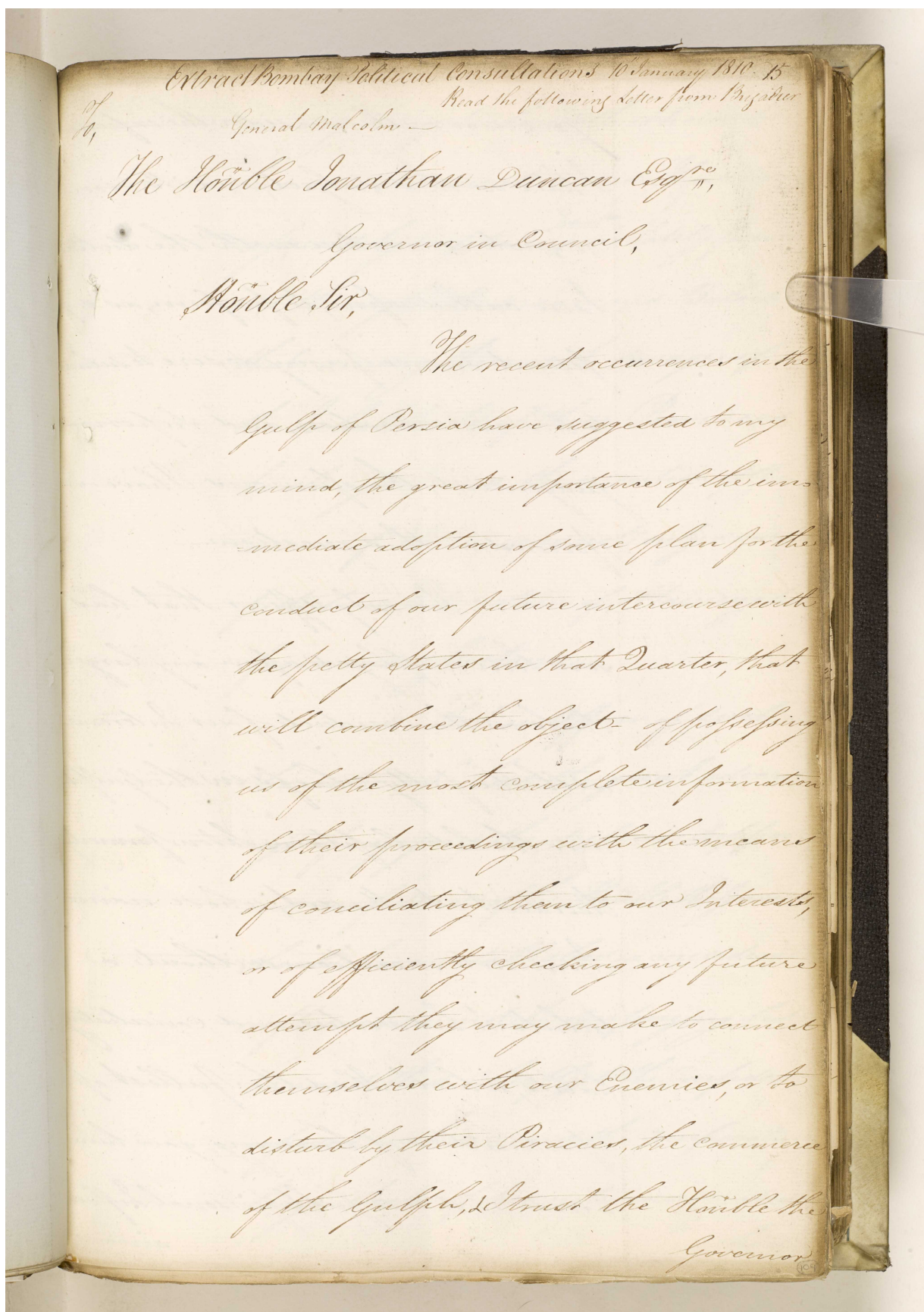
in the Gulph of Persia dated 18th of December last,
announcing the Melancholy intelligence of the
death of the Resident at Muscat. -

After the experience of such repeated
instances of mortality from any continued sojourn at
that station we cannot but hesitate with respect
to the appointment of a successor in the person of
any British subject, whose constitutions are too
obviously unequal to withstand the baleful
effects of that Climate, the more especially ^{as} any
delay ⁱⁿ the selection of a successor to so heinous a
situation cannot operate to the prejudice of the
public interest now depending there, since Mr.
Henshaw appears to have conducted the
Political intercourse with the Imaum so much
to the satisfaction of the Commanders of the
Expedition into the Gulph

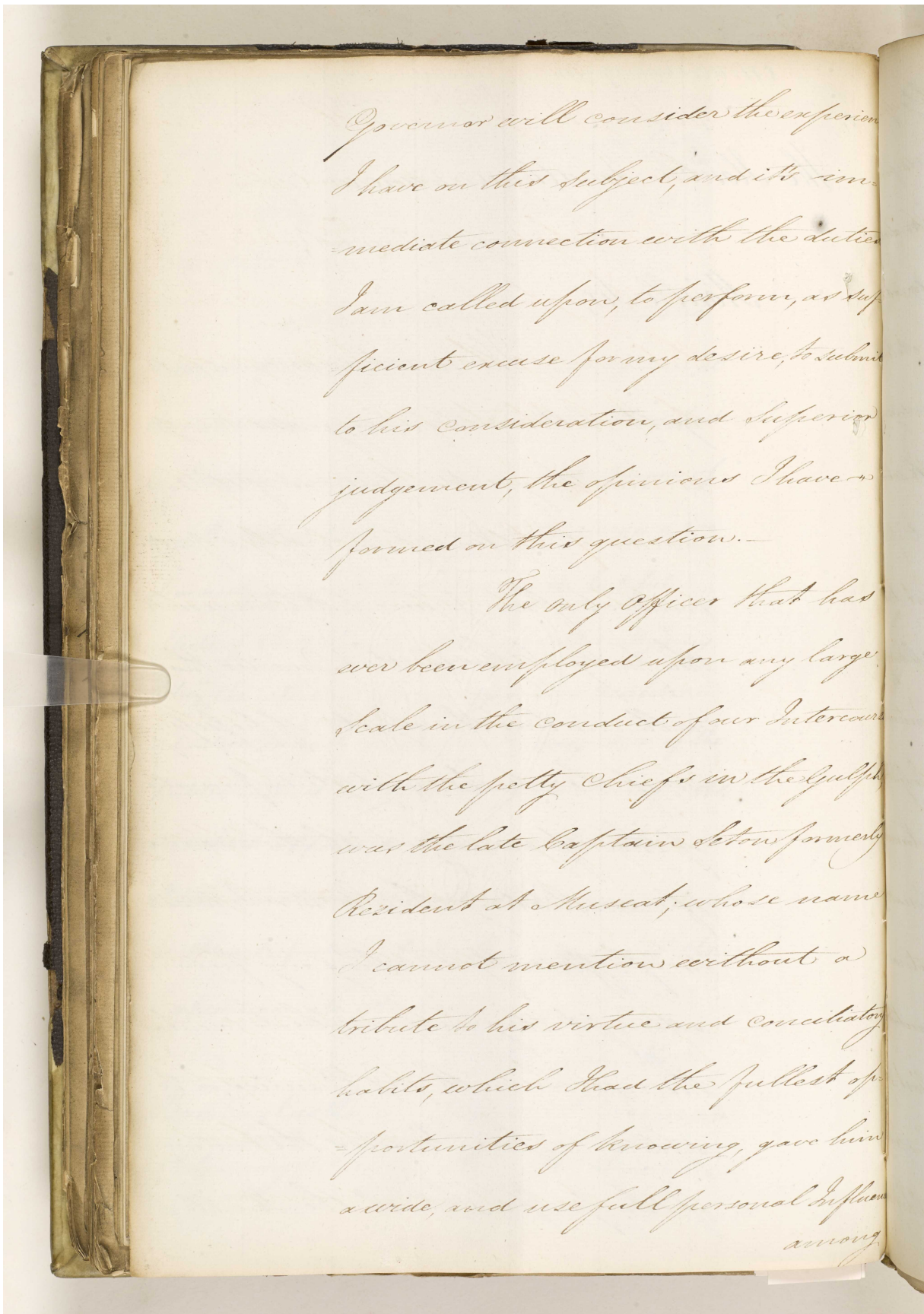
Bombay Castle
3rd January 1810. -

We have &c
(Signed) J. Duncan
&c Council. -

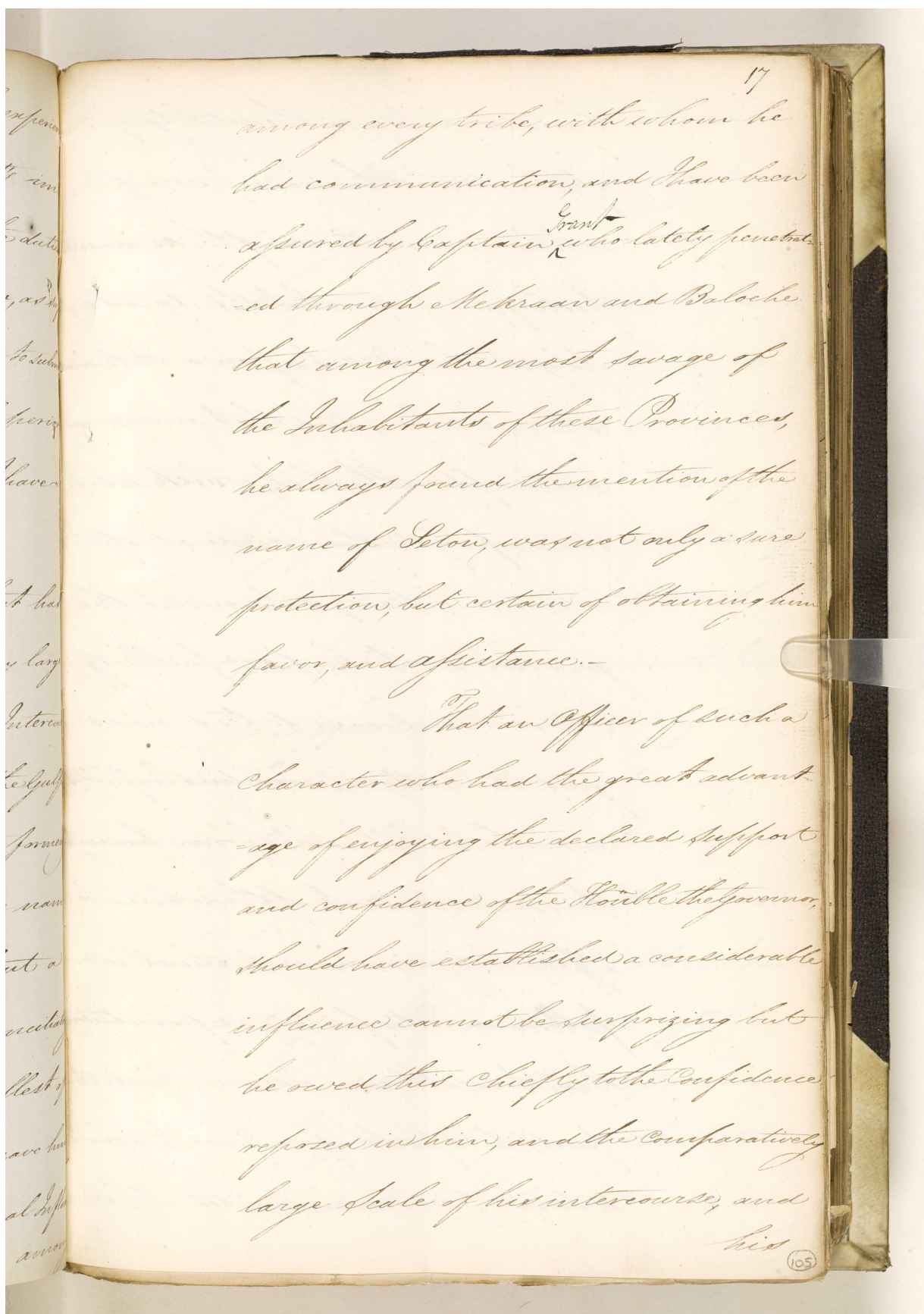
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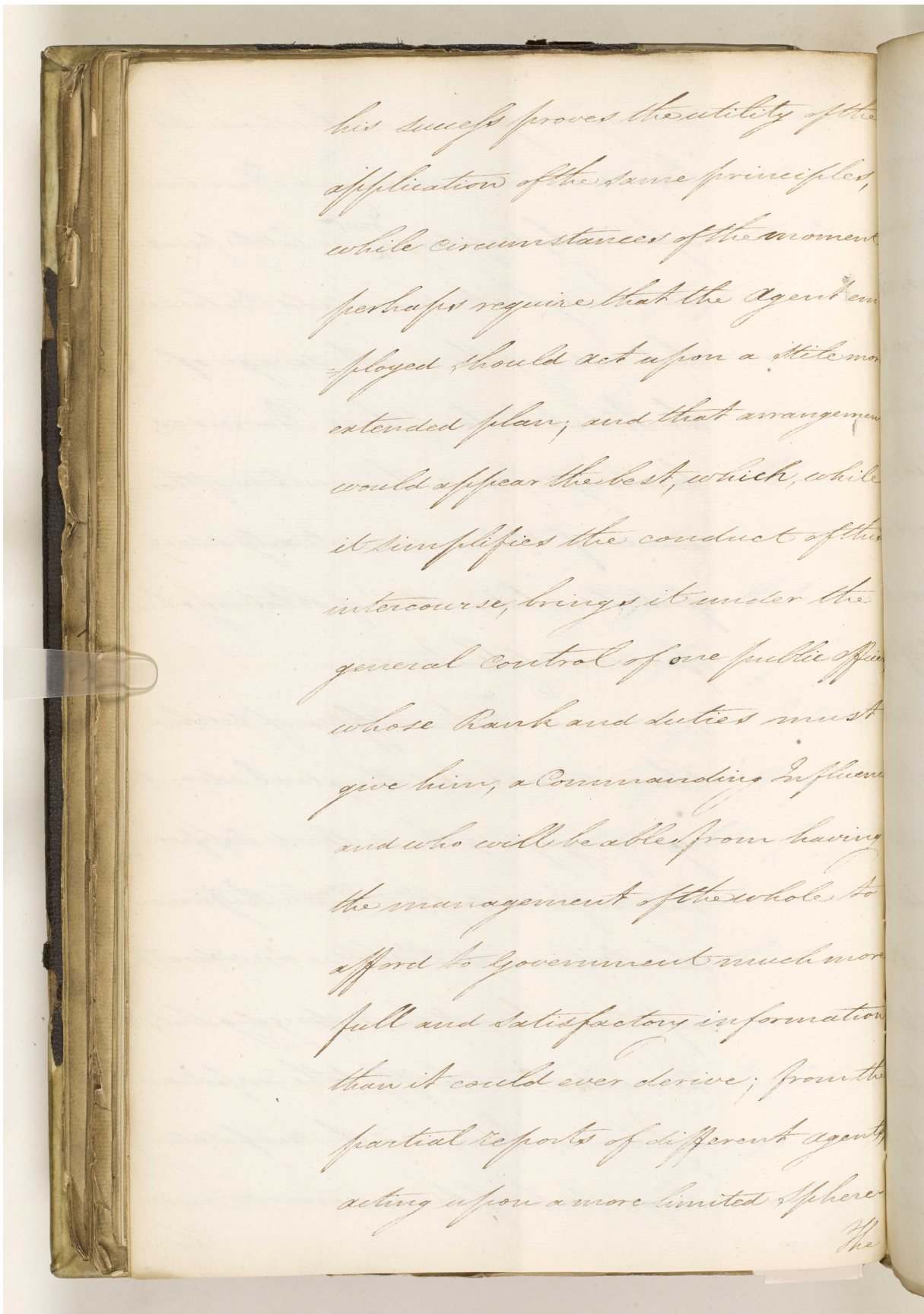
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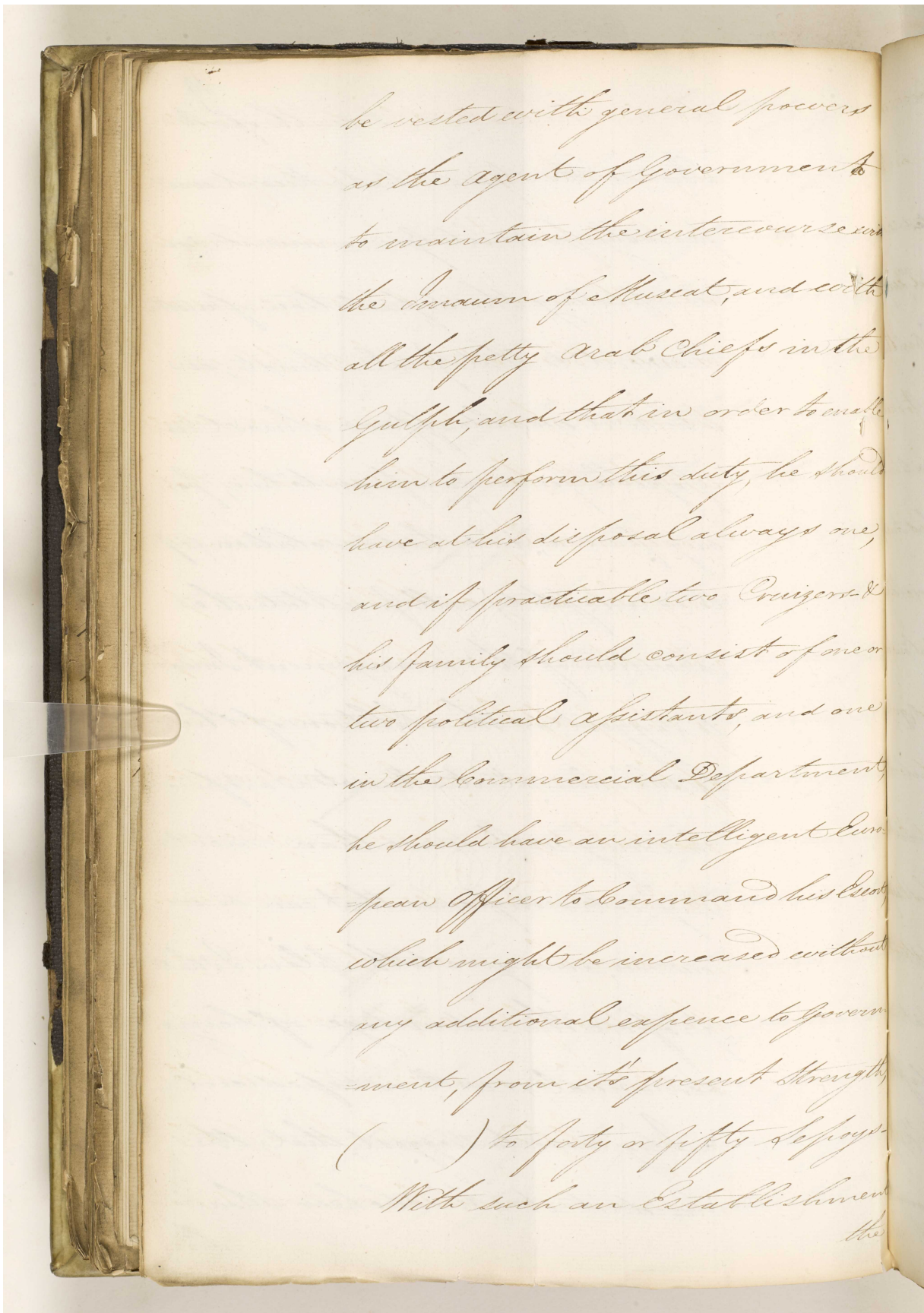
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The recent death of Mr
 Bence the Resident at Muscat will
 probably prevent Government con-
 templating the despatch of another
 Resident to that fatal Climate, in
 which it would appear almost im-
 possible for an European to live, for
 any period, and this resolution (if
 it is adopted) will facilitate the
 execution of the arrangement I mean
 to suggest, as the abolition of the
 Establishment at Muscat as a separate
 Residency will more than meet
 any extra Expence that can be in-
 curred, and give to the plan I shall
 propose the advantage of being
 economical, as well as Expedient.
 I beg leave to suggest, that the
 Resident at Bushcheer should be

