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About this record

The item consists of copies and extracts of correspondence, minutes and resolutions cited in, or enclosed with, political letters from the Government of Bombay [Mumbai] to the East India Company Court of Directors. The item relates to activities of Sampson Naylor, Packet Agent (also called Steam Packet Agent) to the Company and HM Vice Consul for Mocha (also written Mocka). In particular, the item makes mention of:

- The refusal of Commander Joseph Henry Rowband, Commanding the Company ship *Hugh Lindsay*, to provide passage to Naylor from Suez to Mocha due to the latter’s alleged intoxication and ‘delirium’
- Doubt on the part of the Government of Bombay as to Naylor’s authenticity as they have no official record of his appointments, and their further concerns about the suitability of Naylor for the position of Packet Agent

- Their additional request for clarity on the position of Captain Lyons, Resident and Deputy Agent at Suez
- Correspondence from Colonel Patrick Campbell, HM Consul General at Alexandria, which confirms both Naylor's and Lyons's respective appointments
- A report from Commander Nott, Acting Commander of the Company ship *Euphrates* , regarding the uncivil treatment of Sheik Tyeb [Mīrzā Shaikh Tayyib Ibrāhimji, former Native Agent at Mocha] by Naylor
- Sheik Tyeb's report that Naylor has employed Ujmeel Abdool Russool ['Abd al-Rasul 'Ajami], an agent of Ibrahim Pacha [Ibrāhīm Pasha], as an assistant and has permitted him to read copies of all correspondence sent between Sheik Tyeb and the Government of Bombay during Sheik Tyeb's employment as Native Agent at Mocha
- A protest against Naylor by Syed Abdool bin Assam of Colundy [Sayyid 'Abdullah bin 'Assam of Quilandi] following the detention of his ship, *Sahala* , at Mocha by Naylor, a copy of which can be found at folios 106-107.

Nott's report also contains an update on the Egyptian forces in Yeomen [Yemen] at Taidjh [Ta'izz, also written Taidgh]. The item's content dates from 1838, except from a certificate of registration for the ship, *Sahala* , which is dated 4 January 1830.

As well as the above individuals, correspondents include: Rear Admiral Sir Charles Malcolm, Superintendent of the Indian Navy; and Acton S Ayrton, Notary Public at Bombay.

There are multiple spellings given for the names Ujmeel Abdool Russool and Syed Abdool bin Assam of Colundy, as well as for the ship, *Sahala* .

The title page of the item contains the following references: 'Bombay Political Department', 'P.C. [Previous Communication] 2540, Draft 81, 1840, Collection No. 7' and 'Examiner's Office'.

