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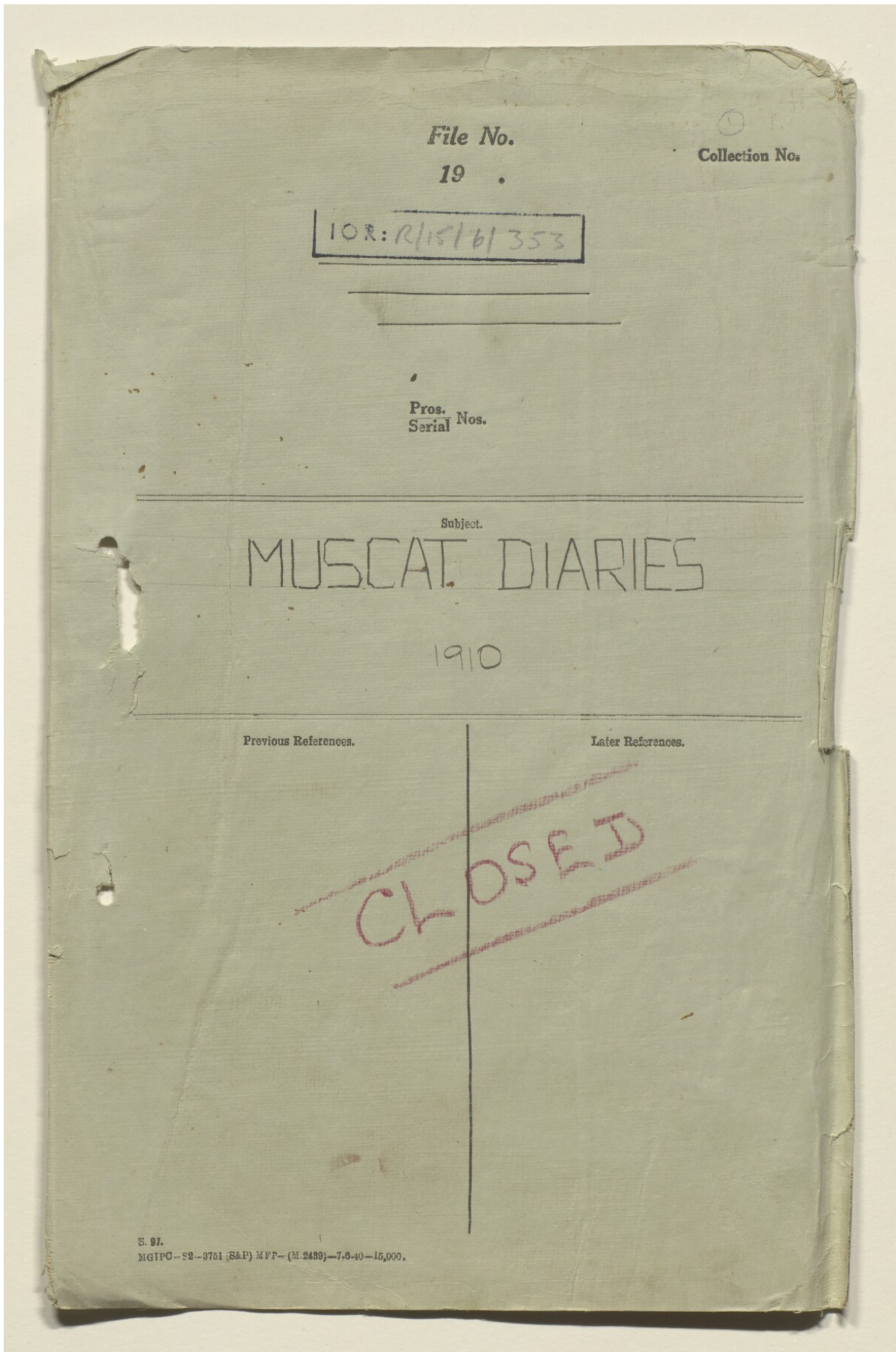
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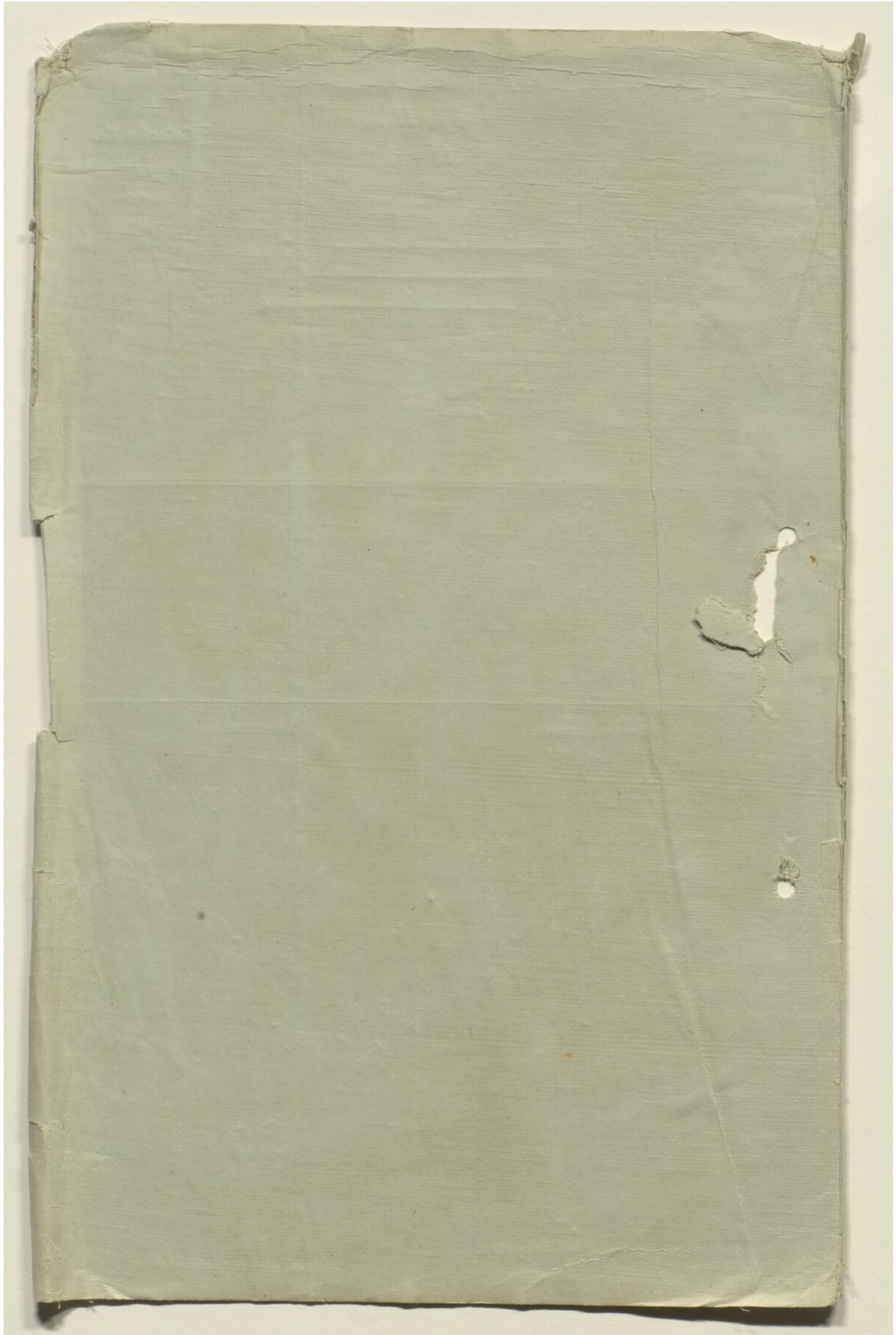
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This file contains weekly entries by the Political Agent in Muscat on the general condition of Oman; arrivals and departures of ships; movement of British representatives; missionary enterprises; and aviation. The most significant parts of the file are entries relating to political events in Oman, and relations with prominent sheikhs and regional rulers as well as the Sultan of Muscat and Oman.