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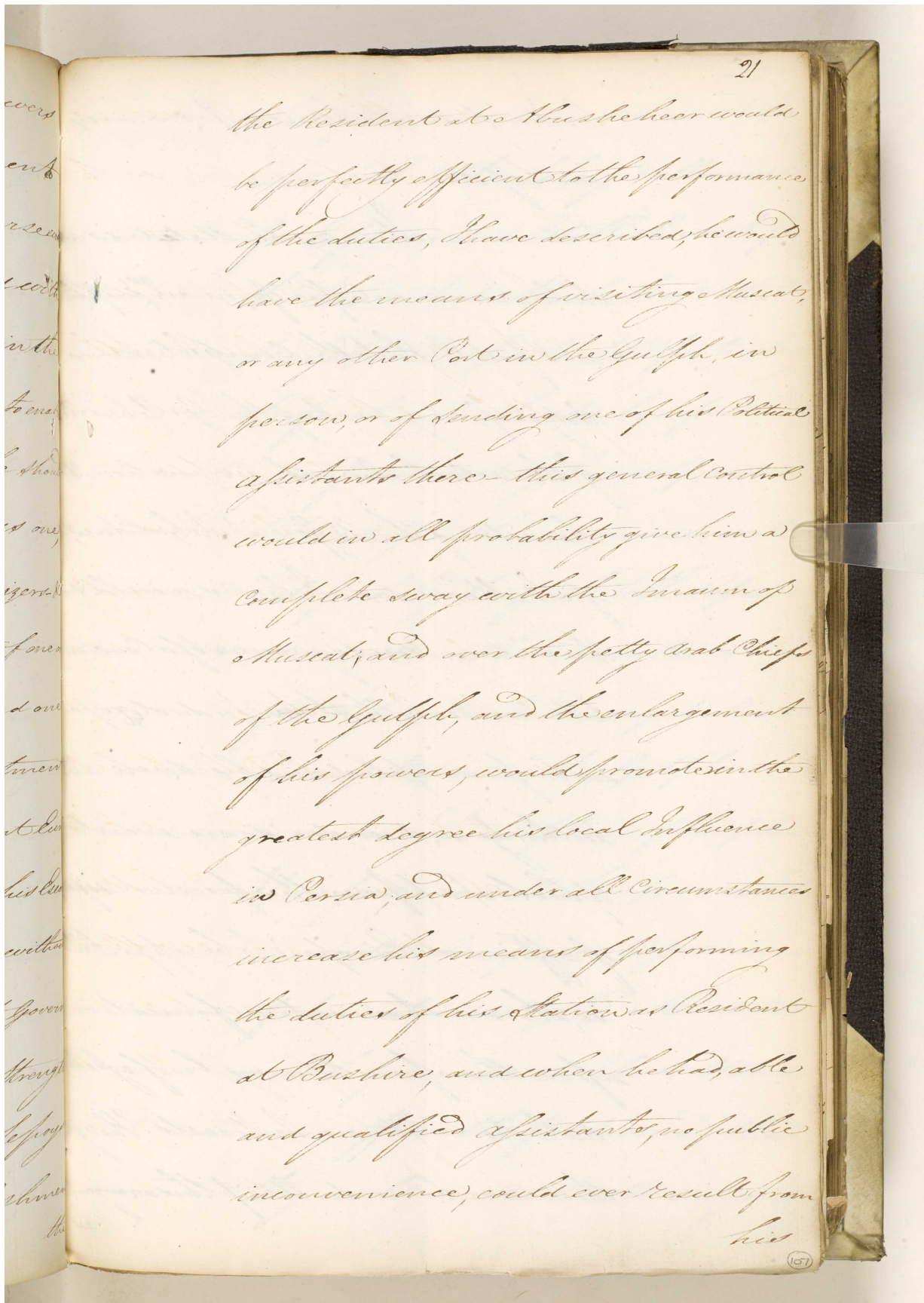
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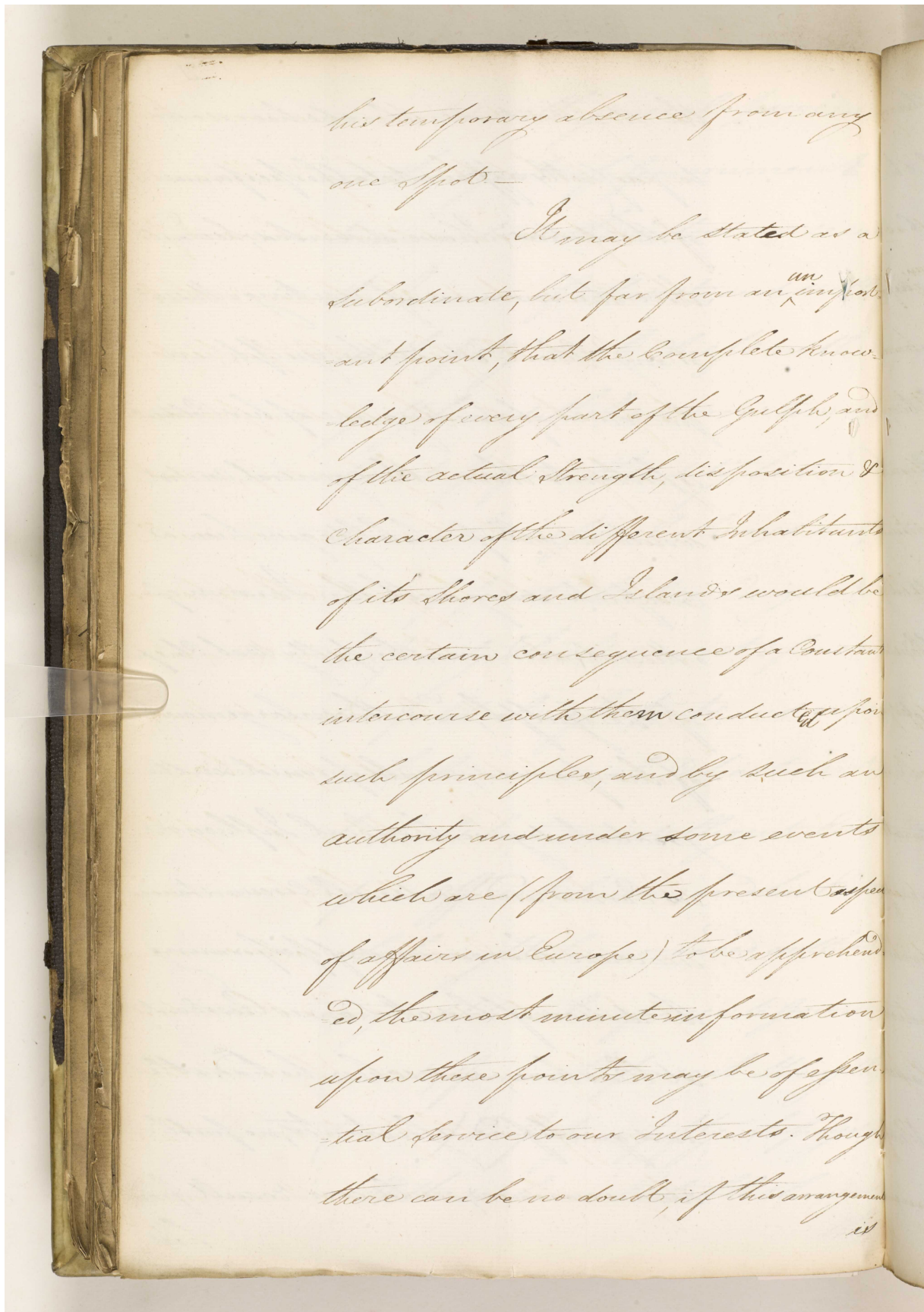


be vested with general powers
as the agent of Government
to maintain the intercourse with
the Imam of Muscat, and with
all the petty Arab Chiefs in the
Gulph, and that in order to enable
him to perform this duty, he should
have at his disposal always one,
and if practicable two Cruizers, &
his family should consist of one or
two political assistants, and one
in the Commercial Department,
he should have an intelligent Euro-
pean officer to command his vessels,
which might be increased without
any additional expence to Govern-
ment, from its present strength
() to forty or fifty sepoys.
With such an Establishment
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is adopted, some increase must be made, both to the Salary & allowance for Expences and Establishment for the Resident at Bushcheer & that his Political Assistants & particularly the first, who should be a person qualified to act by himself, must be liberal, yet this increase, will not probably be equal to the Expences attendant on the maintenance of a separate Residency at Muscat or at any station in the Gulph.

The adoption of the plan I have proposed will therefore occasion no additional expence to Government if it is not a saving, and the duties will be from causes I have stated more efficiently performed than they could under any other arrangement.