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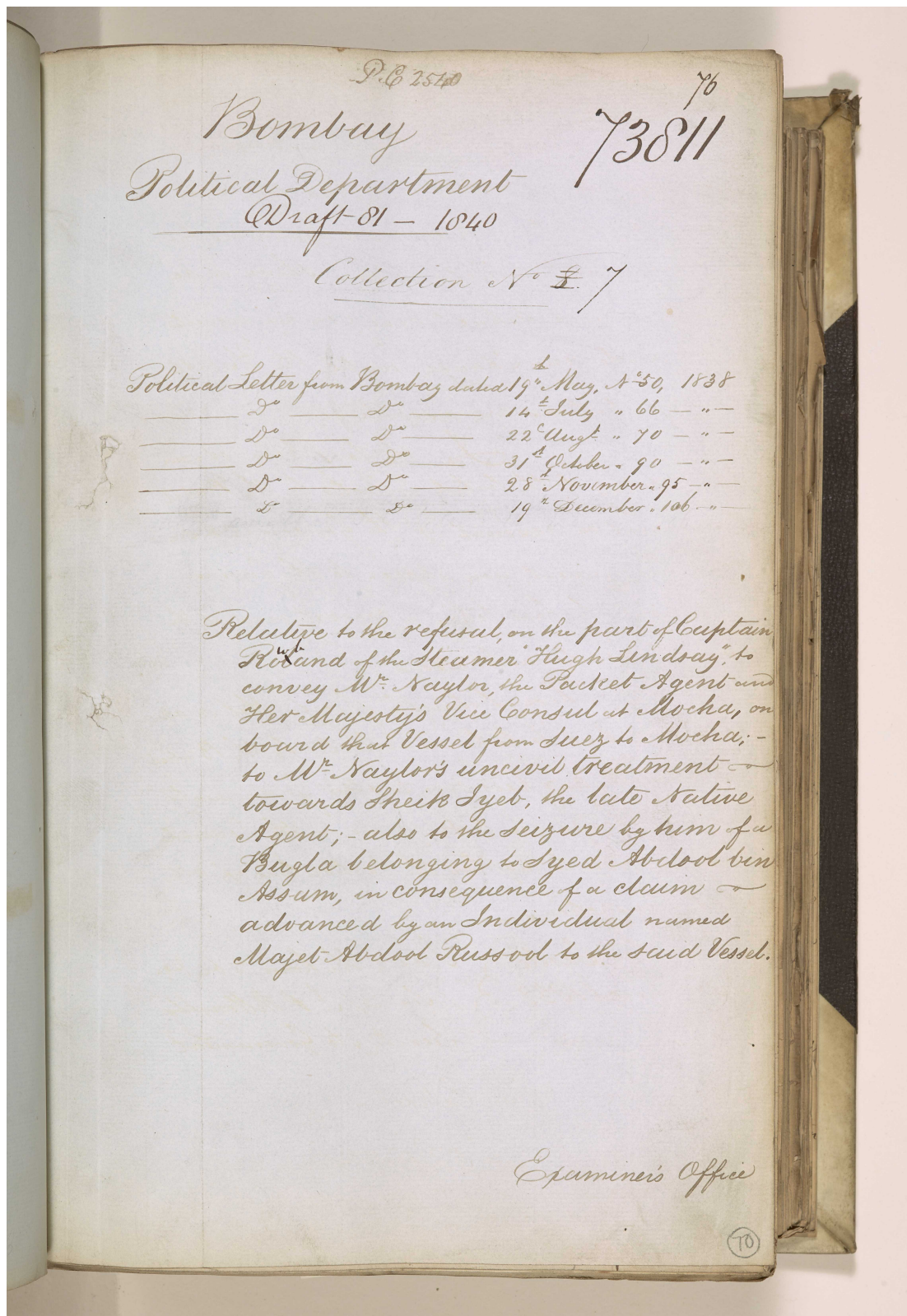
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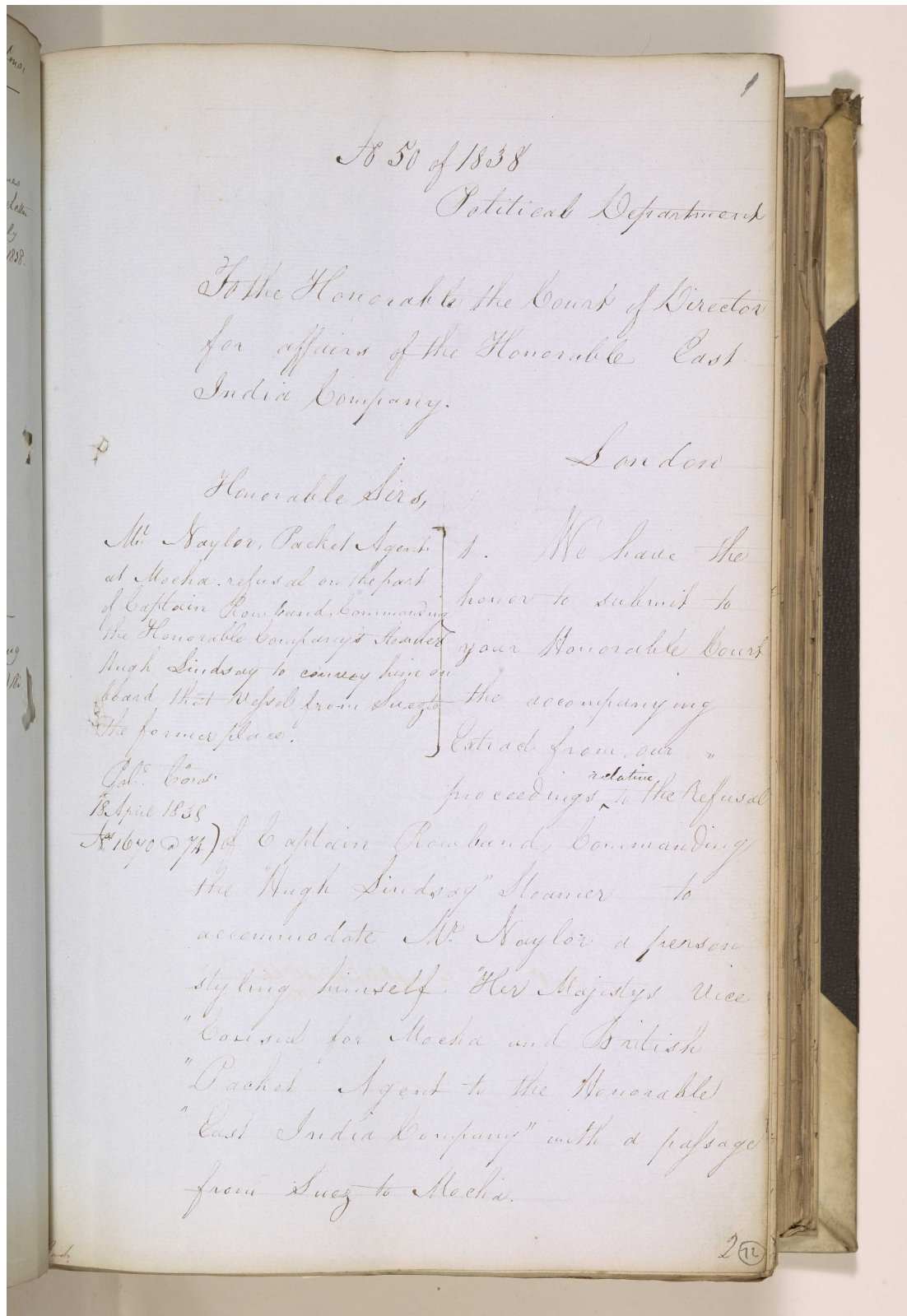
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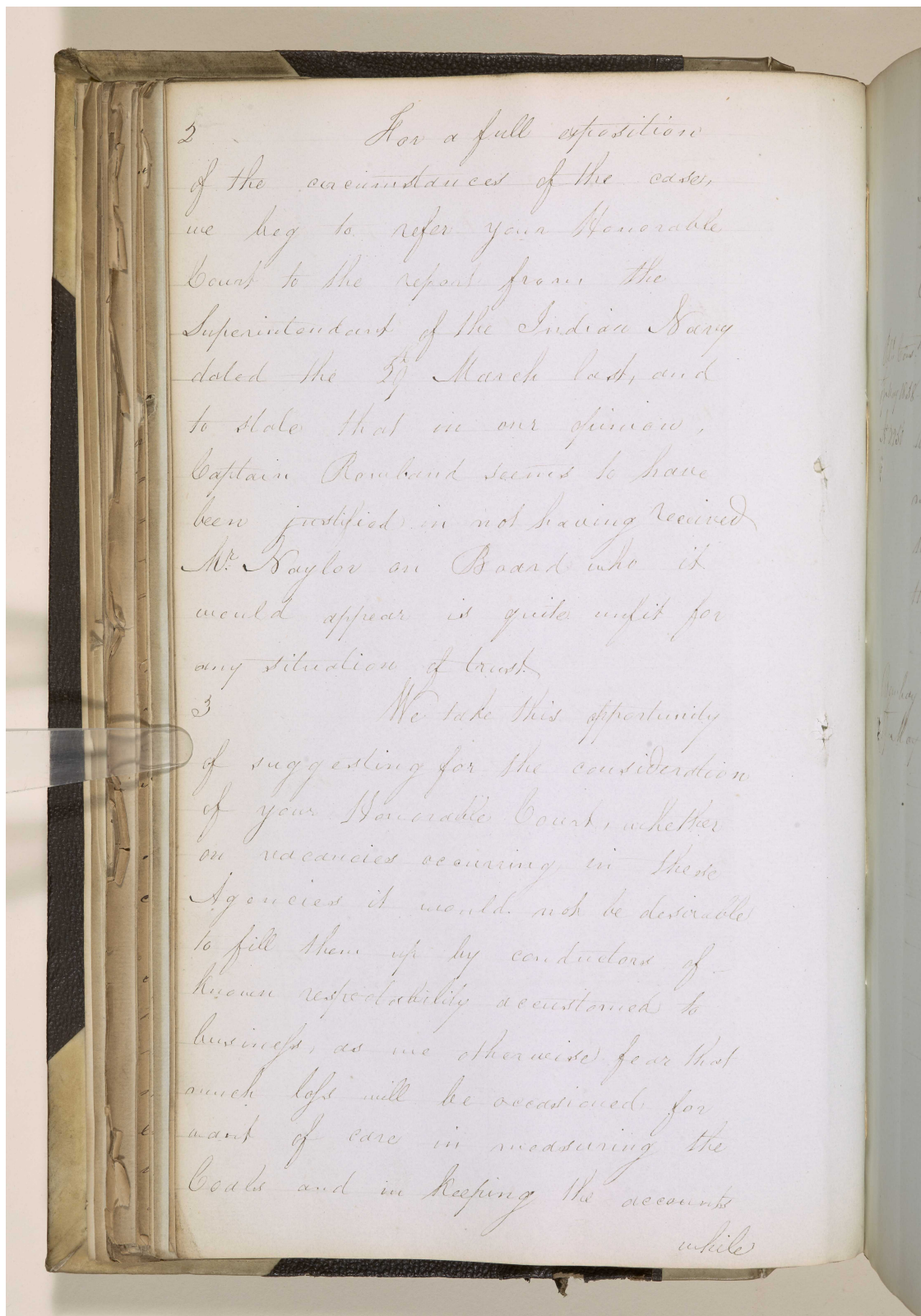
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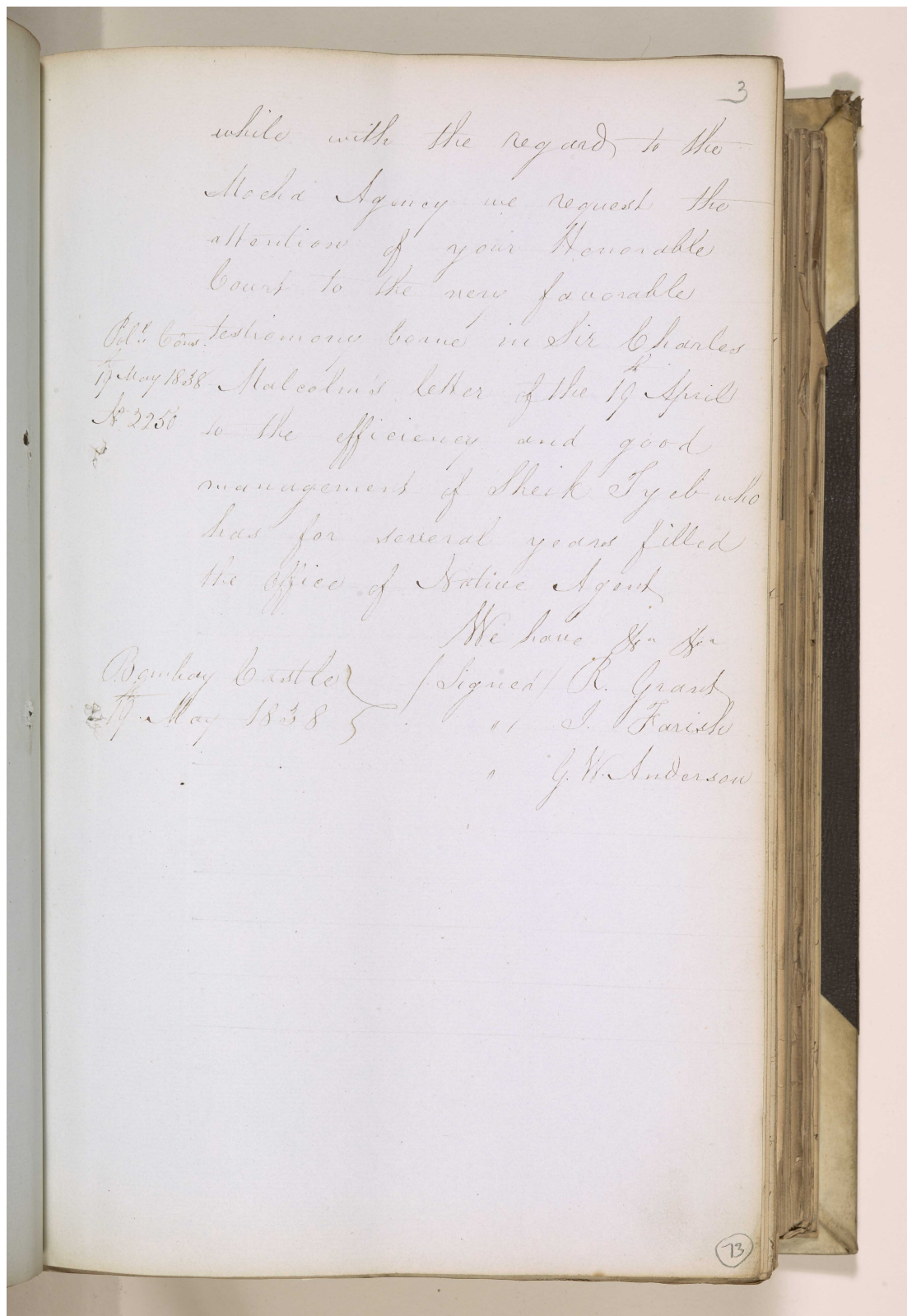
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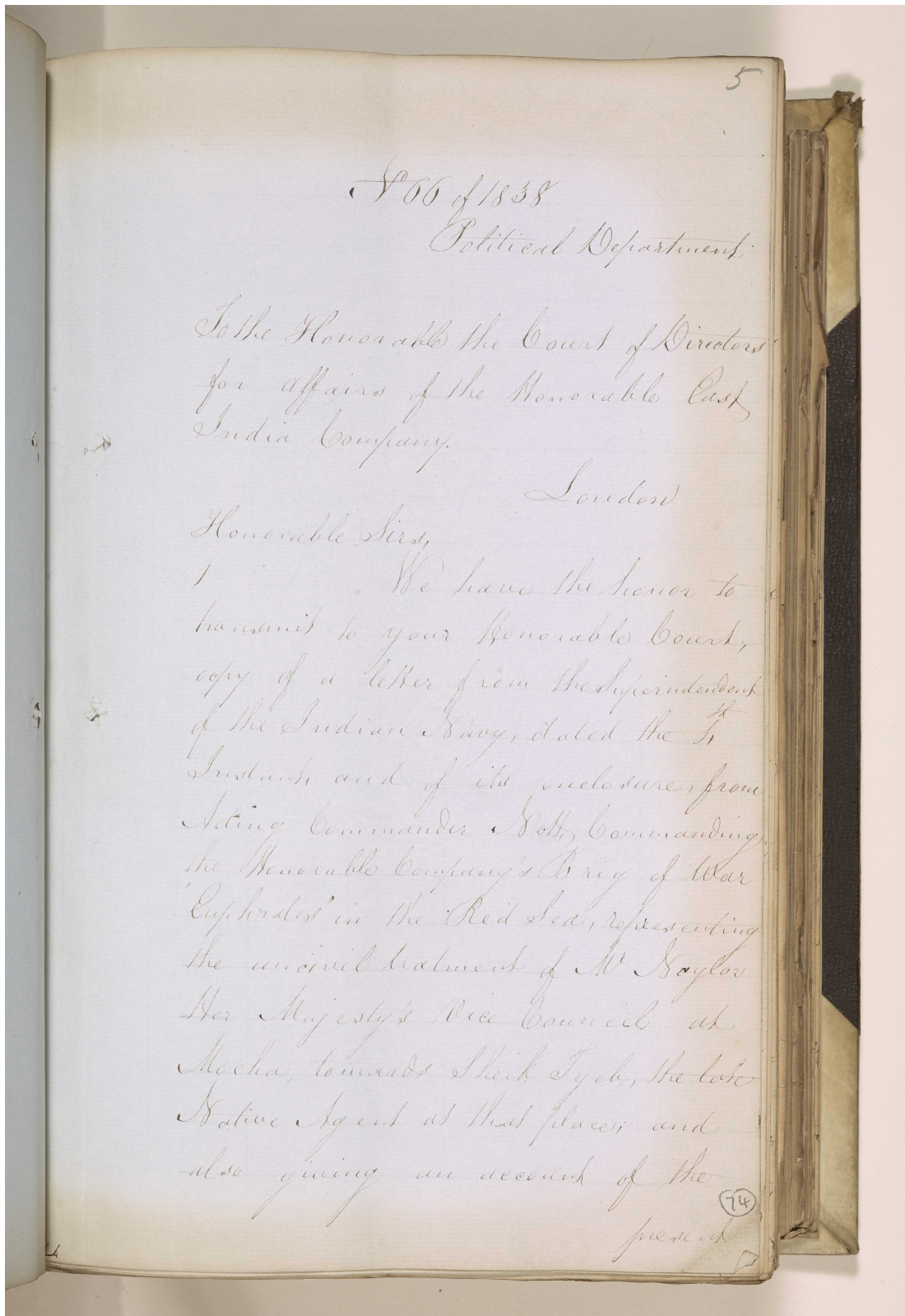
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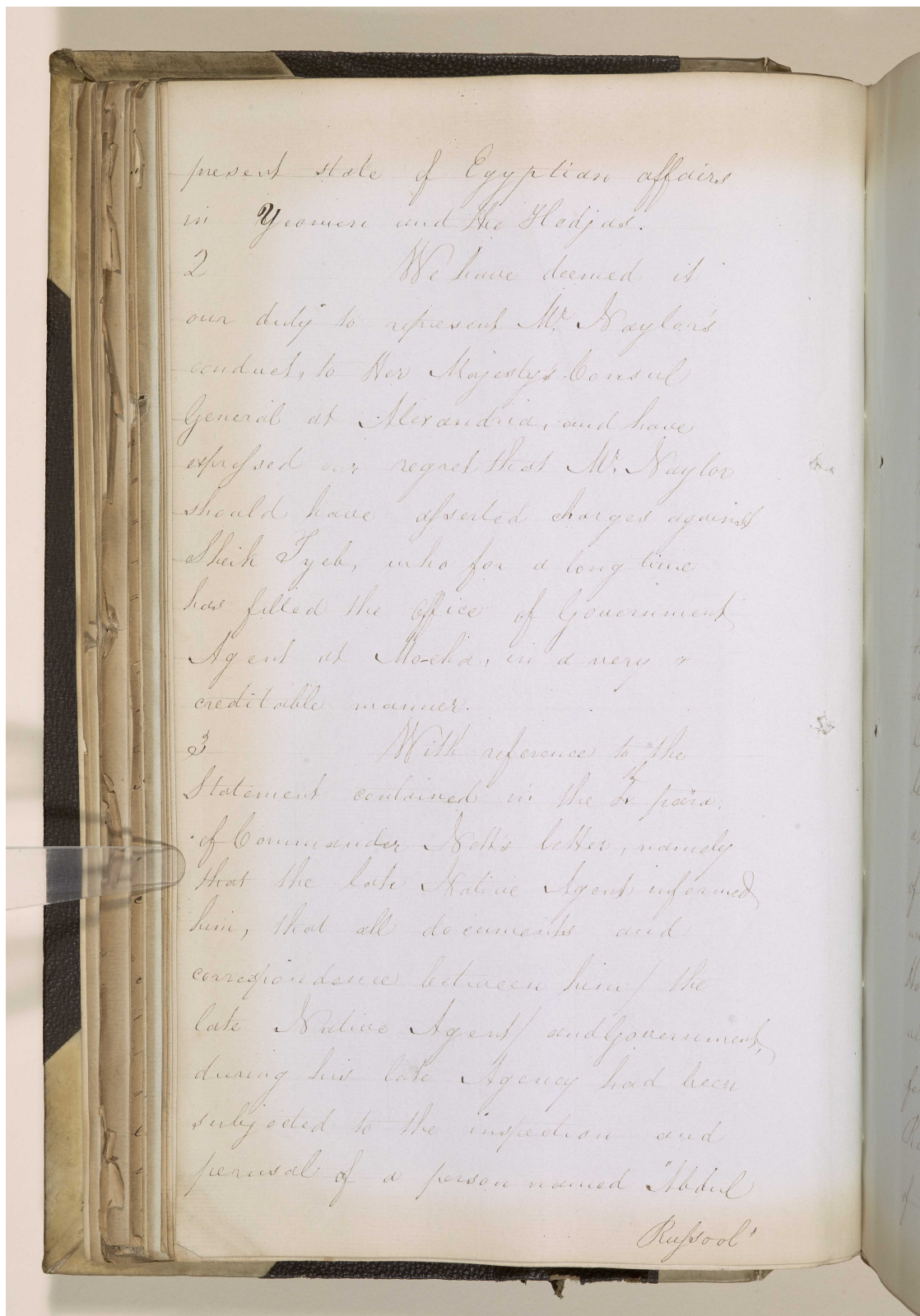
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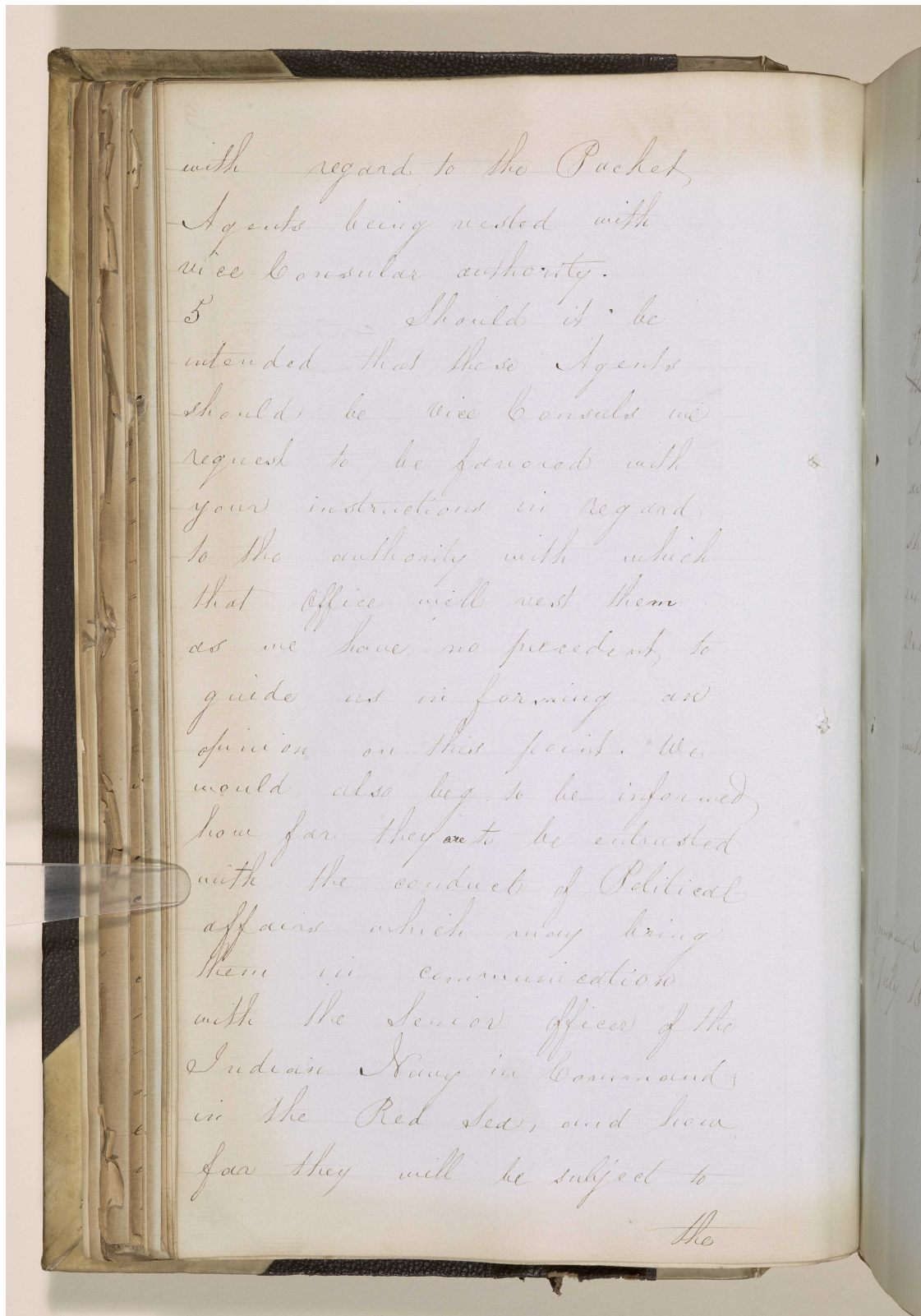
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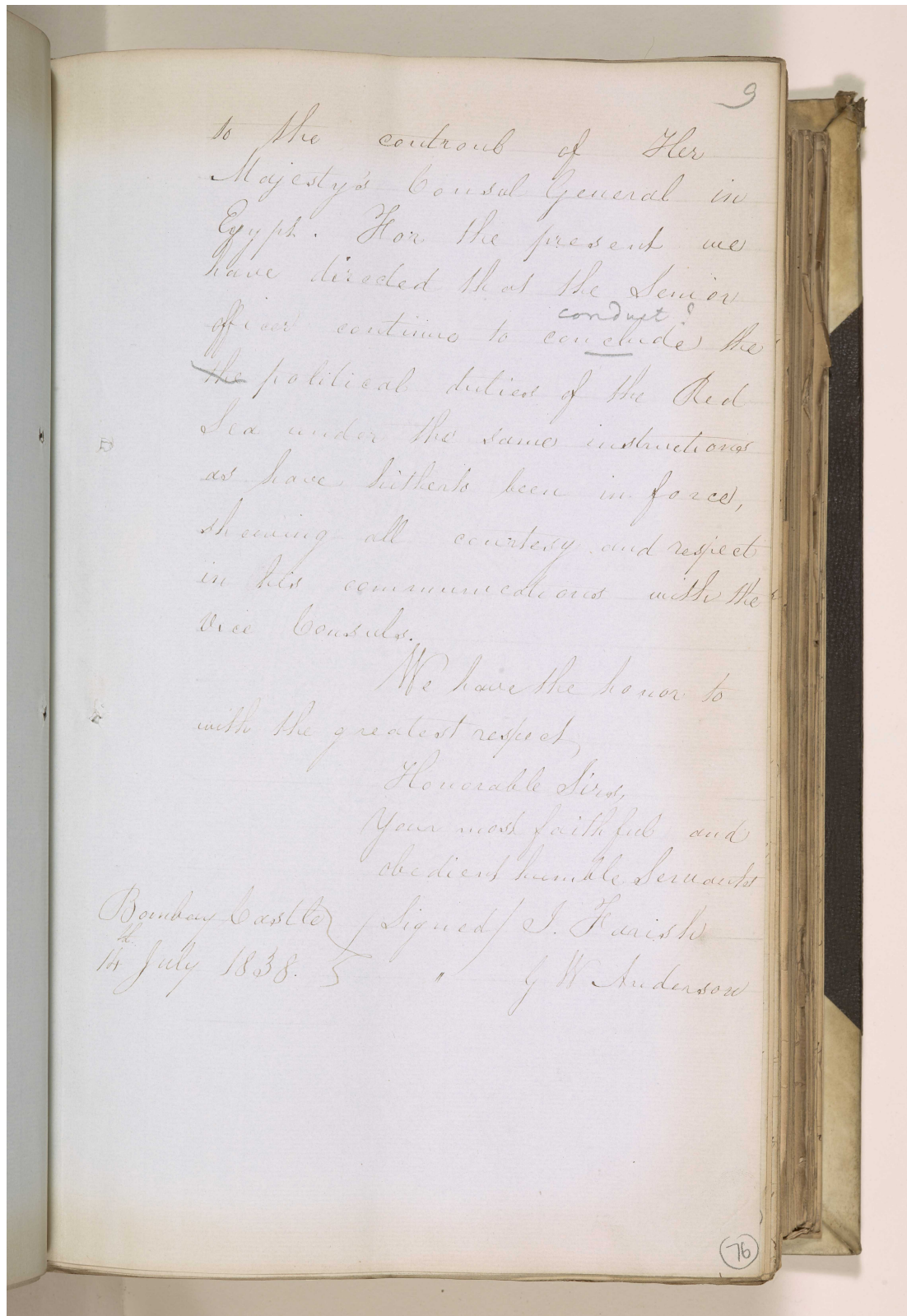
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Russool" who is said to be an
intriguing character, and at
present in correspondence with the
greater part of the Turkish authorities,
we have also requested Colonel
Campbell to caution Mr Naylor
not to let the information on the
records of the Mocha Agency,
be known to parties who may
make an improper use of it.
H. We have also the honor
to transmit to your Honorable
Court, the accompanying copy of a
letter from the Consul General
at Alexandria, dated the 29th
of May last, and to report that
we have not received your
Honorable Court's instructions therein
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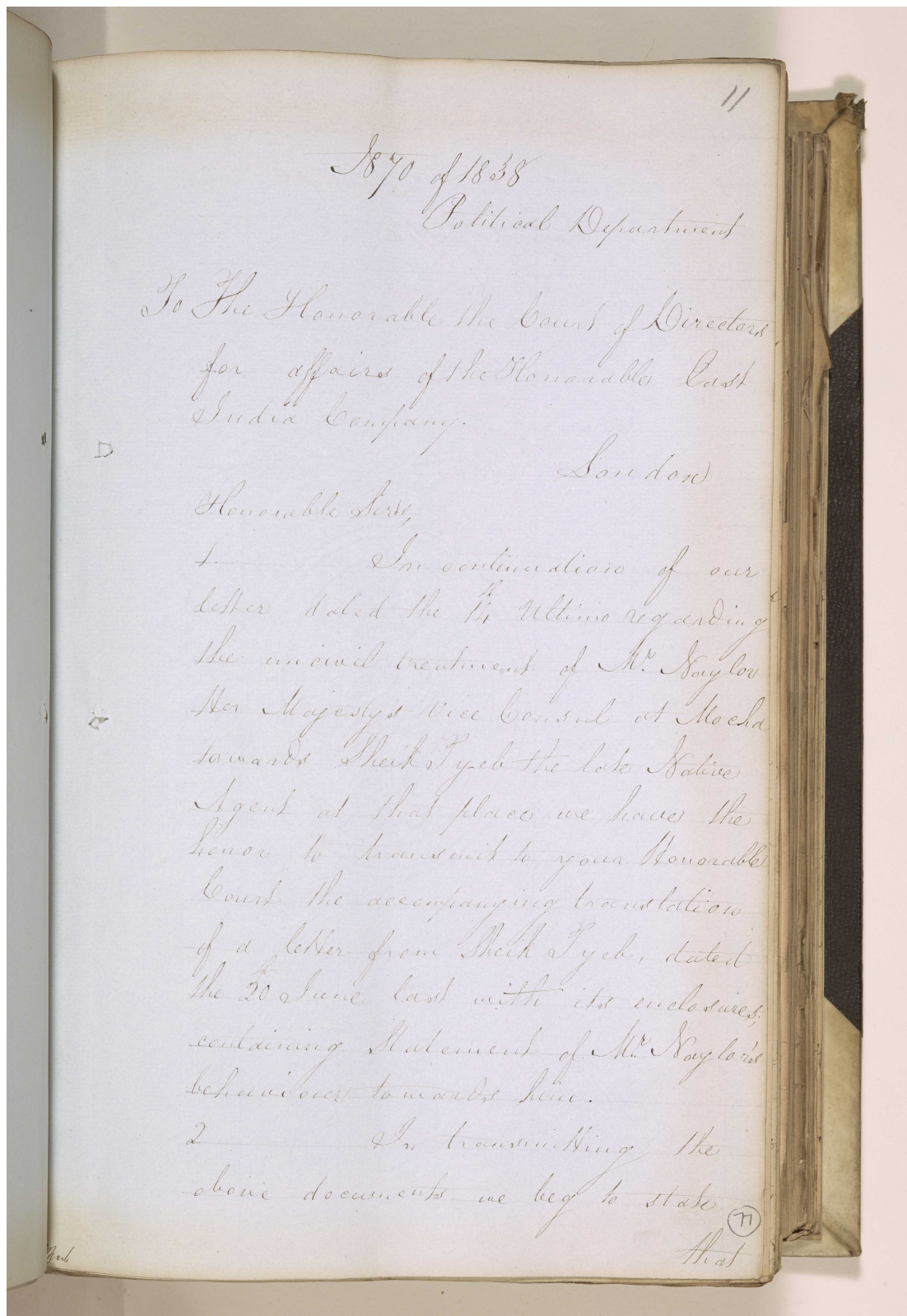
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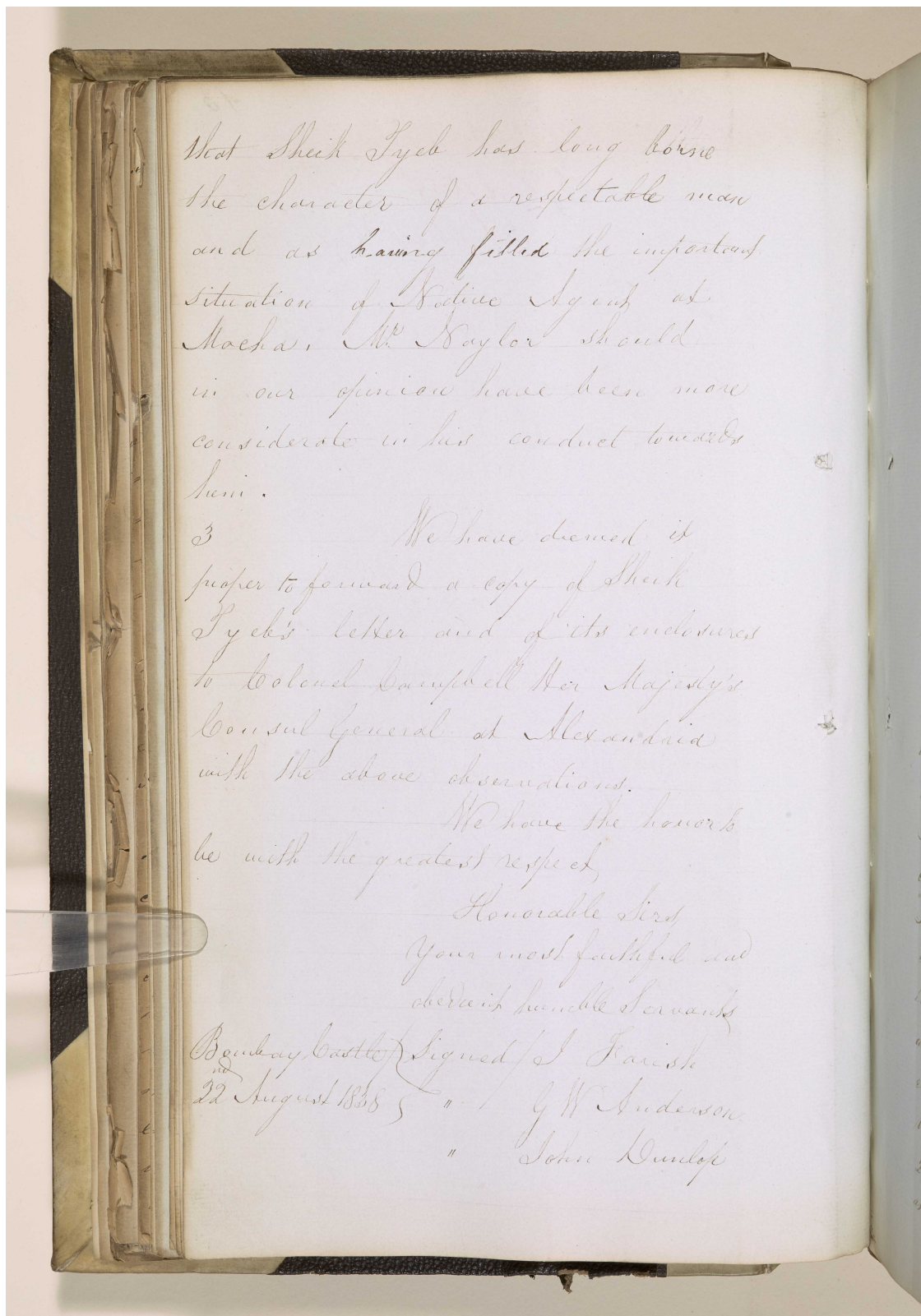
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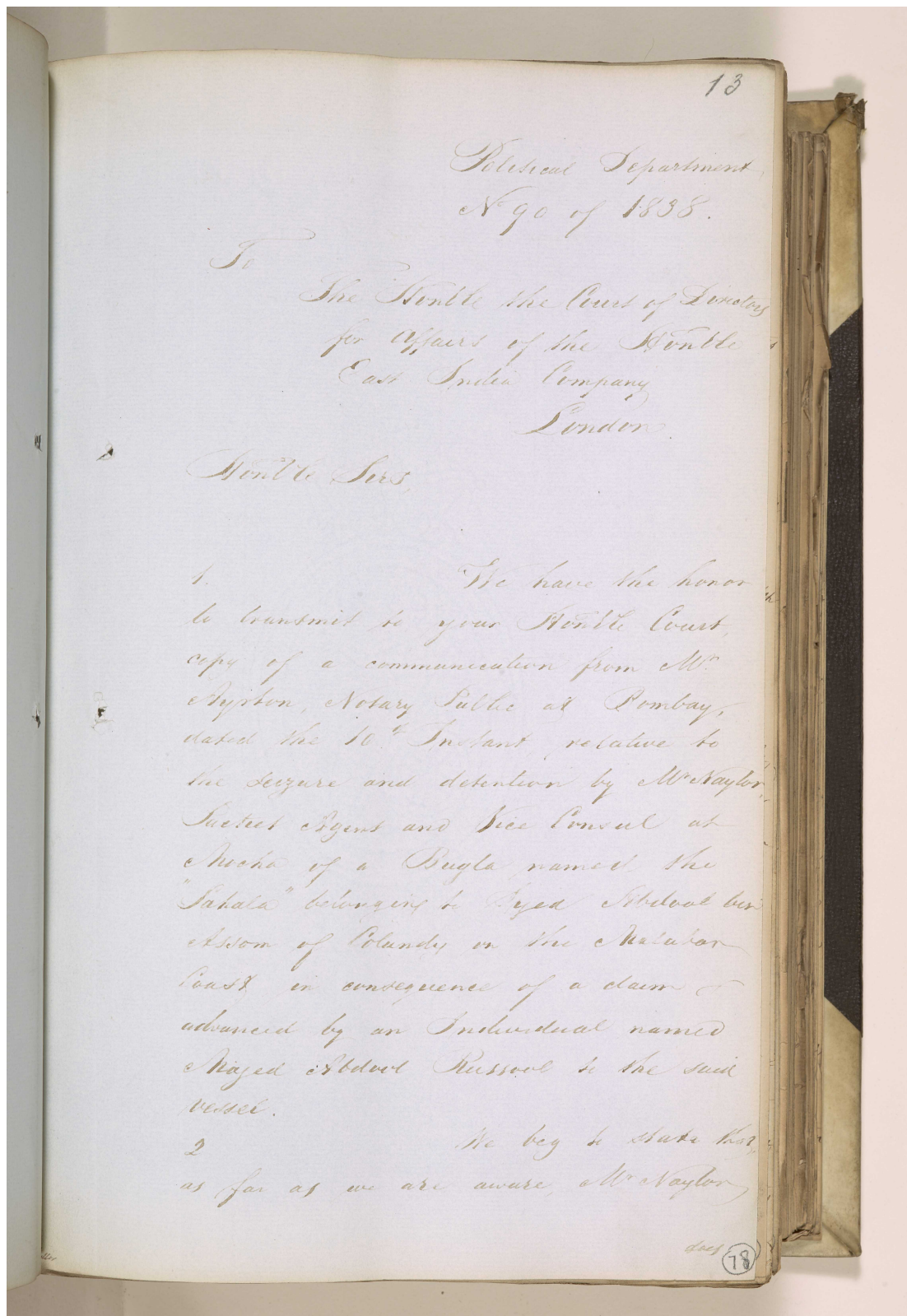
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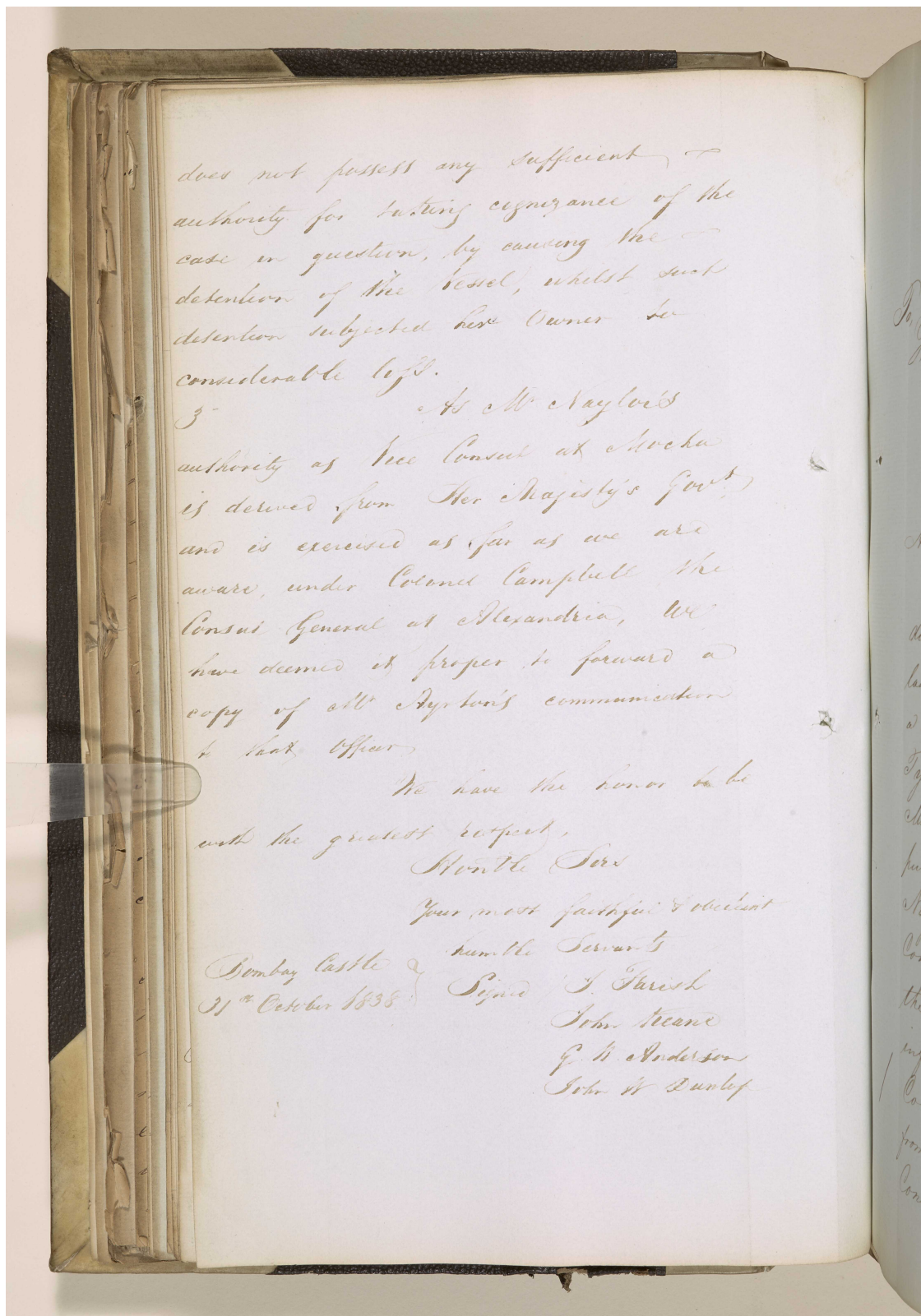
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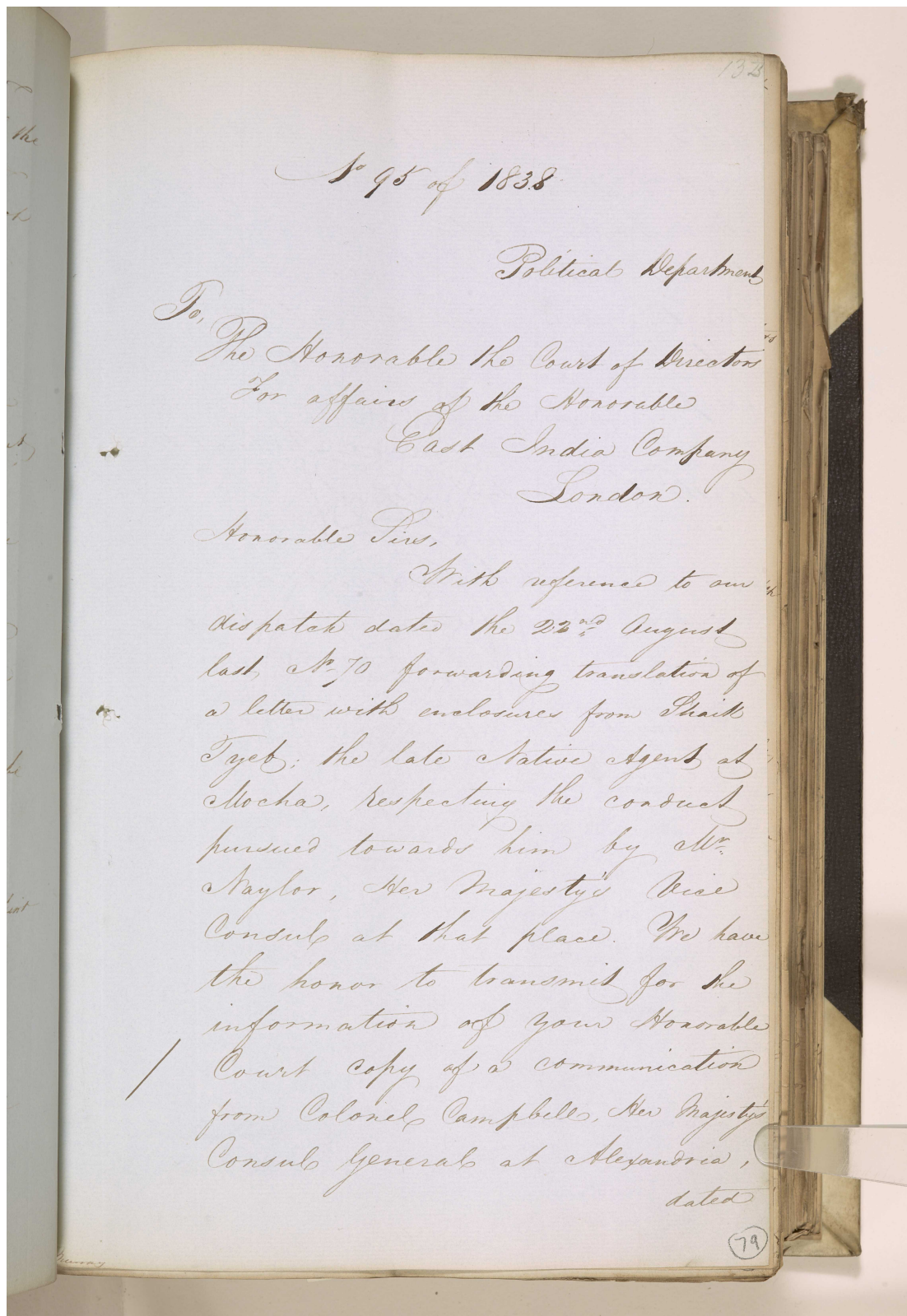
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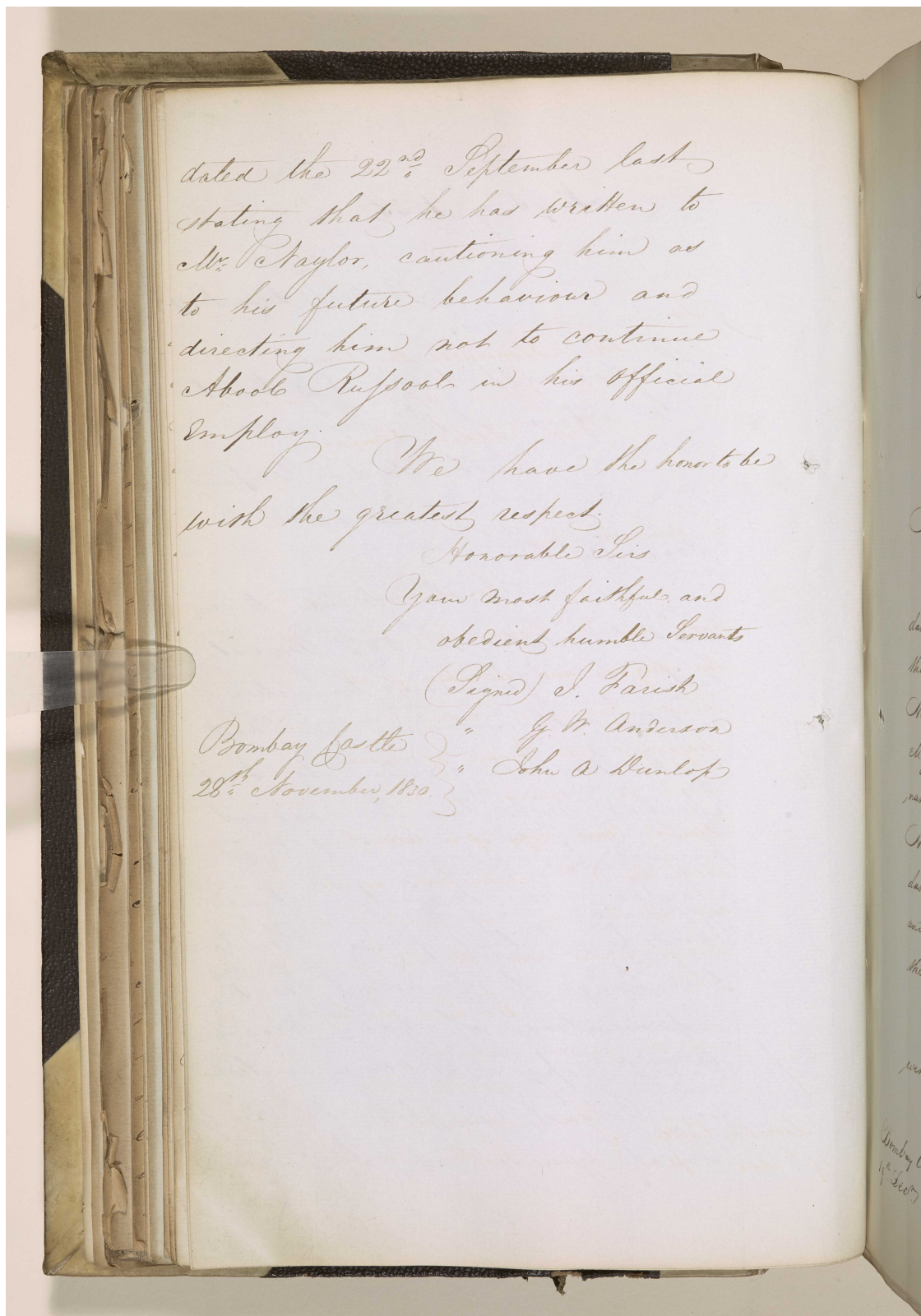
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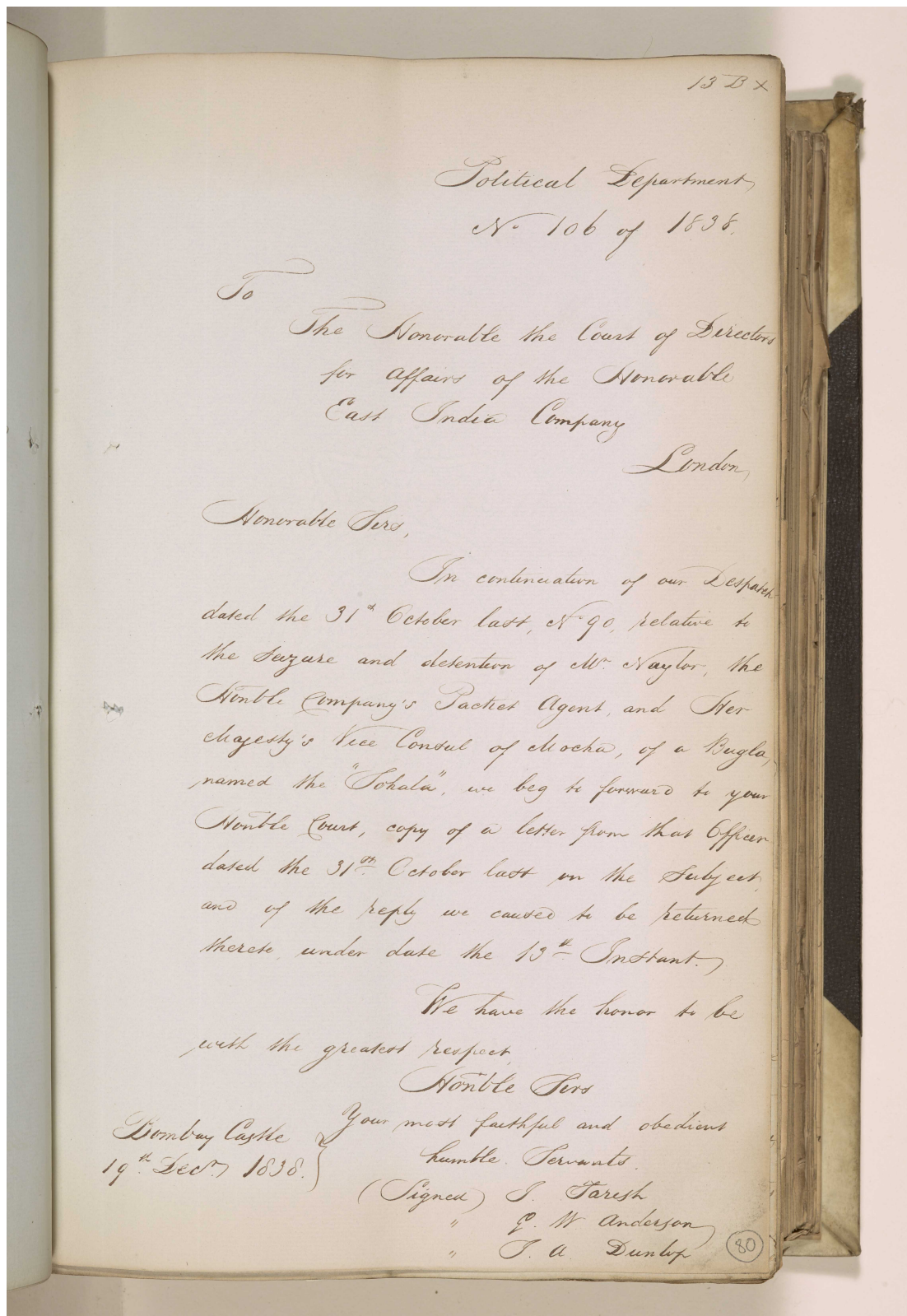
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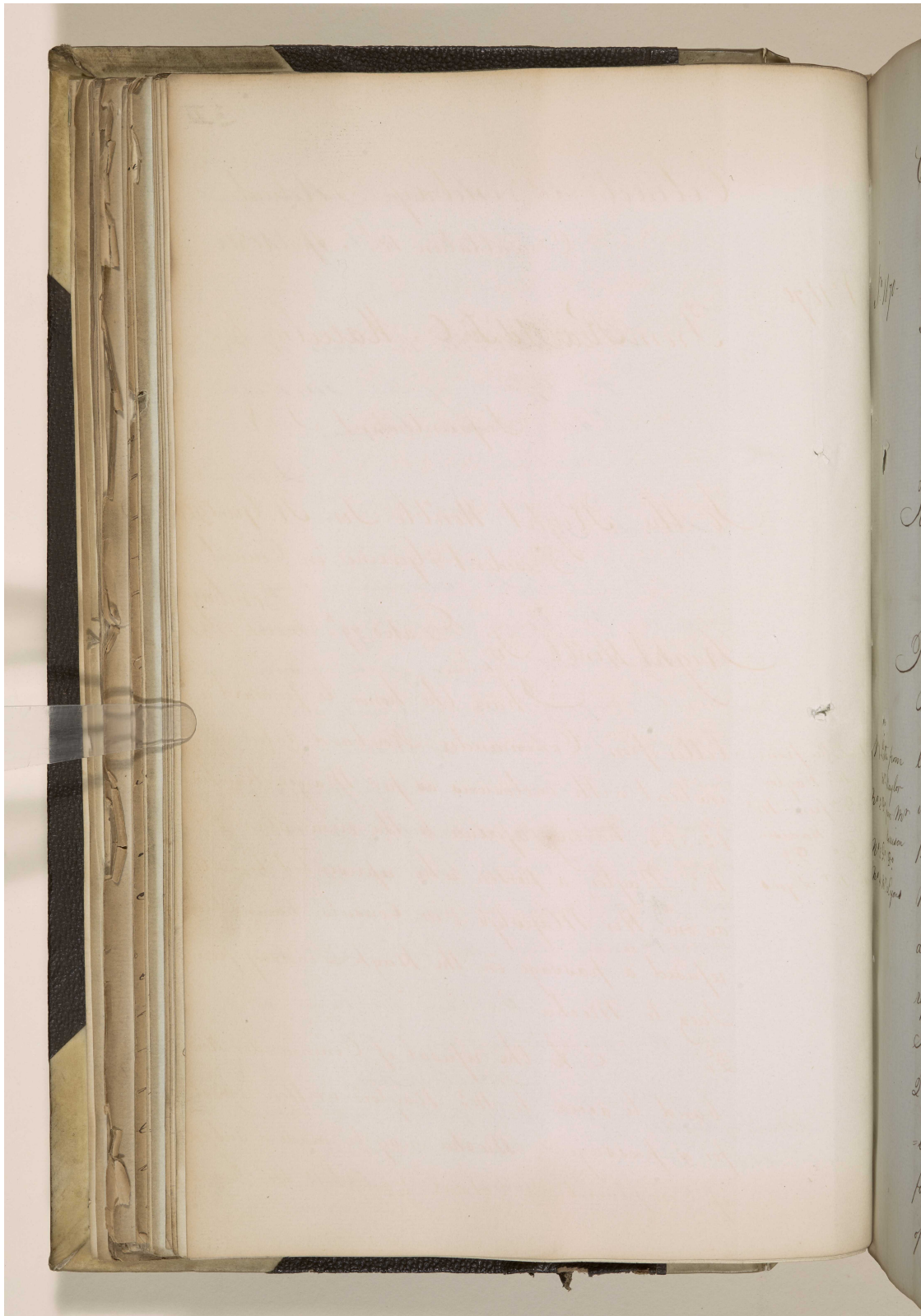
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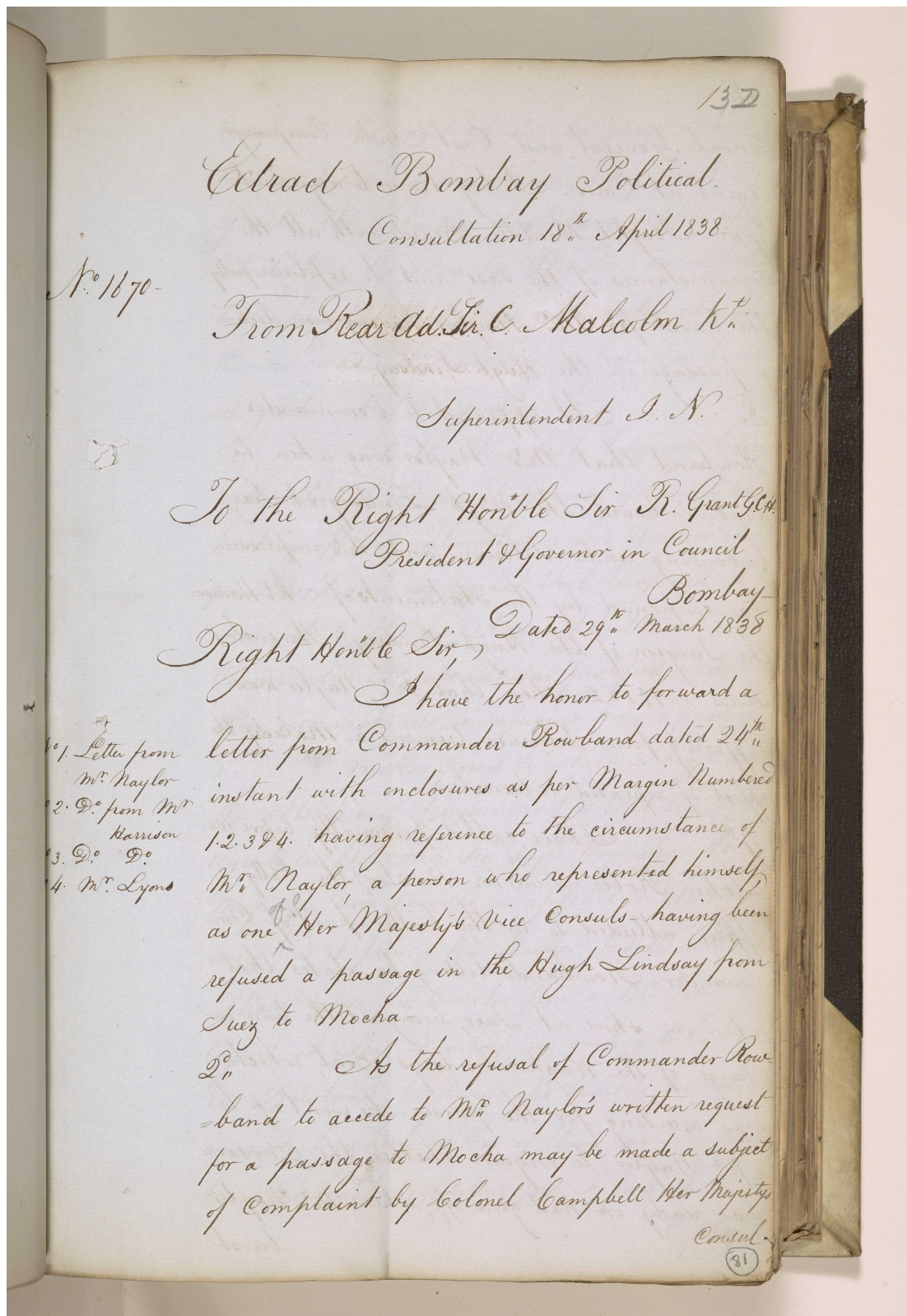
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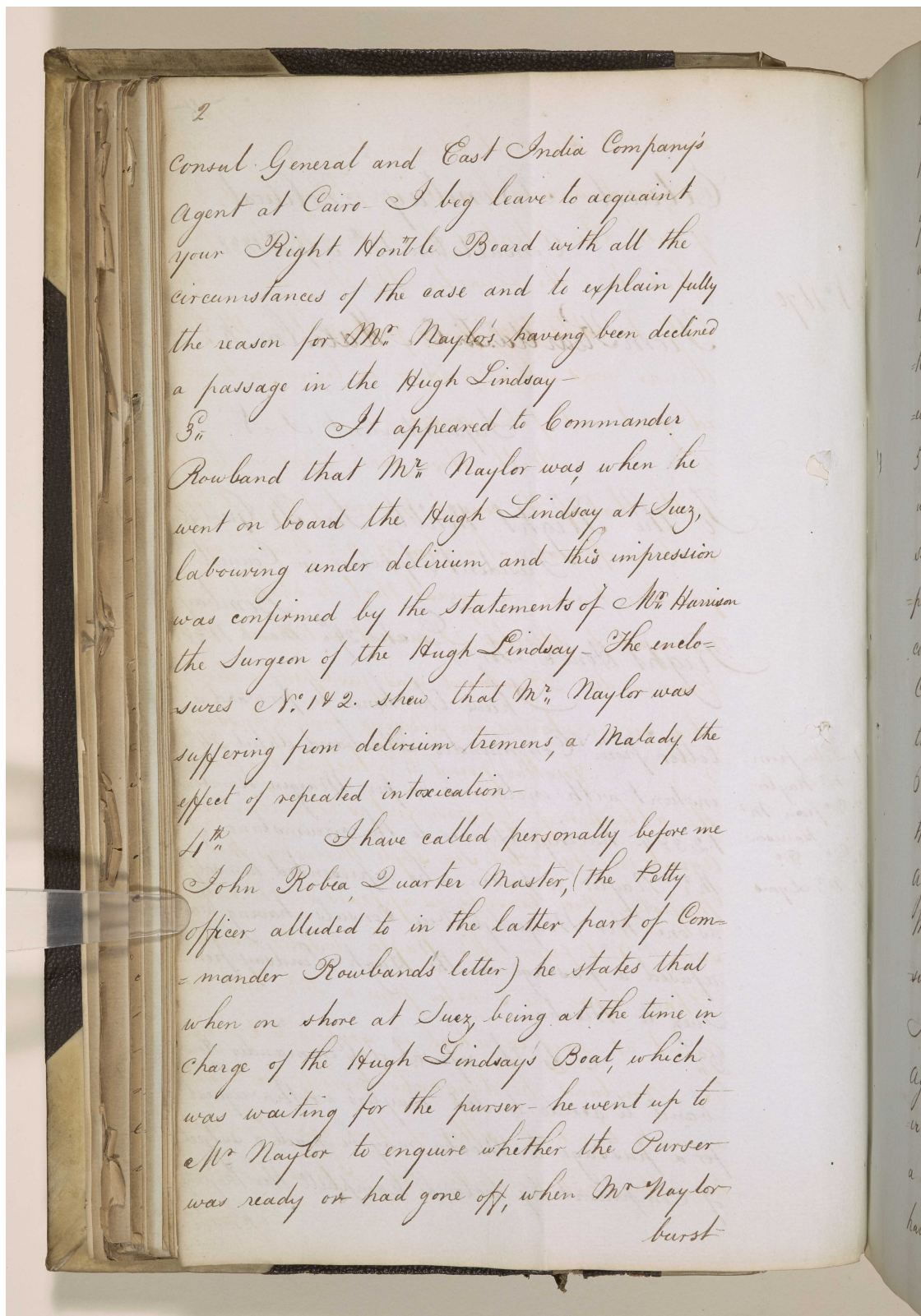
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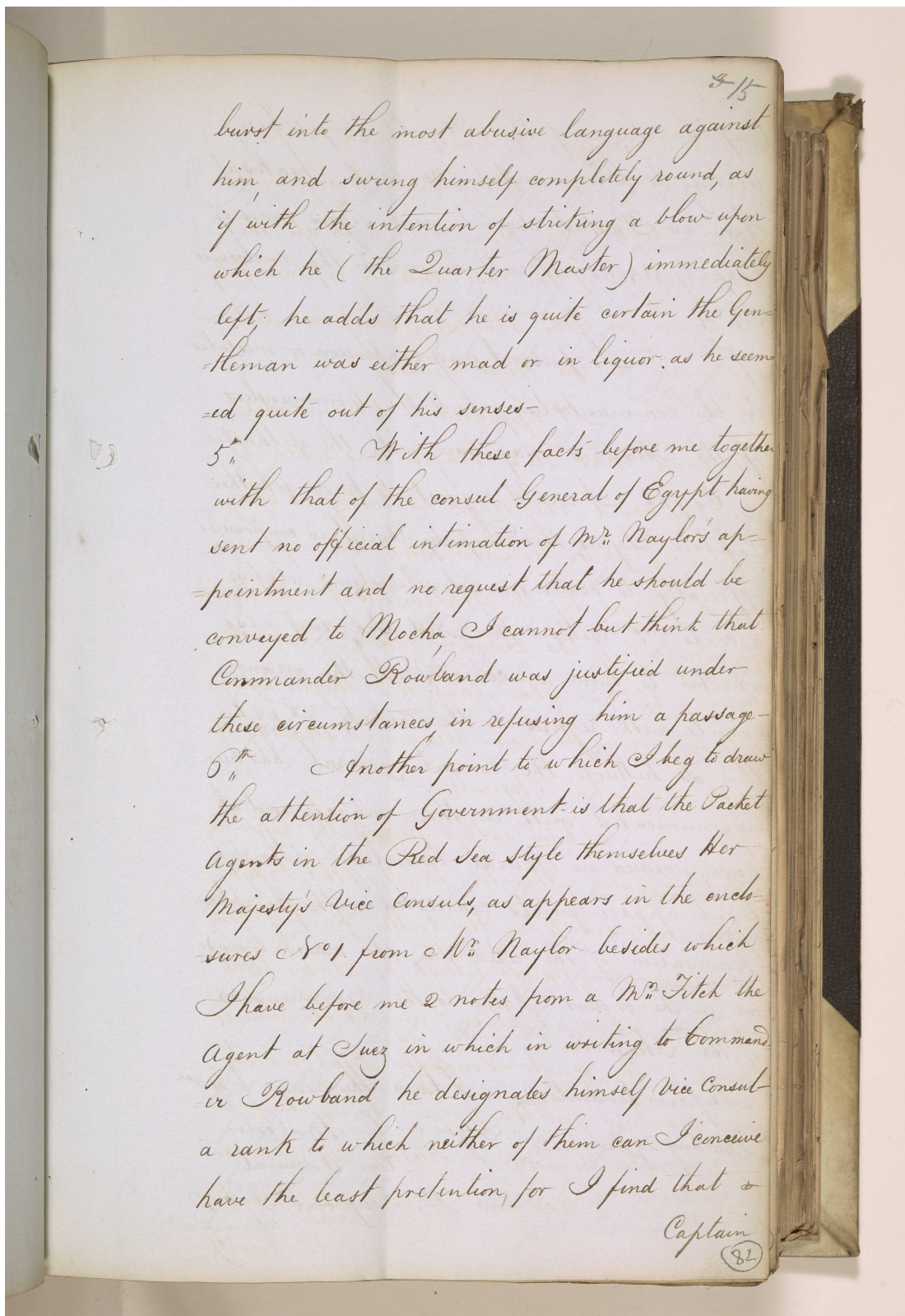
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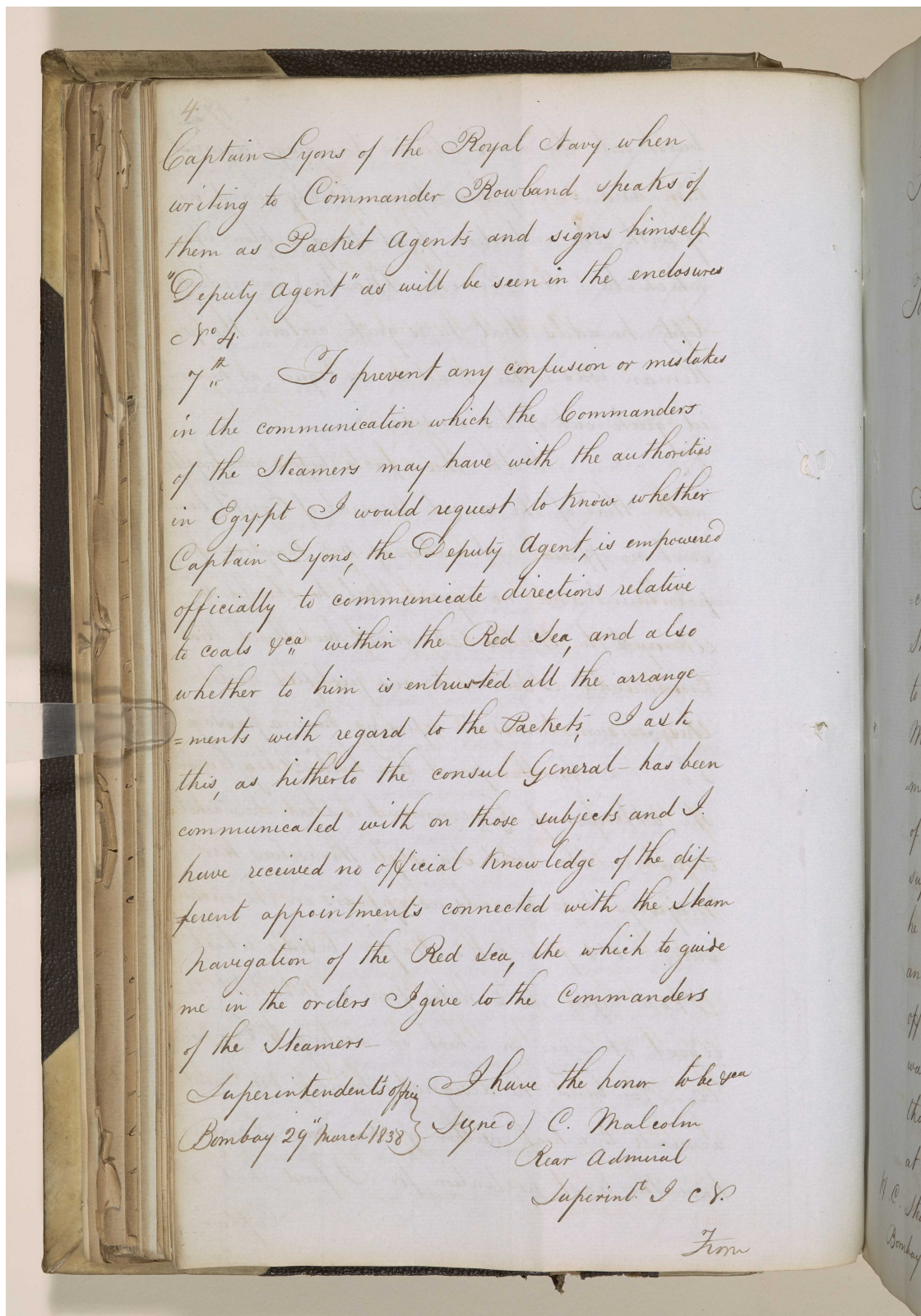
burst into the most abusive language against him, and swung himself completely round, as if with the intention of striking a blow upon which he (the Quarter Master) immediately left; he adds that he is quite certain the Gentleman was either mad or in liquor, as he seemed quite out of his senses-