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No. 313
Date 27.3.11
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ARMS TRAFFIC.

(Extract from Diary N^o. 11 ending with 22nd. March 1911).

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113. Two Afghans, dressed as Arabs, arrived by S. S. "Lalpoora" on the 12th. Instant and left for Debai by Native boat on the 20th. Instant.

114. Two Afghans were passengers by S. S. "Bulimba" for Debai, where they arrived on the 17th. Instant.

115. Sudoo Khan's brother left for Gachin on the 14th. Instant. It is reported that he will take the rifles belonging to Sudoo's wife (Vide News N^o. 7, Entry 67) to Bunder Abbas. Sudoo's wife will accompany him and later they both intend proceeding to Peshawar.

116. It may be noted for general information that petty gun-runners are now adopting a method of concealing two or three rifles in rolls of date sticks, the same used for building huts, which are largely exported from the Batineh Coast. (Consul, Bunder Abbas, kindly inform S. N. O. by wire).

117. With reference to Bunder Abbas News N^o. 11, Entry 90, the names of the Persians who proceeded to Muscat by S. S. "Lalpoora" are:-

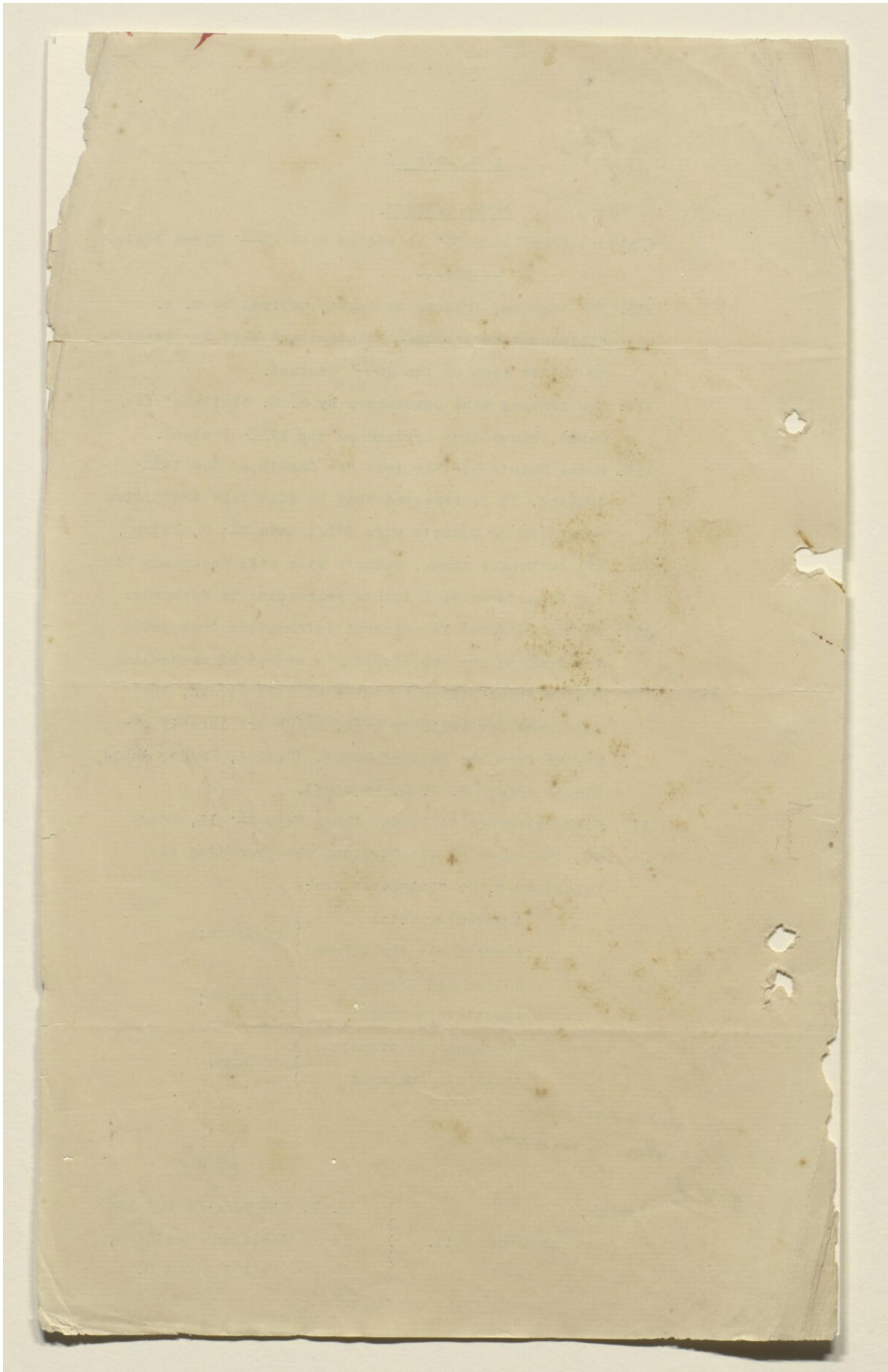
Abdurahman Kalah)	
Abdulla bin Abdurahman)	of Jenna;
Sultan bin Hamood)	
Abdulla bin Hussein)	of Moghu;
Muhammad bin Abdulla)	
Ahmed bin Muhammad)	of Duan.