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In situations like the one
^{much must depend}
suggested, on the Character of the
person first employed that of Mr.
Smith, the Resident at Bushire
is perfectly known to this Govern-
ment, and the high approbation
which the exertions of this able and
honorable public Servant has recently
received from the supreme authority
of India, makes it impossible he
can derive any additional Credit
from my inadequate testimony to
his merits, but it is connected with
the purpose of this Letter, to declare my
conviction that he is beyond every
other man in India, the one most
qualified for the accomplishment
of all the views Government can
have in making this arrangement

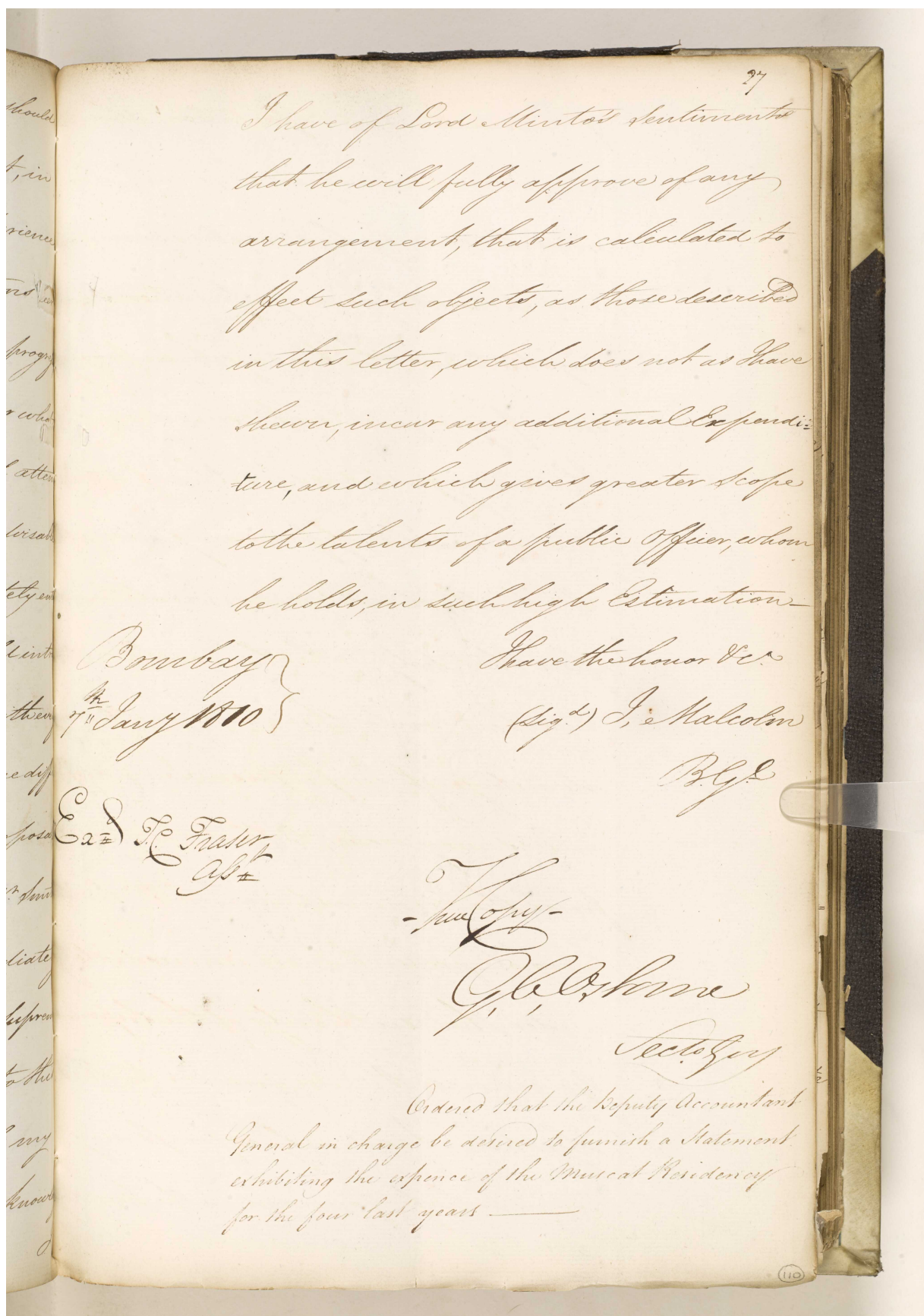
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as his temper, judgement, great local
experience and knowledge of the
language, habits and manners of those
with whom he has to treat, gives him
advantages, that no other person possesses,
and under every emergency which
I can anticipate from the unpromising
state of affairs, in Europe, Turkey &
Persia, I should look with confidence
to the great eventual aid which the
public interest would receive from
Mr. Smith's exertions if placed in
this station. - Whether Govern-
ment proposes that the Expedition
now in the Gulf should extend
its operations, or return, after enter-
ing into amicable agreements with
the Pirate Chiefs - It would seem alike
necessary that some political agent
of

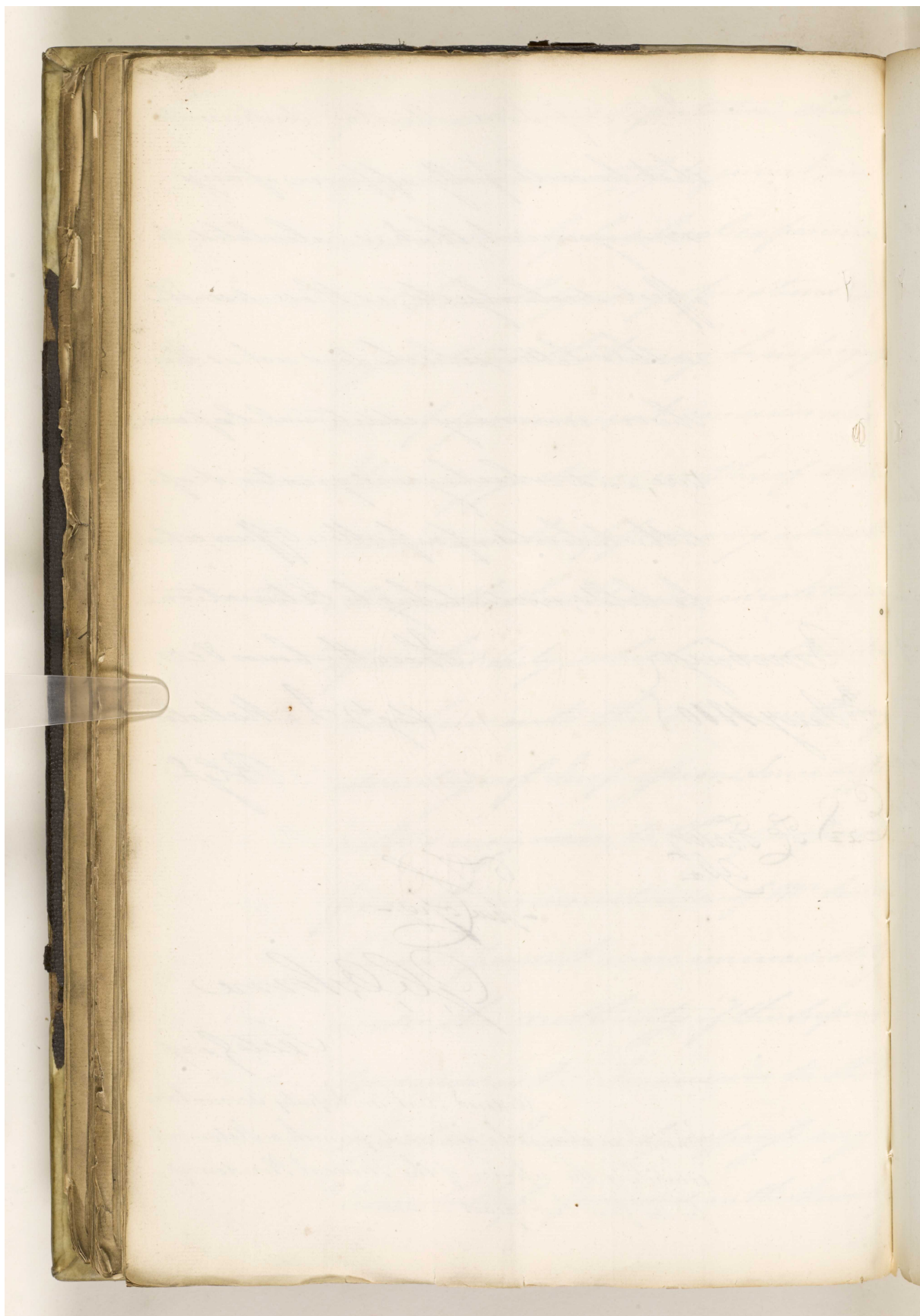
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of Character and Reputation, should
be sent immediately to join it, in
order to aid, by his local experience
and knowledge any operations & other
negotiations that may be in progress
and if Government consider what
I have suggested as worthy of atten-
tion, it would appear very advisable
Mr. Smith should immediately enter
upon this duty, which would intro-
duce him into the scene, with every
advantage of Impression. Some diffi-
culties may occur, to this proposal
from the circumstance of Mr. Smith
being at present more immediately
under the authority of the Supreme
Government: In answer to this
objection, I can only express my
firm belief, founded on the knowledge
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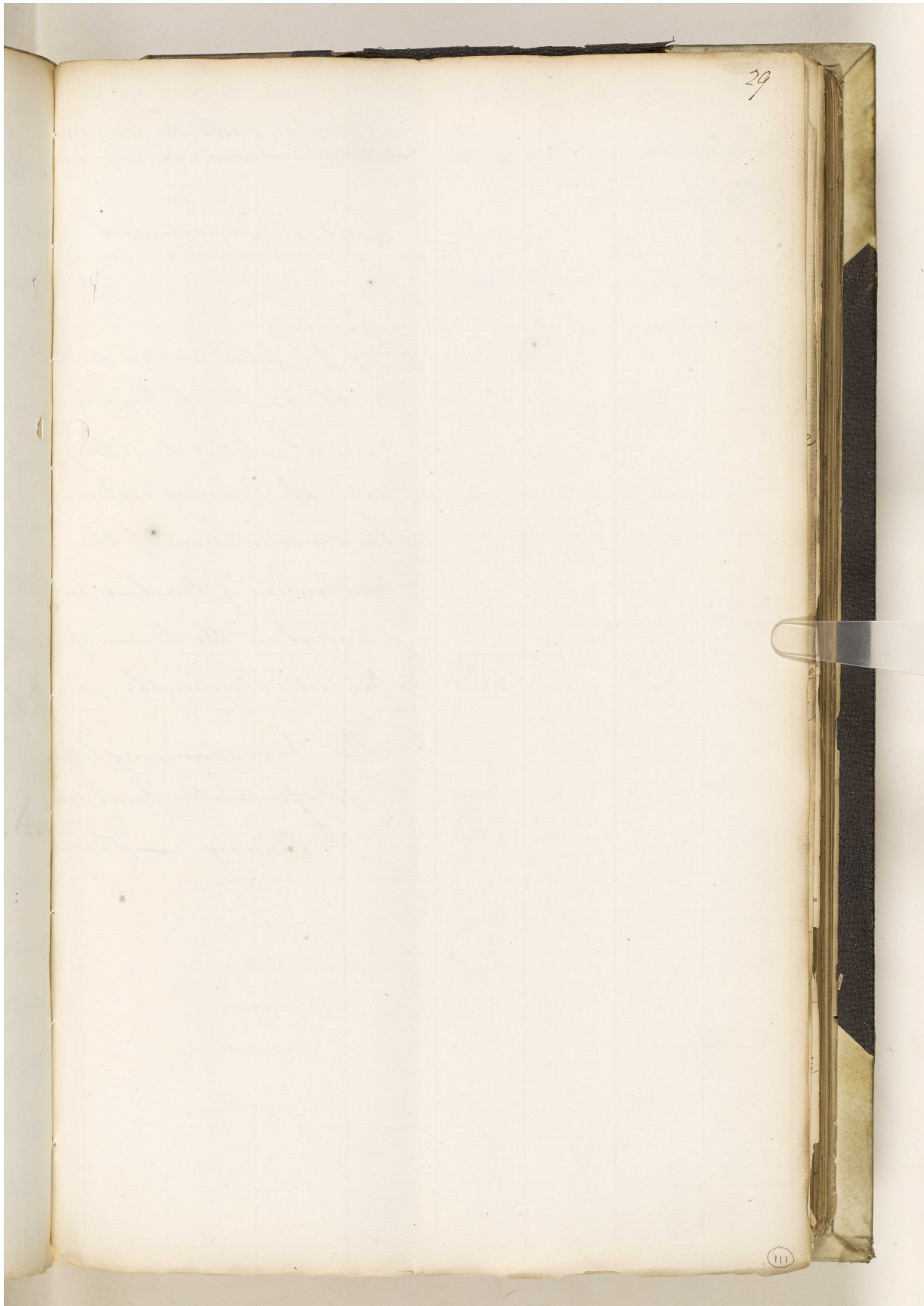
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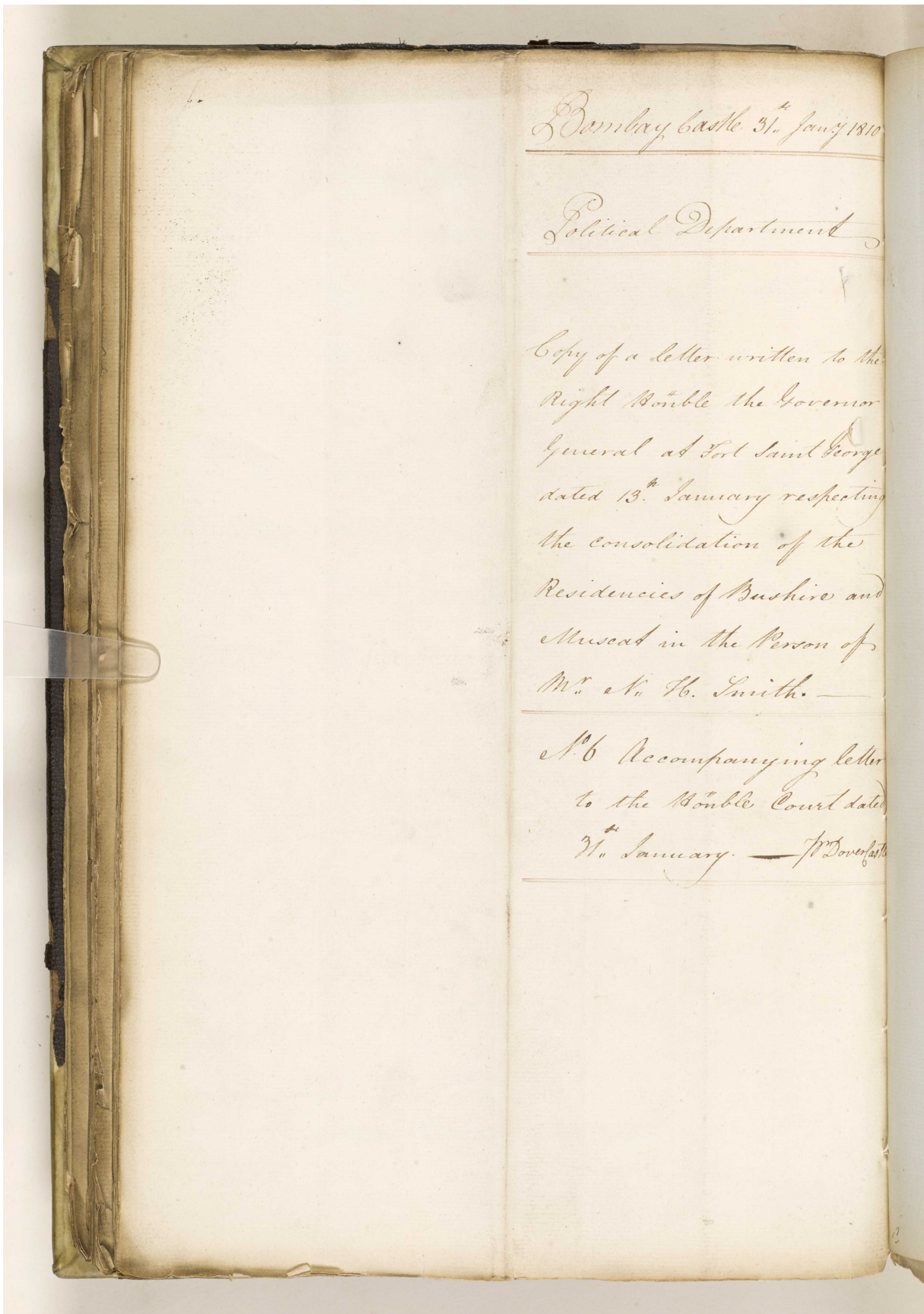
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31
Extract. Bombay Political Consultations
13th January 1810

Read the following Letter from
the Deputy Accountant General in charge with enclosure
Francis Warden Esq.
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the 8th Instth and to enclose
the Statement, therein required of the expences
appertaining to the Muscat Residency for the last
four years, you will be pleased at the same time to
obey to the Honourable the Governor in Council, that
Captain Selan's Accounts for the last year, were not
transmitted by him, to a later period than Nov^r: 1808
so that the accompanying Document does not contain
any contingent Charges that might have been incurred
by him from that date till April following. The expences
of his various foreign Missions, not properly coming
under the description of Residency Charges have
consequently not been included in the enclosed.

I have &c.
Signed J. Rayer
Deputy Ac^t Gen^l in charge

Bombay Castle
Acct Gen^l Office
12th January 1810.