5th With these facts before me together with that of the consul General of Egypt having sent no official intimation of Mr. Naylor's appointment and no request that he should be conveyed to Mocha I cannot but think that Commander Rowband was justified under these circumstances in refusing him a passage-

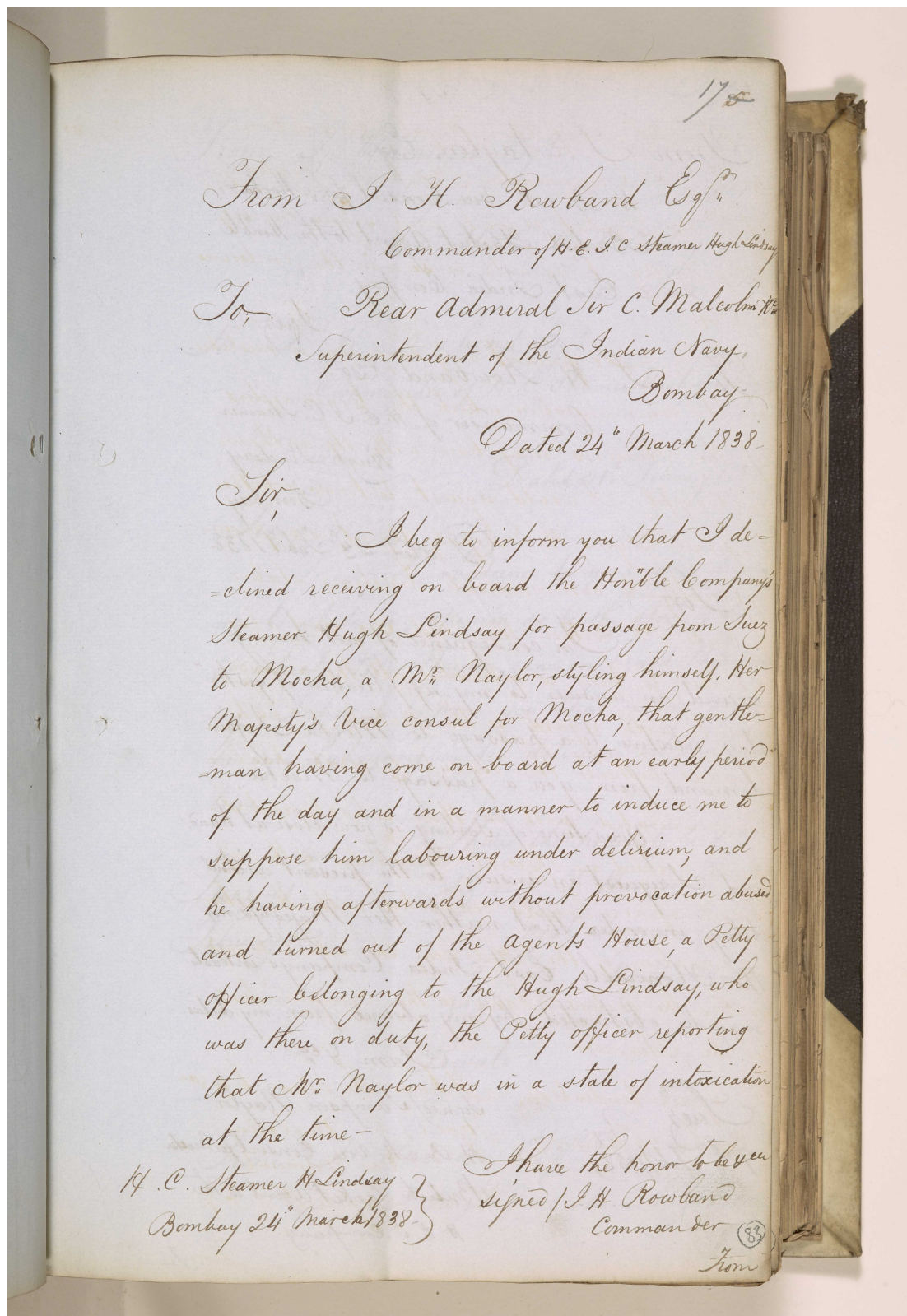
6th Another point to which I beg to draw the attention of Government is that the Packet Agents in the Red Sea style themselves Her Majesty's Vice Consuls, as appears in the enclosures &c. from Mr. Naylor besides which I have before me 2 notes from a Mr. Fitch the Agent at Suez in which in writing to Commander Rowband he designates himself Vice Consul a rank to which neither of them can I conceive have the least pretension, for I find that a
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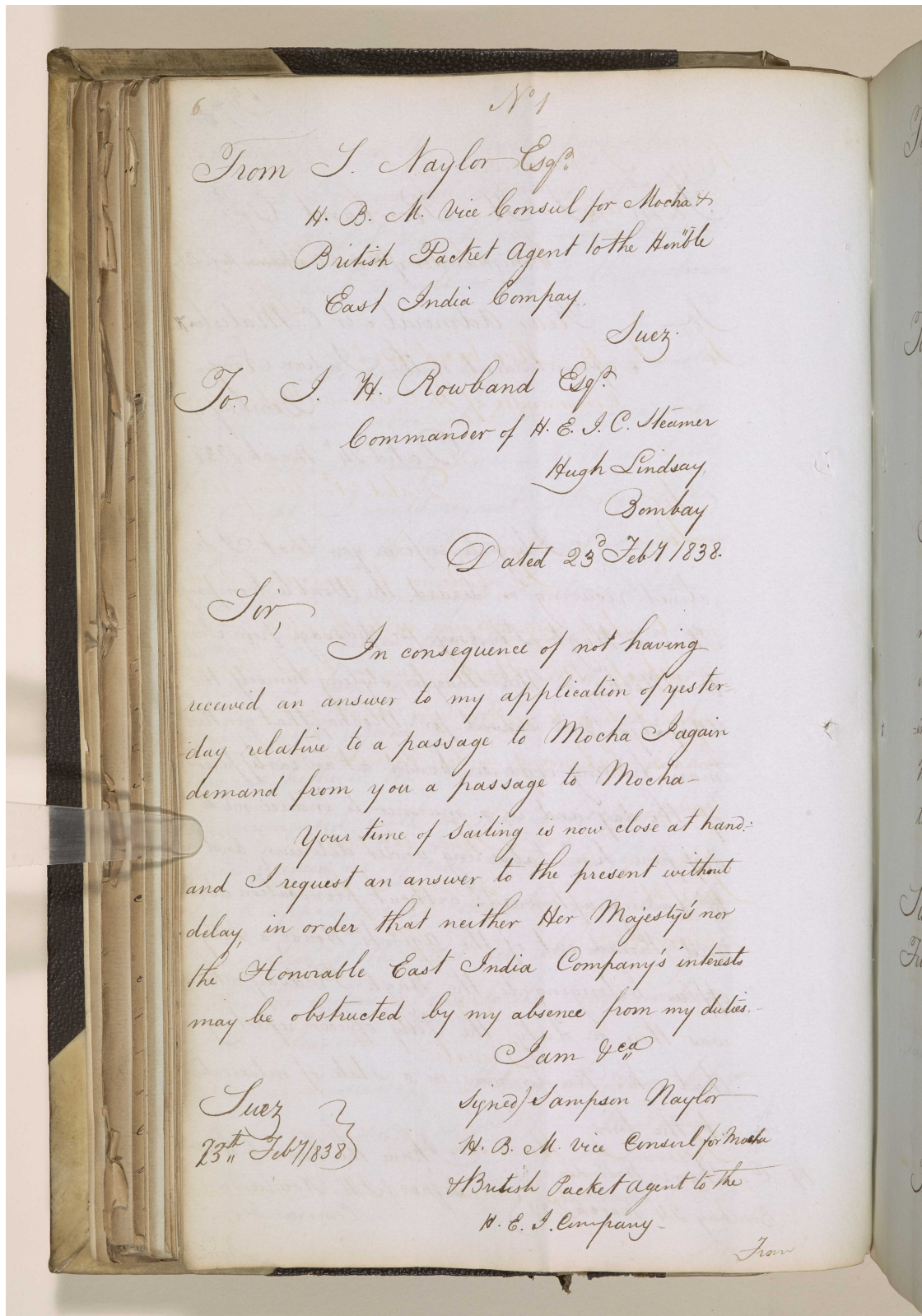
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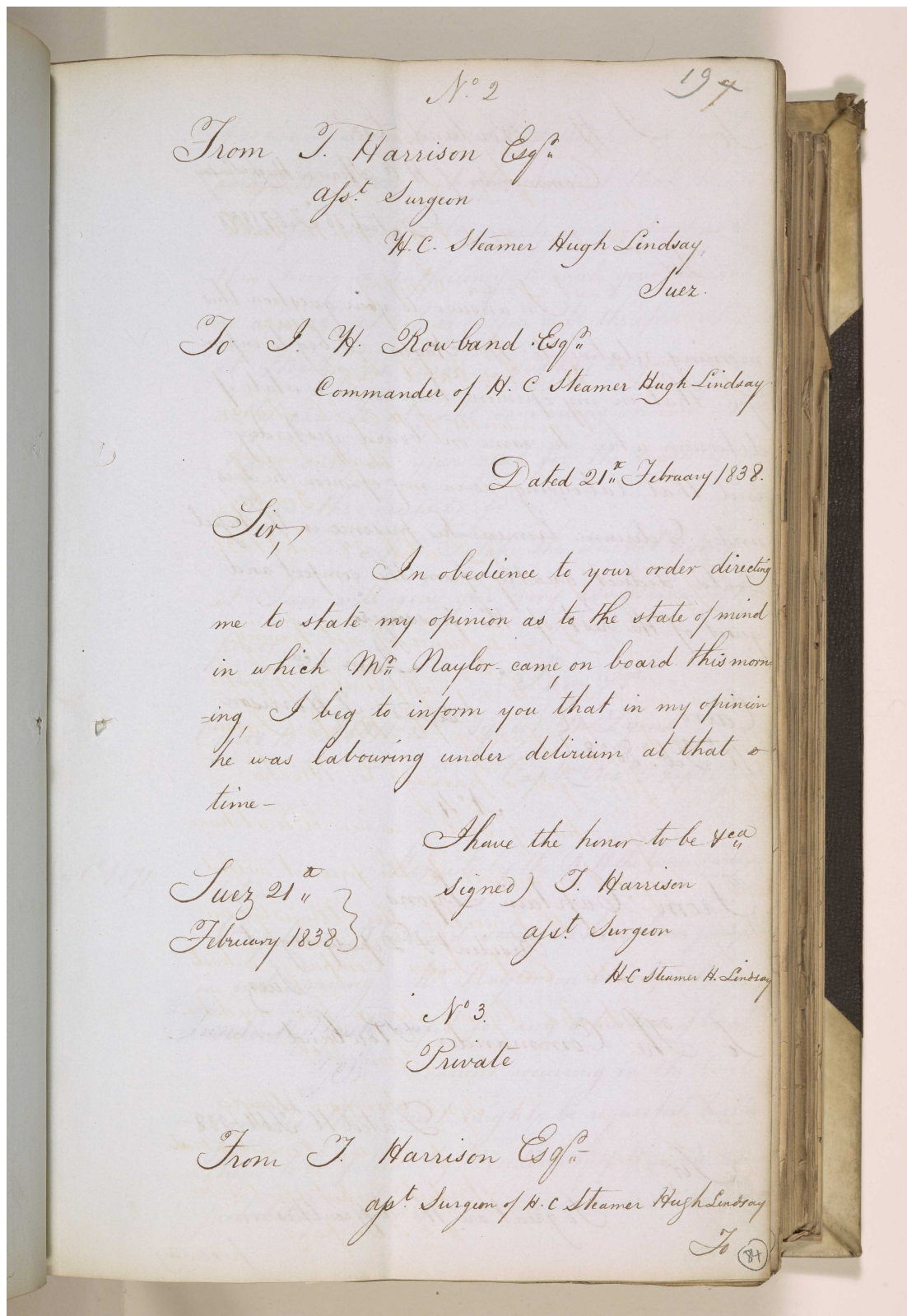
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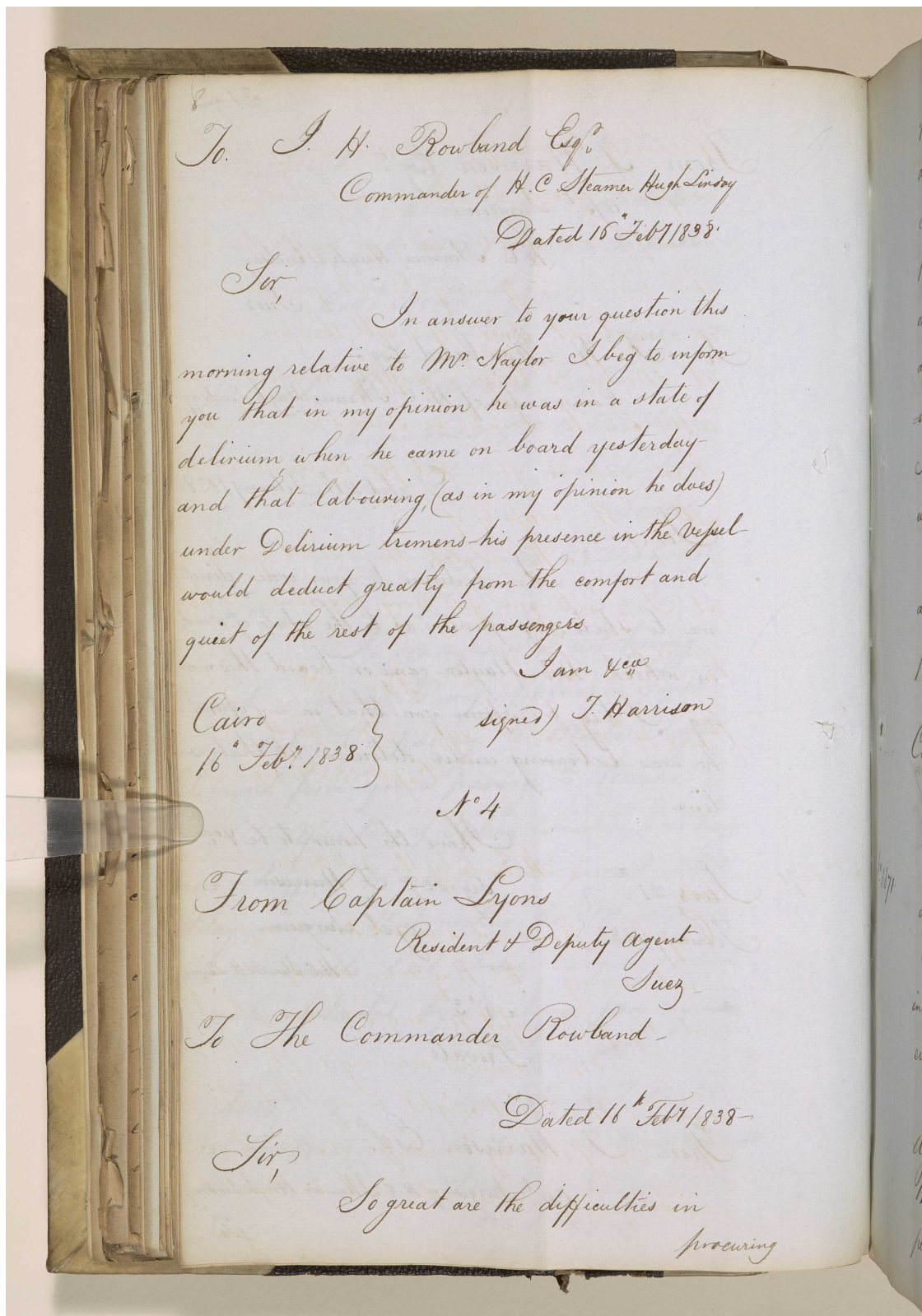
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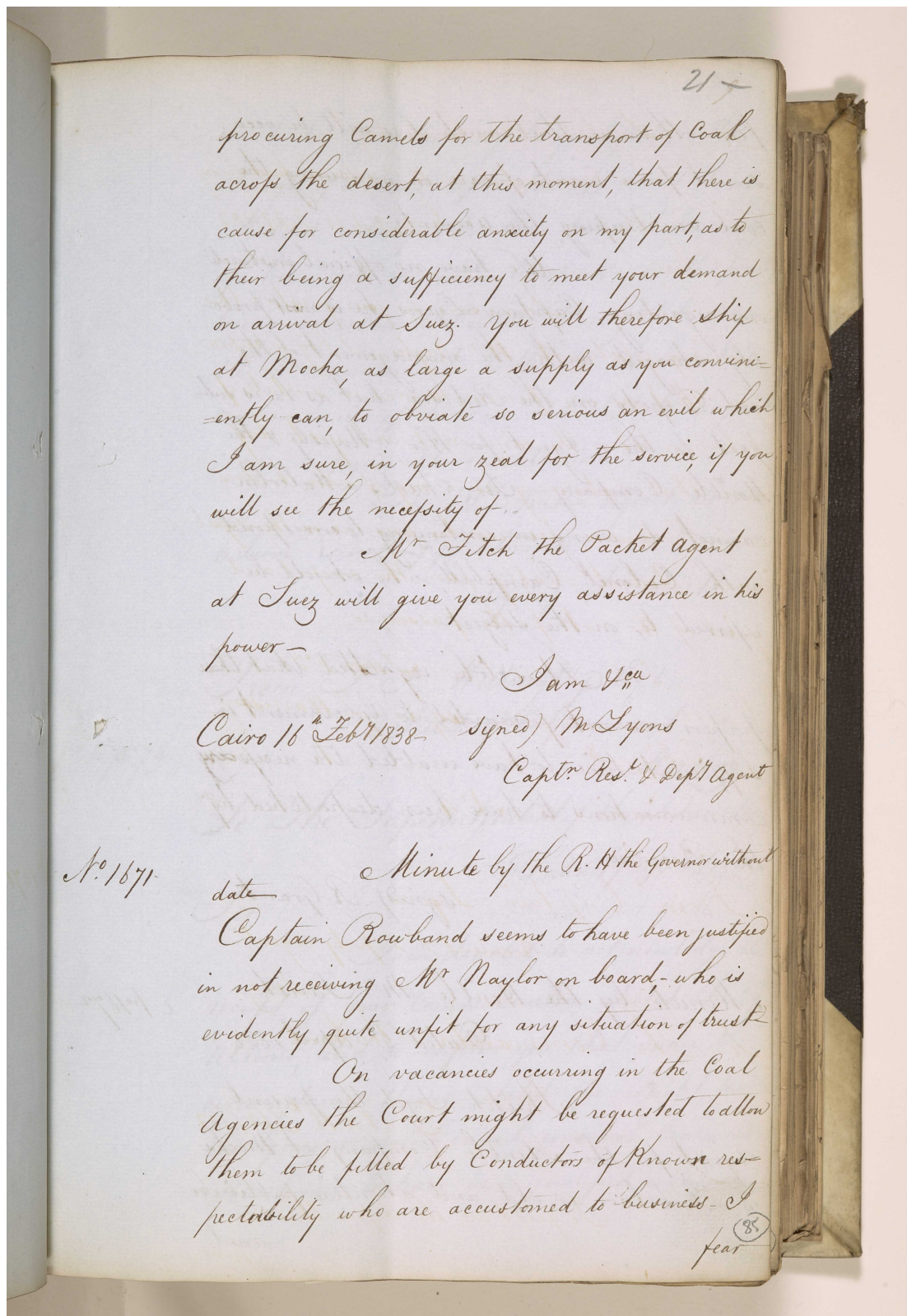
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fear otherwise that much loss will be occasioned for a want of care in measuring the coal & in keeping the accounts-

We have no official instructions regarding Captain Lyons he is most probably charged with the management of the Coal Depots on the Red Sea, but as he is subject to the Agent for Her Majesty & the Honble Company - Sir Charles Malcolm cannot do wrong in continuing to correspond with Colonel Campbell, who should be referred to, on the subject-

It is to be regretted that these papers were not forwarded to Government in sufficient time to have enabled the necessary communications to have been despatched by the Berenice-

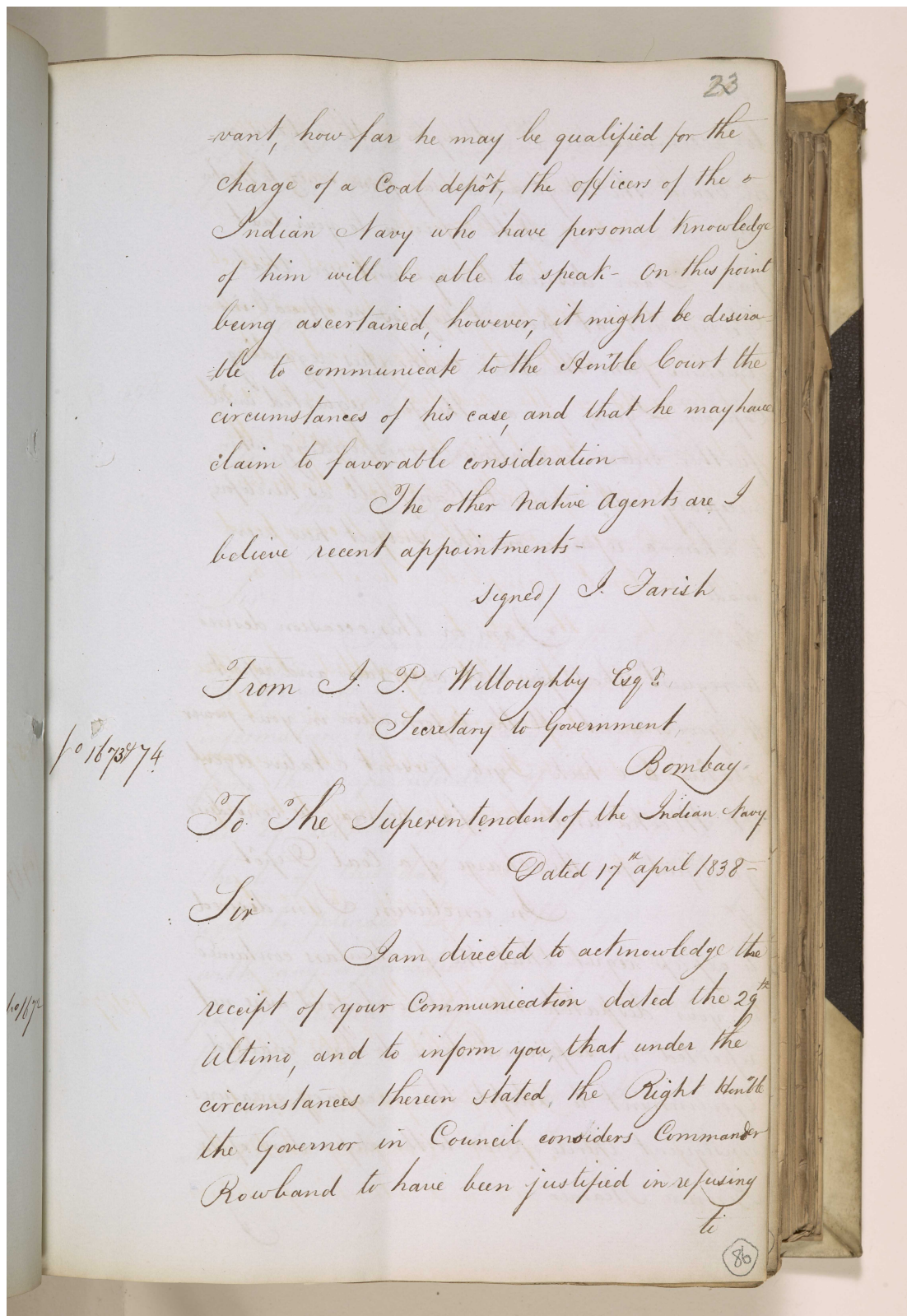
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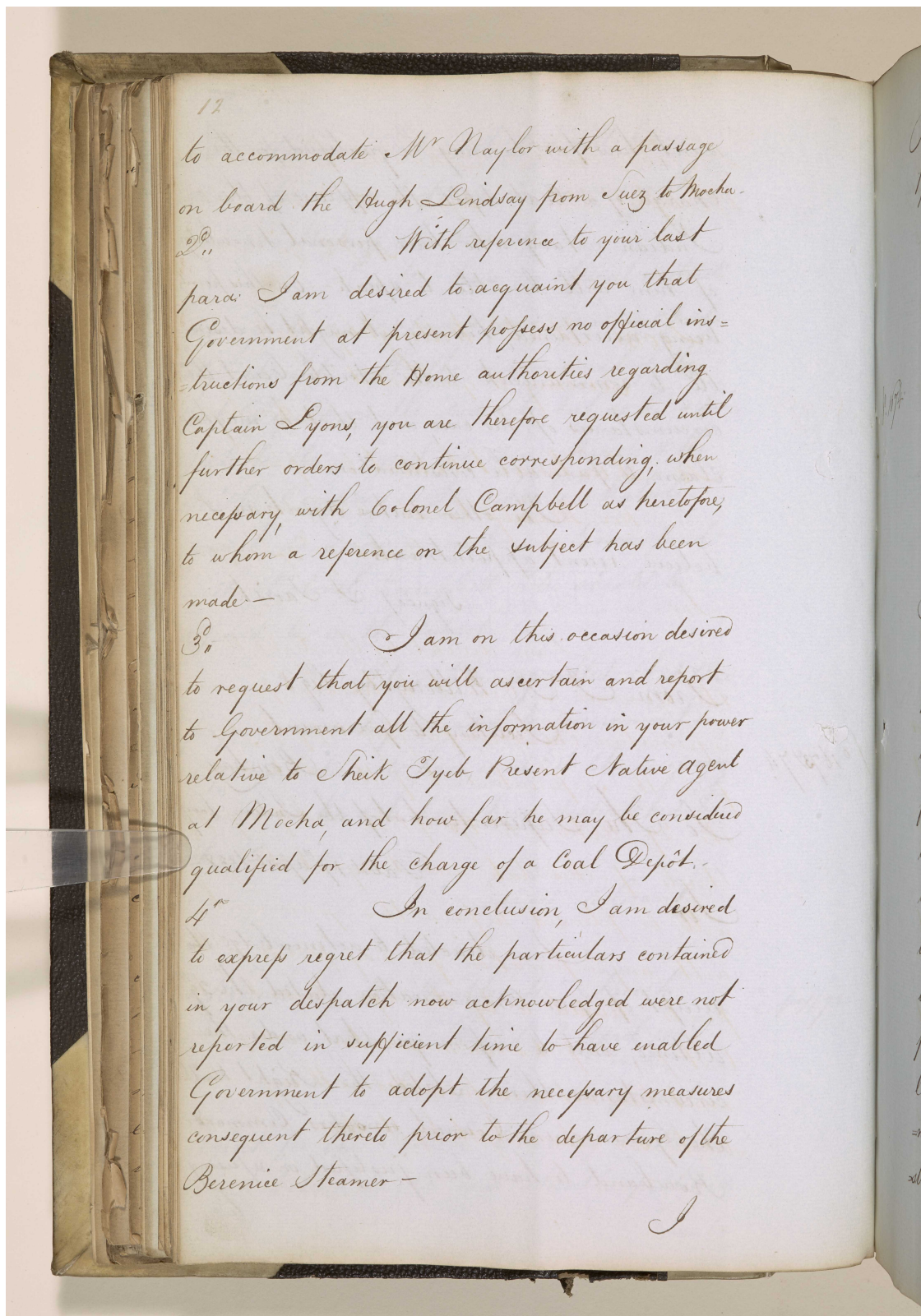
Dated 2^d April 1838