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For perusal, may be filed - Item 116 may be noted
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Memorandum report regarding whether any of the members of movement in 117 - H. H. M.

Lingah, 20/3
22nd March 1911.

H. B. M.
H. B. M.^S Vice-Consul and
Assistant Resident,
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Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat, for the
week ending 8th January 1910.

Jany: 2nd. 1 S.S. "Edenhall" arrived from Europe at 2. 15 p.m. and sailed for the Persian Gulf at 5. 30 p.m. She landed 25 cases of arms, 84 cases of ammunition and 27 cases of other miscellaneous goods.

Jany: 3rd. 2 M. Pier, agent of the heirs of the late Mons. A. Goguyer, French arms merchant, arrived by the fast mail "Kasara".

*Should be
Mons. P. Goguyer
see entry 117.*

3 2.- H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 3 p.m.

Jany: 4th. 4 The "Nur-ul-Bahar" sailed for Iti at 7 a.m. and with His Highness on board proceeded to Sib in the evening.

5 2.- H.M.S. "Lapwing" arrived at 10. 30 a.m.

6 3.- The Steamship "Okhla" arrived from Bombay at 10.30 a.m. with 2,000 tons of coal for the Government Coal Depot.

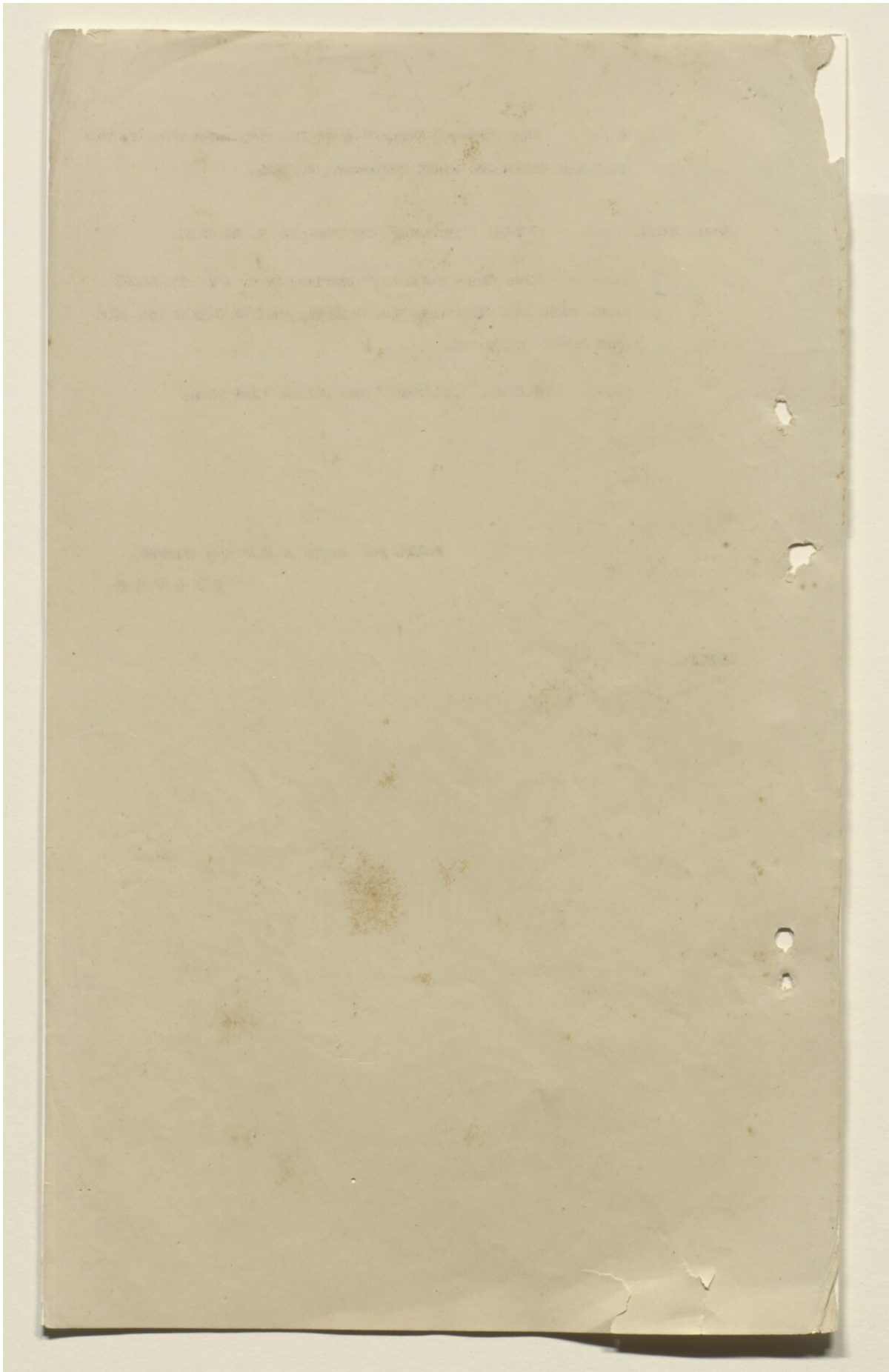
Jany: 6th. 7 H.M.S. "Philomel" arrived at 8 a.m.

8 2.- H.M.S. "Fox" sailed at 1. 30 p.m.

Jany: 7th. 9 H.M.S. "Lapwing" sailed at 6 a.m.

10 2.- With reference to Diary entry 3 of December 22nd, the S.S. "Turkistan" sailed for the Persian Gulf at 2. 30 p.m. She landed 451 cases of ammunition, 5 cases of rifles and 2,745 tons of Government coal.

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11 3.- The "Nur-ul-Bahar" with His Highness the Sultan and his suite on board returned to Iti.

Jany: 8th. 12 H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 8.30 a.m.