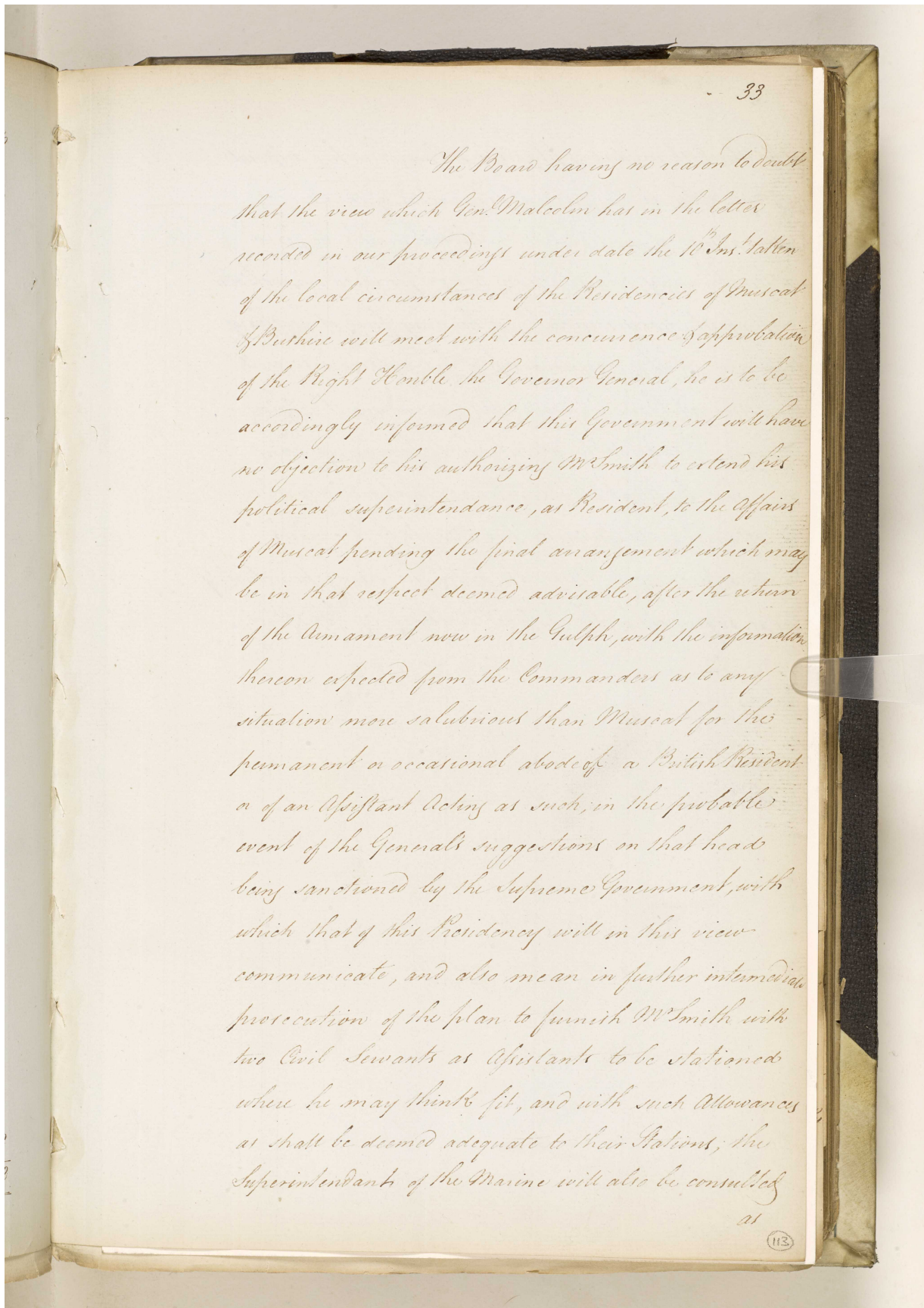
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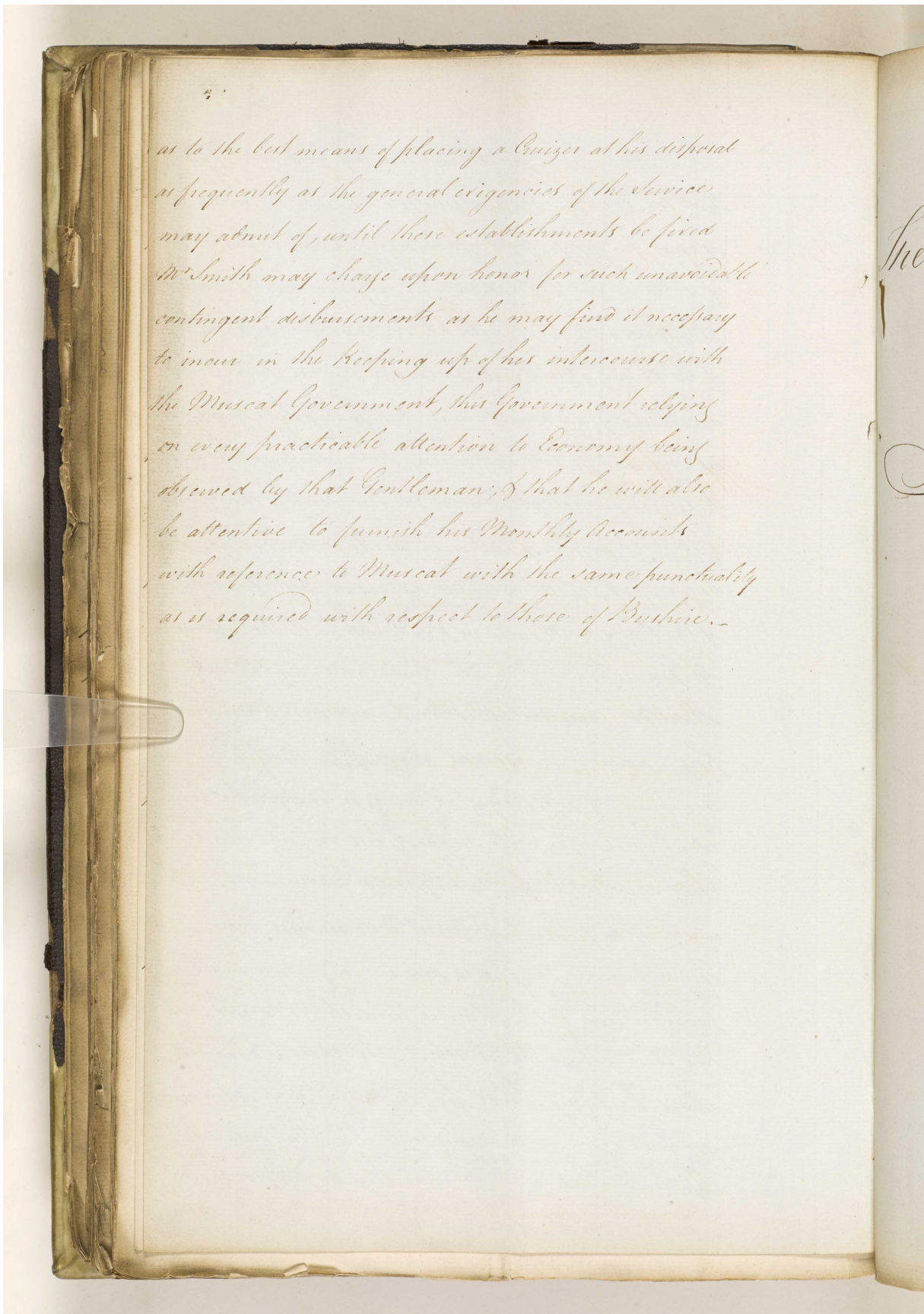
Statement of Residency Charges at Muscat for 1805/6 to 1808/9

1805/6	Allowance to the Resident from 1 st May to 30 th April 1806 @ 670 Rupees p ^r mensem	8070	"	"	
	House Repairs	129	3	40	
	Relief to Crew of the Summer	42	"	"	
	Brokers Allowance	1200	"	"	9411 3 40
1806/7	Allowance to the Resident from 1 st May 1806 to 30 th April 1807 @ 670 R ^r p ^r m ^e	8070	"	"	
	Brokers Allowance	1200	"	"	9240 " "
1807/8	Allowance to the Resident from 1 st May 1807 to 28 th Feb ^r 1808 @ 670 R ^r p ^r m ^e	6700	"	"	
	Kitto for March and April 1808 @ 1670 Rupees p ^r Month	3340	"	"	
	Brokers Allowance	1200	"	"	11240 " "
1808/9	Allowance to the Resident from 1 st May 1808 to 30 th Nov ^r 1808 as fixed from the Residency	11600	"	"	
	Assistants' Allowance from 15 th April to 31 st Aug ^t 1808 @ 400 R ^r p ^r m ^e	1800	"	"	
1808/9	Contingent Exp ^{ts} Charges by Mr Watts	3546	1	92	
	Brokers Allowance paid at the Residency	1200	"	"	
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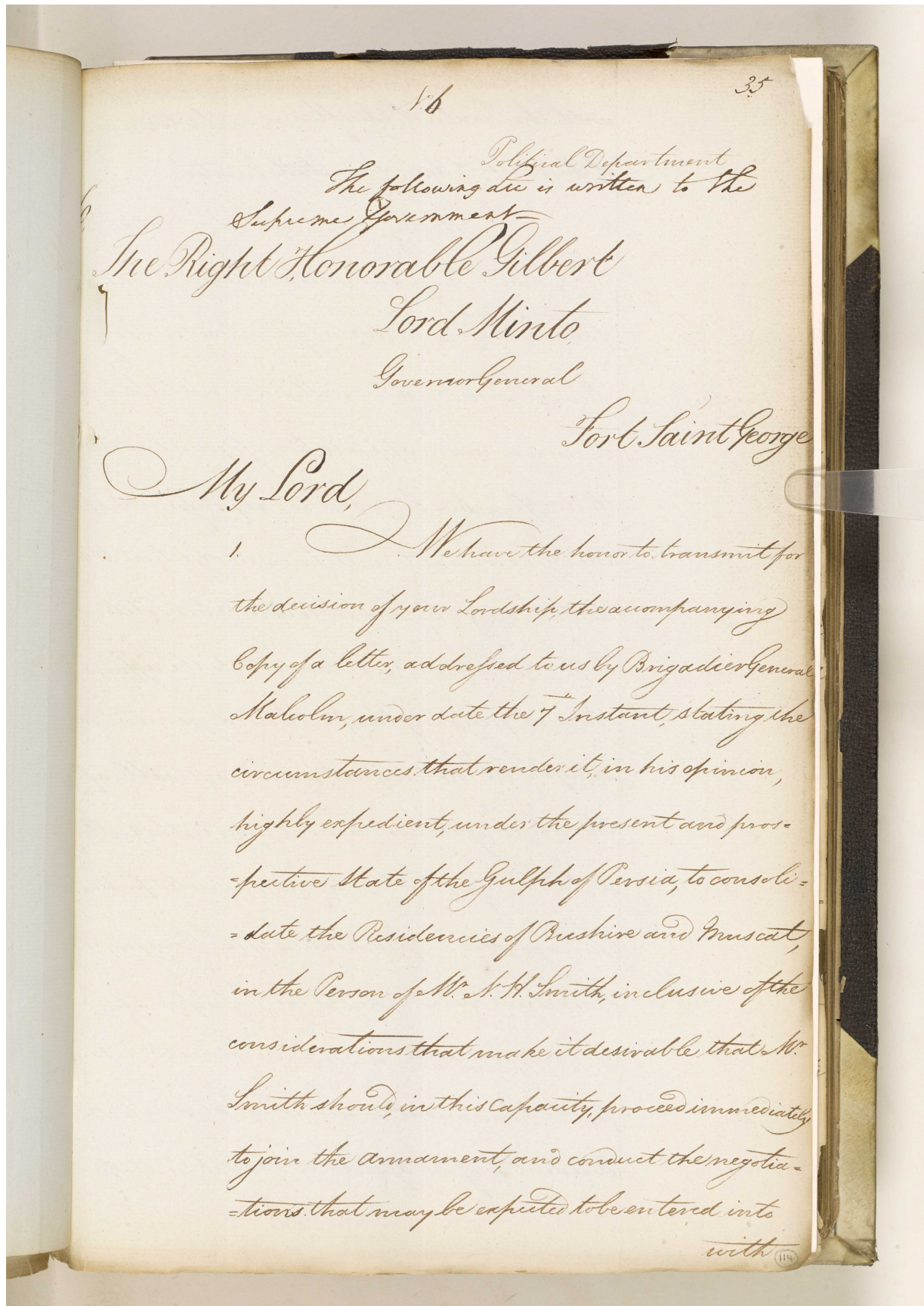
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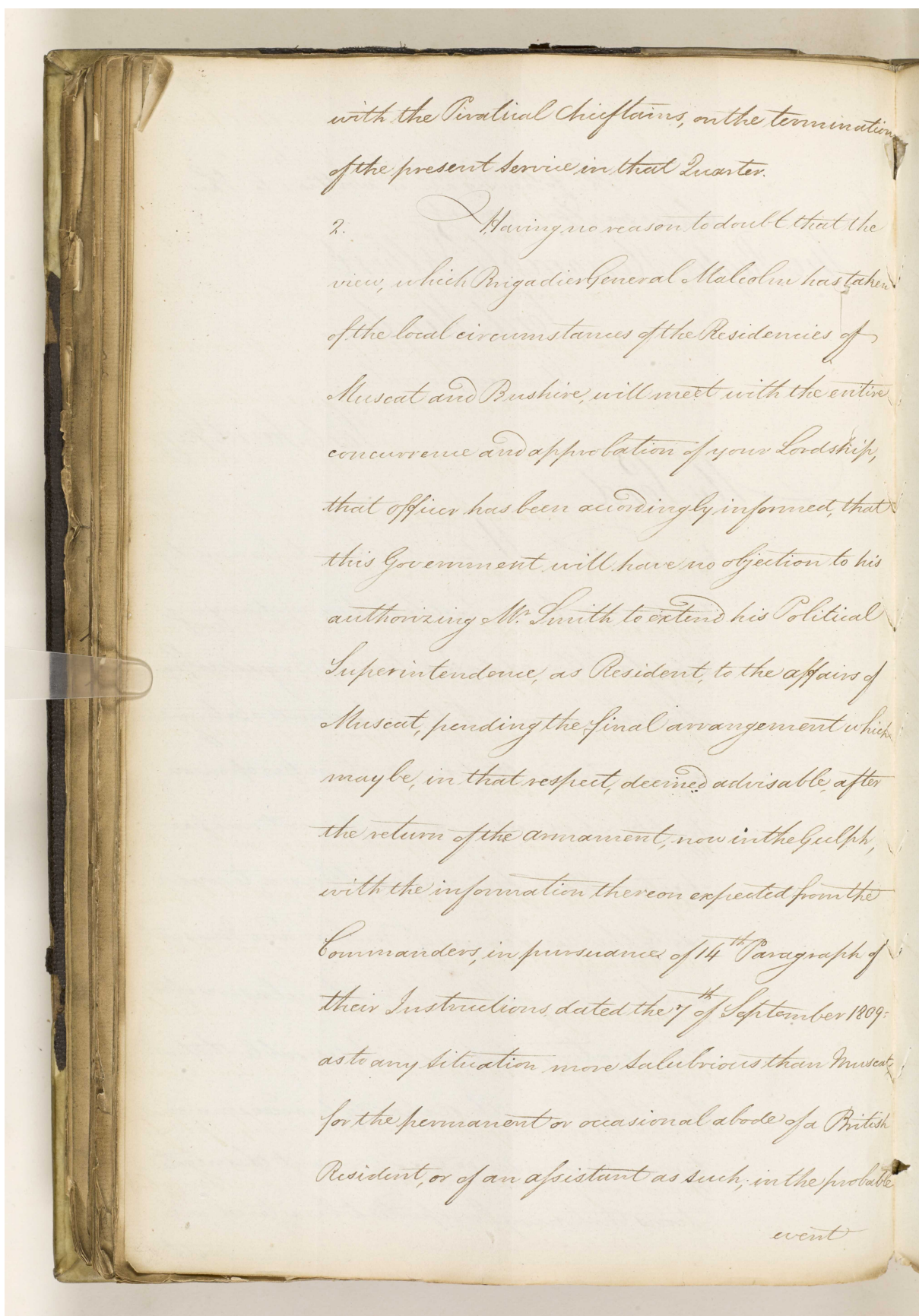
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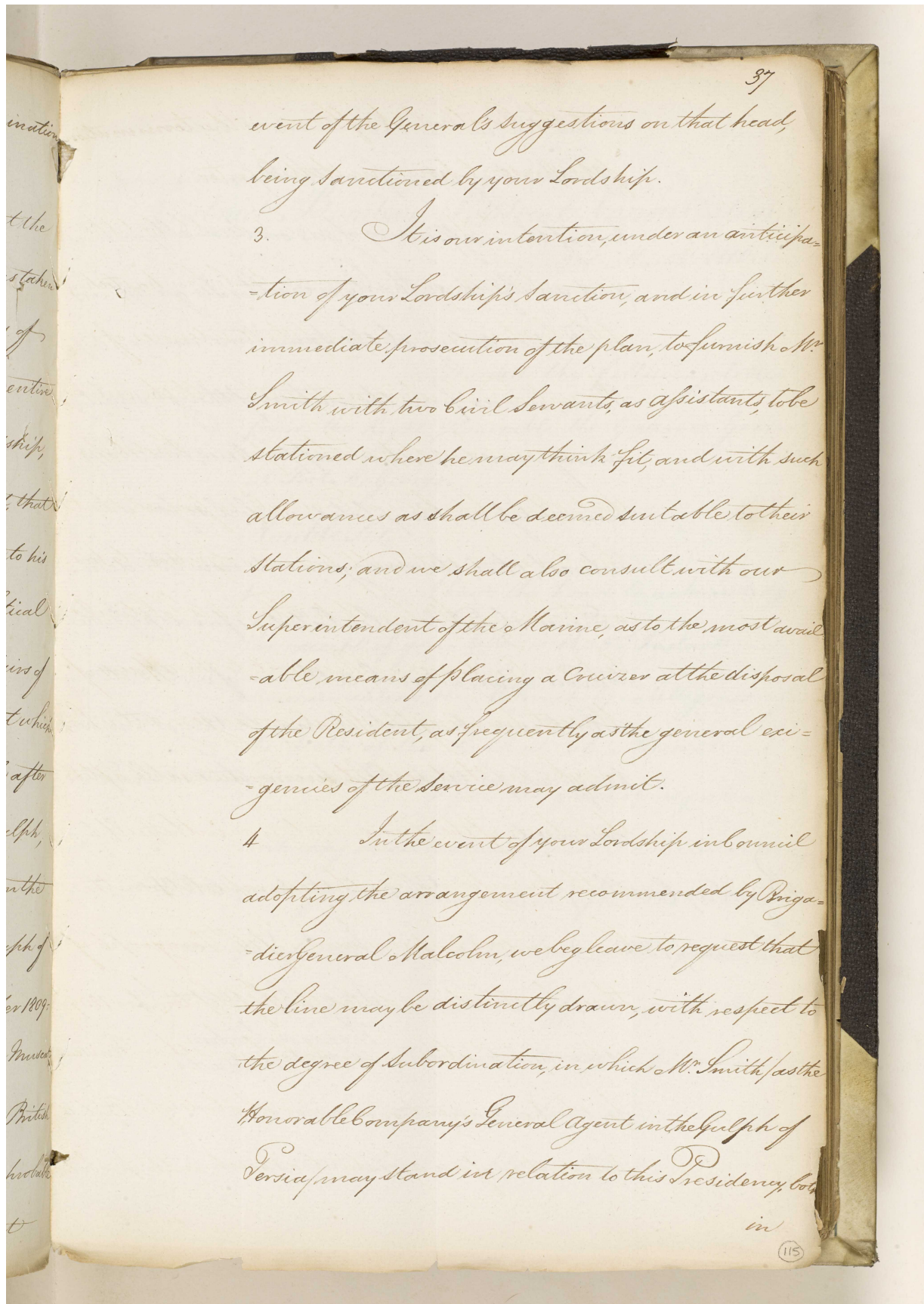
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in his Political and Commercial Capacities. We offer this suggestion from the Experience we have had, of the inefficiency of our occasionally reserved and qualified authority over either single Officers or Bodies, acting at the same time, under a superior Power, and as, from the nature of things, similar consequences must, we apprehend, be always more or less contemplated; we feel so far an interest, that, the arrangements, now to be determined, should be calculated as far as possible, to avoid a prejudicial collision of authorities, in whichever channel, it may be thought, most beneficial for the public service, that it should be exercised.