Sheikh Tyeb the present Agent for the Honble Company at Mocha is I believe an old and attentive public servant

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to accommodate Mr Naylor with a passage
on board the Hugh Lindsay from Suez to Mocha.
2^d With reference to your last

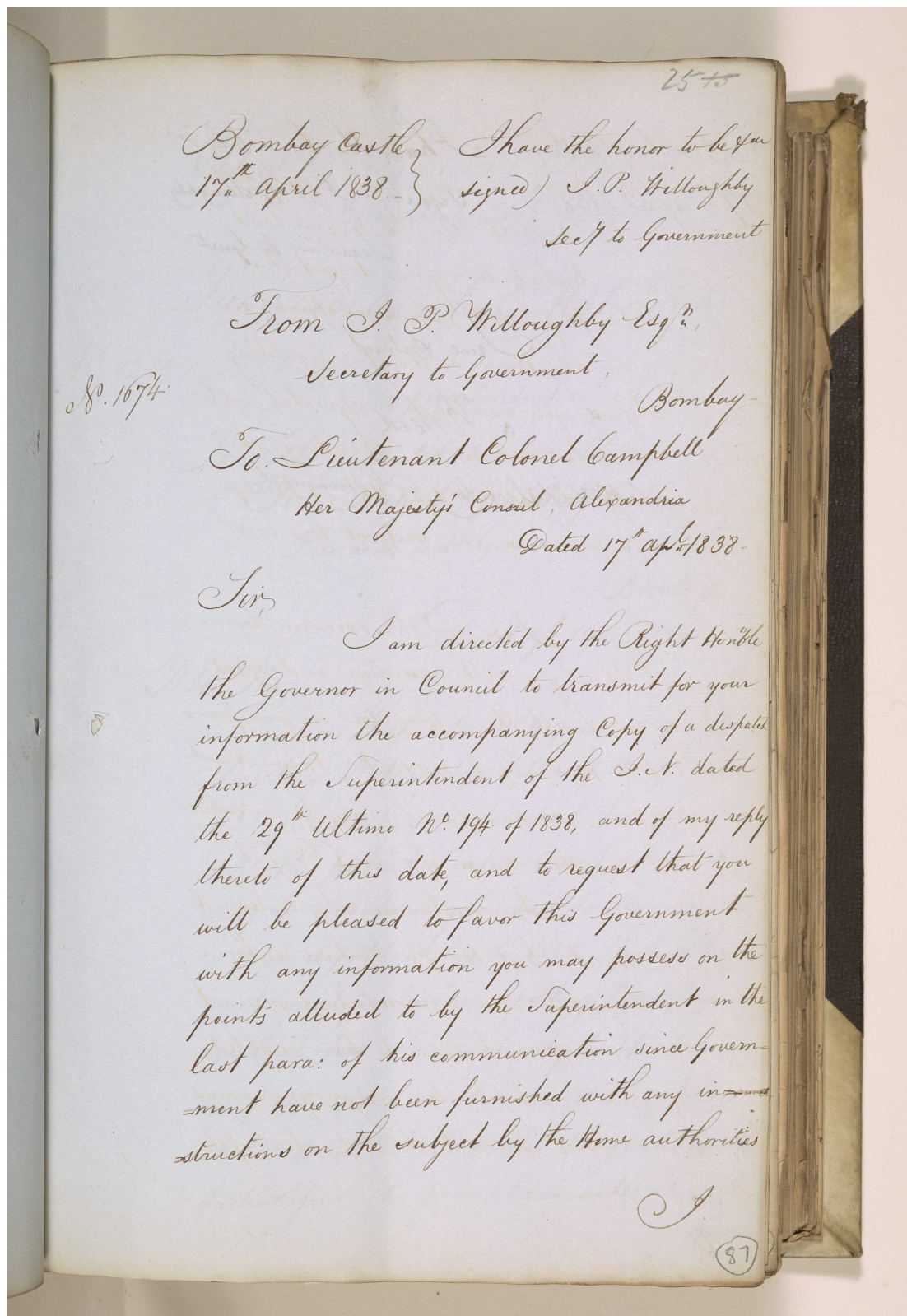
para: I am desired to acquaint you that
Government at present possess no official in-
structions from the Home authorities regarding
Captain Lyons, you are therefore requested until
further orders to continue corresponding, when
necessary, with Colonel Campbell as heretofore,
to whom a reference on the subject has been
made -

3^d I am on this occasion desired
to request that you will ascertain and report
to Government all the information in your power
relative to Sheik Tyeb Present Native Agent
at Mocha, and how far he may be considered
qualified for the charge of a Coal Depot.

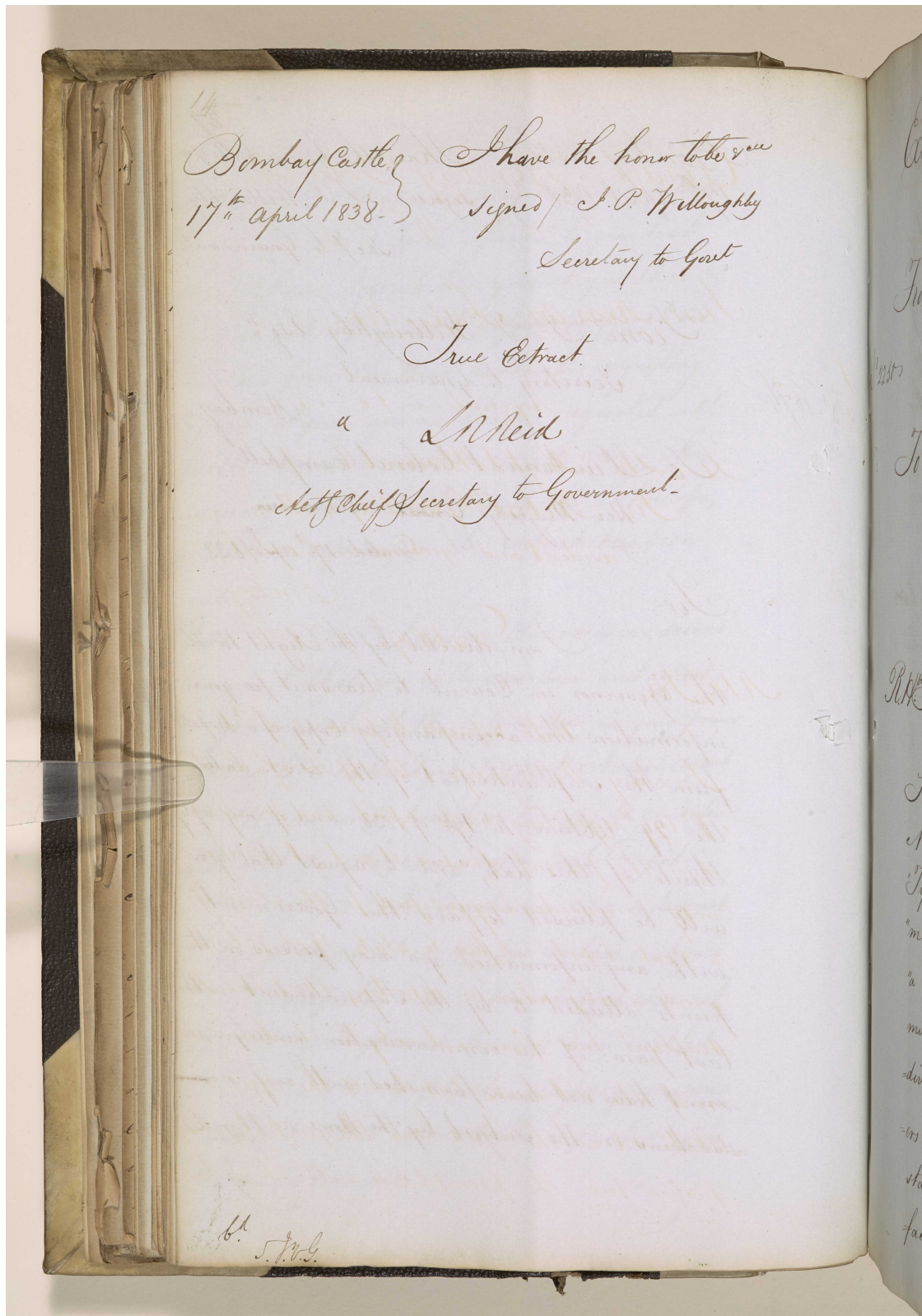
4th In conclusion, I am desired
to express regret that the particulars contained
in your despatch now acknowledged were not
reported in sufficient time to have enabled
Government to adopt the necessary measures
consequent thereto prior to the departure of the
Berenice Steamer -

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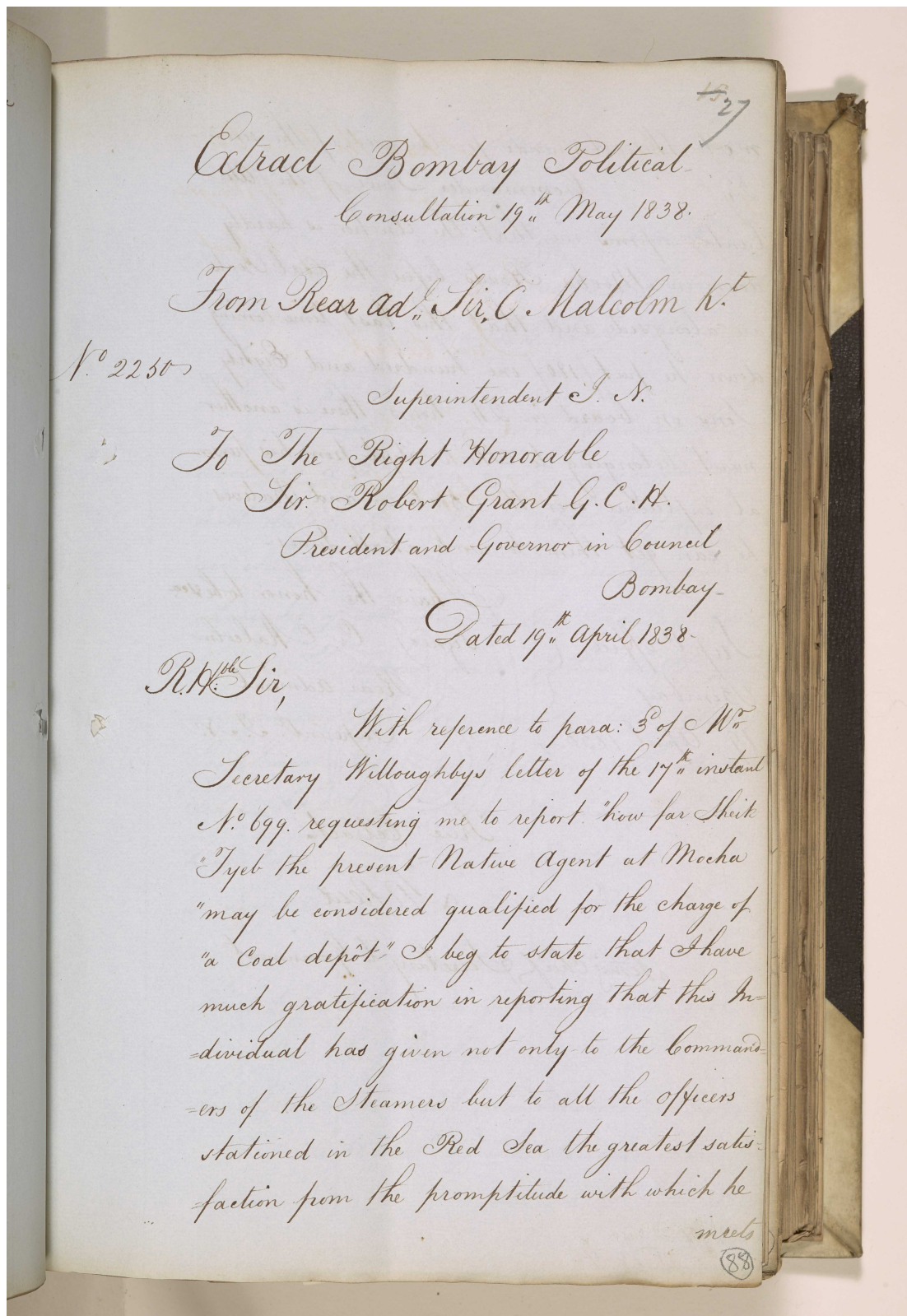
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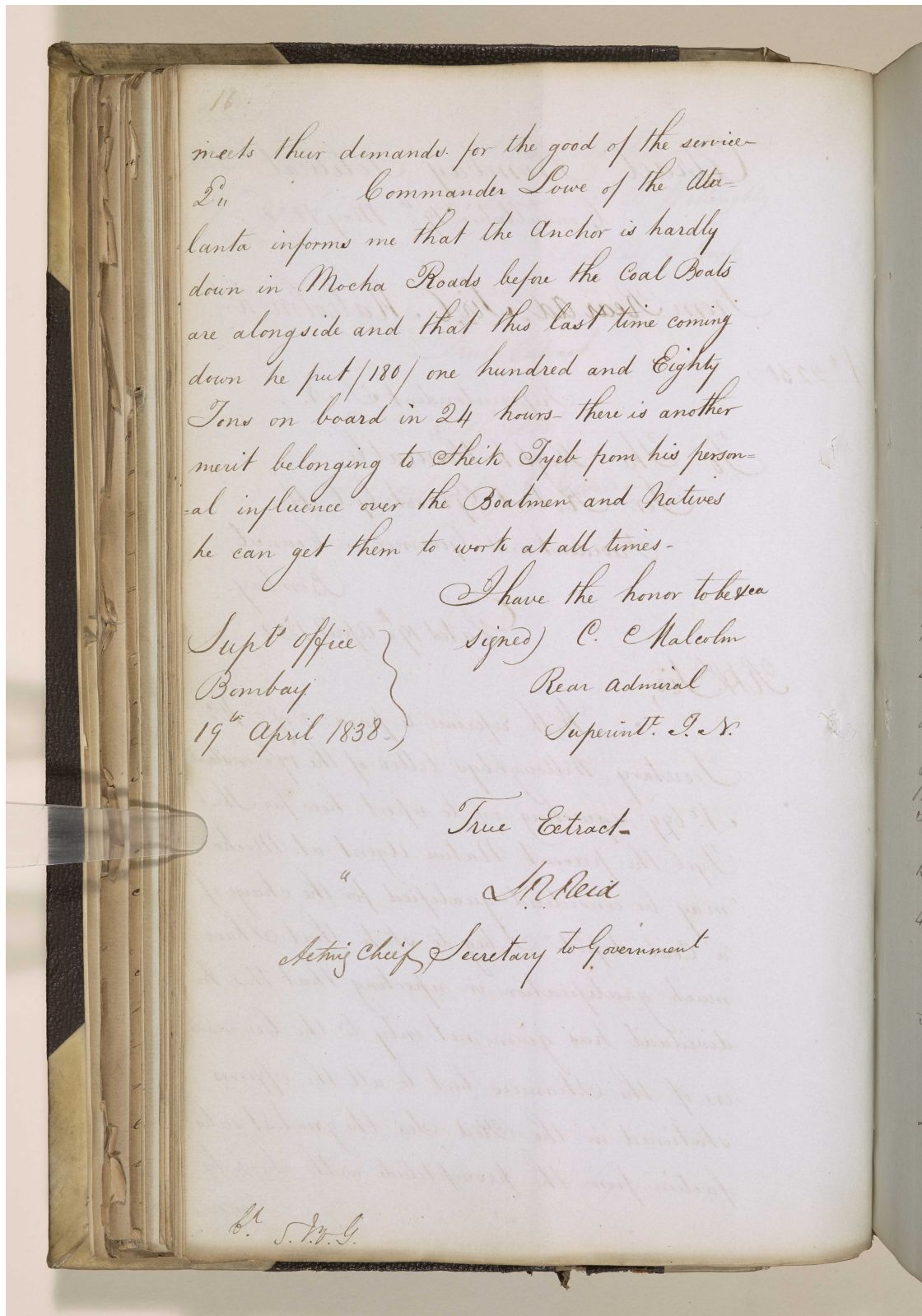
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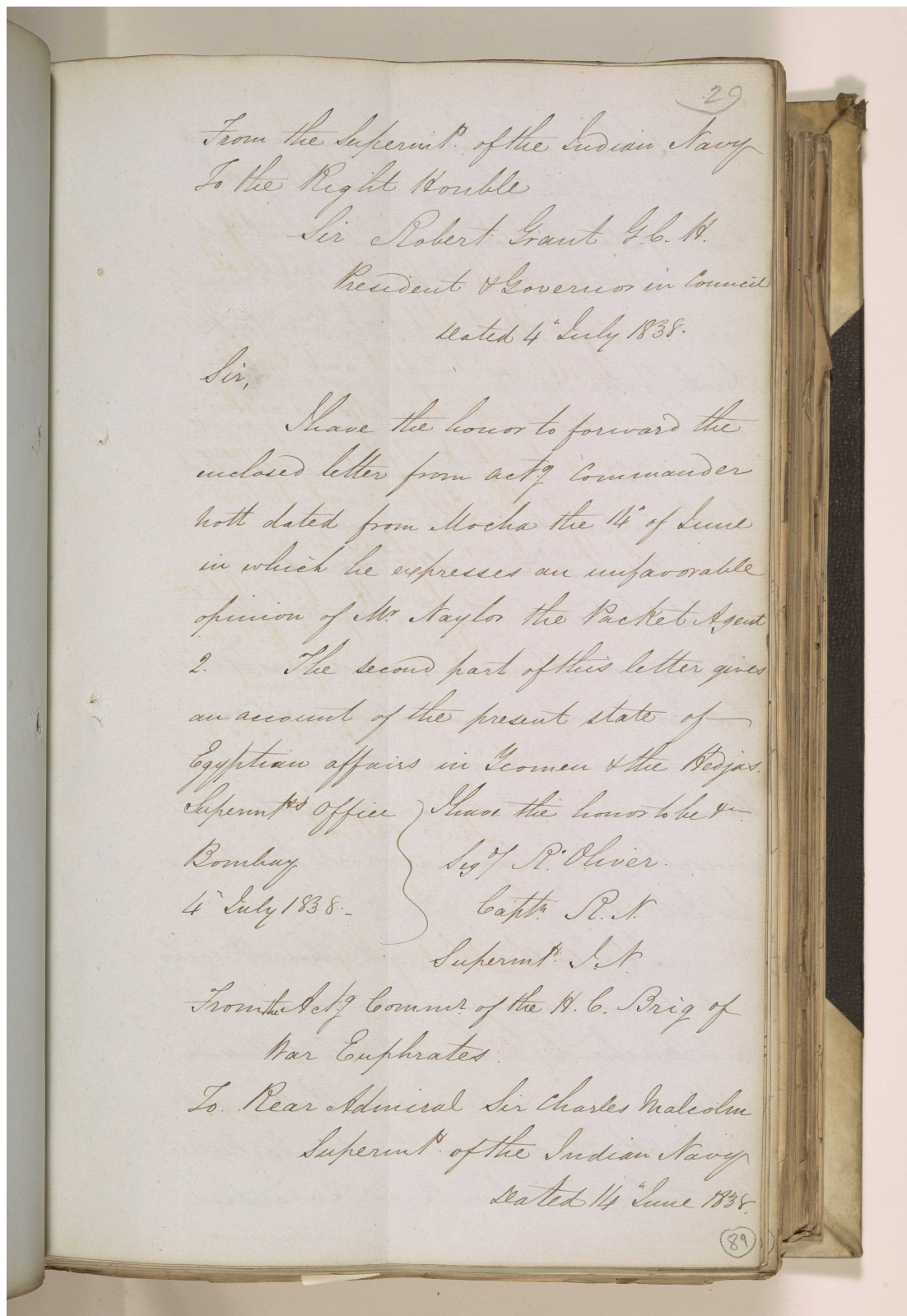
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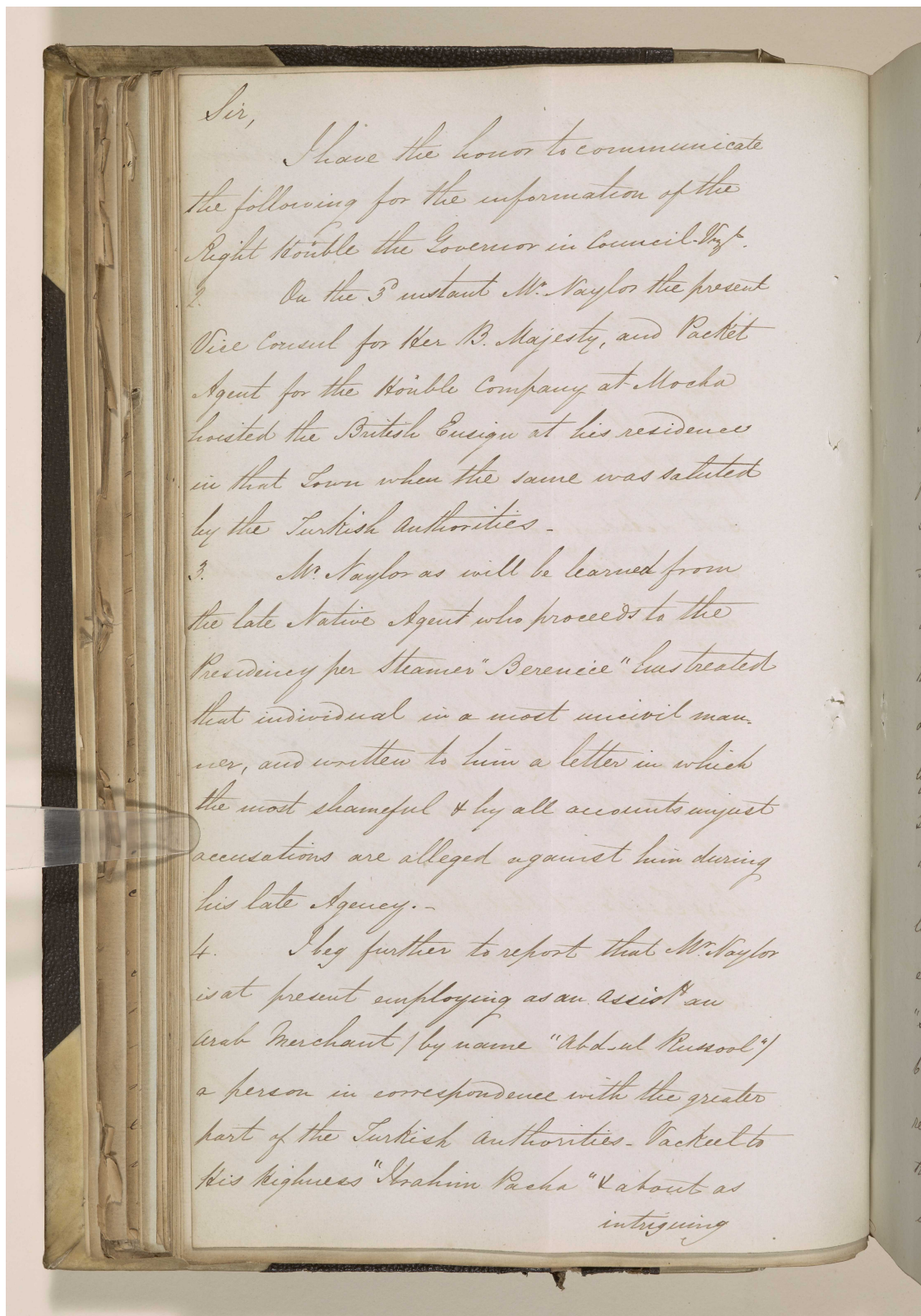
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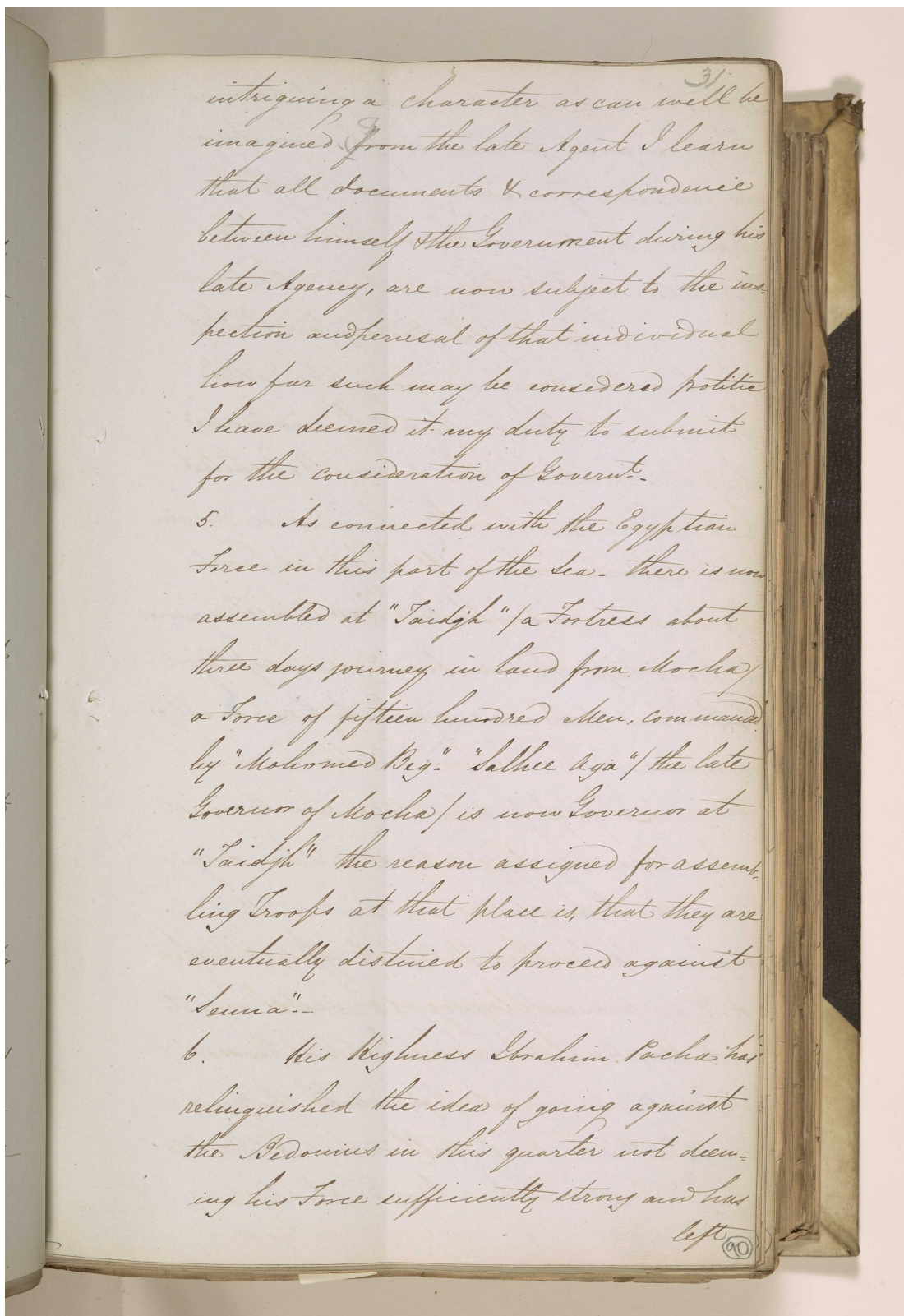
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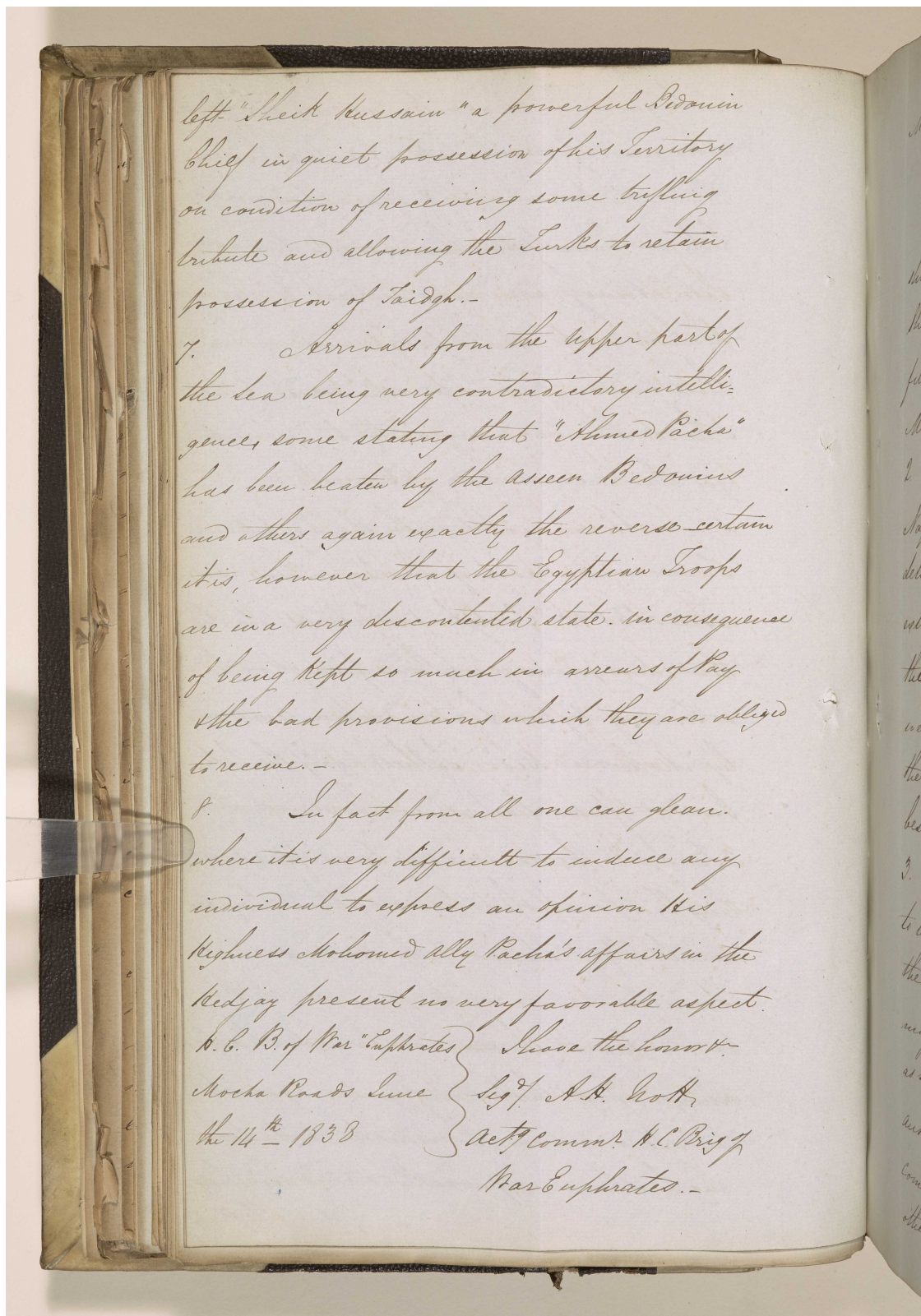


intriguing a character as can well be
imagined. From the late Agent I learn
that all documents & correspondence
between himself & the Government during his
late Agency, are now subject to the in-
spection and perusal of that individual
how far such may be considered politic
I have deemed it my duty to submit
for the consideration of Government.