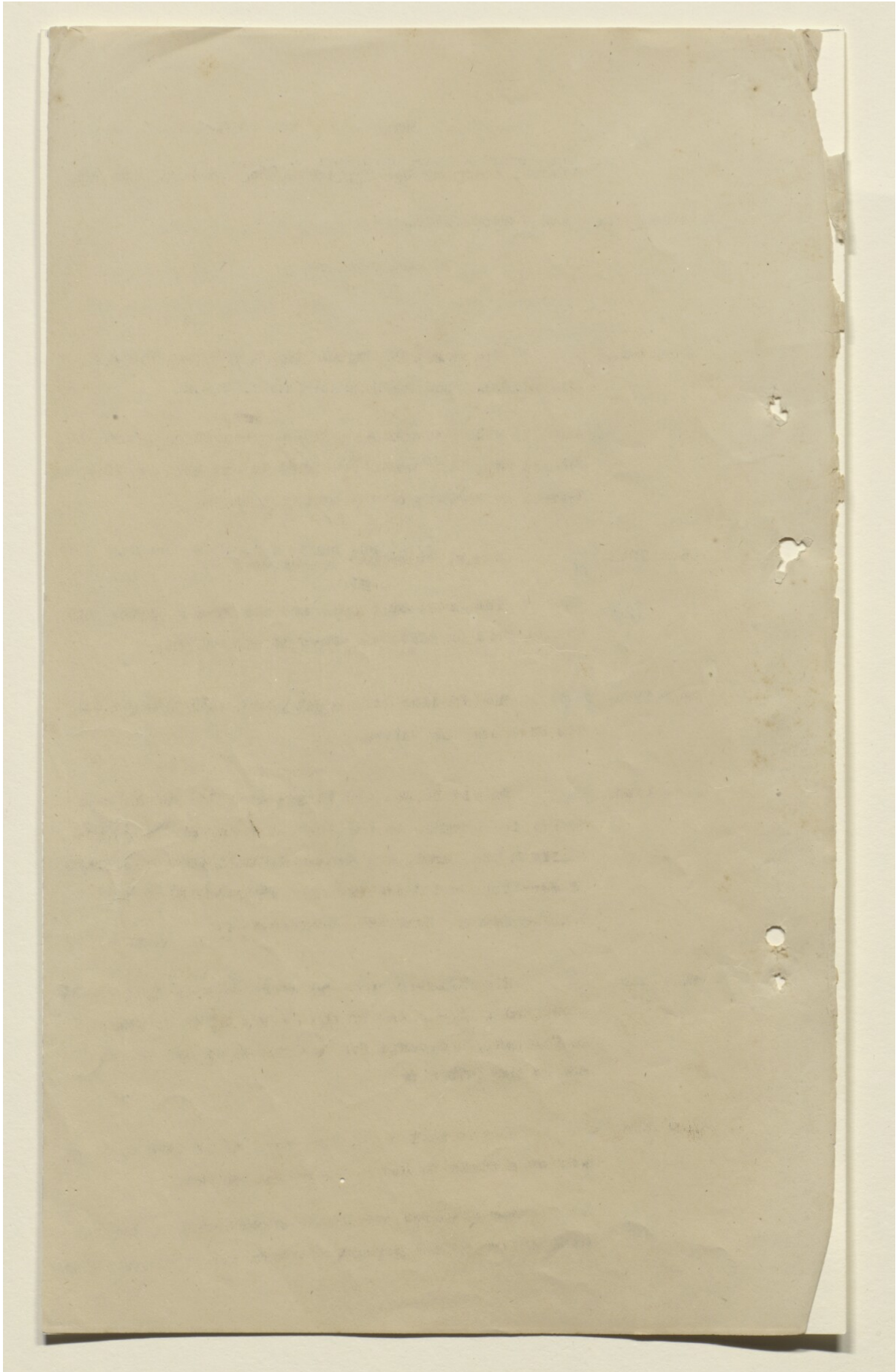
13 2.- The "Nur-ul-Bahar" arrived from Iti at 11.30 a.m. with His Highness the Sultan, Saiyid Nadir and Ali bin Salim on board.

14 3.- H.M.S. "Philomel" sailed at 2.30 p.m.

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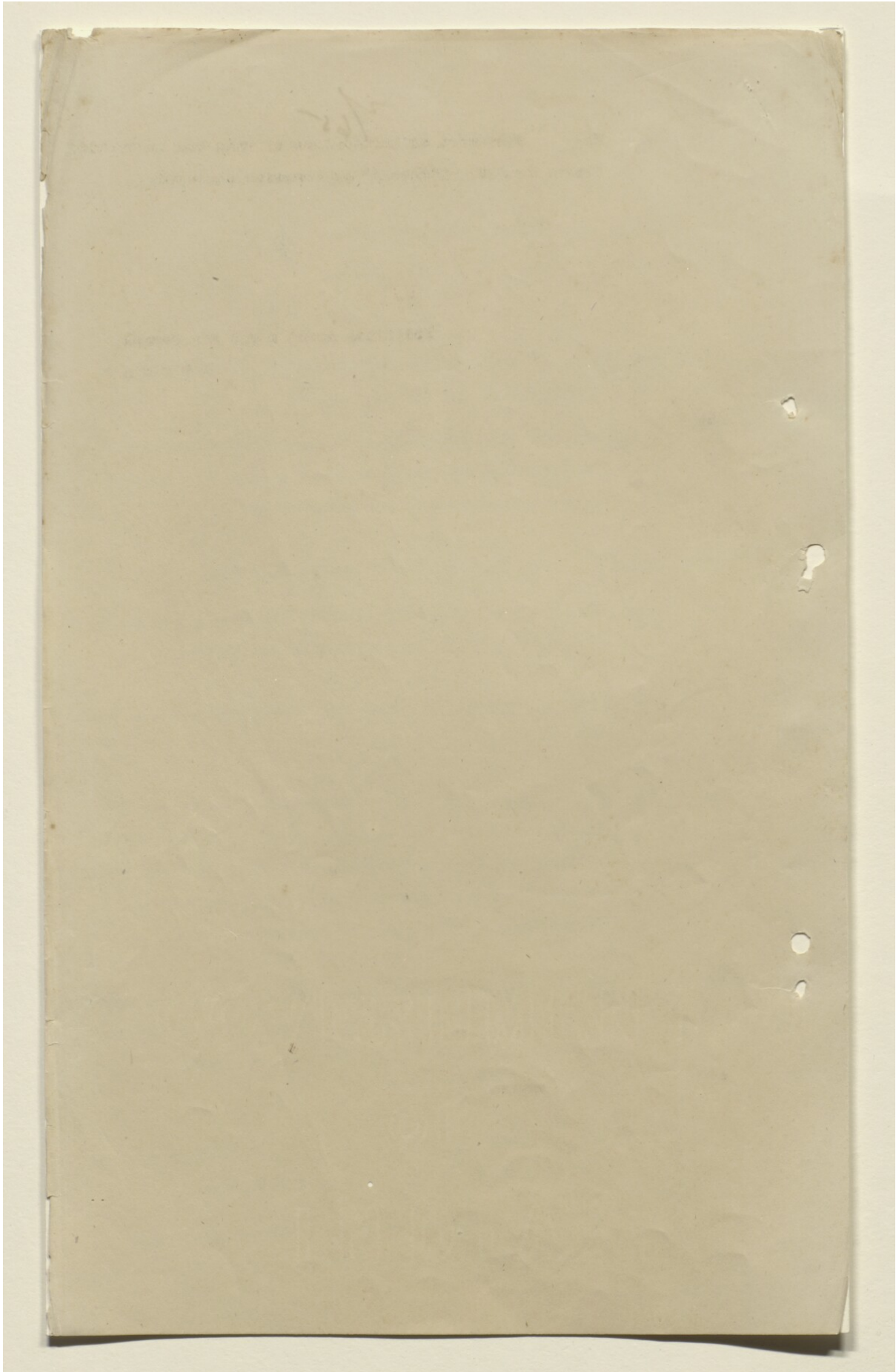