Bombay Castle }
13th January 1810 }

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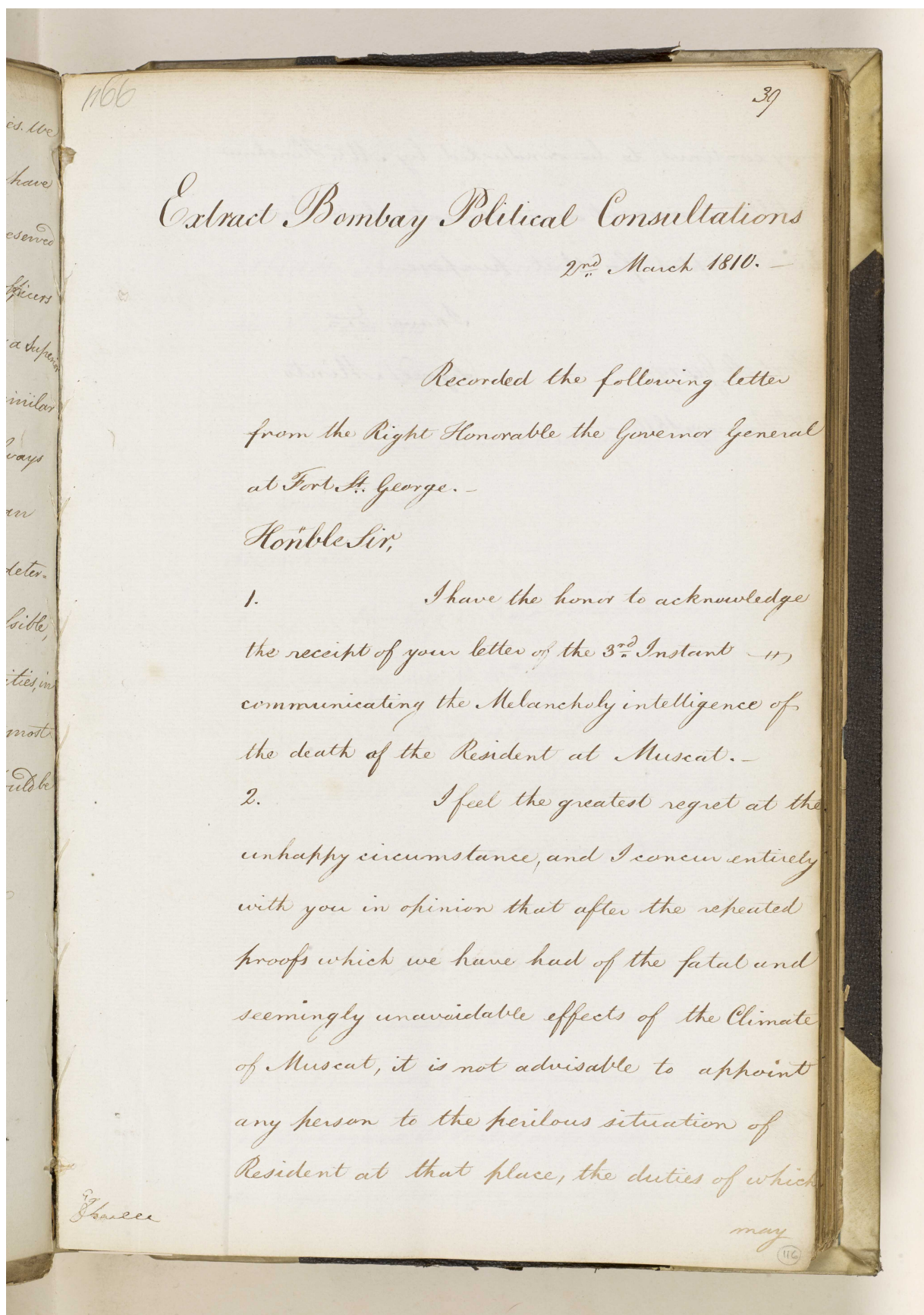
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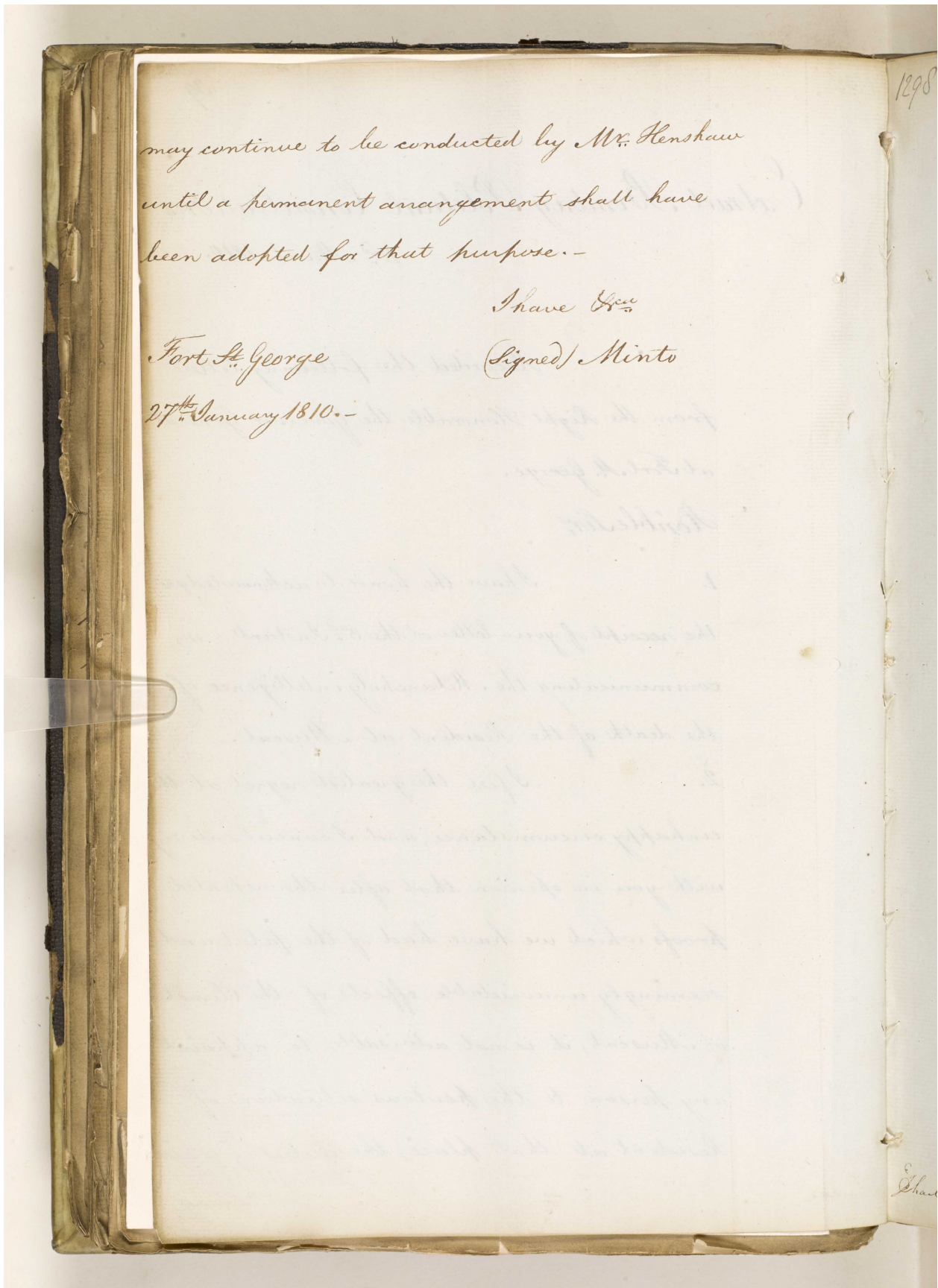
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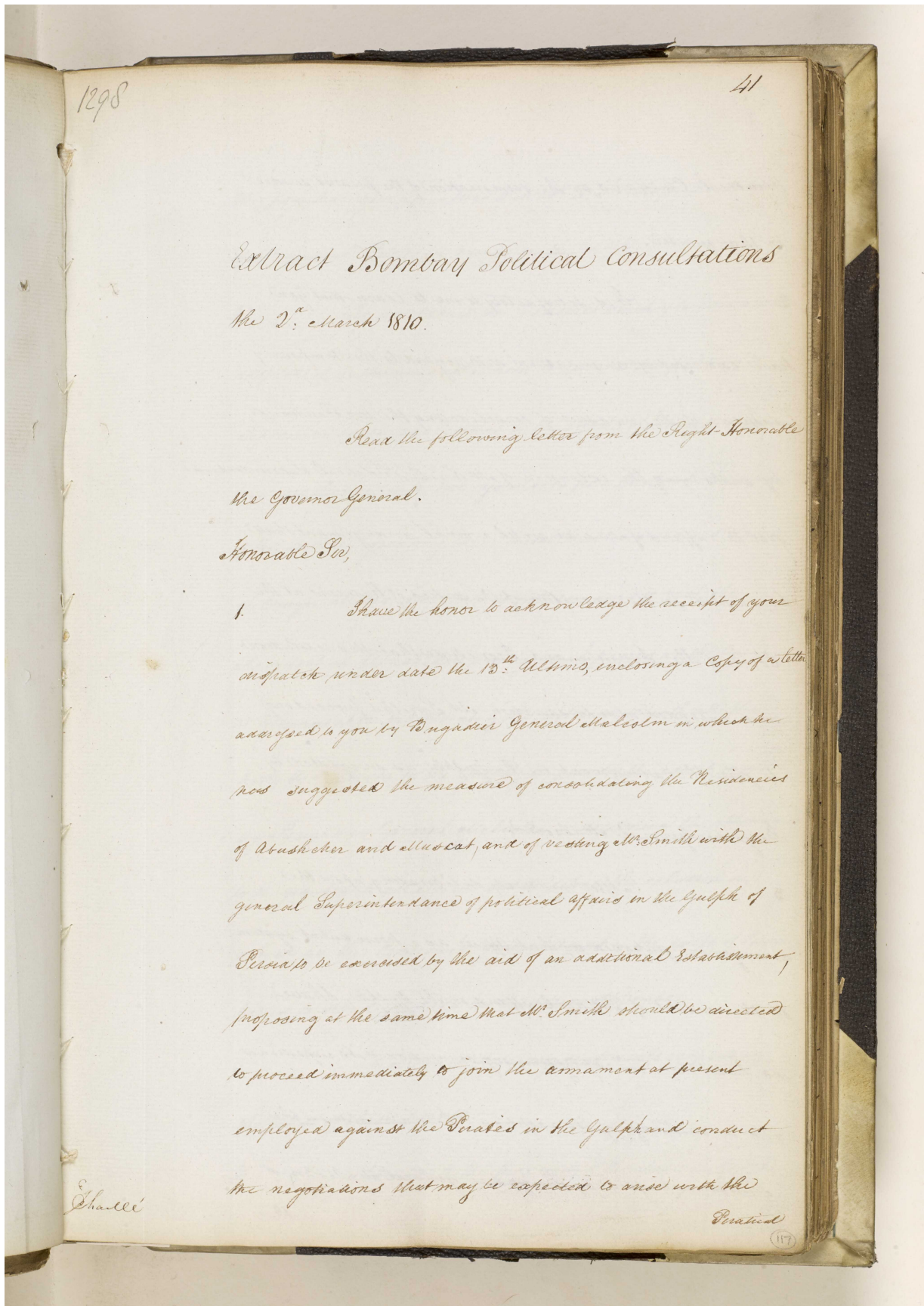
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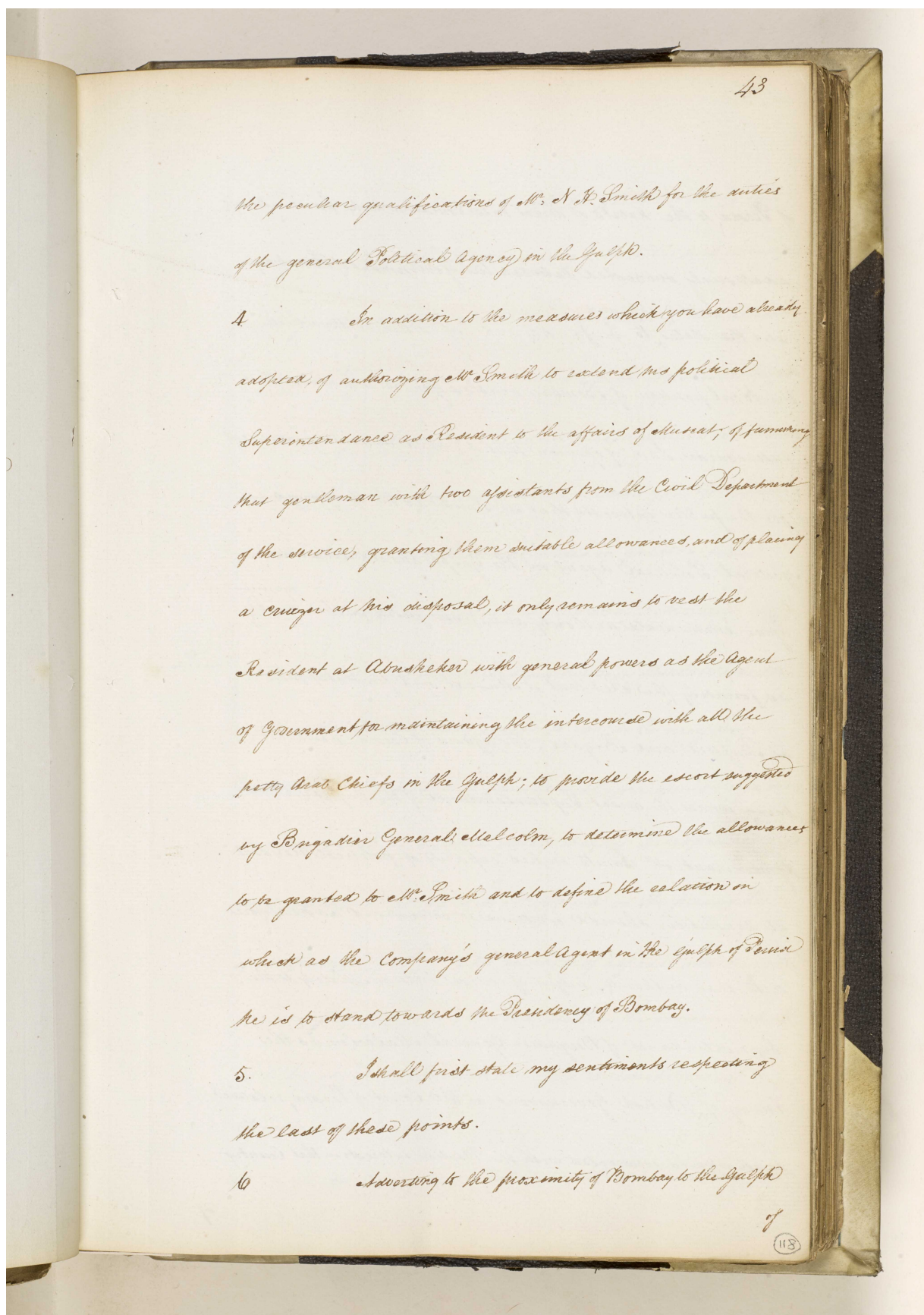
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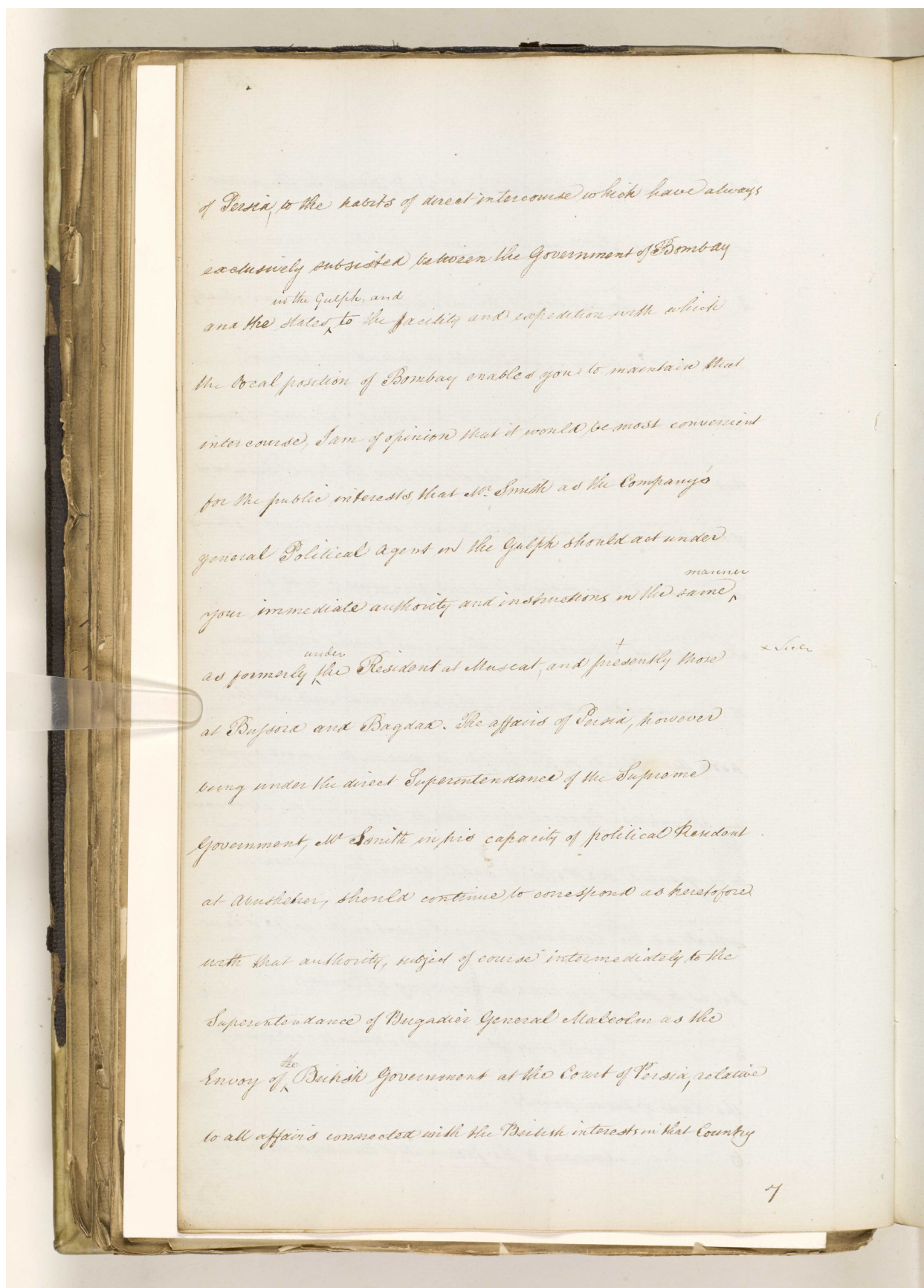
2. It is satisfactory to me to learn that you
have exercised your judgment with regard to the temporary
adoption of the measure of consolidating the two Residencies
by authorizing the extension of Mr Smith's Political Superintendance
over the affairs of Muscat until a final arrangement shall
be adopted for the execution of the duties of Resident at the
Court of the Imam, and I conclude that this resolution
was intended also to sanction Mr Smith's proceeding
to join the armament in the Gulf, as suggested by
Brigadier General Malcolms.