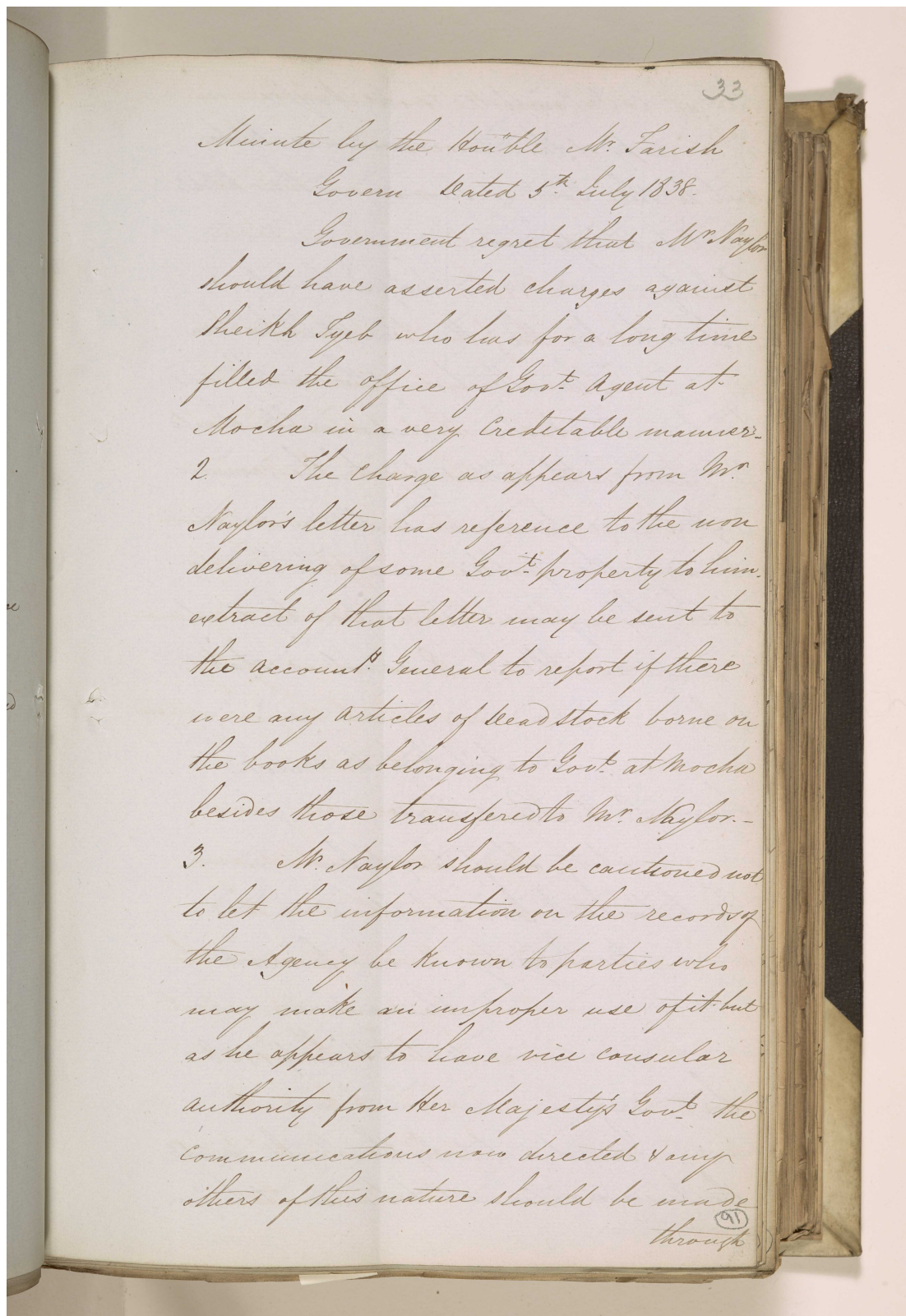
5. As connected with the Egyptian
Force in this part of the sea. there is now
assembled at "Saidah" / a Fortress about
three days journey in land from Mocha /
a force of fifteen hundred men, commanded
by "Mohomed Beg" "Salhee Aga" / the late
Governor of Mocha / is now Governor at
"Saidah" the reason assigned for assem-
bling Troops at that place is that they are
eventually destined to proceed against
"Senna".

6. His Highness Ibrahim Pacha has
relinquished the idea of going against
the Bedouins in this quarter not deem-
ing his Force sufficiently strong and has
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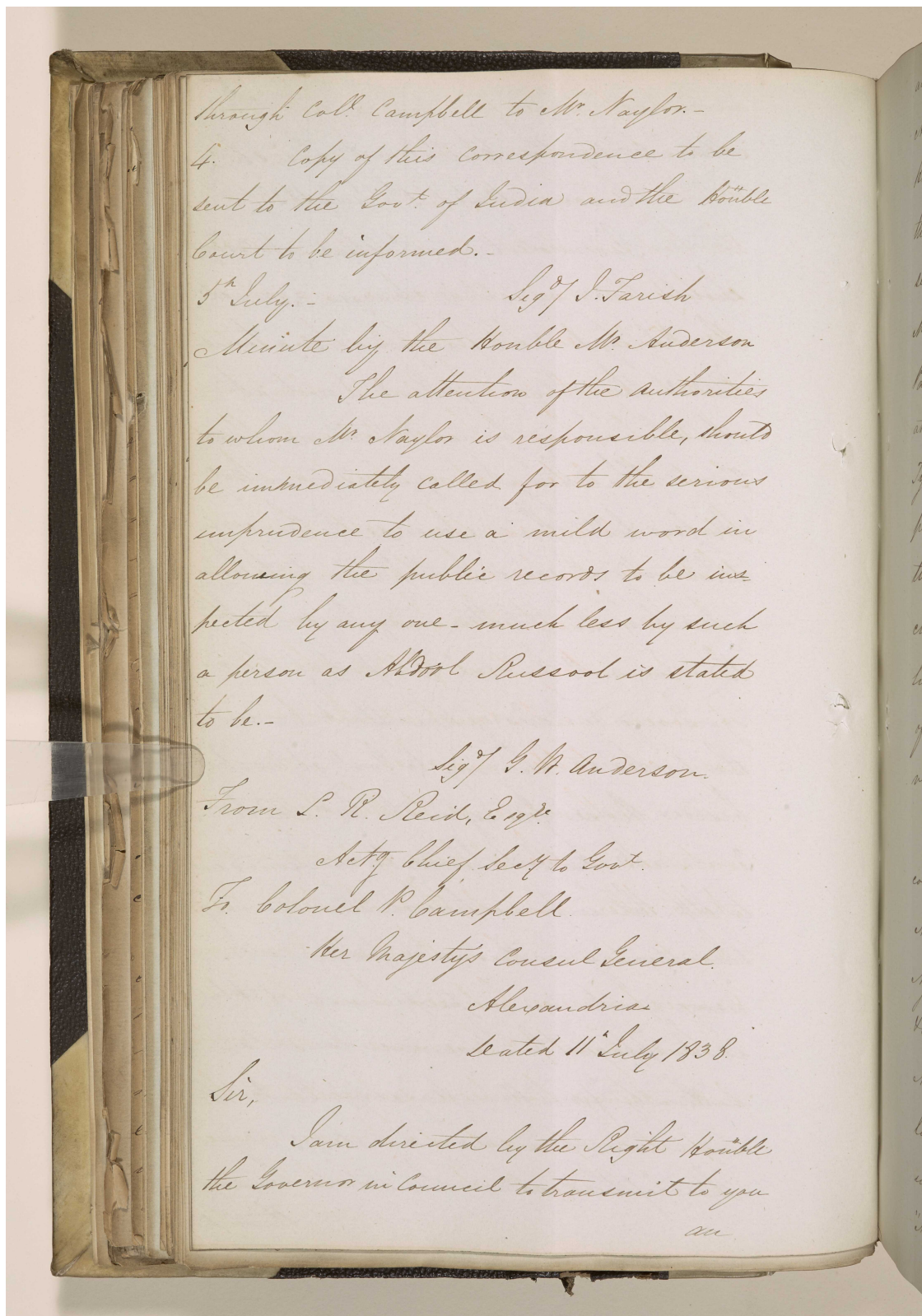
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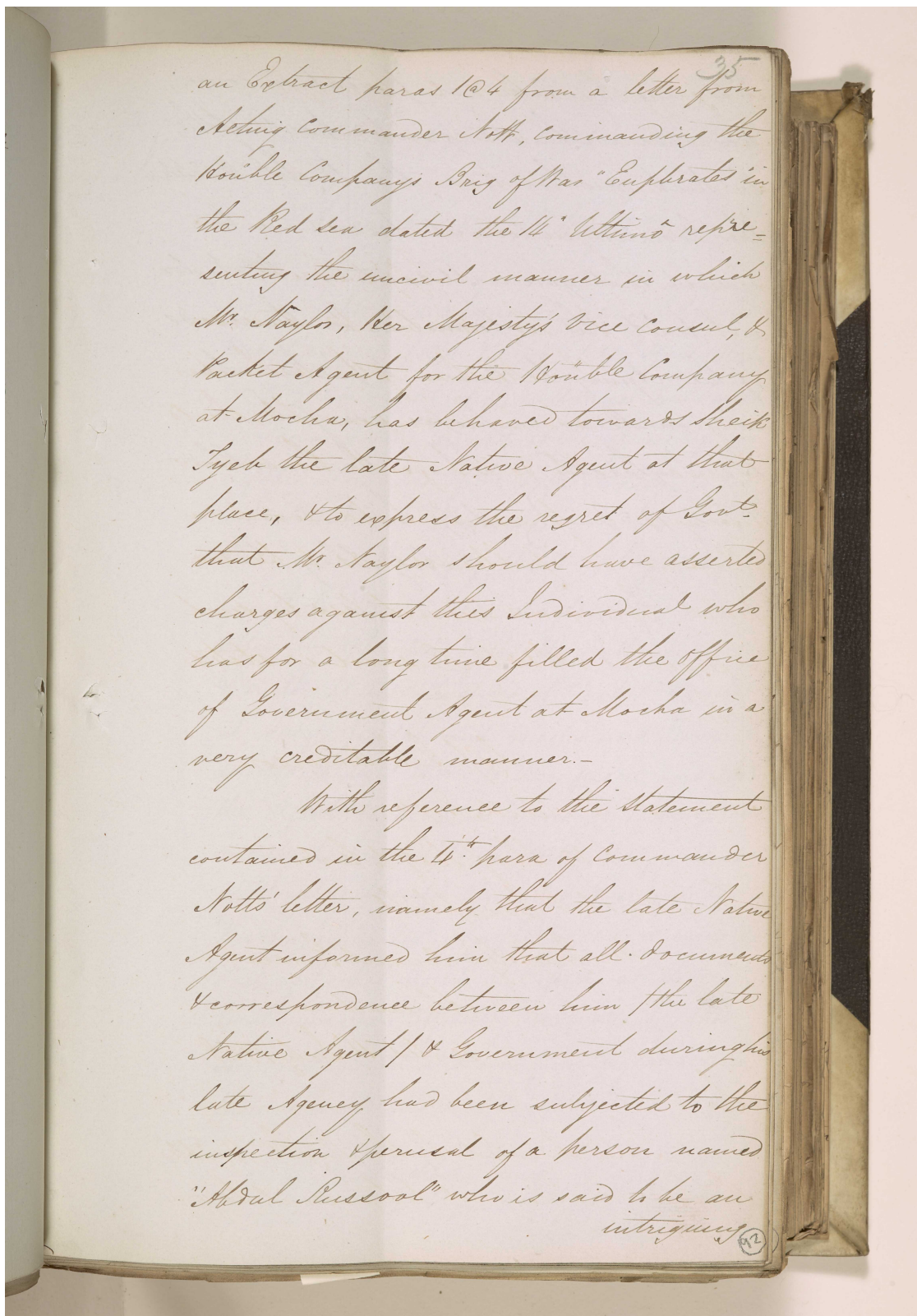
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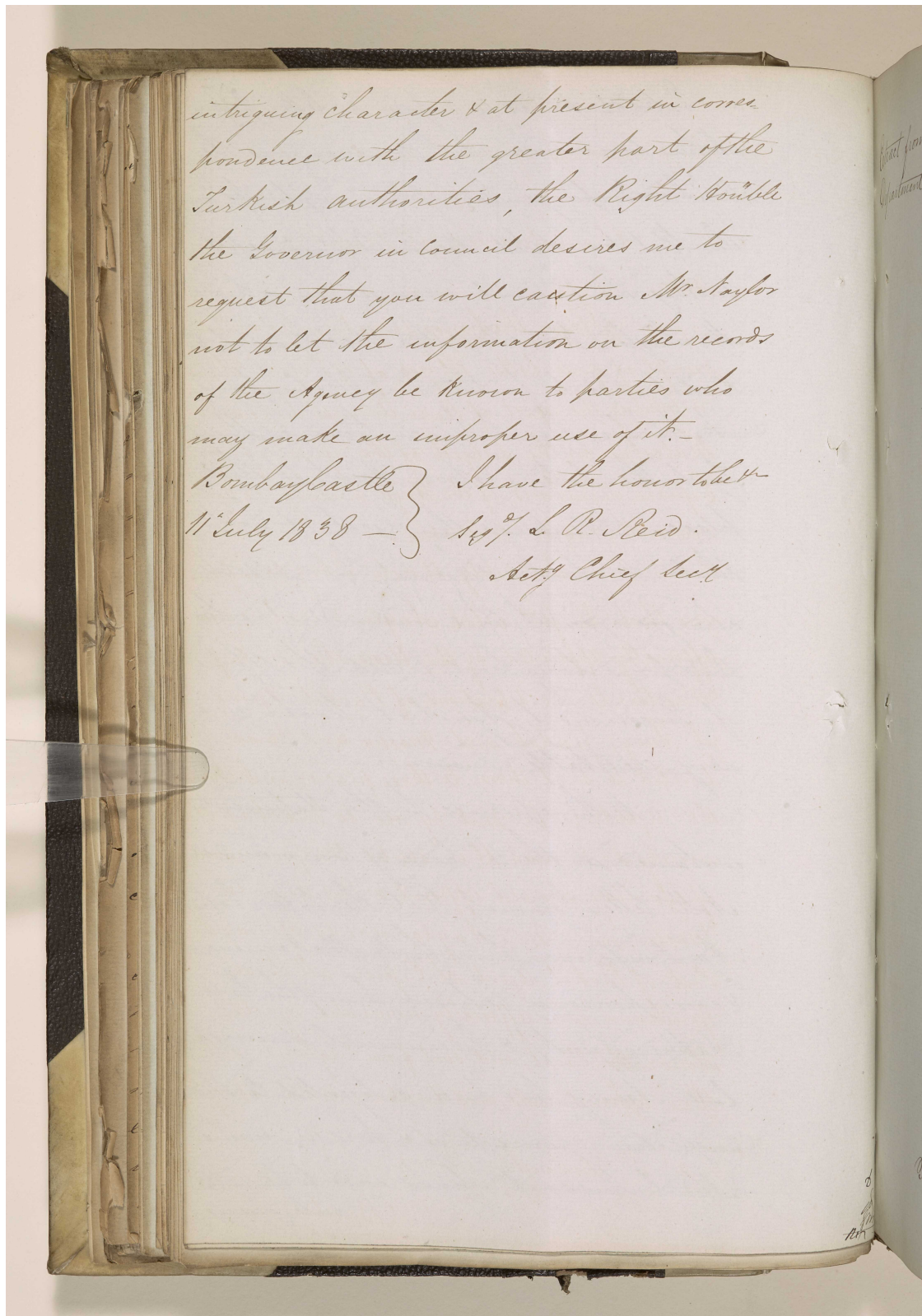
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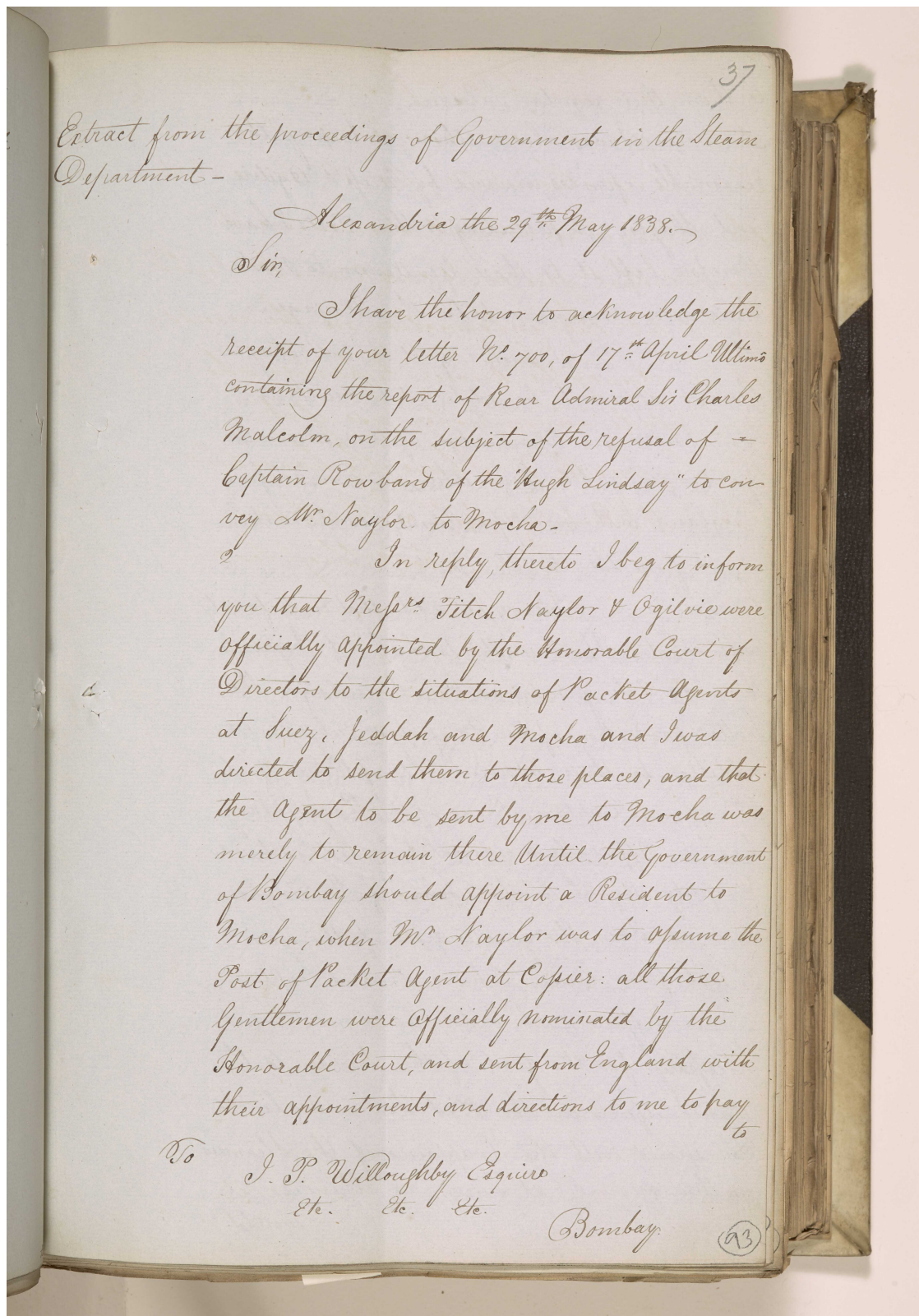
an Extract paras 1 & 4 from a letter from
Acting Commander Nott, commanding the
Honble Company's Brig of War "Cuprates" in
the Red sea dated the 14th ultimo repre-
senting the uncivil manner in which
Mr. Naylor, Her Majesty's Vice Consul, &
Packet Agent for the Honble Company
at Mocha, has behaved towards Sheik
Tyeb the late Native Agent at that
place, & to express the regret of Govt.
that Mr. Naylor should have asserted
charges against this Individual who
has for a long time filled the office
of Government Agent at Mocha in a
very creditable manner.-

With reference to the statement
contained in the 1st para of Commander
Nott's letter, namely that the late Native
Agent informed him that all documents
& correspondence between him / the late
Native Agent / & Government during his
late Agency had been subjected to the
inspection & perusal of a person named
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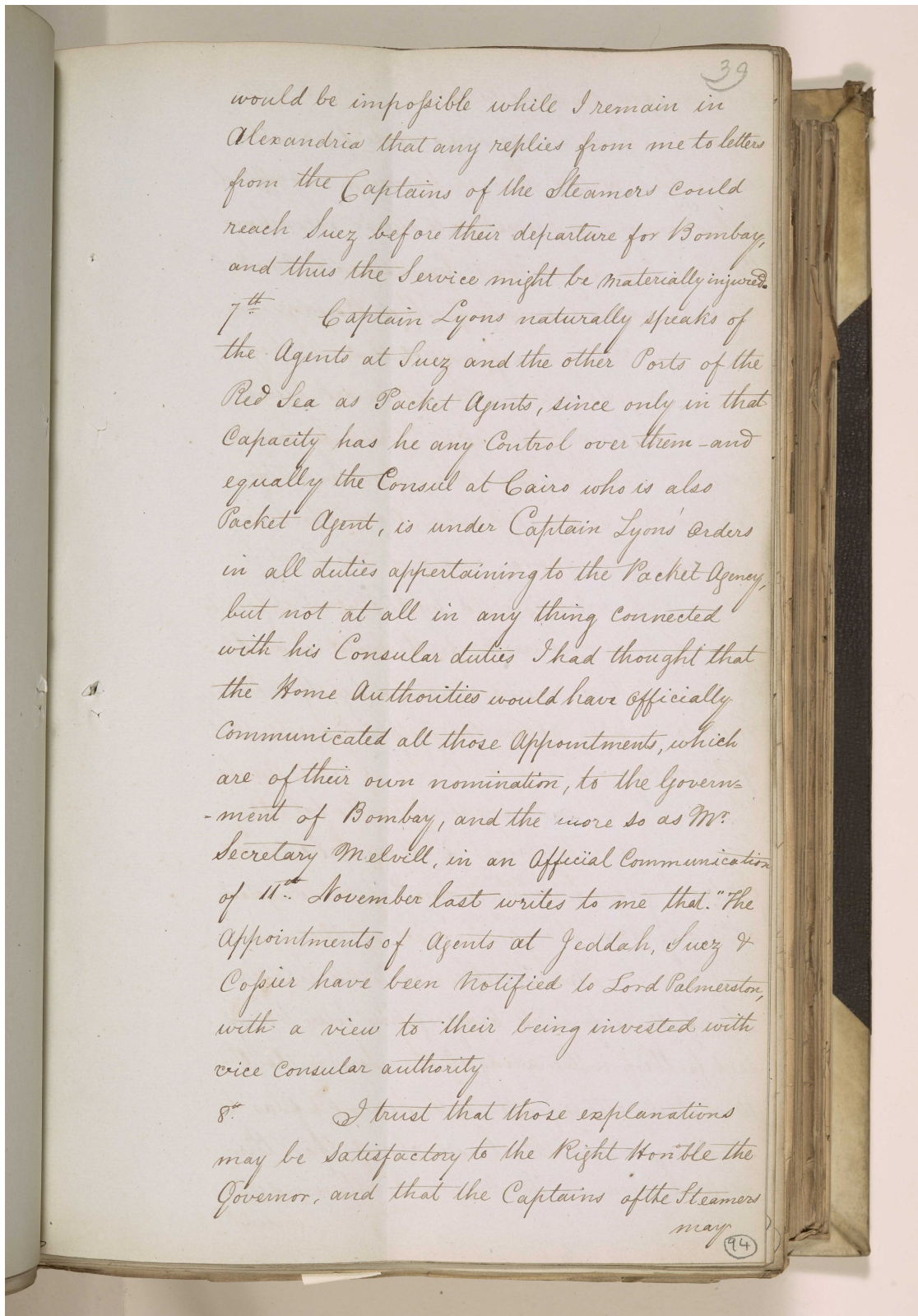
3^d I was also authorized to pay the reasonable expenses incurred by Messrs Ogilvie and Naylor in proceeding to their Posts I have therefore left it to those Gentlemen to make their own arrangements for their Voyage. -

4th I much regret that Mr. Naylor should appear to be addicted to drinking, but I have no knowledge of this person beyond having seen him when he arrived from England with his Appointment as Packet Agent from the Honble Court. -

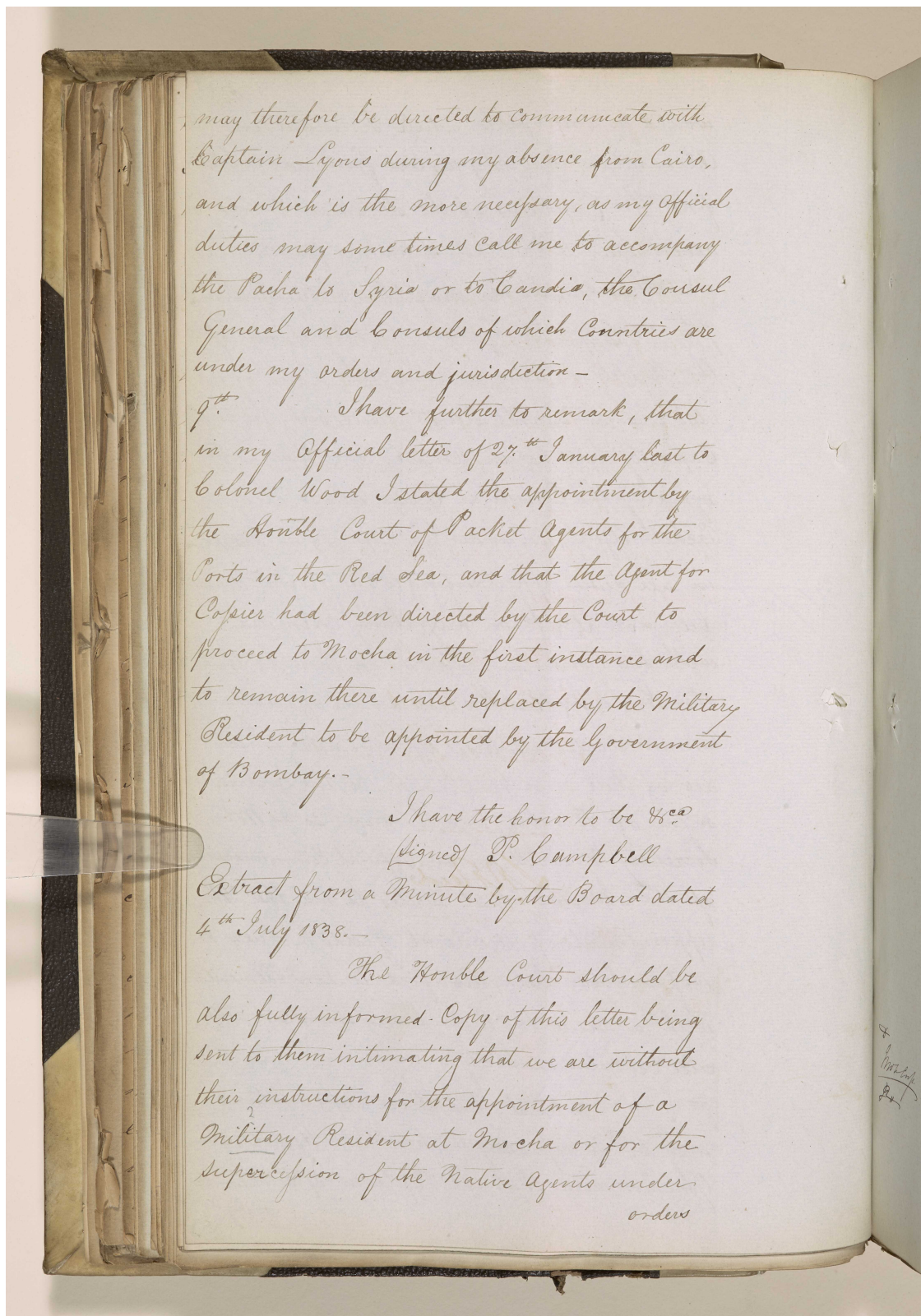
5 I have to add, that in conformity with what I have written to the Court I gave to them an Acting order as Vice Consuls for the better protection of Her Majesty's subjects, in addition to their appointments of Packet Agents.

6th Captain Lyons of the Royal Navy has been Officially nominated by the Court as Deputy Agent in the room of Mr. Waghorn, and as I am the greater part of the year Absent from Cairo, I have directed Captain Lyons to issue such orders as he may think necessary for the good of the Service to the Packet Agents in the Red Sea and also to correspond with the Captains of the Steamers on their arrival at Suez, as otherwise it would