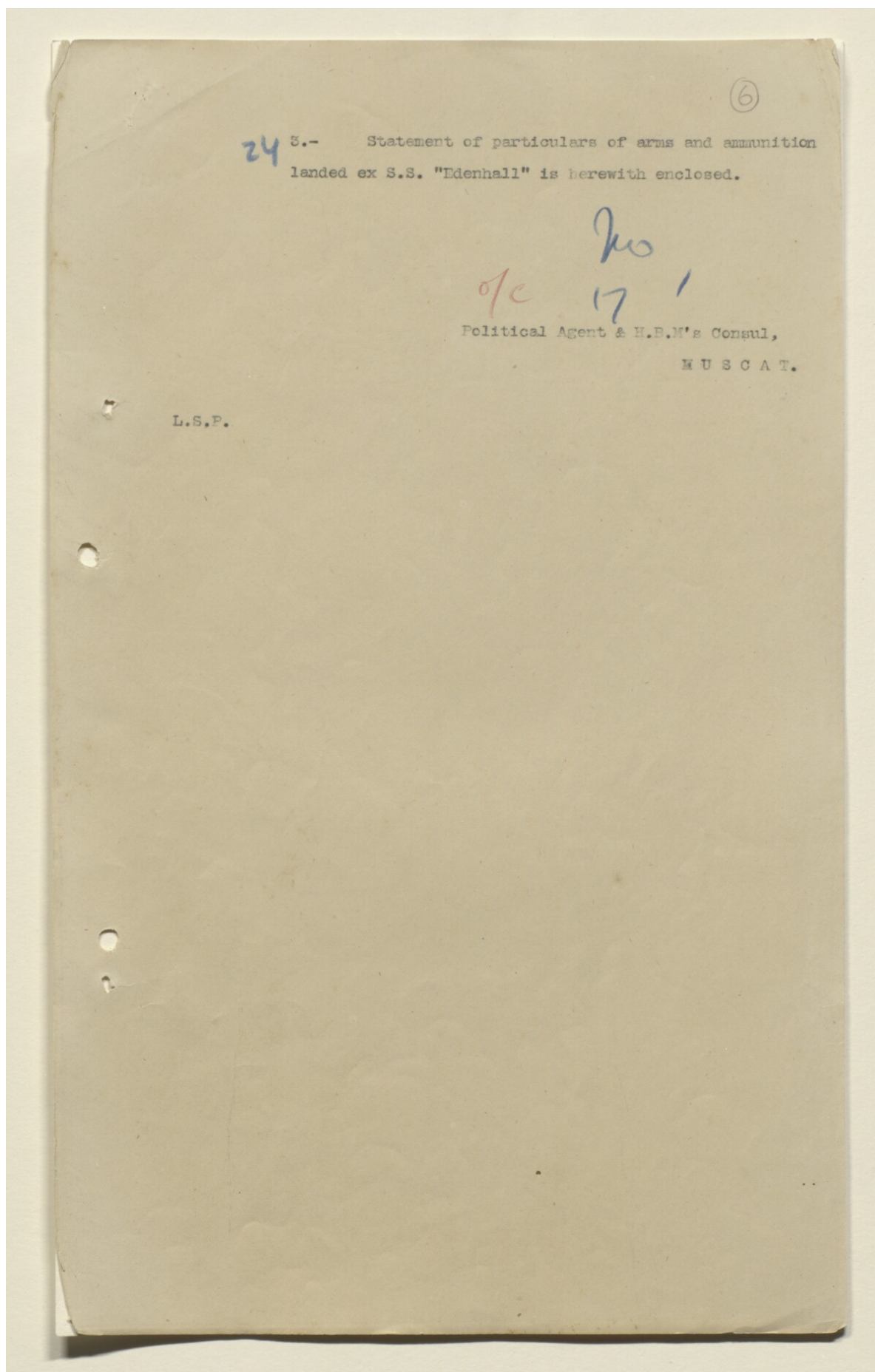


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Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat, for the week ending 15th January 1910.

- Jan: 9th. 15 The Political Agent paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan.
- 16 2.- With reference to Diary entry of November 7th, Saiyid Hamud bin Azzan returned to his home in Wadi-el-Maawal on account of his mother's death.
- Jan: 10th. 17 H.M.S. "Perseus" sailed at 2 p.m.
- 18 2.- The American Consul and the Vice & Deputy Consul paid an official visit to the Sultan.
- Jan: 11th. 19 The Italian Government Agent paid a visit to His Highness the Sultan.
- Jan: 12th. 20 Saiyid Taimur bin Faisal sent two horses and a donkey in a baghla to Zanzibar as presents for Saiyid Khalifah bin Harub, Ali Muhammad El Mijeyni late Vazir of Zanzibar, and Saleh bin Ali the Dragoon of the British Agency, Zanzibar, respectively.
- Jan: 14th. 21 His Highness received news that the Bani Salman tribe had killed a man of the Jwabar tribe in Jamma, in Batineh, in revenge for the murder of one of their men by the latter tribe.
- Jan: 15th. 22 Shaikh Said bin Salim, Wali of Suweykh arrived here on a visit to His Highness the Sultan.
- 23 2.- His Highness the Sultan accompanied by Saiyid Yusuf Zowavi paid a private visit to the Political Agent.





24 3.- Statement of particulars of arms and ammunition
landed ex S.S. "Edenhall" is herewith enclosed.