3. After maturely deliberating upon the
arrangement proposed by that Officer as a permanent system
for the conduct of Political affairs in the Gulf, I have,
no hesitation in expressing my conviction of its expediency
and in authorizing its adoption. I concur also in the
opinion expressed by Brigadier General Malcolms of
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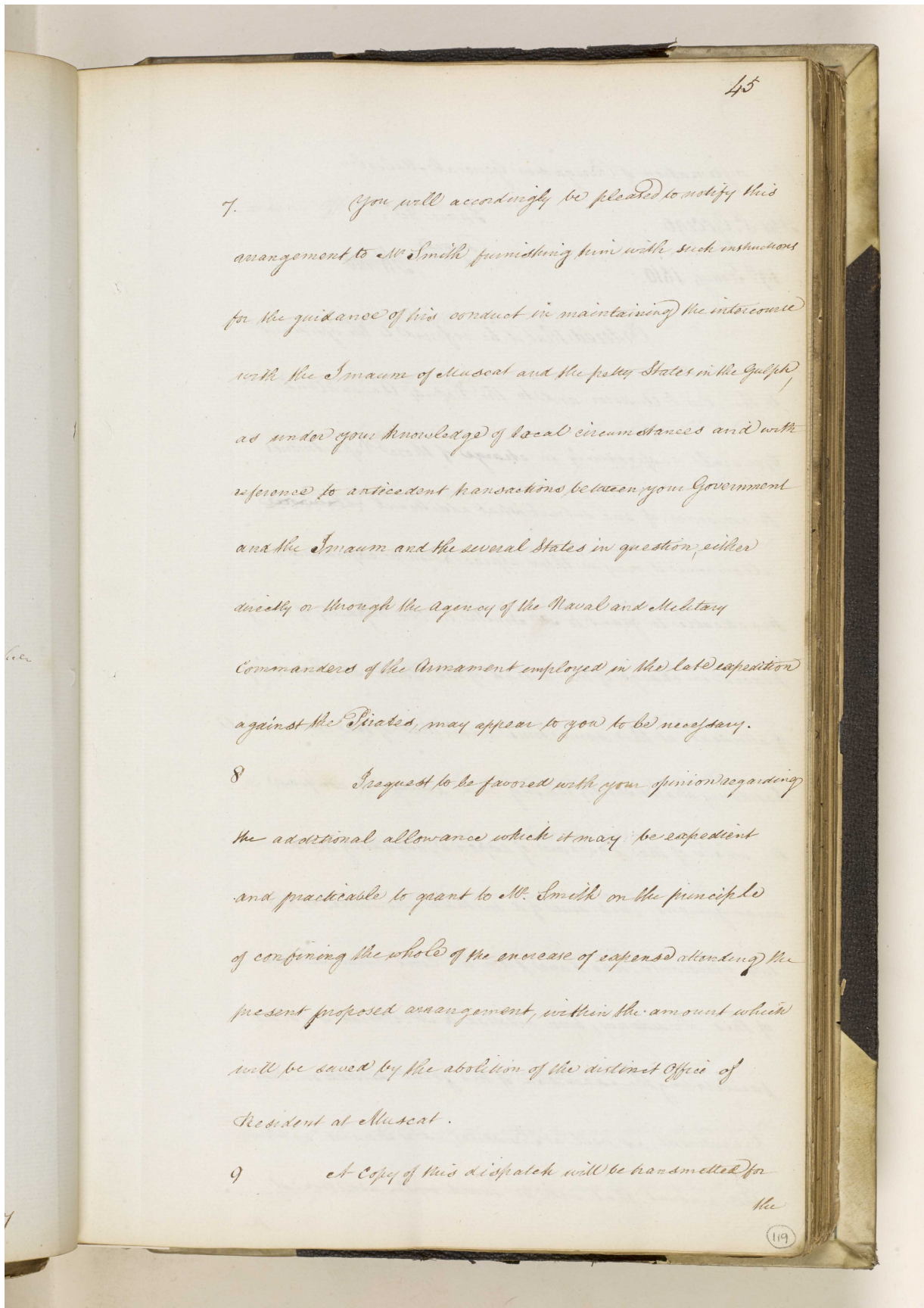
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7. You will accordingly be pleased to notify this arrangement to Mr Smith furnishing him with such instructions for the guidance of his conduct in maintaining the intercourse with the Imam of Muscat and the petty States in the Gulf, as under your knowledge of local circumstances and with reference to antecedent transactions between your Government and the Imam and the several States in question, either directly or through the agency of the Naval and Military Commanders of the Armament employed in the late expedition against the Pirates, may appear to you to be necessary.

8. I request to be favored with your opinion regarding the additional allowance which it may be expedient and practicable to grant to Mr Smith on the principle of confining the whole of the increase of expense attending the present proposed arrangement, within the amount which will be saved by the abolition of the distinct Office of Resident at Muscat.