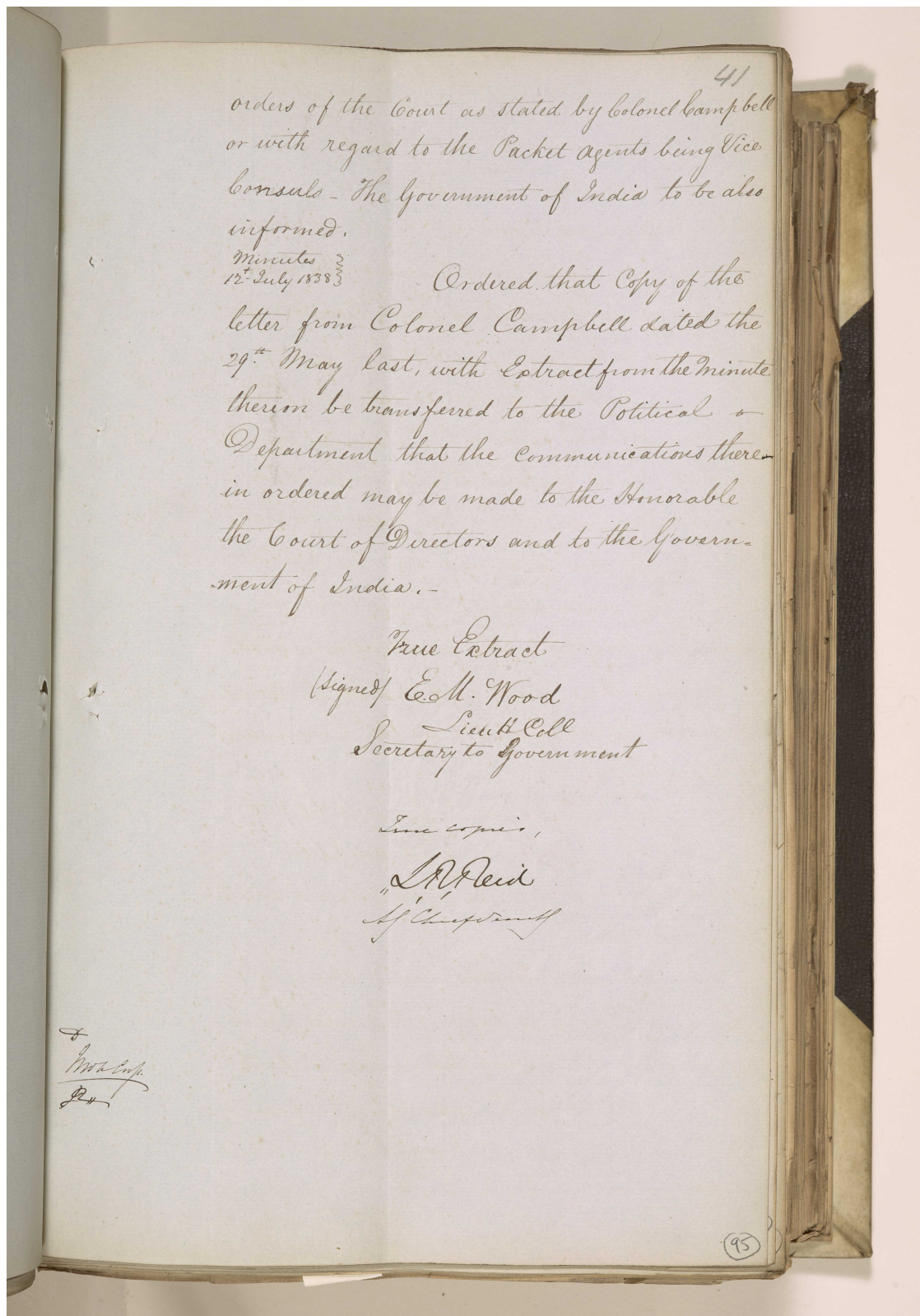
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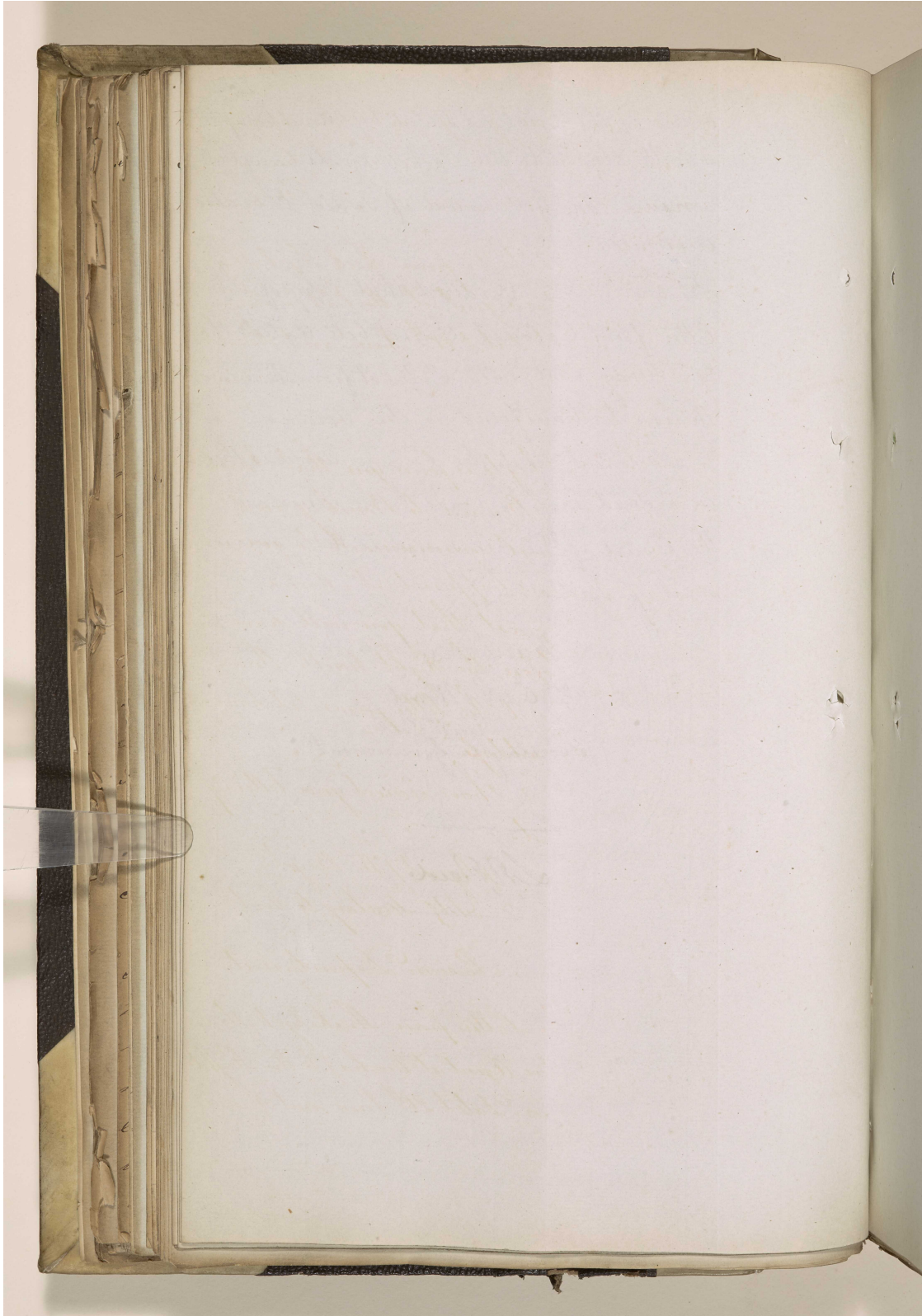
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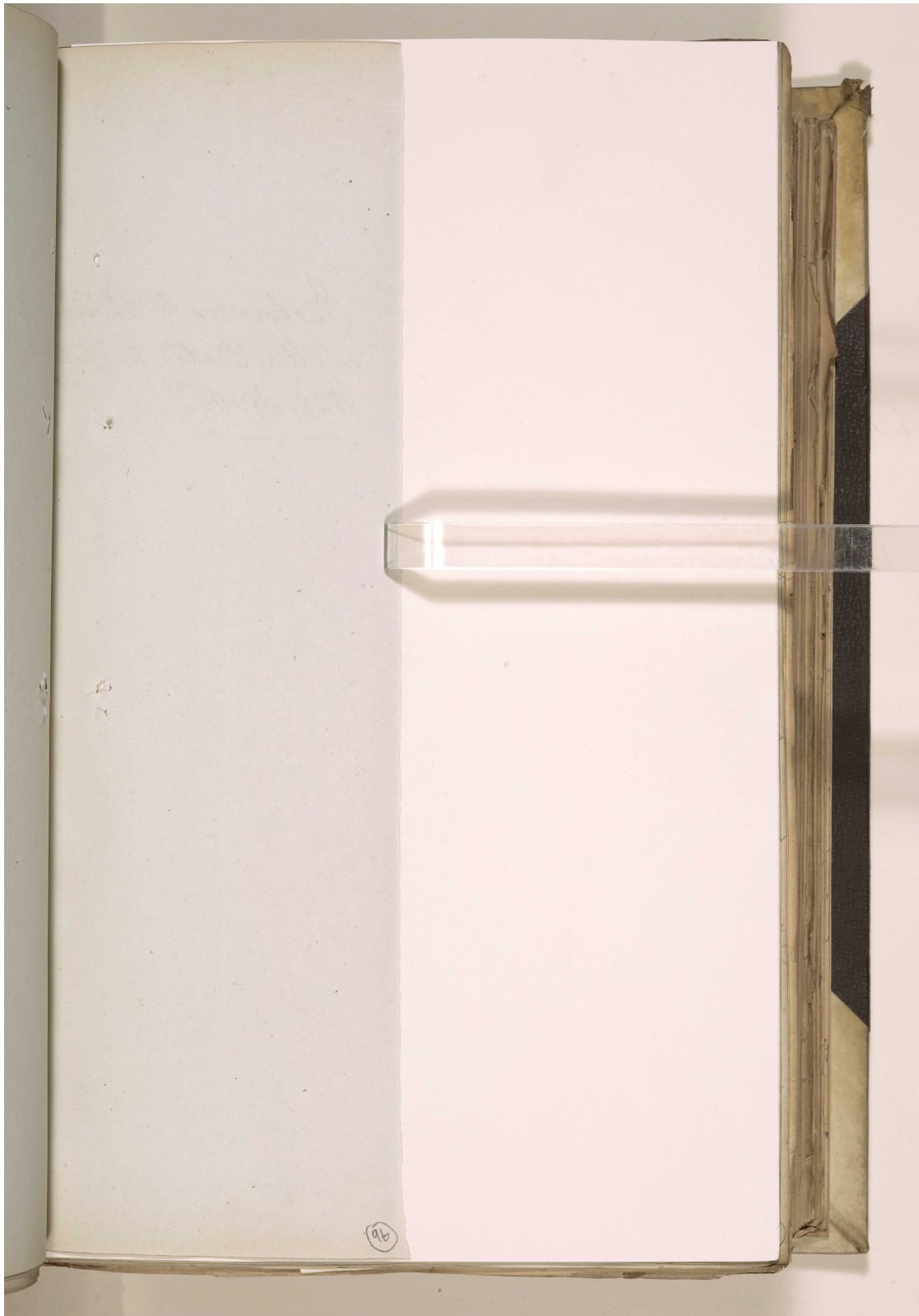
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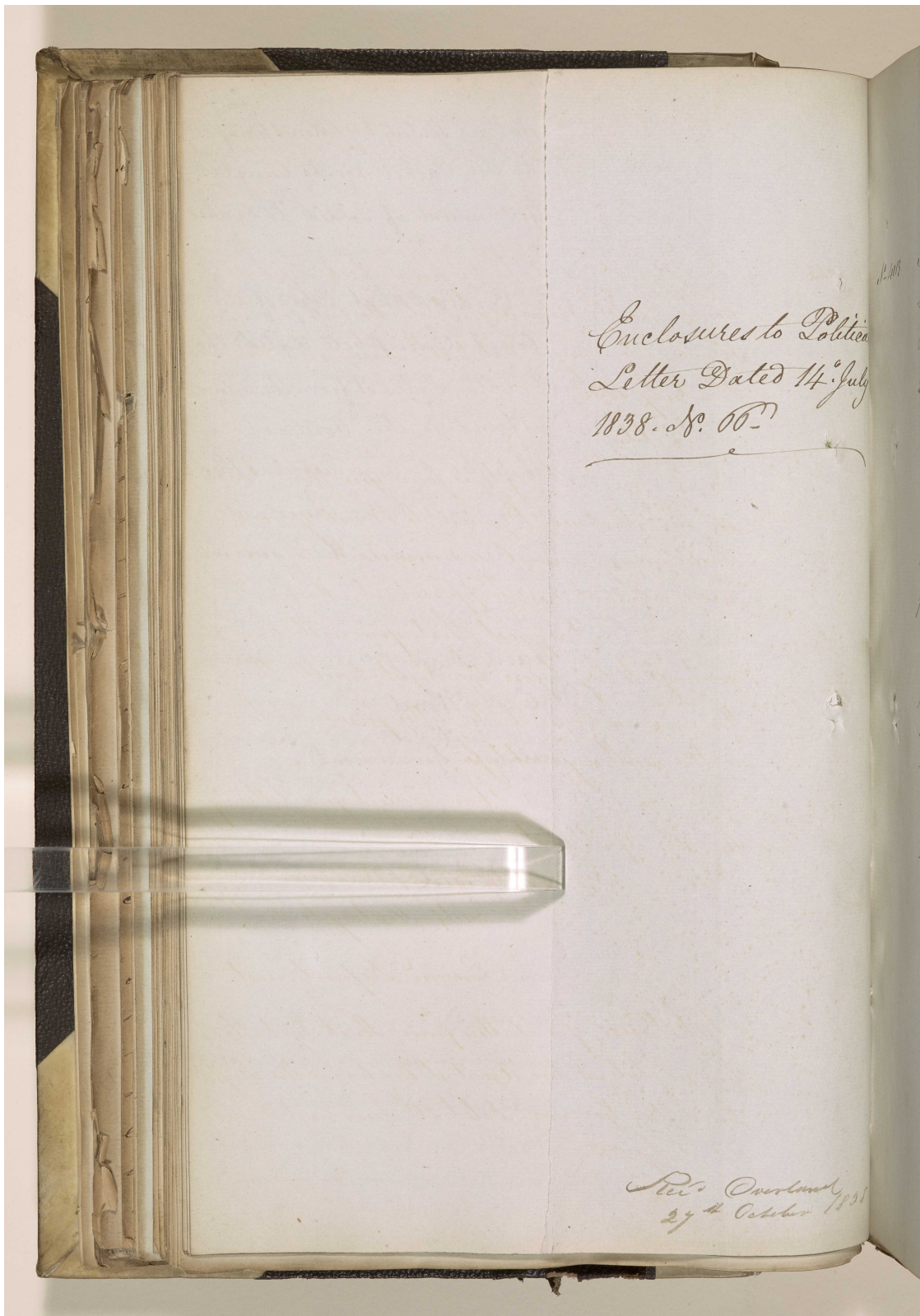
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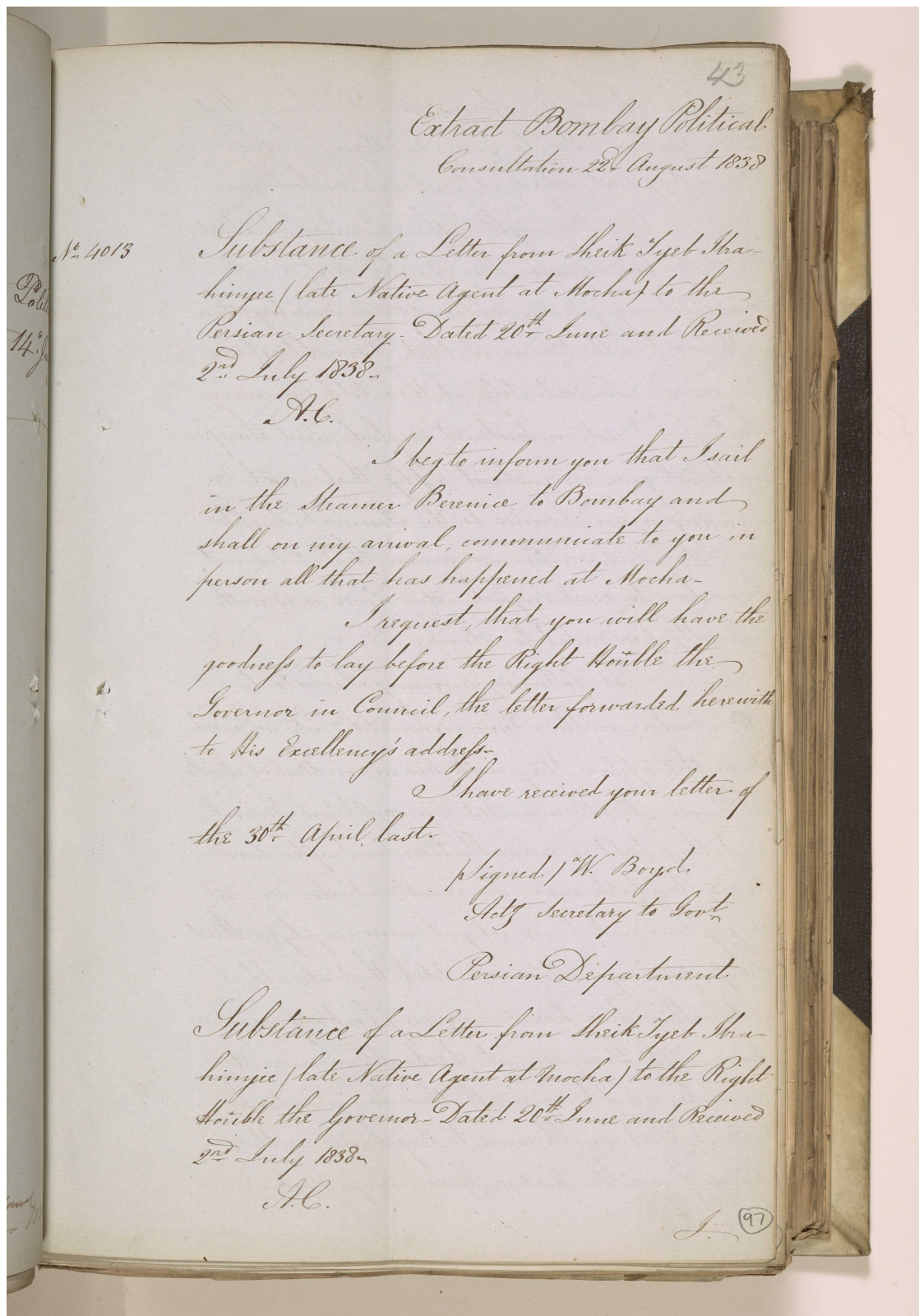
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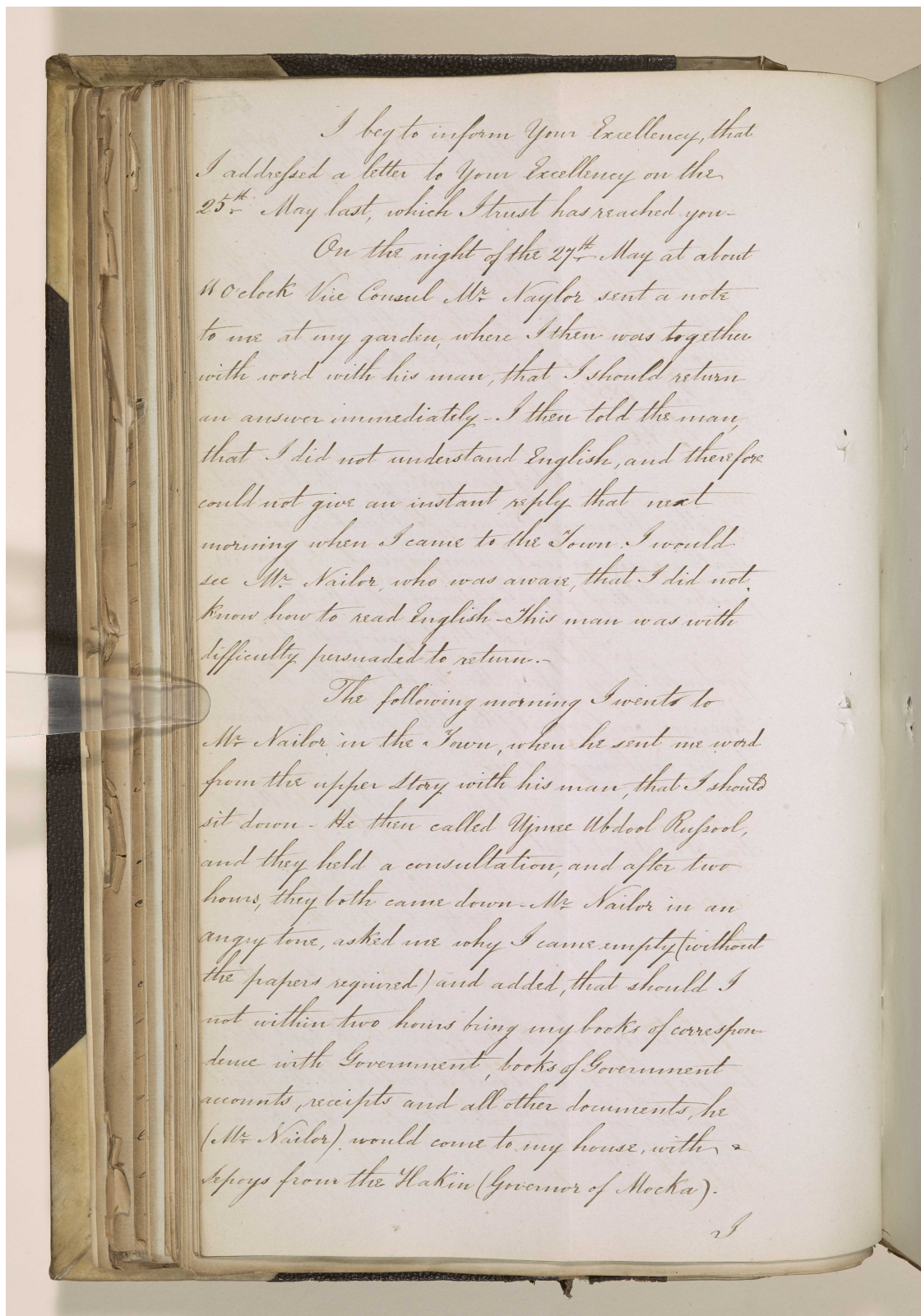
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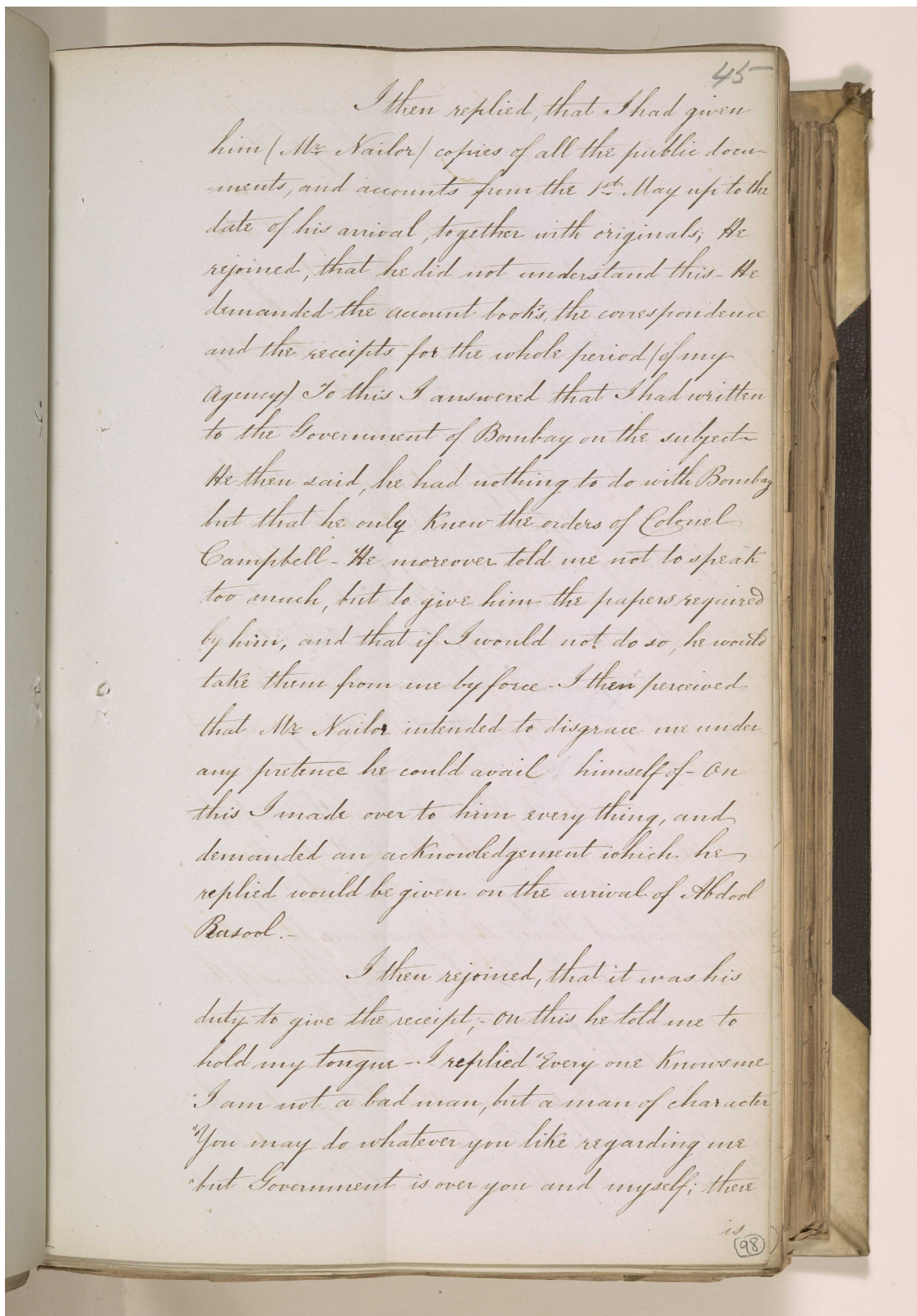
I beg to inform Your Excellency, that
I addressed a letter to Your Excellency on the
25th May last, which I trust has reached you.

On the night of the 27th May at about
10 o'clock Vice Consul Mr. Naylor sent a note
to me at my garden, where I then was together
with word with his man, that I should return
an answer immediately. I then told the man
that I did not understand English, and therefore
could not give an instant reply, that next
morning when I came to the Town I would
see Mr. Naylor, who was aware, that I did not
know how to read English. This man was with
difficulty persuaded to return.

The following morning I went to
Mr. Naylor in the Town, when he sent me word
from the upper story with his man, that I should
sit down. He then called Youssef Abdool Rusool,
and they held a consultation, and after two
hours, they both came down. Mr. Naylor in an
angry tone, asked me why I came empty (without
the papers required) and added, that should I
not within two hours bring my books of correspon-
dence with Government, books of Government
accounts, receipts and all other documents, he
(Mr. Naylor) would come to my house, with
troops from the Hakim (Governor of Mocha).

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is no fear, that authority will call (you or me)
to account as may be deemed necessary:-

I afterwards returned home, and
my man dance attendance upon Mr Naylor
for 15 days to get the receipt; but he did not give
it. I then brought this circumstance to the notice
of Commander Scott, who advised me to address
a letter to Mr Naylor, and see what answer he
would give:-

I accordingly sent him a note, when
Mr Naylor sent for me, and tried to reconcile
me by stating that he was my friend; He had
recourse to various means to persuade me to
return the letter he addressed me; but I did not
give him any answer. I enclose herin the
letter just referred to, for Your Excellency's in-
formation:-

I beg to forward herewith two papers,
being the evidence of Merchants at Mocha from
which Your Excellency will perceive, that Ymine
Abdool Rusool strives to disgrace me by insti-
gating Mr Naylor. Further the Captains of the
Navy returning from the Red Sea, will also throw
light on this subject:-

Though Ymine Abdool Rusool is the
Agent of Mahim Pacha, Mr Naylor gets him
to read all the public papers &c. I have furnished
him

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him (Mr Naylor). He will no doubt communicate to Ibrahim Pacha such information as he may find in these papers regarding affairs in the Red Sea, which I have addressed to Government. This is very improper. Let Your Excellency view it in any light whatever.

Mr Naylor has spoken of many things of which I have only given the substance.

Commander Nott of the Brig *Euphrates* is well aware of all this, and on a reference to that officer all will be known.

I sail in the Steamer *Bonnie*, to be present before Your Excellency. I intend to proceed to Surat, after adjusting my accounts. If Government will have the kindness to await themselves of my services, I am ready at their service. I indulge a hope, that Government will be pleased to provide me with another situation.

I beg the answer to this letter may be sent to Surat.

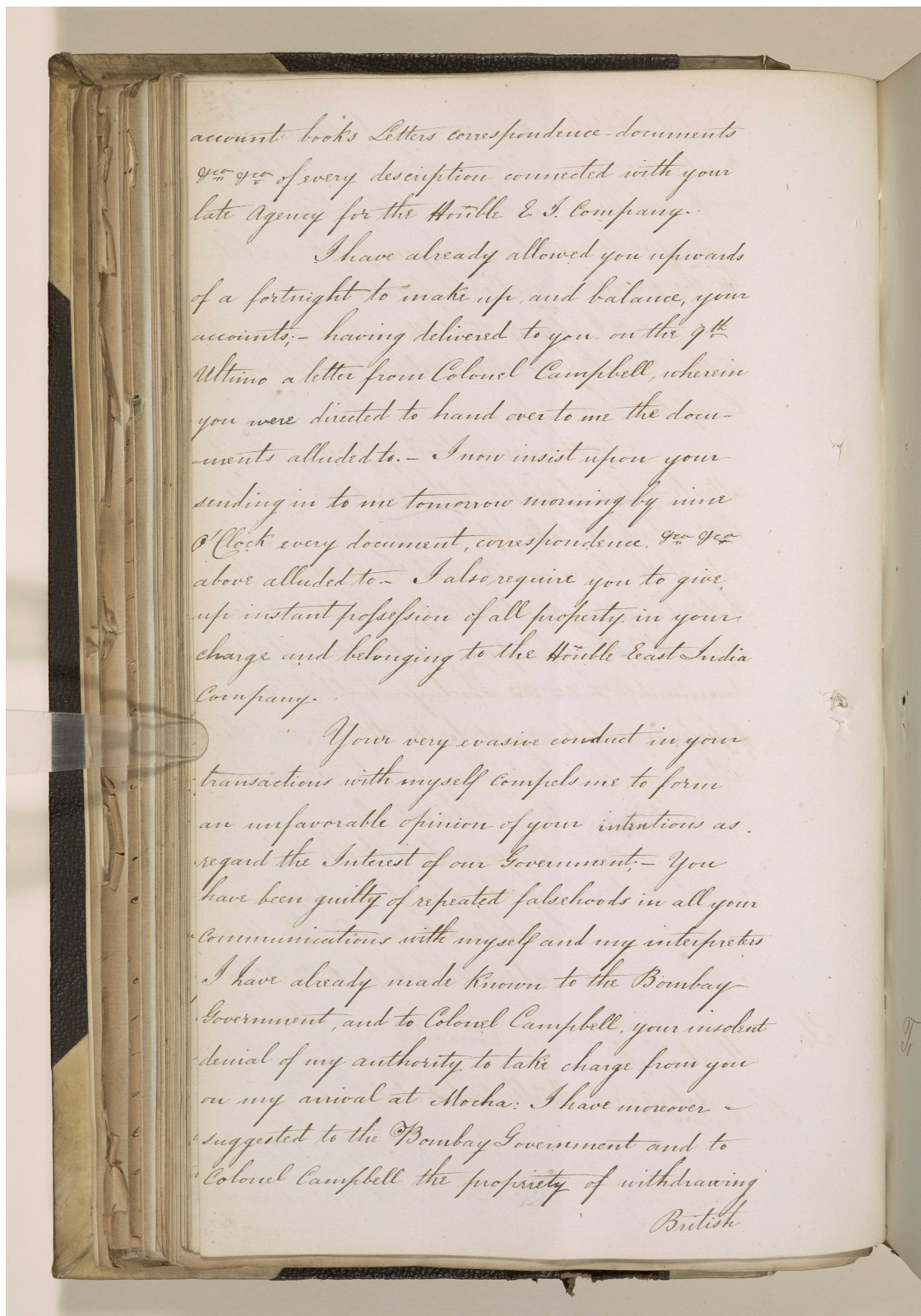
Signed/ W. Boyd
Actg Secretary to Govt

British Vice Consulate
Mocha May 2^d 1838.

Shaik Taib

You have been repeatedly ordered by me to give in your accounts: - and to deliver over all accounts

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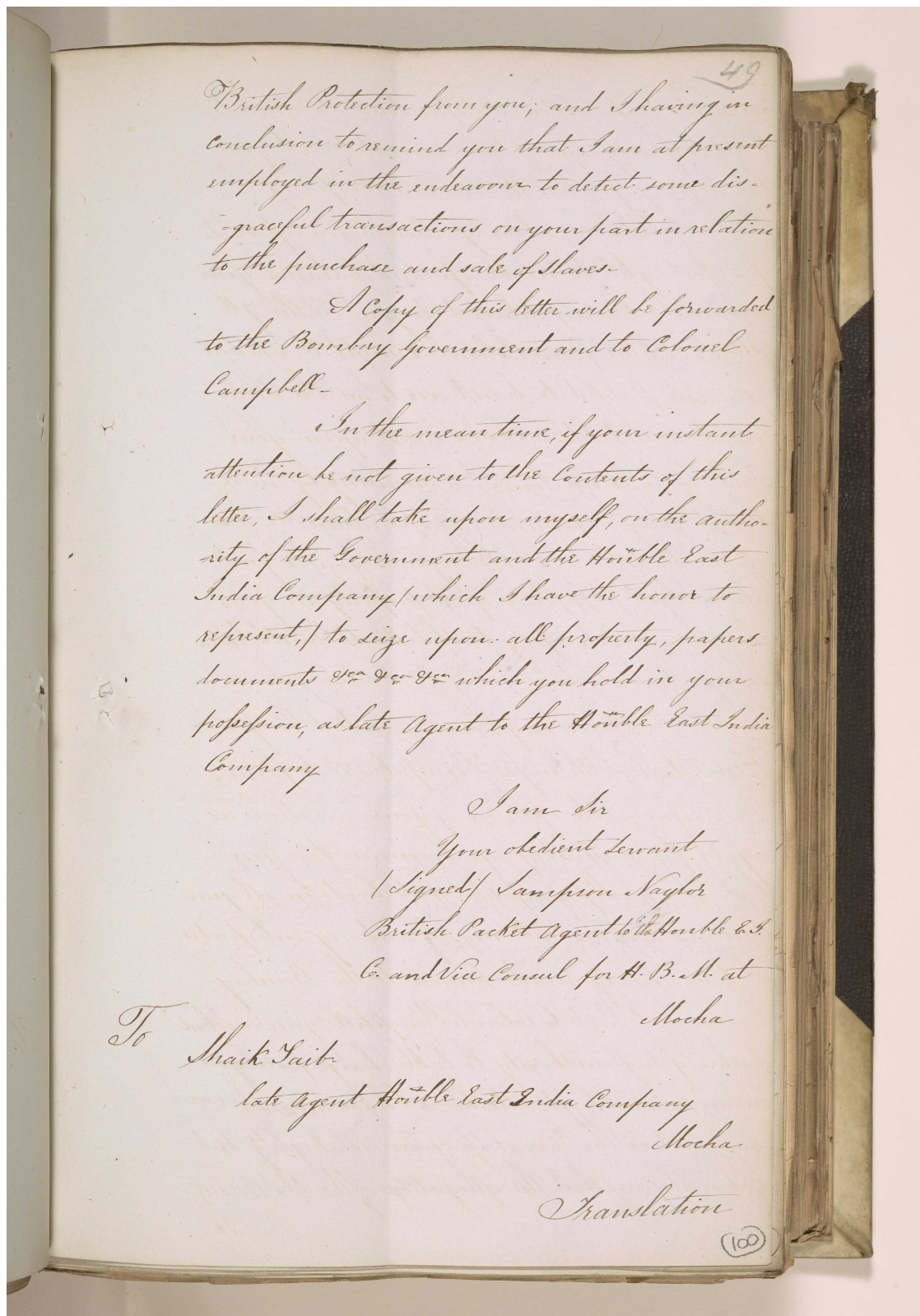


account books Letters correspondence documents
of every description connected with your
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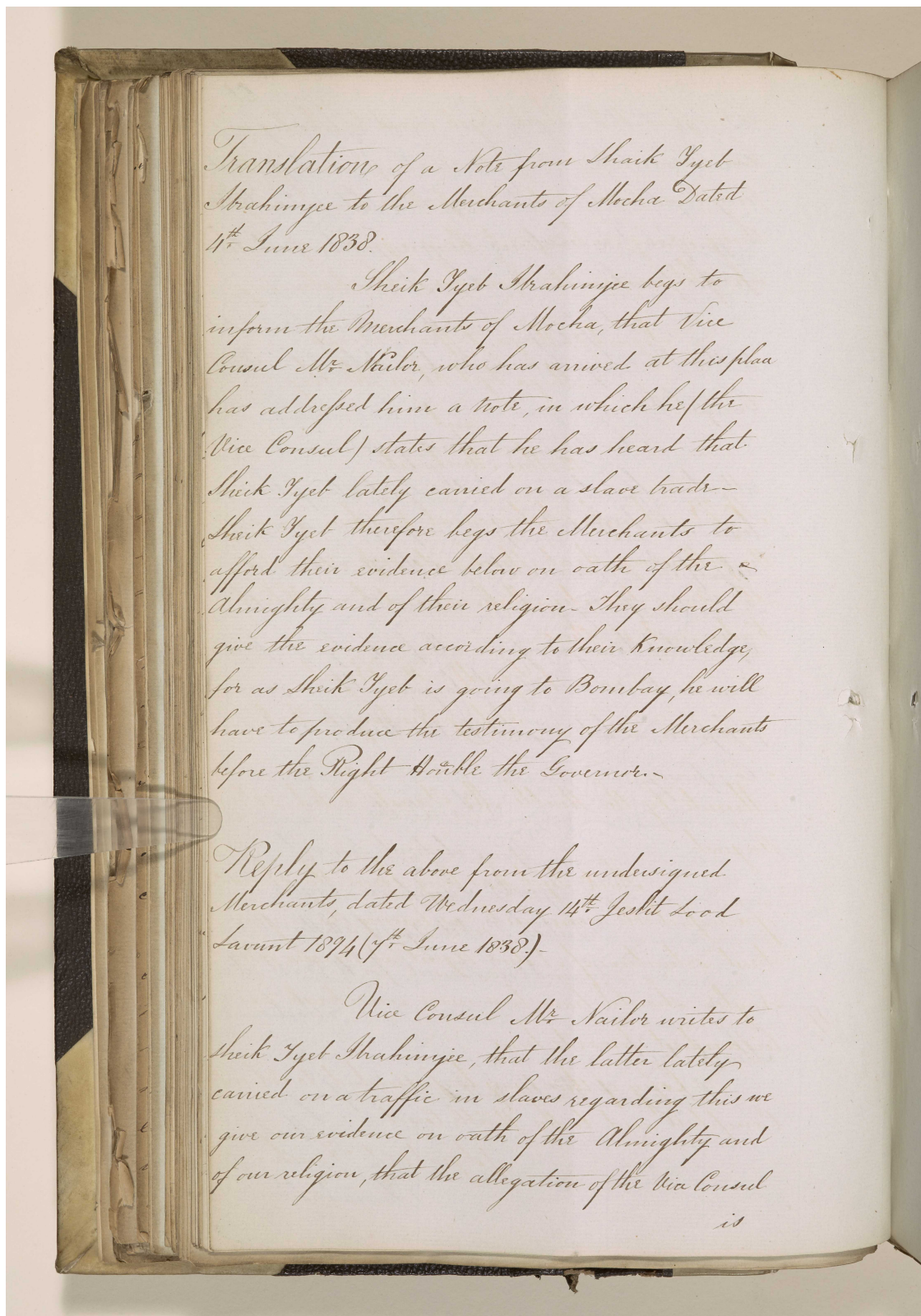
I have already allowed you upwards
of a fortnight to make up and balance your
accounts; - having delivered to you on the 9th
Ultimo a letter from Colonel Campbell, wherein
you were directed to hand over to me the docu-
ments alluded to. - I now insist upon your
sending in to me tomorrow morning by nine
O'clock every document, correspondence, &c. &c.
above alluded to. I also require you to give
up instant possession of all property in your
charge and belonging to the Honble East India
Company.