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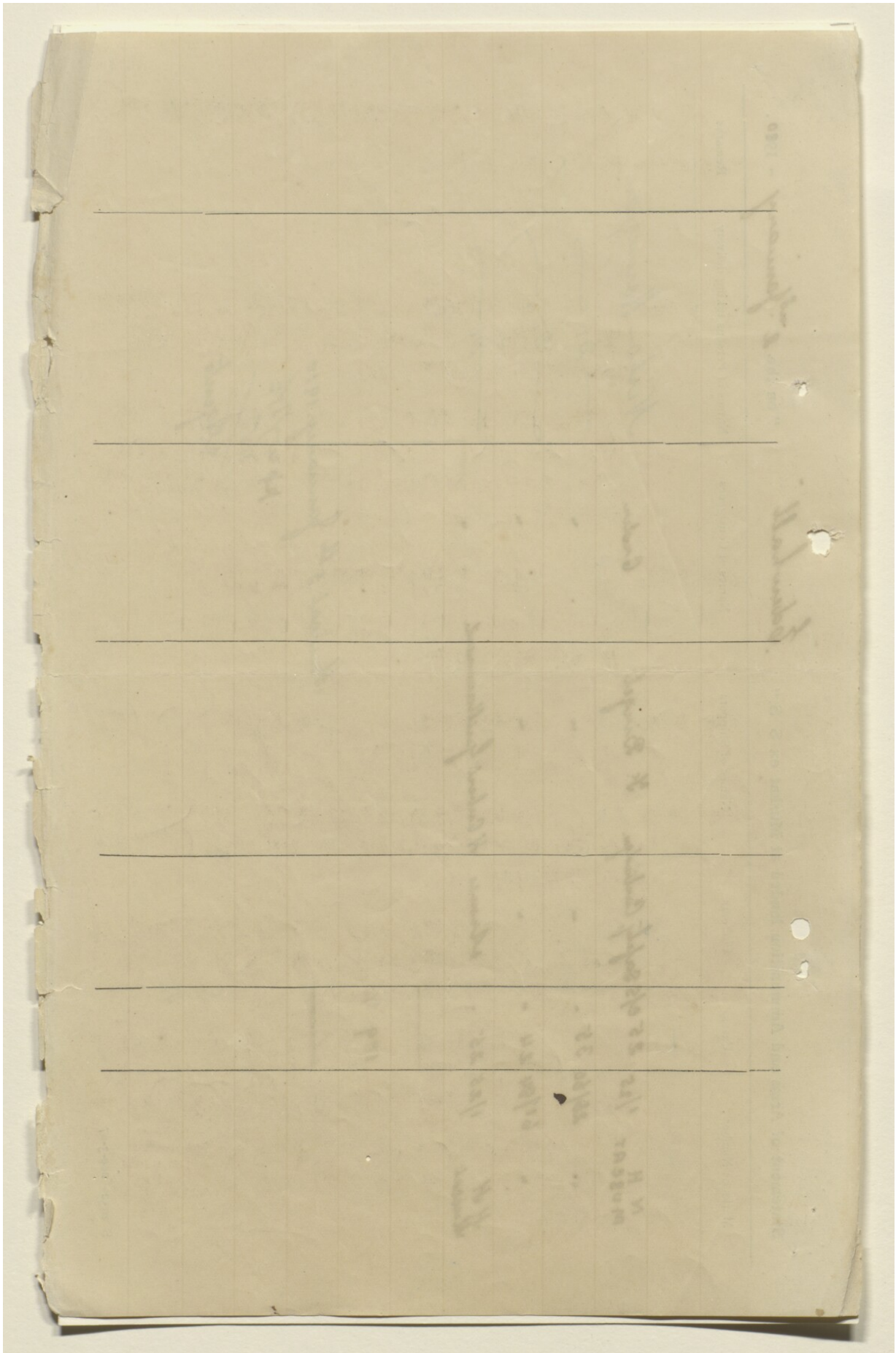
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" on the 2nd January - 1910.

Marks or Numbers.	Cases.	Contents.	Names of Shippers	Names of Consignees.	Names of Persons taking delivery.	Remarks
N H MUSCAT	1/25	25 e/s safety Cartridges.	H. Dingel	Cruden	Nishan Horningan	
"	26/60	"	"	"	DO	
"	61/84	"	"	"	DO	
H H Muscat	1/25 25	Armes	H. Gilbert & Guillaumard.	"	DO	
	109 e/s					

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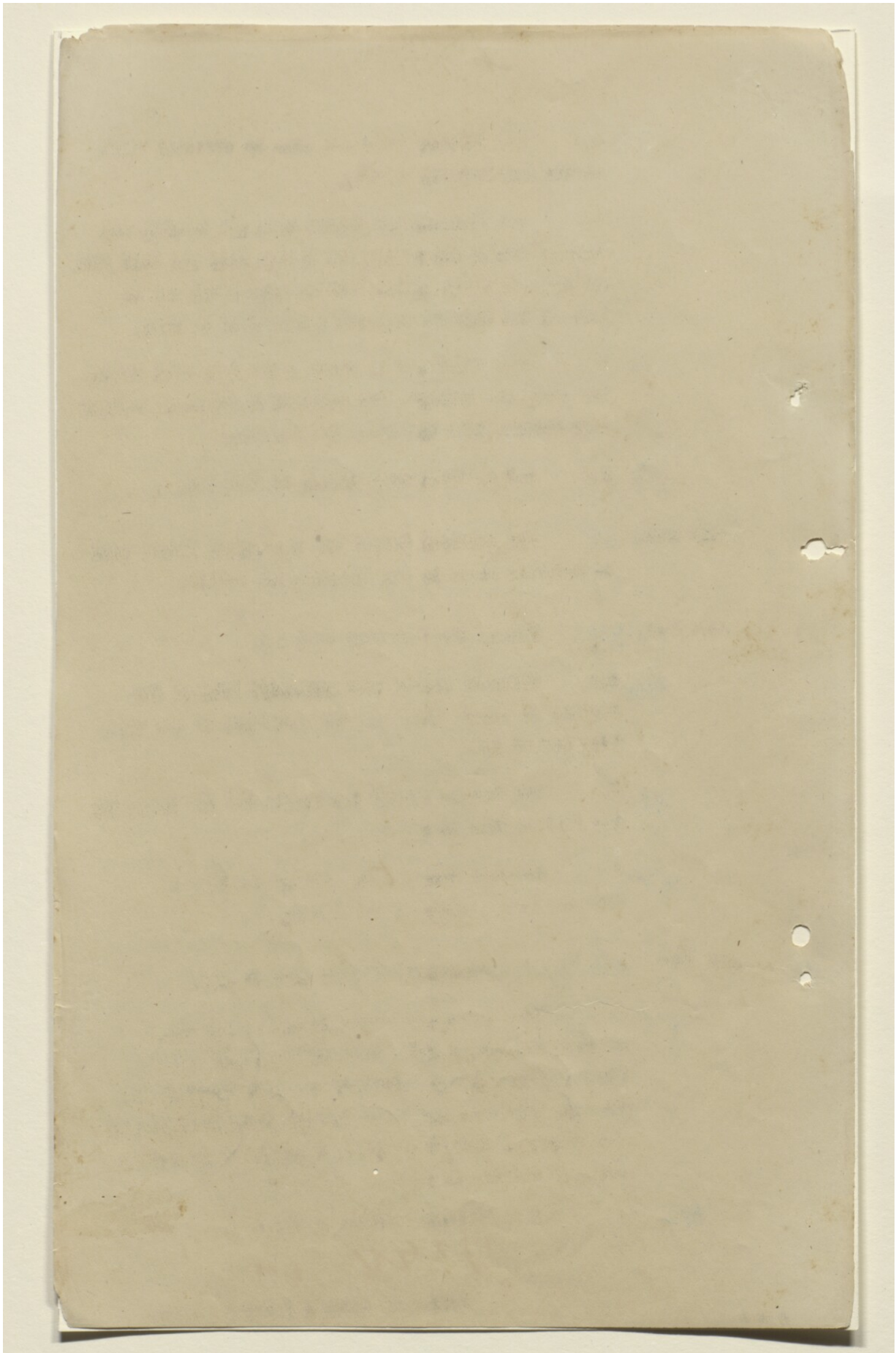
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Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat, for the
week ending 22nd January 1910.