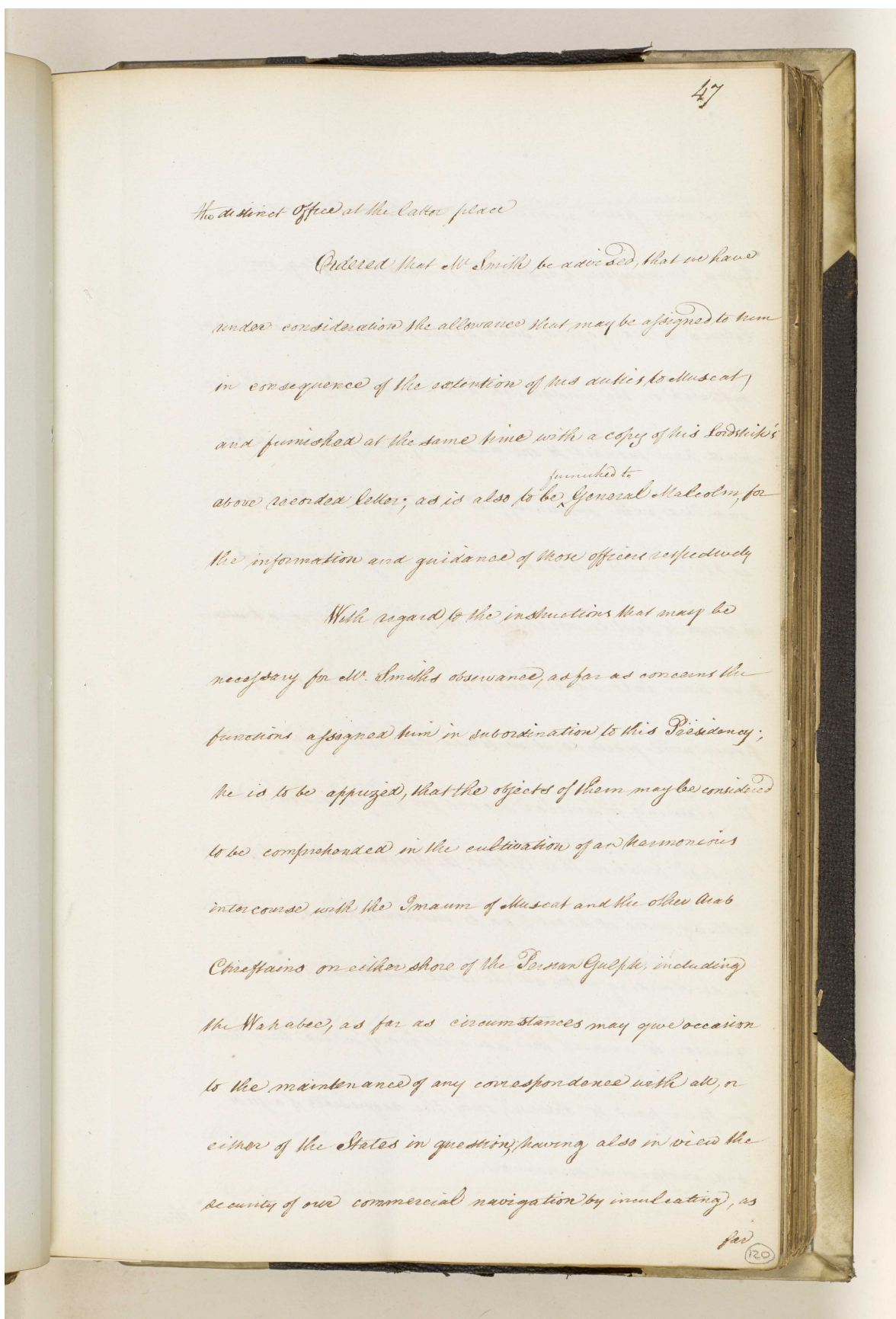
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The information of Brigadier General Malcolm
Fort St. George I have &c?
19th Feby, 1810. (signed) Ainto

Ordered that it be referred to the Assistant
to the Civil Auditor and to the Deputy Accountant
General respectively in charge of those Departments,
to consider of and submit what additional ~~expense~~
allowance it may in their appreciation be expedient and
practicable to grant to Mr Smith in his capacity of being
placed in charge of the duties of the Political Residency
of Muscat; at the same time with that of the commercial
Residency at Bushire; taking care always to confine
the whole of the increase of expense, attending such
arrangement (inclusive of a suitable allowance to the
two assistants, who have from the Civil Establishment
of this Residency, been allotted to Mr Smith towards
facilitating the execution of his joint duties in that
Department, as well at Bushire, as at Muscat) within
the amount, that will be saved by the abolition of
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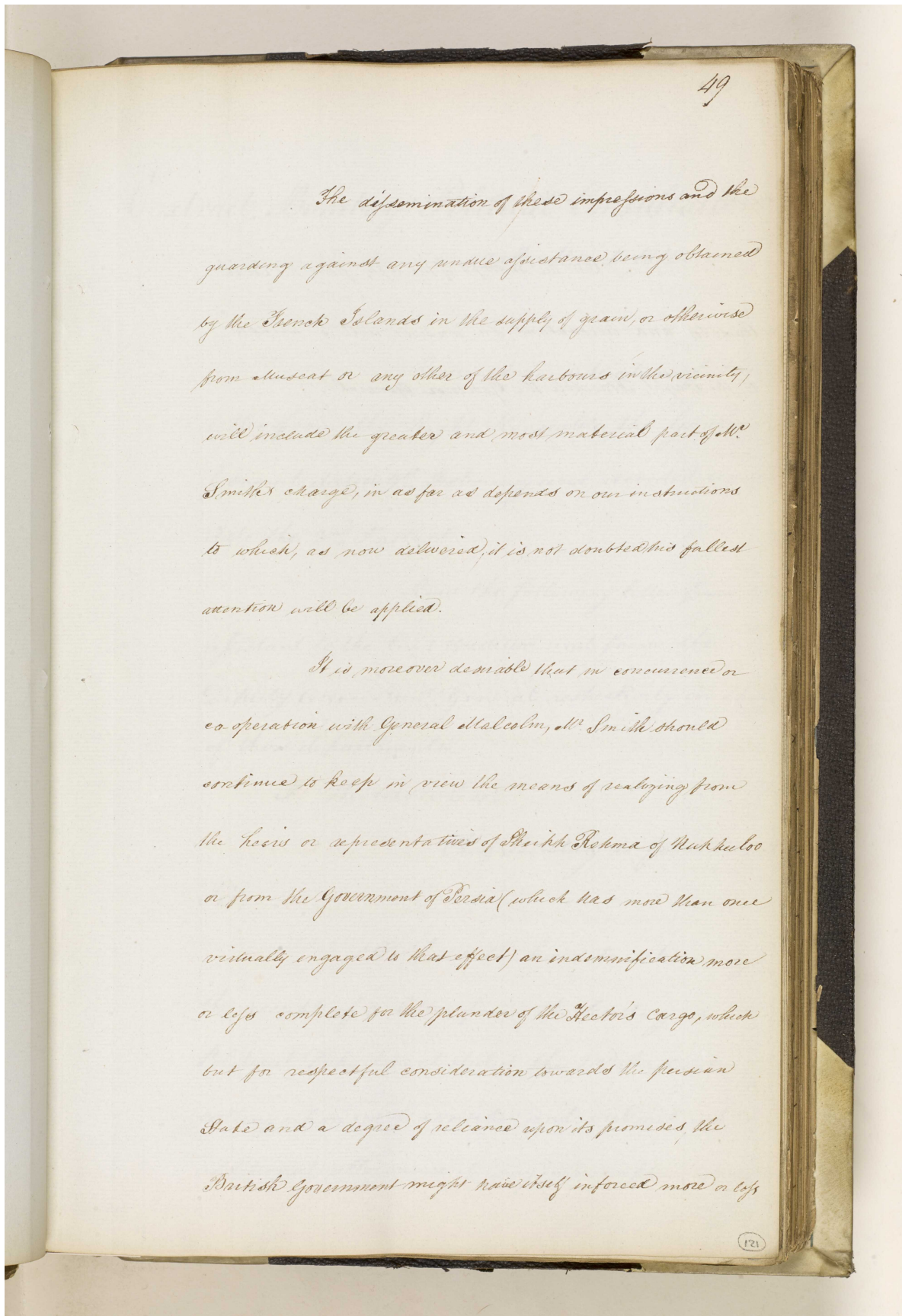


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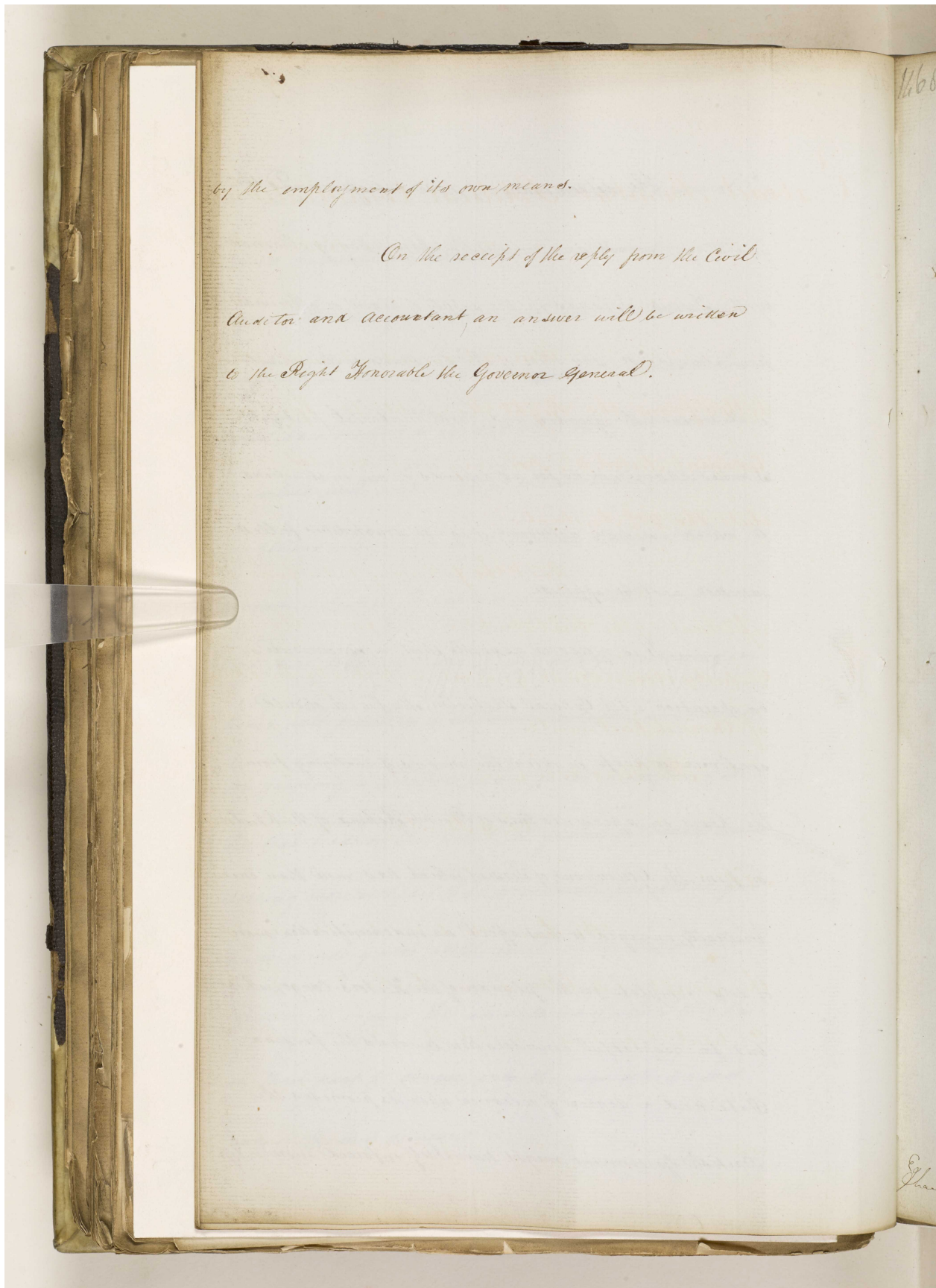
for as may prove requisite, or the Shacks of the several
 Indeed, the necessity of respecting invariably our flag; our
 Colours & sea papers, such as the late exemplary coercion
 inflicted on the misguided and atrocious *Trasmeed* Pirates
 must have proved to one and all of them, are not to be
 insulted with impunity; at the same time that as it
 is always with reluctance the British Government has
 recourse to hostile measures even of retaliation, it is hoped
 that their late experience of only a slight coercion of our
 power will preclude, at all times hereafter, any necessity
 for recurring to similar means for the protection of the
 British trade in that Gulf; the Governor in Council having
 nothing more at heart than to cultivate peace and good
 understanding with all the local authorities in that
 quarter; to insure the advantages of which they have
 on their part to observe, only, the requisites of a just
 and inoffensive demeanour.

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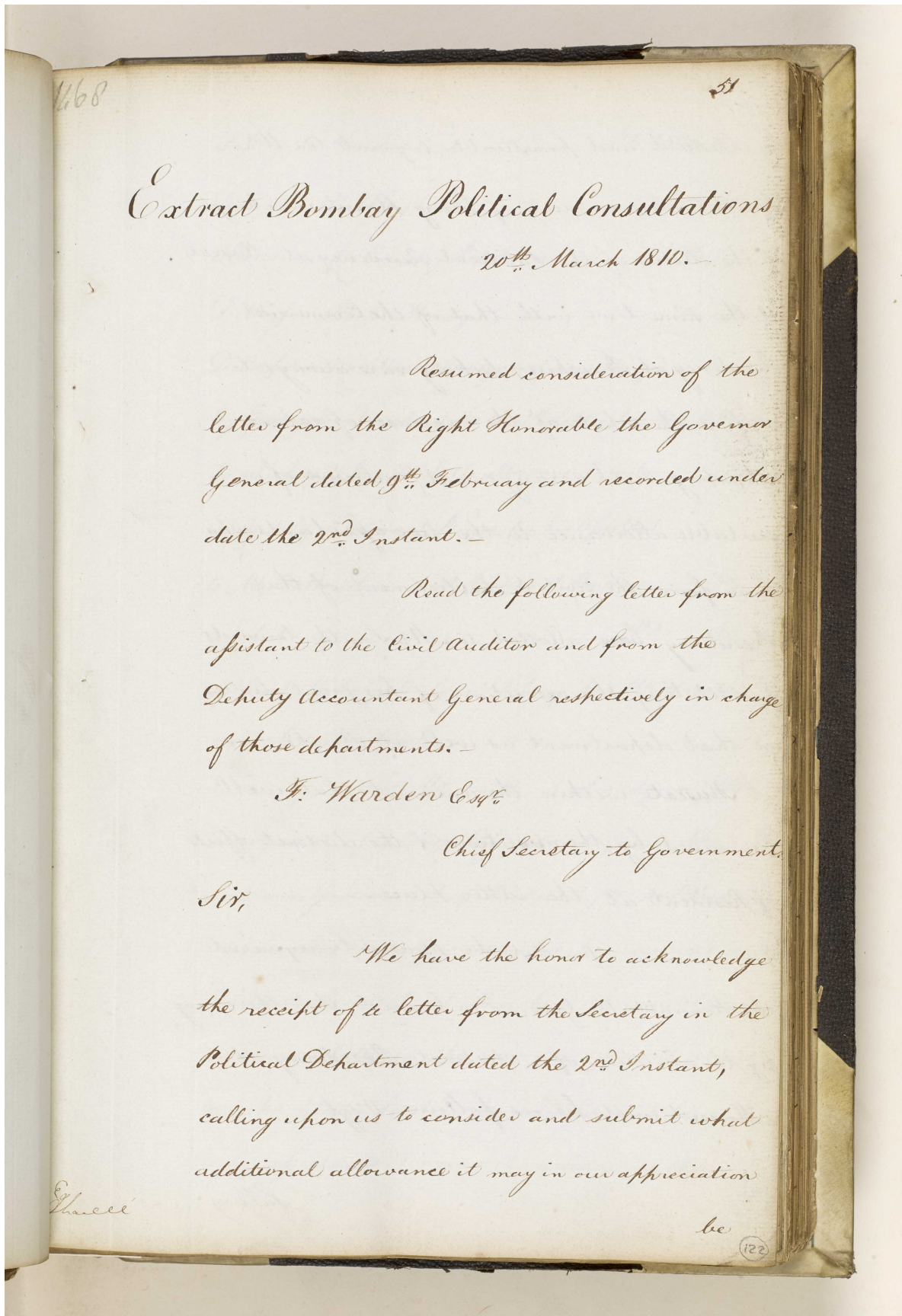
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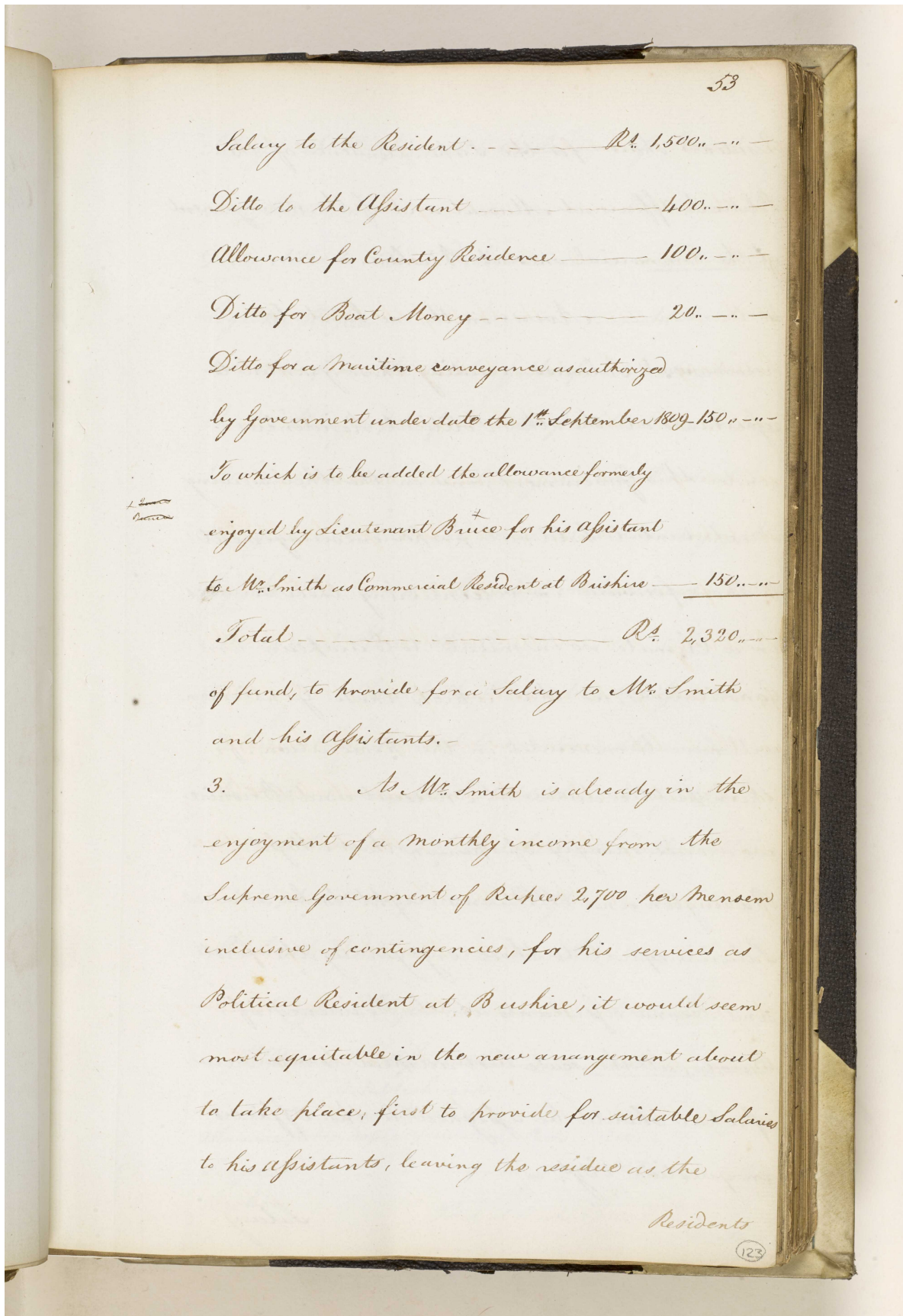
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be expedient, and practicable to grant to Mr. Smith in his capacity of being placed in charge of the duties of the Political Residency at Muscat, at the same time with that of the Commercial Residency at Bushire, taking care always to confine the whole of the increase of expence attending such an arrangement / inclusive of a suitable allowance to the two assistants who have from the Civil Establishment of this Presidency been allotted to Mr. Smith towards facilitating the execution of his joint duties in that department as well at Bushire as at Muscat / within the amount that will be saved by the abolition of the distinct office of Resident at the latter place. —