Your very evasive conduct in your
transactions with myself compels me to form
an unfavorable opinion of your intentions as
regard the Interest of our Government. - You
have been guilty of repeated falsehoods in all your
communications with myself and my interpreters.
I have already made known to the Bombay
Government, and to Colonel Campbell, your insolent
denial of my authority to take charge from you
on my arrival at Mocha. I have moreover
suggested to the Bombay Government and to
Colonel Campbell the propriety of withdrawing
British

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is unfounded, - Sheik Tyeb came to Mocha and has remained here up to this day - During this period we have not witnessed or heard any thing wrong on his part - He is a good, respectable upright man. - We have borne this testimony -

Signed / Merya Jaffer Babrojee
" Merya Tyeb Khan Ullothy,
and
12 other Merchants

No 73. Similar testimonial has been given by the following Arab Merchants vizt, Abdoolah Abu Awaz Secunder, Mahommad bin Abdool Kadir, and 11 others.

/Signed/ W. Boyd
Acting Secretary to Govt

Minute by the Honble Mr. Farish dated 20th August

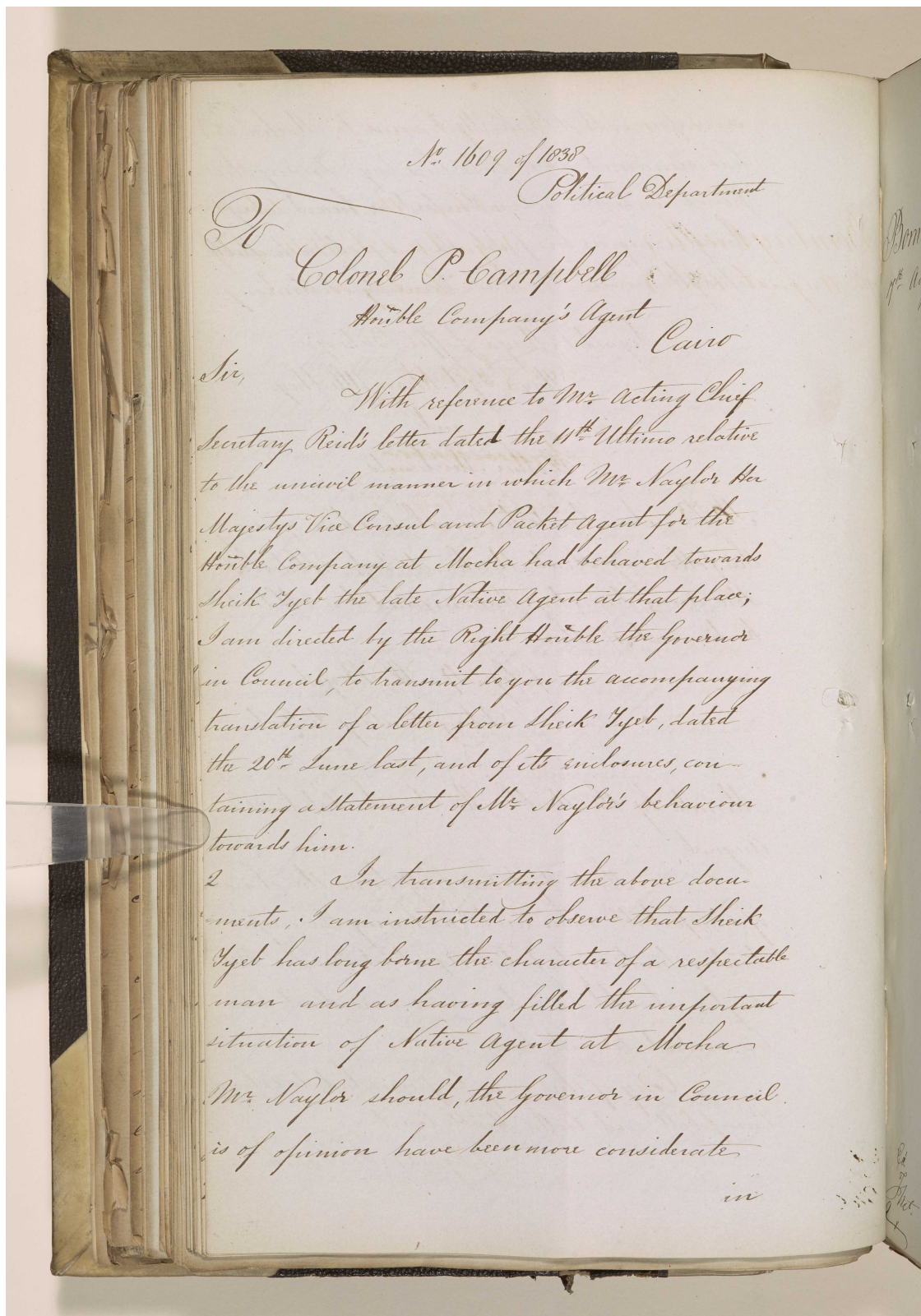
Sheik Tyeb has long borne the character of a respectable man and as having the important situation of Native Agent at Mocha Mr Naylor should have been more considerate in his conduct towards him

Copy of this may be furnished to Colonel Campbell and to the Honble Court

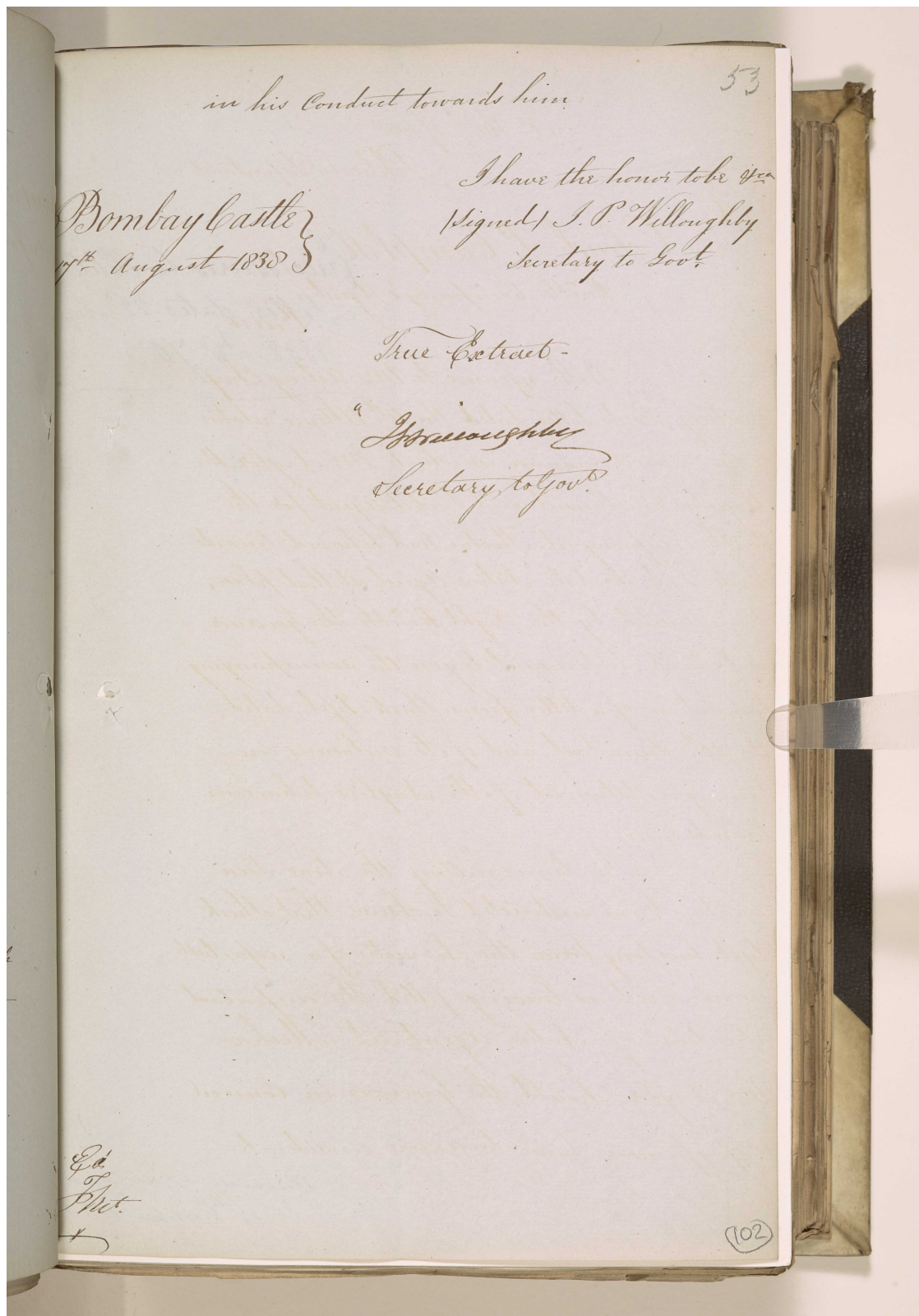
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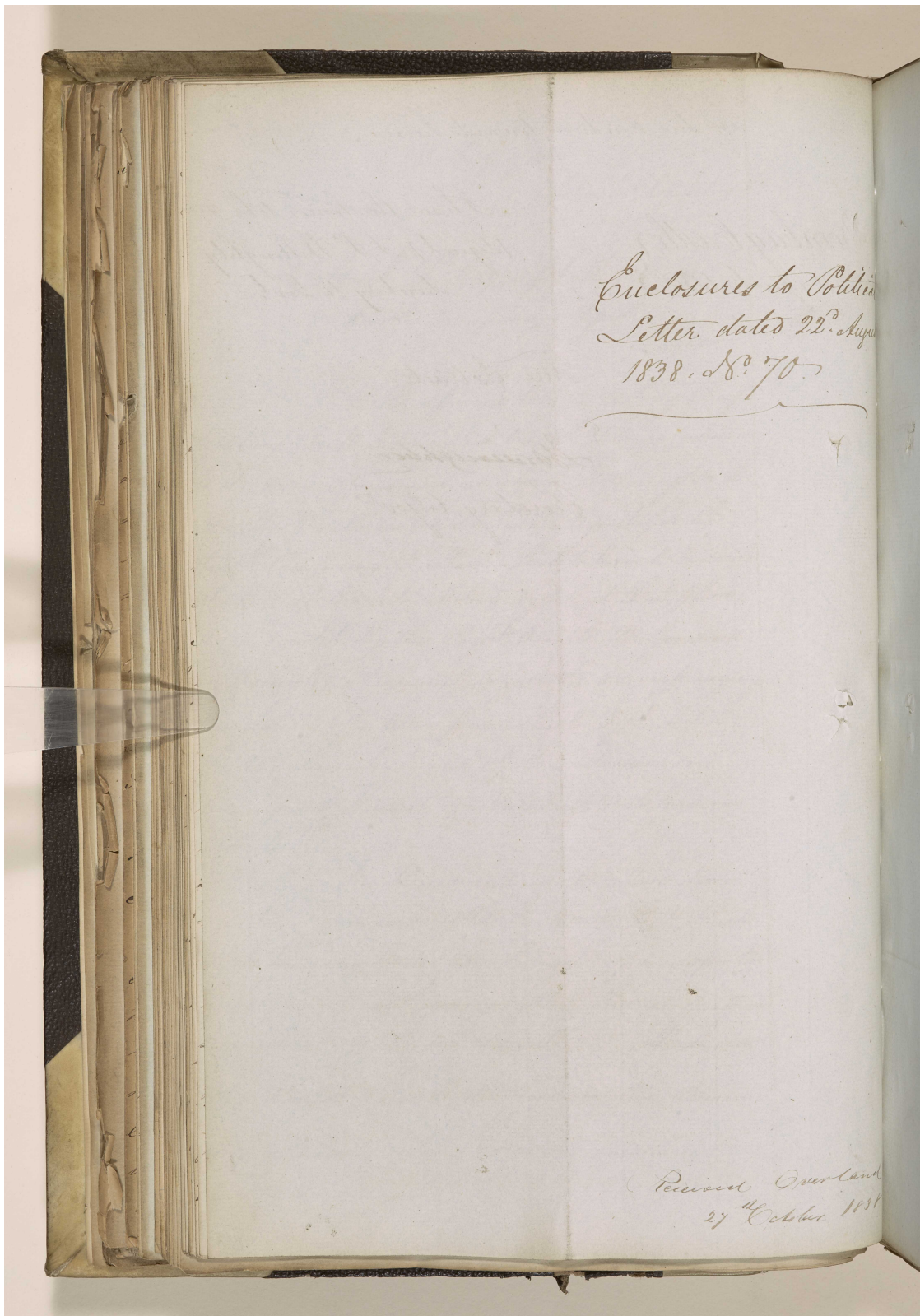
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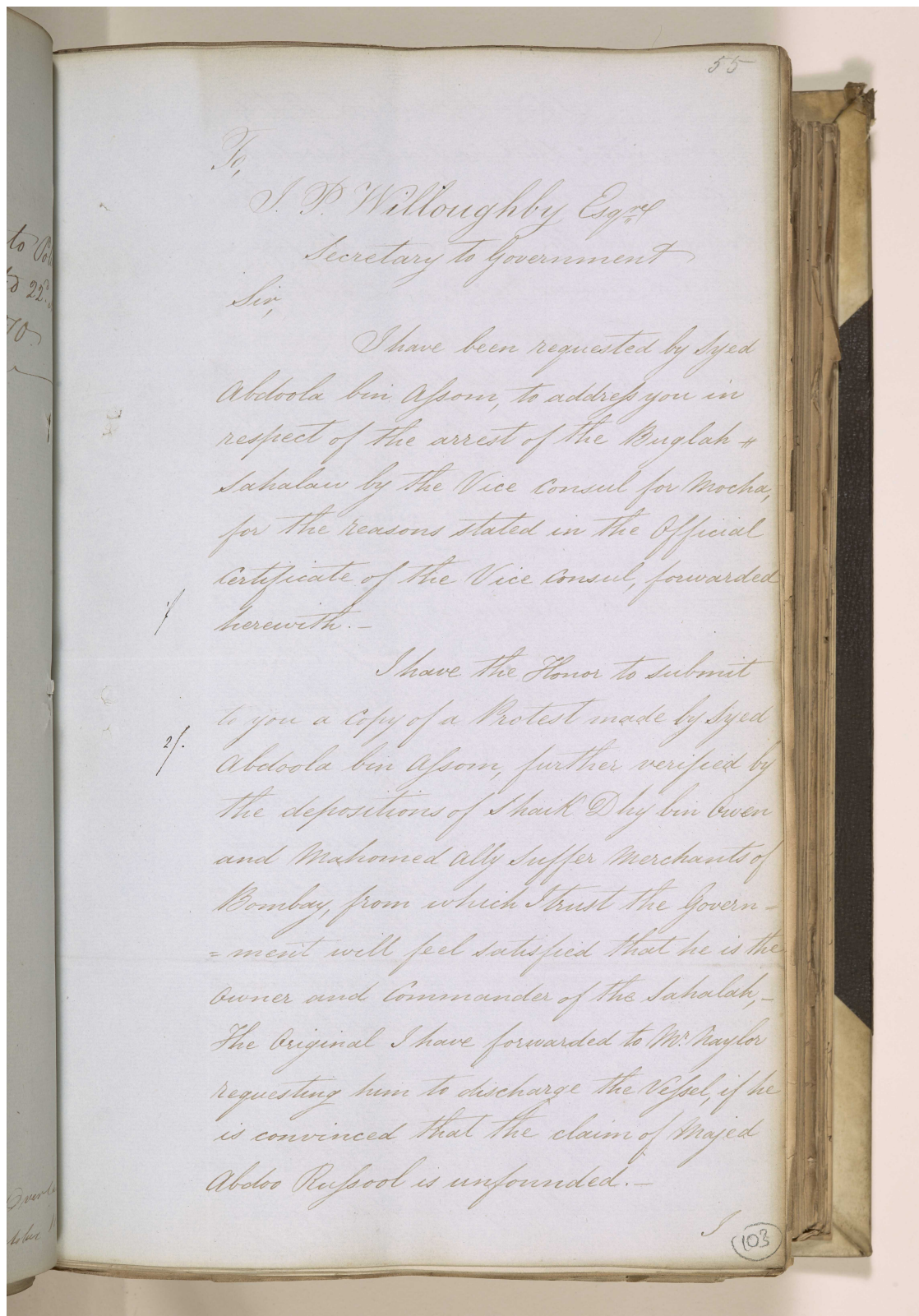
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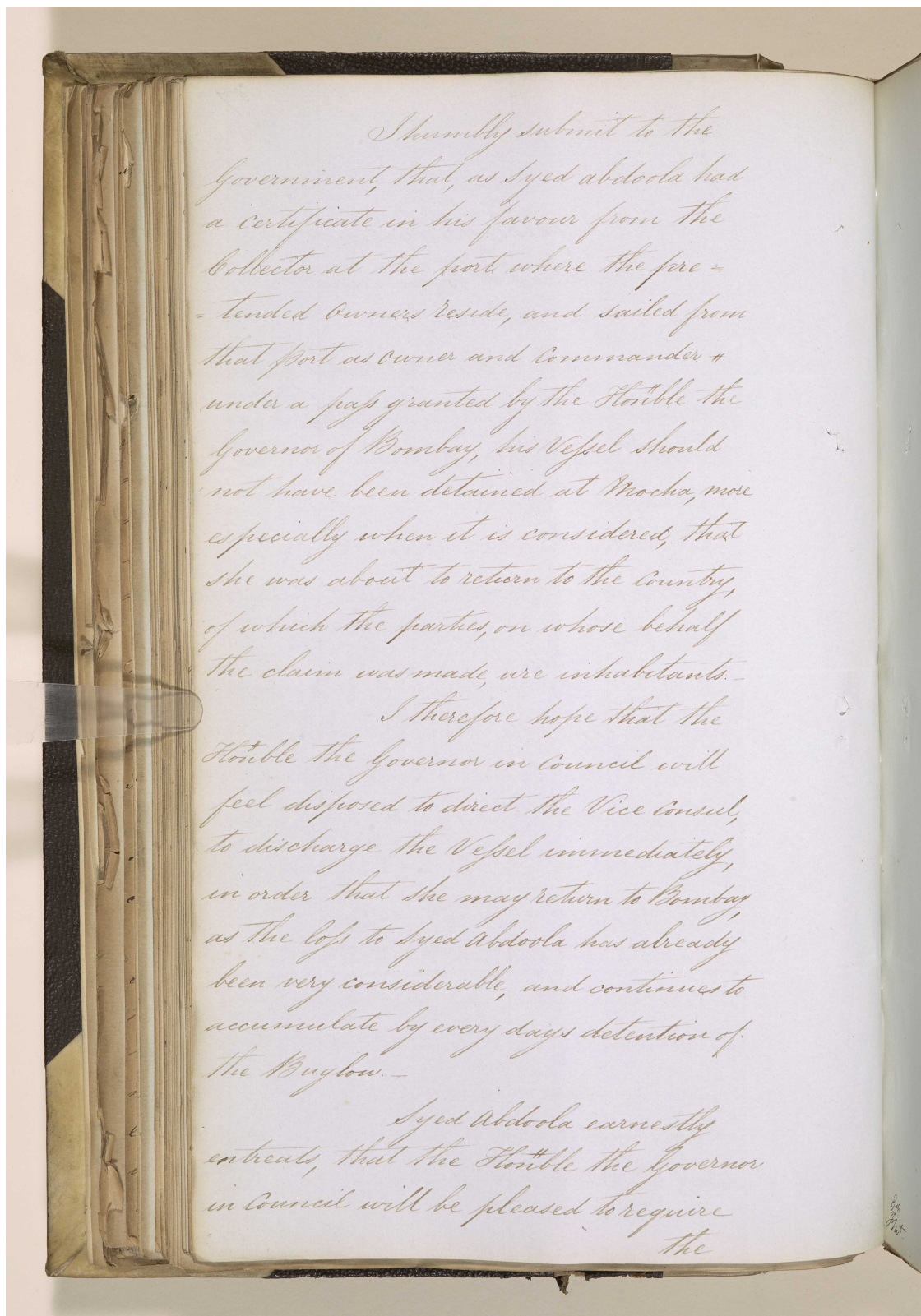
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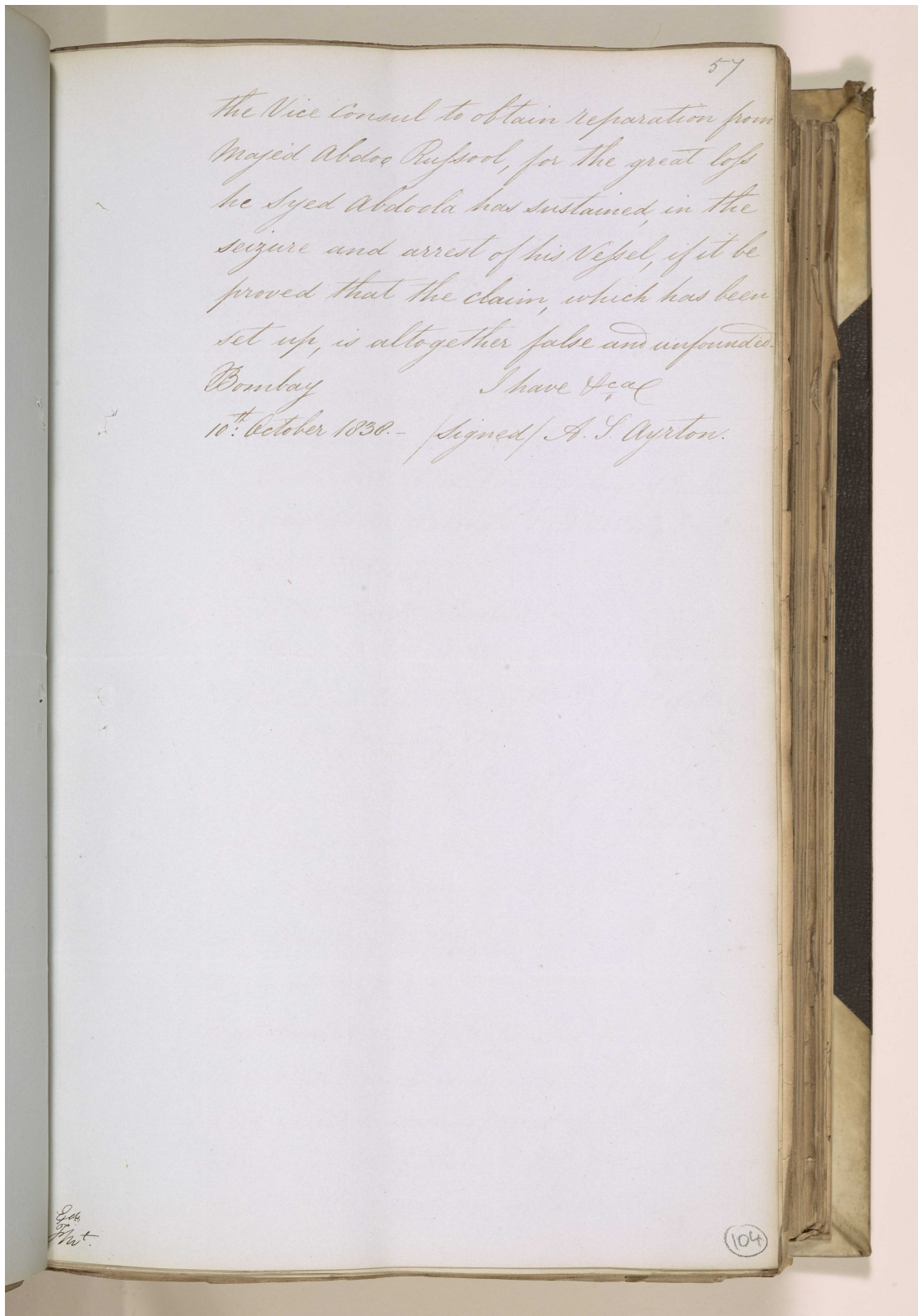
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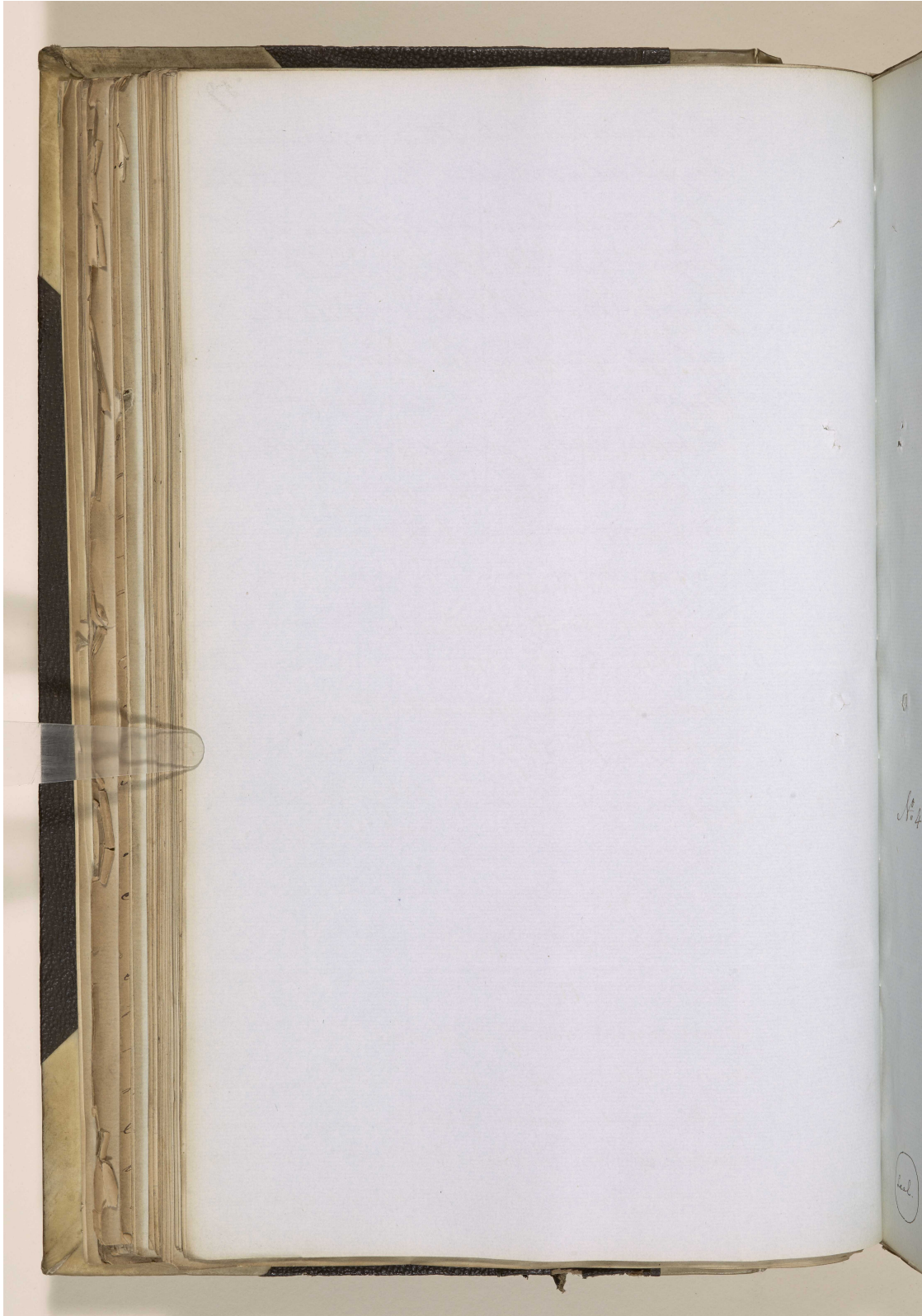
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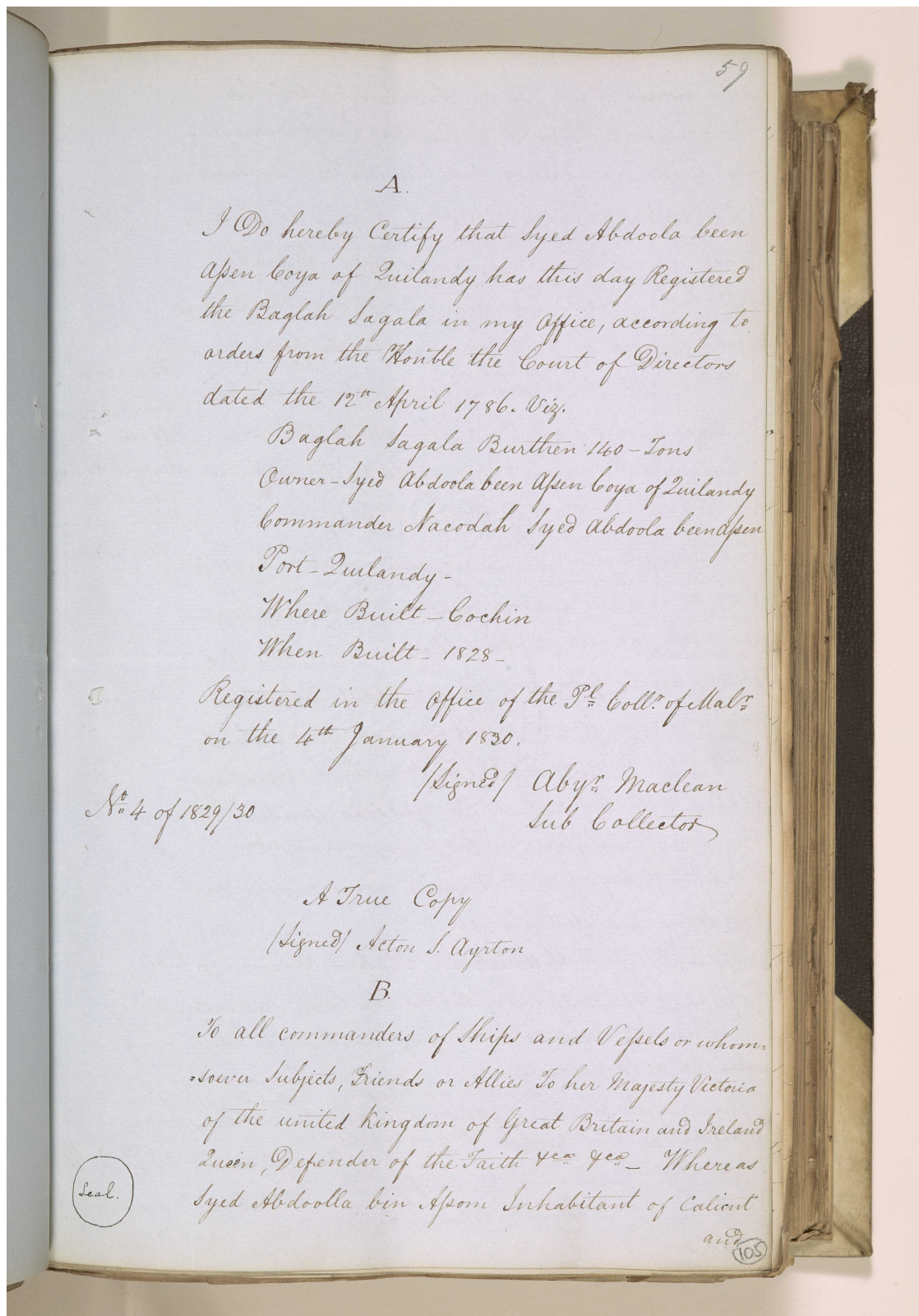
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A.

I Do hereby Certify that Syed Abdoola been
Open boya of Zulandy has this day Registered
the Baglah Sagala in my Office, according to
orders from the Honble the Court of Directors
dated the 12th April 1786. Viz.

Baglah Sagala Burthen 140 - Tons
Owner - Syed Abdoola been Open boya of Zulandy
Commander Macodah Syed Abdoola been Open
Port - Zulandy -

Where Built - Cochin

When Built - 1828 -

Registered in the Office of the P^l Coll^r of Mal^r
on the 4th January 1830.

N^o 4 of 1829/30

/Signed/ Aby^r Maclean
Sub Collector

A True Copy

/Signed/ Acton L. Ayrton

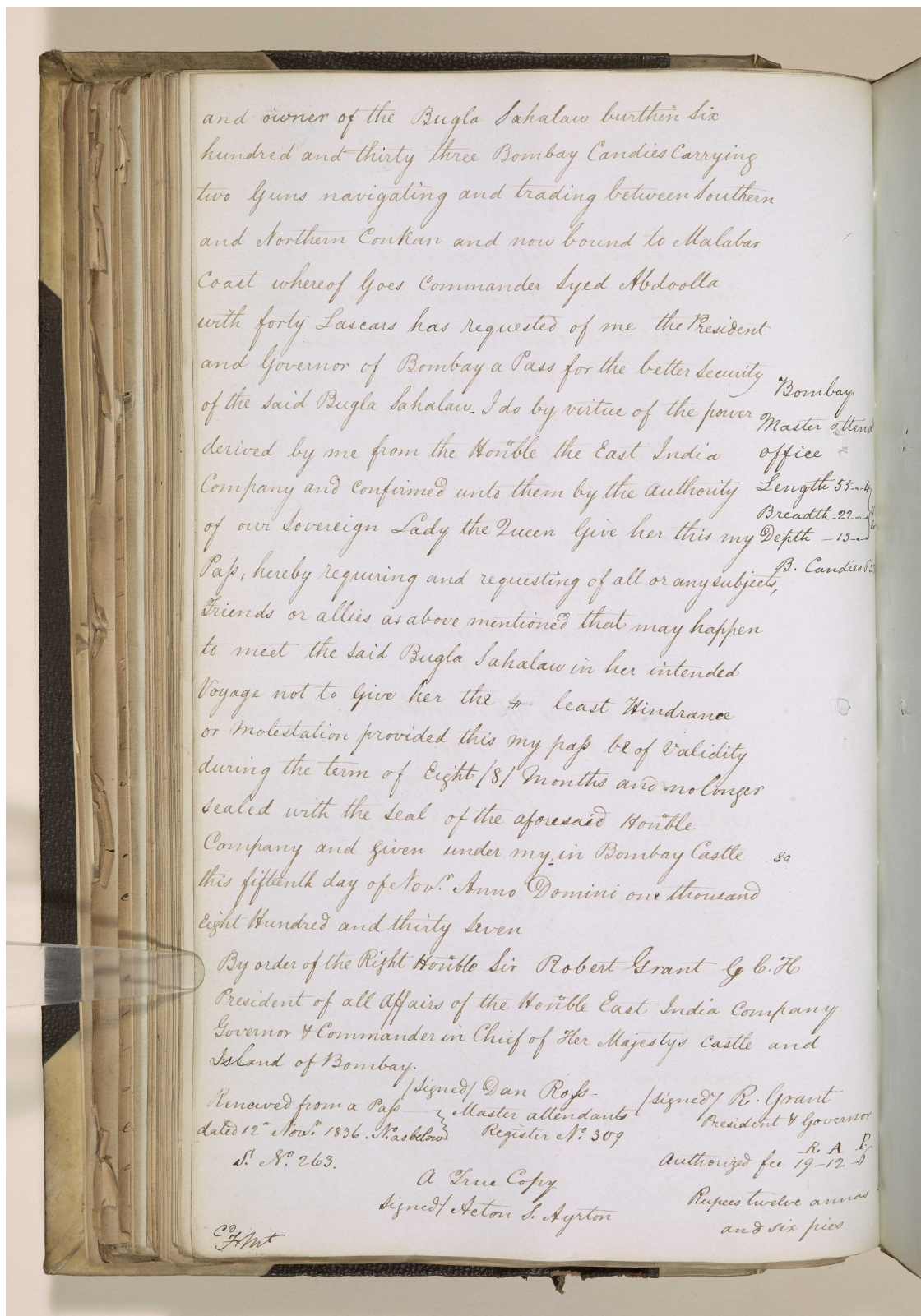
B.