- Jan: 16th. ²⁵ With reference to Diary entry 3 of 4th Instant
the S.S. "Okhla" left for India at 4. 15 p.m. after
discharging Government coal.
- ²⁶ 2.- News arrived that a landing party from H.M.S.
"Fox" accompanied by troops from Jask captured 1,350
rifles and 160,000 rounds of ammunition at Gaigon near
Jask this morning.
- Jan: 17th. ²⁷ H.M.S. "Philomel" arrived at 6 a.m.
- ²⁸ 2.- Saiyid Bedr bin Seif paid a private visit to
the Political Agent.
- Jan: 18th. ²⁹ The Turkish-man-of-war "Marmaris" arrived here
at 6.15 p.m. from Hodeidah.
- Jan: 19th. ³⁰ The Turkish man-of-war saluted the port with
21 guns at 12 noon, and His Highness' saluting battery
duly replied.
- ³¹ 2.- The Commandant of the 117th Mahrattas accompa-
nied by his staff of 5 officers arrived by the fast
mail "Dumra" and sailed by H.M.S. "Philomel" for Jask.
- ³² 3.- Mr. Alfred L. M. Gottschalk, the American Son-
sul-General at large for Africa and the Middle East,
arrived from the Persian Gulf by the fast mail "Dumra".
- ³³ 4.- Visits were exchanged between the Commander of
H.M.S. "Philomel" and the Commodore of the Turkish man-
of-war.

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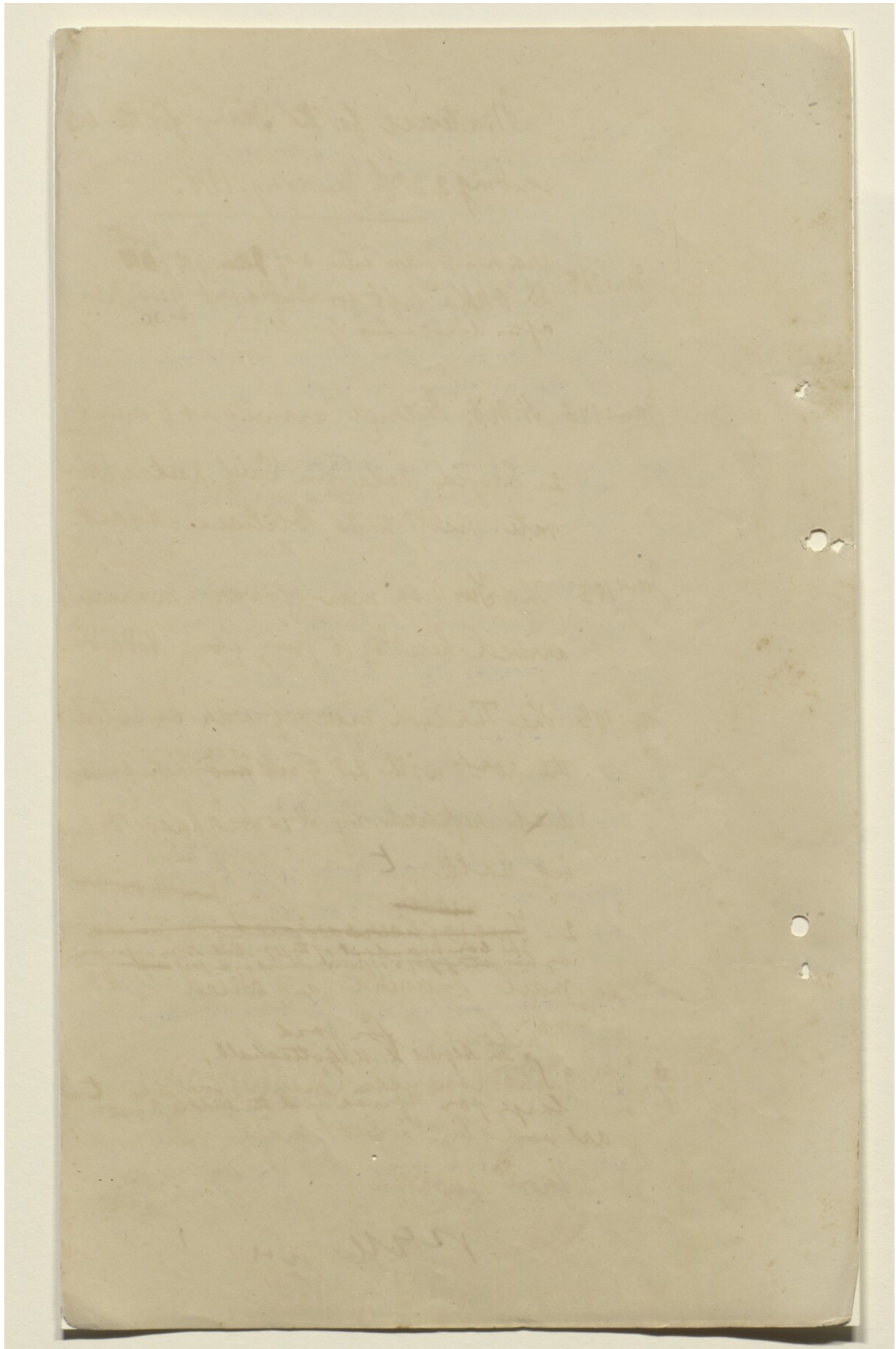