2. You will be pleased to acquaint the Honorable the Governour in Council, that the saving by the abolition of a distinct Residency at Muscat will be as follows Vizt. —

Salary

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Residents share for the Superintendence of the
Political Affairs at Muscat and of the management
of the Commercial ones at Bushire. -

It is Averse on the one hand to
recommend Salaries exceeding those granted to
Assistants at the other Political Residences
under this Government, and on the other viewing
it expedient to hold out proper encouragement
to those forward in volunteering their services
in a Climate so inimical to European
Constitutions, as that which these Gentlemen
will have to encounter in the prosecution of
their public duties at Muscat and Bushire,
we are accordingly of opinion that Messrs
Babington and Williams ought to be allowed
Salaries equal to those enjoyed by the first
and second Assistants at the Residency of
Baroda, at the scale best adapted to our view
of what should be assigned to the Officers
in question vizt. -

Salary

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Salary to the 1st Assistant to the Resident of Muscat
and Bushire _____ Rs. 600. . . .

Ditto ditto to the 2nd ditto _____ 400. . . .

together Rupees _____ 1,000 which
deducted from the total of the fund noticed in
the 2nd Paragraph of this address will leave Rupees
1,300 per mensem as a Salary to the Resident,
being in amount the same as is now enjoyed
by the Resident at Bagdad inclusive of Diet
Money and House Rent. -

5. Should the Honorable the Governor
in Council be pleased to sanction the arrangement
above proposed, the Establishment of the
United Residencies of Bushire and Muscat
will stand as follows Vizt.,

Mr. Smith Resident _____ Rs. 1,300. . . .

" Babington 1st Assistant _____ 600. . . .

" Williams 2nd Assistant _____ 400. . . . 2,300. . . .

Establishment
at Bushire

Allowance for the native Assistants and Peons _____ 200. . . .

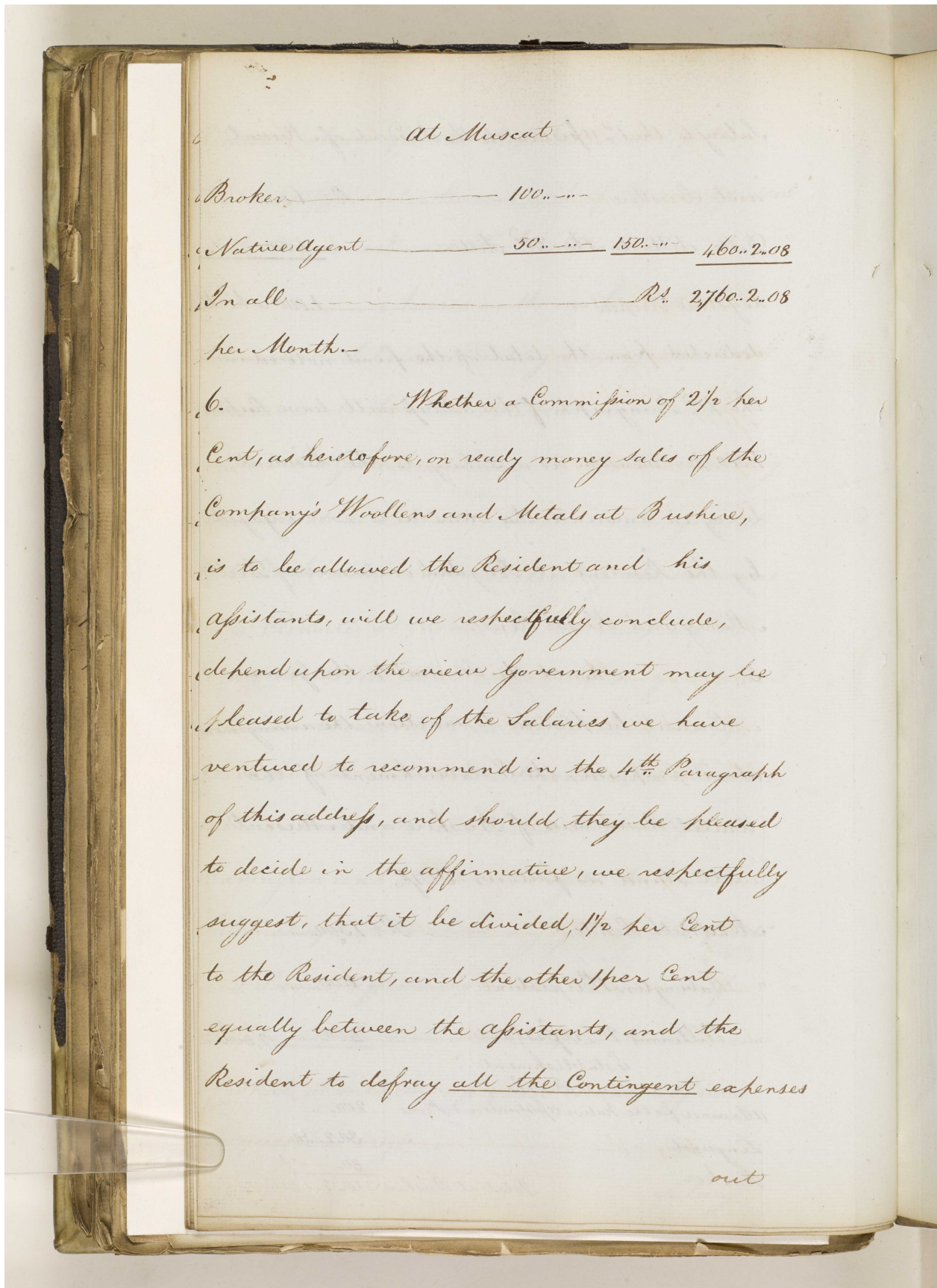
Linguist _____ 30. 2. 8

Broker _____ 80. . . .

Total at Bushire 310. 2. 8 -

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out of the proportion of the Commission allotted to him. -

We have the
 Bombay Castle } John Williams
 Accountant General } Acting Civil Auditor
 and Civil Auditors (Signed) } J. Hays
 Office. } Deputy Acct. Genl. in charge.
 17th March 1810. -

The Board proceeding to the consideration of the above recorded report, find in the first place that in taking credit as a permanent saving from the abolition of the Residency of Muscat for the allowance of an Assistant, Messrs Williams and Hays had not adverted to that charge being merely of a temporary nature pending the absence of the late Captain Seton at Seind. In like manner the saving of an allowance for a Maritime conveyance granted to the late Resident/Bunce will be more than made up by the means now in progress for enabling Mr. Smith to maintain a regular

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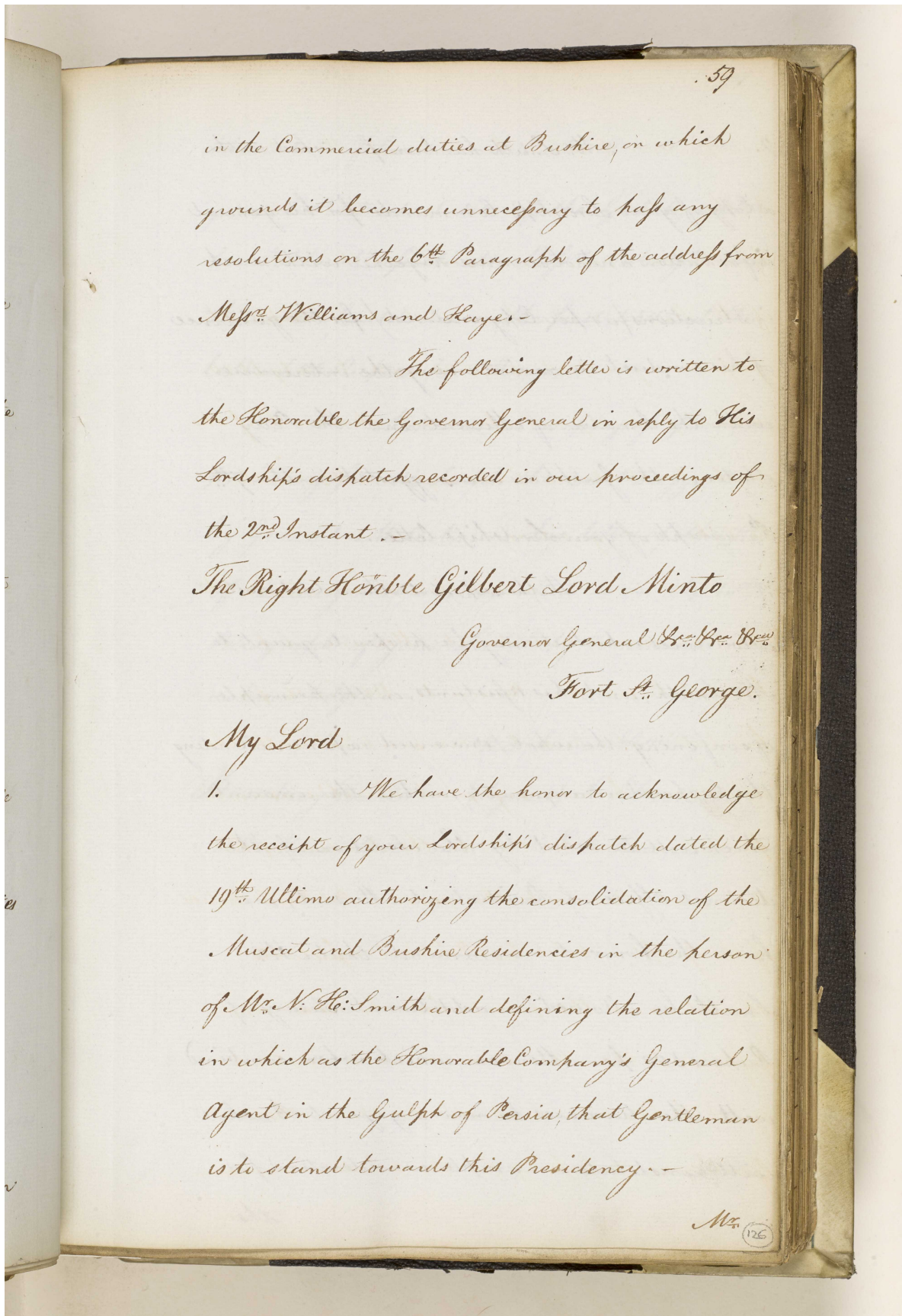
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Correspondence between Bushire and Muscat, nor do the late arrangements supersede as those gentlemen appear to apprehend, the services of Mr. ^{Bunce} Bunce at Bushire, in which principles the gross saving instead of 2,320 will be only 1,620, or more probably not above one thousand if the constant attendance of a Cruiser on Mr. Smith, be taken into question. -

Under these circumstances the Board consider an additional allowance of five hundred Rupees per Mensem to Mr. Smith for his duties at Muscat, when combined with the allowances he now enjoys at Bushire as ample for and in consideration to the devotion of his time and attention to the general Political duties of the Gulph, whilst his Political Assistants should draw the former four hundred and fifty and the other four hundred instead of what has been proposed for them, these gentlemen proposing for the present no concern
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2. Mr. Smith has been furnished with a Copy of your Lordships Commands for his general information and observance together with such instructions (as per Copy enclosed) for the guidance of his conduct in maintaining the intercourse with the Imaum of Muscat and the Petty States in the Gulph as are suggested in the 7th Paragraph of your Lordships letter. -

3. With respect to the additional allowances which it may be proper to grant to Mr. Smith, and his Assistants, on the principle of confining the whole increased expence attending the proposed arrangement within the amount which will be saved by the abolition of the distinct office of Resident at Muscat, we have the honor to recommend that Mr. Smith be allowed an additional Salary of Rupees 500 per Mensem, which when combined with the allowances he now enjoys at Bushire will constitute an ample consideration for
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the devotion of his time and attention to the general Political duties of the Gulph, whilst his Political assistants Messrs Babington and Williams should draw, the first 450 and the latter 400 Rupees per Mensem. -

Measures are in progress for providing for Mr. Smith the escort suggested by General Malcolm in his letter of the 7th of January last and adverted to in the 10th Paragraph of your Lordship's Commands now acknowledged. -

We have &c
Bombay Castle (Signed) J: Duncan
20th March 1810. - Seco Council. -

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