To all commanders of Ships and Vessels or whom
soever Subjects, Friends or Allies To her Majesty Victoria
of the united Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland
Queen, Defender of the Faith &c &c - Whereas
Syed Abdoola bin Assum Inhabitant of Calicut

Seal.

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Be it hereby Made Known that
on the First day of October in the year
of Christ One Thousand Eight hundred
and thirty Eight. Before Me Acton Limer
Ayerton of Bombay Notary Public by
Royal Authority duly admitted and
Sworn personally came and appeared
Syed Abdoola bin Assum Coja Owner
and Commander of the Buglah Sahalaw
of the burthen of one hundred and forty
Tons or thereabouts and offering a solemn
declaration to the truth of these presents
did declare that he sailed on the said
Vessel laden with a general Cargo from
Quelandy on the Third day of March -
last on a Voyage to Mocha at which latter
place he anchored the said Vessel on the
Eighth day of April last that whilst
Remainning in the roads of Mocha -
on or about the Twenty seventh day of
July last one named Abdool Russool
complained to Sampson Naylor Esquire
Her Majesty's Vice Consul for Mocha -
and falsely stated that the said Vessel
belonged to one Syed Abdool Canan -
deceased that he the said Syed Abdoola
bin Assum was not the Captain and
owner of the said Vessel but had ob-
tained Possession of the said Vessel by
fraud that the said Sampson Naylor

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on the Twenty Ninth day of July last
detained the said Bugla in Mocha
Roads as he alleged until the decision
of the Bombay Government should be
known and until the Executors of the
late Abdool Cawder should have had
an opportunity of asserting their claim
to the property of the deceased, and there-
upon, the said Sampson Naylor seized
the said Vessel with all her apparel tackle
stores treasure and goods and delivered
the same to his Agents and servants,
That he the said Syed Abdool bin Assum
is the true and lawful owner and Com-
mander of the said Vessel he having
purchased the same from the said Syed
Abdool Cawder, that he is the duly Re-
gistered owner and Commander of the
said Vessel as appears by the Certificate
of Registry of the said Vessel a true
Copy whereof is herewith annexed as
marked A and that he also sailed under
a pass granted to him as owner and
Commander of the said Vessel by the
Right Honible Sir Robert Grant G. C. H.
late President and Governor of Bombay
a true Copy whereof is herewith annexed
marked B, that since the sale of the said
Vessel to him the said Syed Abdool bin
Assum

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 upon no claim was ever made by the
 said Syed Abdool Cawder in his life time
 on the said Vessel or did he ever claim
 any Right or interest thereto wherefore
 the said Syed Abdool bin Assum on his
 own behalf and on the part and behalf
 of all others interested or in any respect
 concerned in the said Vessel and her
 Cargo on board or either of them doth hereby
 protest against the said Sampson Naylor
 for arresting the said Vessel and against
 the said Majet Abdool Russool for
 making a false and fraudulent charge
 against him the said Syed Abdool bin
 Assum and procuring such arrest of
 the said Vessel and for all losses costs
 damages and expenses already suffered
 or which may hereafter accrue by
 reason of the foregoing premises. Thus
 done and protested on the day and time
 herein before in that behalf mentioned
 of all which an act being thereunto re-
 quested I have granted the same under
 my notarial form and seal of office to
 serve and avail as occasion may re-
 quire having caused these Presents to be
 signed by the appearer he having
 been first duly sworn (in presence of
 me the said Notary) to the truth of the
 several matters and things herein con-
 tained

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contained before John Alexander Forbes
of Bombay Esquire one of her Majesty's
Justices of the Peace for the Town and
Island of Bombay and known as such
to me the said Notary the name or
signature J. A. Forbes J. P. Subjoined at
the foot of the affidavit hereunder
written being first duly set and sub-
scribed by the said John Alexander Forbes
in my presence. —

Quod Attestor
Signed Acton S. Ayrton (S.A.)

The above named Syed ab-
doola bin Assum Esq. Commander
of the said Bugla Sahalaw Maketh
Oath and saith that the Instrument
of Protest above written hath been clearly
and distinctly read over and interpreted
to him this Deponent and that the
several matters and things therein
contained are right and true in all
respects as the same are therein par-
ticularly alleged declared and self-
sworn at Bombay Signed Syed Abdoola bin
this 6th day of }
October 1858. } Assum

Before me
Signed J. A. Forbes
J. P.
True Copy
Signed Acton S. Ayrton

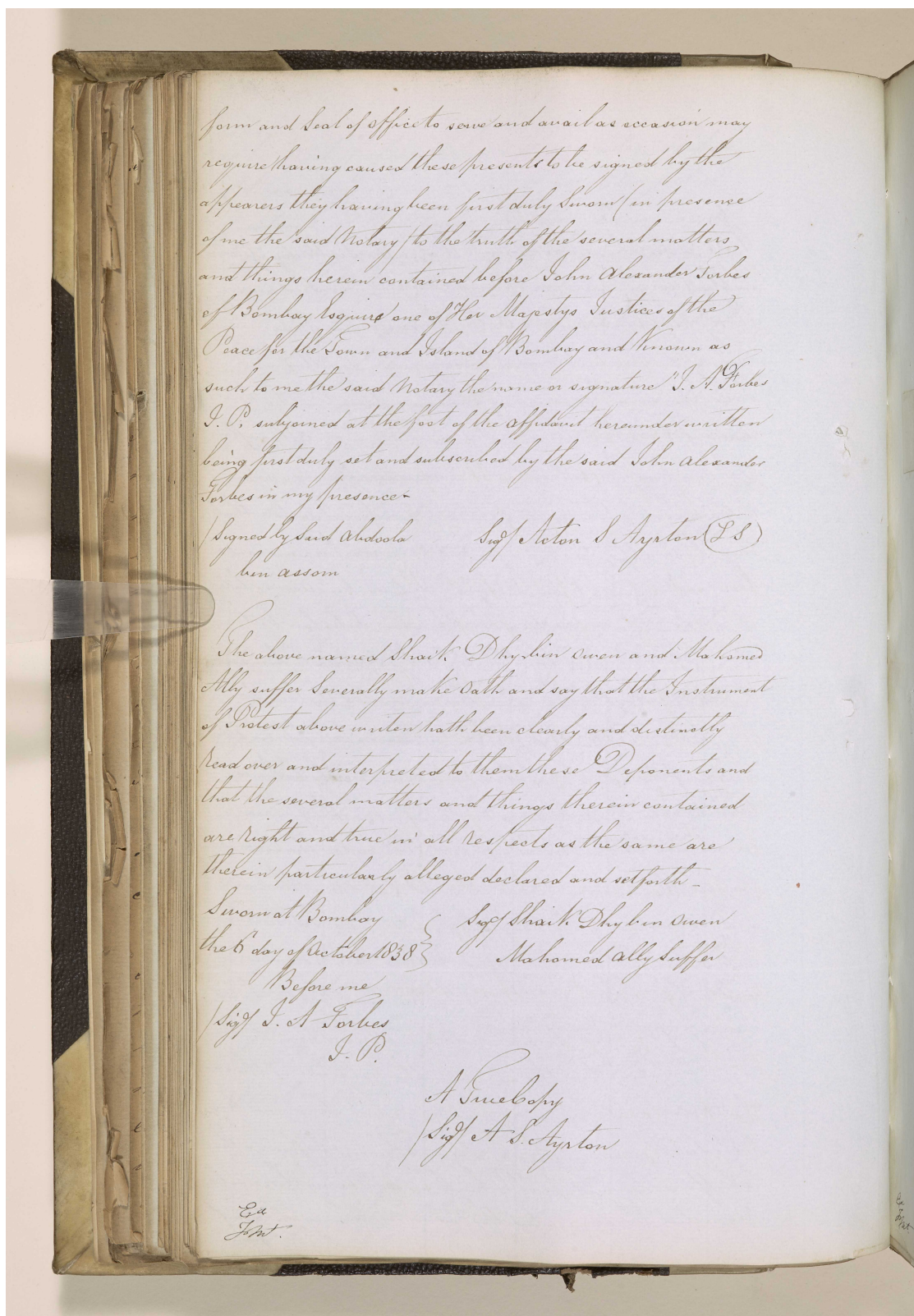
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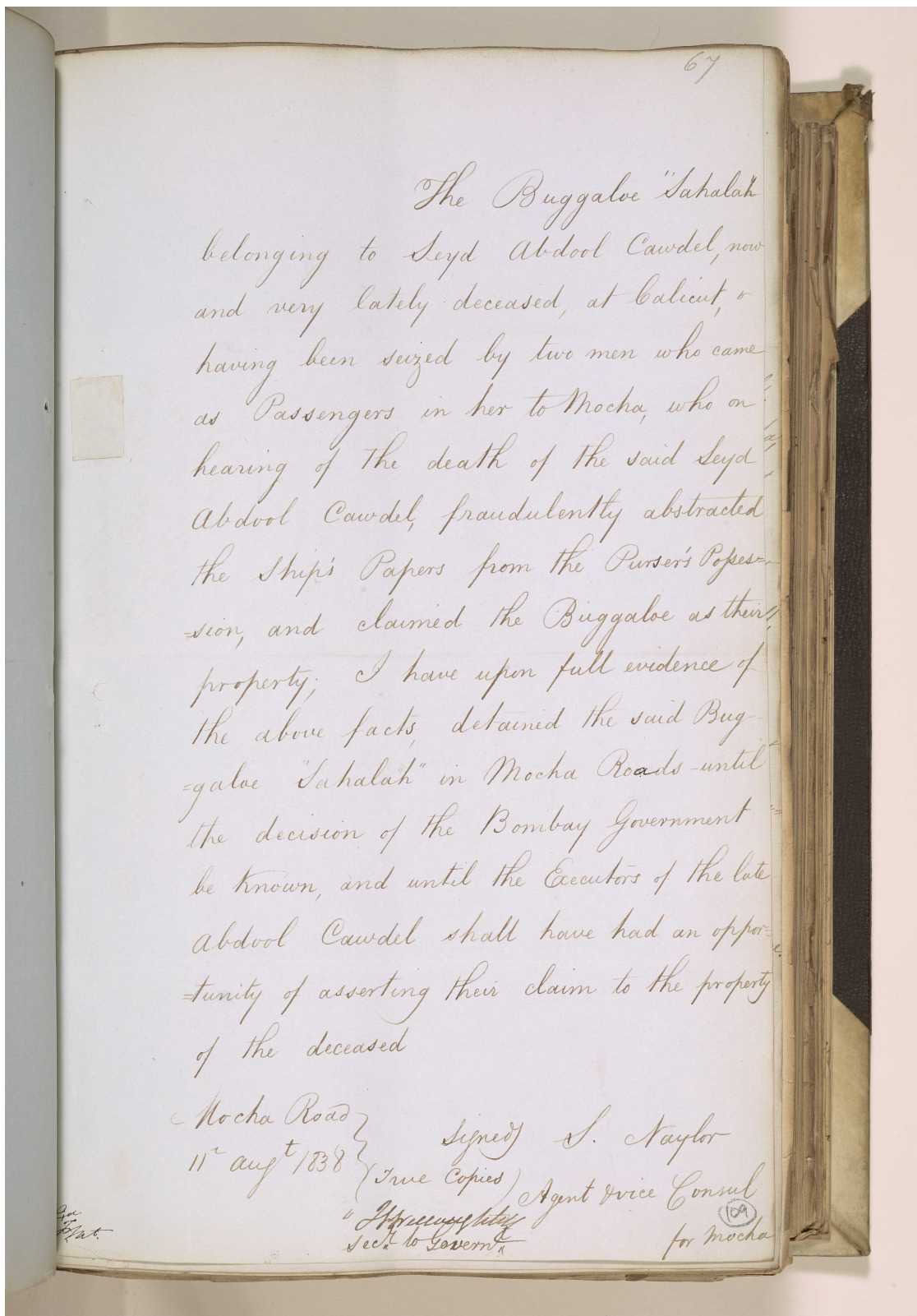
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Be it hereby made known that on the Sixth day of October in the year of Christ one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight Before me Acton Since Agents of Bombay Notary Public by Royal authority duly admitted and sworn personally came and appeared Shaikh Dhy bin Qasim of Bombay Merchant and Mahomed ally suffer of Bombay Merchant who severally offering a solemn declaration to the truth of these presents did declare that they these appearers have for many years known and been well acquainted with Syed Abdool bin Assum late of Quilandy Commander of the Baglah Sahalau but now staying in Bombay that the said Syed Abdool bin Assum has for the last seven years commanded the said Baglah and to the best of these appearers belief been the owner of the same and these appearers verily believe that the said Syed Abdool bin Assum to be the person mentioned in the protest aforewritten and in the several papers thereunto annexed marked A and B as the owner and Commander of the Baglah Sahalau and I do hereby certify that the signature Syed Abdool bin Assum wrote and subscribed hereunto is of the true and proper hand writing of the said Syed Abdool bin Assum baya he having subscribed the same in the presence of these appearers and also in my presence. Thus done and protested on the several days and times herein before in that behalf mentioned of all which an act being thereunto requested I have granted the same under my notarial seal

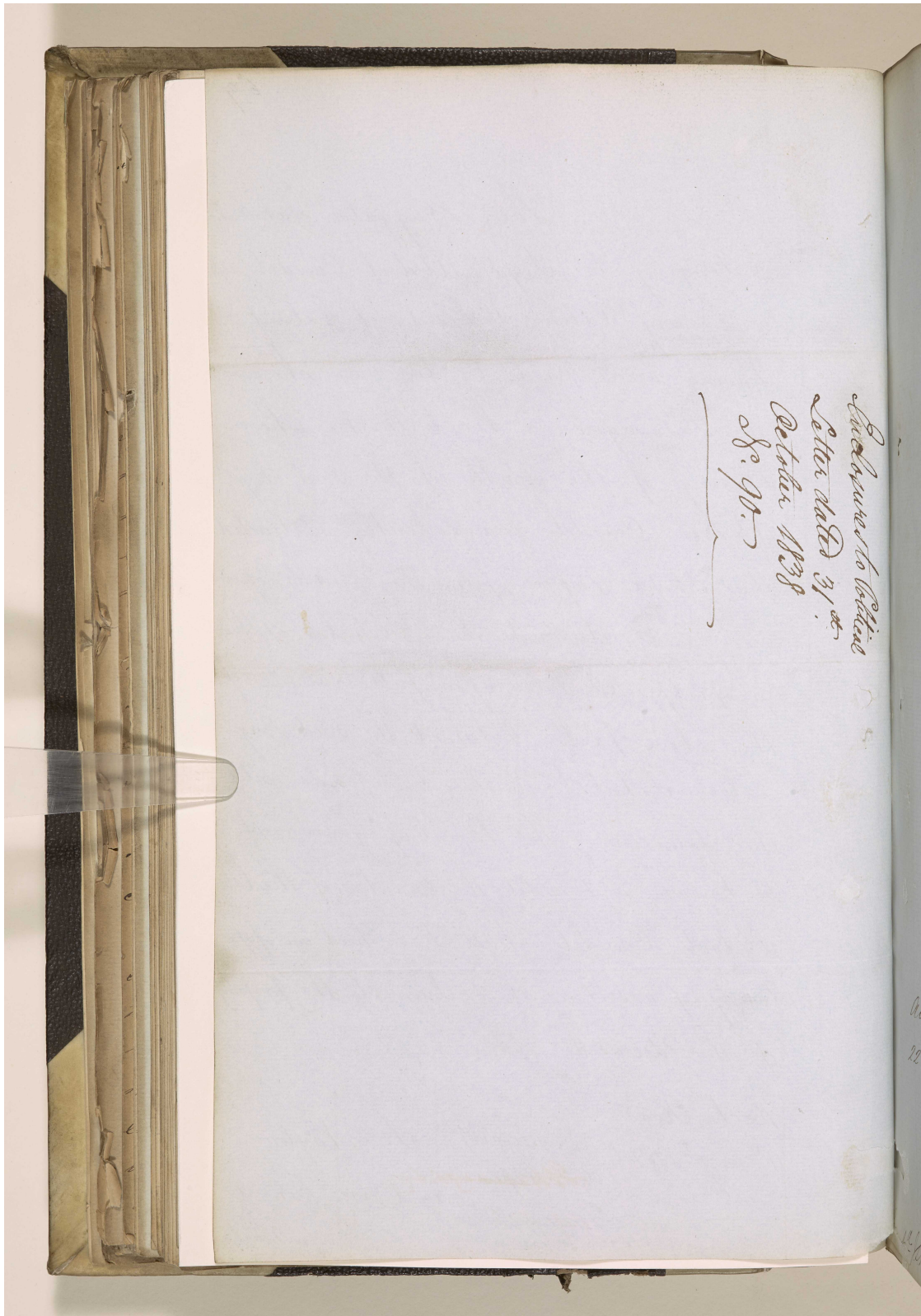
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J.
L. R. Reid Esq^r
Chief Secretary to Government.
Bombay.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter No. 1357, of 11th July,
respecting the conduct of Mr. Naylor at Mocha,
as detailed in the letter of Commander North
of the "Euphrates."

It is a subject of regret, that
Mr. Naylor should have so conducted himself,
and I write to him by the vessel which
takes this letter, to caution him as to his
future conduct, and to direct him not to
continue "Abdul Ruzsool" in his Official em-
-ploy.

I also transmit to Mr. Naylor a
copy of your letter to me, and also of its enclosure.

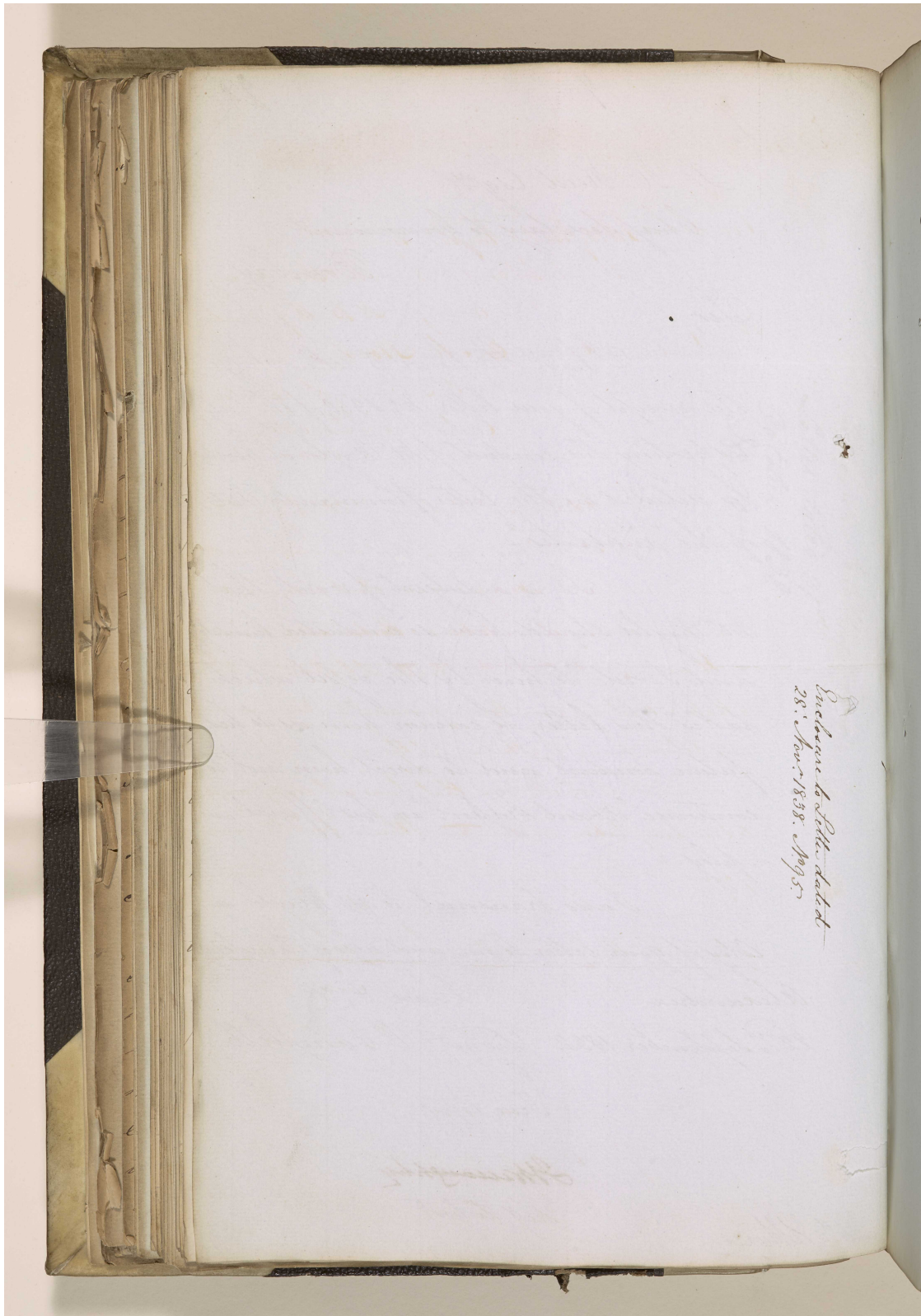
Alexandria I have &c
22nd September 1838. Signed P. Campbell.

True Copy

"Unwarrantably
sup. to Govt."

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From Sampson Naylor Esquire
Steam Packet Agent to Her Majesty's India Company
& Vice Consul for H. B. M. for Mocha.
To Lieutenant Colonel E. M. Wood.
Military Secretary to Government - Bombay.
Dated 31st October 1838.

Sir,

I did myself the honor of addressing a letter to you on the 10th August last, stating that my state of health was so precarious from suffering a severe attack of fever and Dysentery, as to compel me to leave Mocha and go to Sea. It was my intention to have landed at Calicut on the Malabar Coast and have thence proceeded to Bombay on my return home to Mocha - but the season was so heavy in the South West Monsoon that I was not strong enough to bear being taken on shore, and I thence had the honor of again writing to you stating my intention of landing at Cochin, with the purpose of reaching Bombay. - As this letter, with other private letters, to which I have never received any answer, was entrusted to a shore boatman, with the amount for the Postage, I have every reason to believe that none of them came to hand; not finding any vessel leaving Cochin under a two months delay I followed the advice of the Chief Medical Officer at Cochin (whose Certificate I had the honor of forwarding to Colonel Campbell at

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at Alexandria) and proceeded on to Calcutta & proposing, as I still do, to return to Mocha by the Arab Ships of the Season, which sail late in December.

I have herewith to forward a Copy of the Medical Certificate of Doctor Frederick Corbryn & Garrison Surgeon of Fort Mitham, the original of which I have transmitted to Colonel Campbell under whose immediate orders I am placed by the Court of Directors.

In the letter above alluded to, and which I fear has not reached Bombay, I entered into a Detail of the Circumstances which compelled me, for the protection of the heirs of an Arab Native deceased, to detain a Buggabe which had been piratically seized upon in the broadens at Mocha, by a passenger in the same from Calcutta, who had formerly performed the duties of "Mokidar" or Commander of her.

Before taking this step I devoted several days to the strict examination of every evidence pro and con. My Witness was submitted to the administration of an Oath according to the Mahomedan form. The most respectable Merchants in London were in attendance to identify the property of the Deceased. Five respectable "Mokidars" of Arab Ships, then in the road, were called upon to identify the property. - The Governor "Hajam Effendi," was consulted as to the Custom House entry of the Buggabe and the name in which she had her Entries made annually. - The Attorney and Agent of the Deceased produced

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produced a letter of the Decree consigning the Cargo with an elaborate list of every article on board - he provided his account that he had been the Agent of the Decree for several years - lastly the oath of the juror went to prove that the man who seized upon the Buggaloe (Syed Abdool bin Hapson) and who is now a Plaintiff in Bombay, had abstracted the Buggaloe's Papers from him, upon the plea of looking over them, and refusing to restore them again, had immediately assumed a Command and property in the Buggaloe - The oaths of the Surgeon of the Buggaloe and of many of the Crew whose Affidavits I possess in writing all and every evidence above recited go to prove that the present Plaintiff in Bombay "Syed Abdool Ben. Hapson" has not a shadow of right or title to the property.

Under these glaring proofs of fraud I considered it my duty, in virtue of the Firman - which I hold from the Viceroy of Egypt for the protection of his subjects, to arrest the Buggaloe, until the right heirs of the Decree shall have an opportunity of coming forward to establish their claim. - I do not fear that this step will meet the disapprobation of the Bombay Government as I have every item of the examination relating ^{to the} transaction on writing and I will hope that the circumstance of my sudden and severe illness together with the probable miscarriage of my letter of details from Calcutta will be excused

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by the Government (as that which was inevitable and quite out of my power to control) as accounting for my not having made an earlier communication. - With your permission, and on the receipt of your orders, I will submit the whole examination of the parties concerned in the Buggaloe to yourself in writing. - in the mean time I am advised that an action has been brought in Bombay which I feel assured the parties interested will feel disposed to defend.

I shall have the honor of attending to any instructions you may think proper to give me in the above case, and I will trust that the Bombay Government will not consider that I have acted either prematurely, or without cogent and convincing evidence in the matter of the Buggaloe "Lahalali".

I have the honor to be, &c.

Calcutta Oct. 31st,
1834

[Signed] Sampson Naylor...

Steam Packet Agent to H. B. Company.

& Vice Consul for H. B. Co. for Mocha. -

P.S. - As my stay at Calcutta will probably extend to two months more, I request that you will do me the honor to address any orders you may find occasion to give me to the Post Office Calcutta in order that I may correspond with my Deputy Agent at Mocha. -

[Signed] S. N.

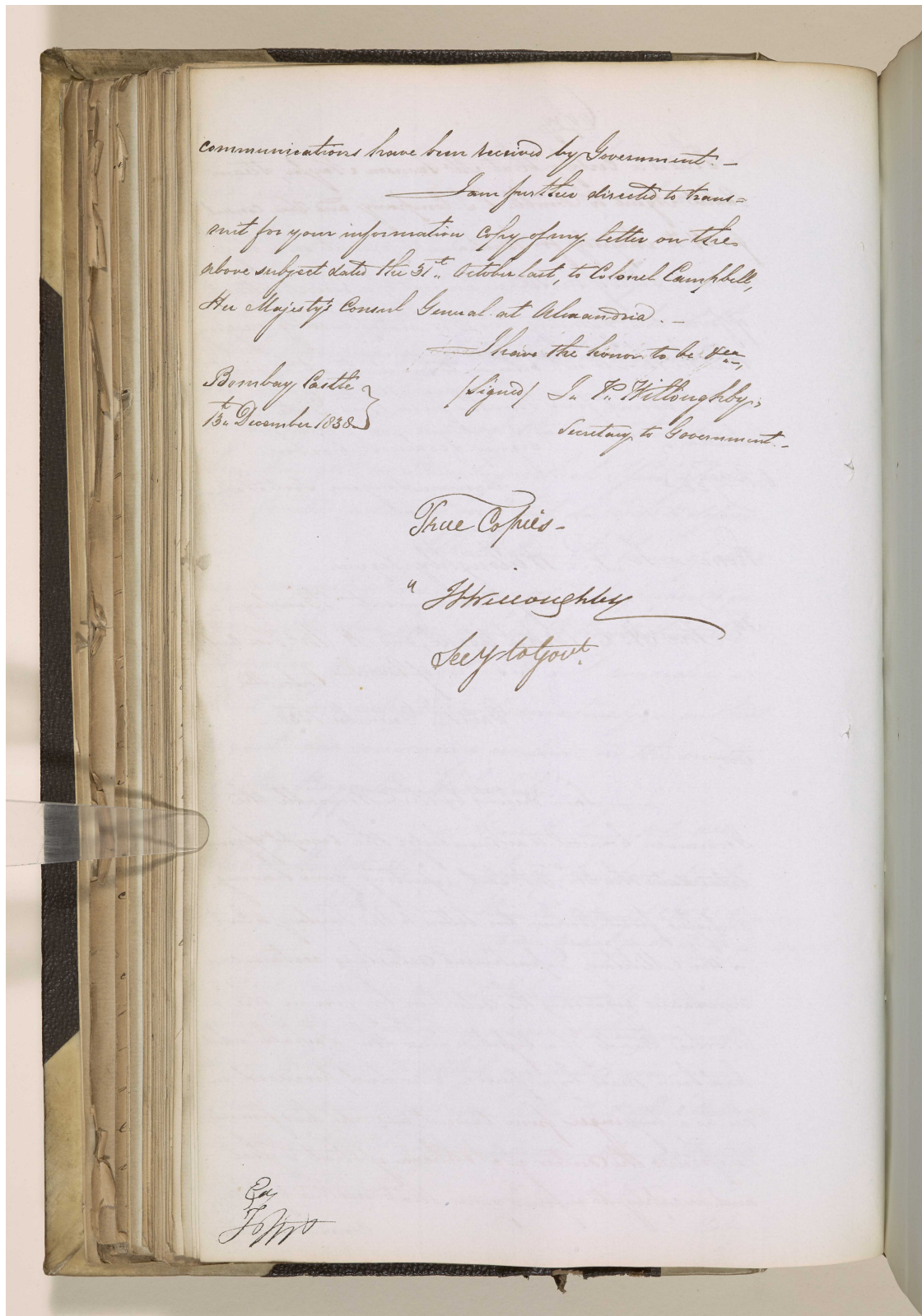
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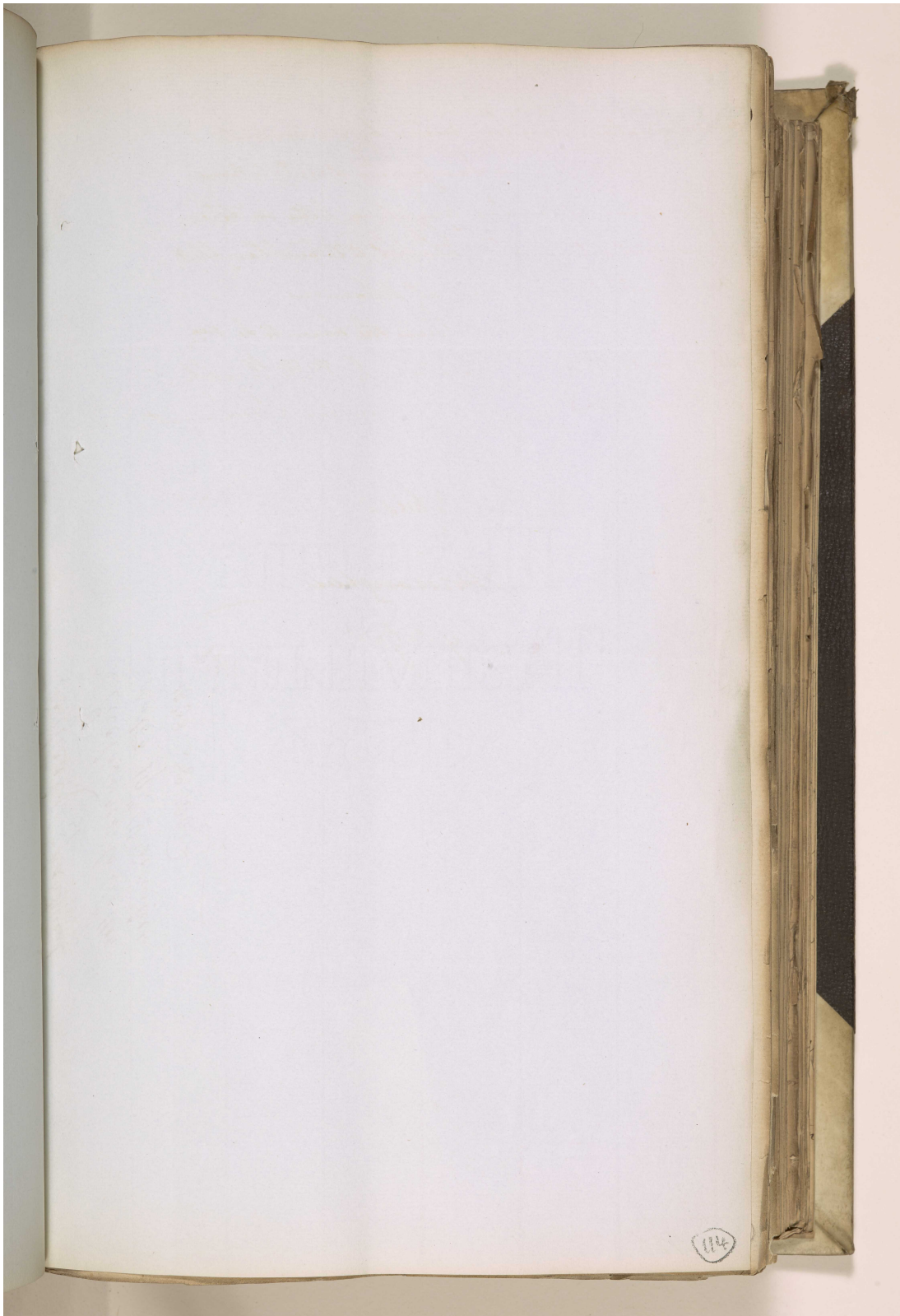
Dated 13th December 1838.

I am directed by the Honorable the
Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your
letter dated the 31.st Oct: last, reporting your having
addressed from Calcutta two letters to the Secretary, to Govt.
in the Military Department detailing certain cir-
cumstances regarding the detention by you in the
Mocha Roads of a Vessel named the "Shahala" which
had been seized by a person who had proceeded in
her as a passenger from Calcutta, and who had formerly
performed the duties of Makhoda of that Vessel,
and in reply to inform you that neither of these
Communications

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