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- 34 5.- The Turkish Commodore paid an official visit to His Highness the Sultan.
- 35 6.- His Highness the Sultan with his brother and Saiyids Taimur and Nadir, and Saiyid Bear bin Seif paid an official visit to the Turkish man-of-war and on leaving the steamer received a salute of 21 guns.
- 36 7.- With reference to Diary entry 2 of 27th December 1909, Mr. Dykstra, the American Missionary, returned from Bahrein with the Revd: Mr. Cantine.
- 37 8.- H.M.S. "Philomel" sailed at 4.30 p.m.
- Jan: 20th. 38 The American Consul and the Deputy Consul paid an official visit to His Highness the Sultan.
- Jan: 21st. 39 H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 7 a.m.
- 40 2.- Official visits were exchanged between the Captain of H.M.S. "Fox" and the Commodore of the Turkish man-of-war.
- 41 3.- The Turkish man-of-war sailed for Abu Dhabi and the Persian Gulf at 3 p.m.
- 42 4.- Monsieur Neuberger manager of the firm of Goguyer, paid a visit to the Sultan.
- Jan: 22nd. 43 H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 7.45 a.m.
- 44 2.- Today being the Accession Day of His Majesty the King-Emperor, H.M.S. "Fox" and "Perseus" were dressed. The Agency Flagstaff and also those of the American Consulate and His Highness' forts were dressed with flags. H.M.S. "Fox" fired a salute of 31 guns in honour of the day at 12 noon.
- 45 3.- H.M.S. "Perseus" sailed at 2 a.m.

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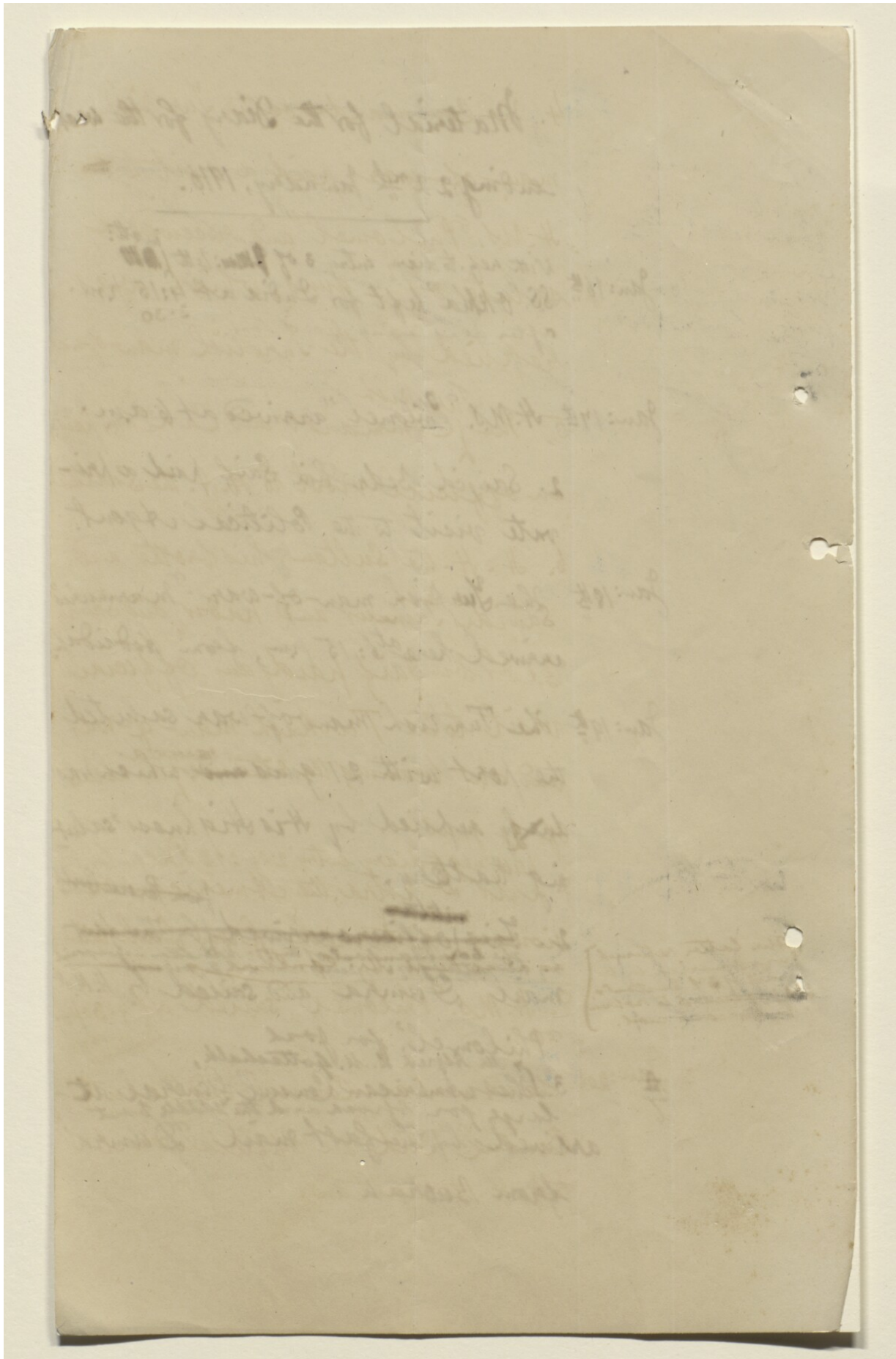


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Material for the Diary for the week
ending 22nd January, 1910.

- News arrived Jan: 16th 46 With ref. to diary entry 3 of ~~Jan: 4th~~ ^{inst:} SS. "Okha" left for India at 4:15 p.m. after discharging 4000 Coal. ~~3:30~~
- Jan: 17th 47 H.M.S. "Philomel" arrived at 6 a.m.
- Jan: 18th 49 2. Saïjid Bedr bin Saïf paid a private visit to the Political Agent.
- Jan: 19th 50 The Turkish man-of-war "Marmaris" arrived here at 6:15 p.m., from Aden.
- Jan: 19th 51 The Turkish man-of-war saluted the port with 21 guns ^{at 13 noon} and ~~which was~~ ~~replied by~~ His Highness' saluting battery. ~~Duly~~ ^{Duly} replied.
- Jan: 20th 52 2. ^{military} Five officers arrived ^{from Persian Gulf} by the fast mail "Dumra" and sailed by H.M.S. "Philomel" for Zanzibar. ^{Mr. Alfred L. M. Gottschalk,}
- Jan: 21st 53 3. The American Consul General at Zanzibar for Africa and the Middle East arrived by the fast mail "Dumra" from Burah.

News arrived
about a landing party from
H.M.S. Fox accompanied by
George from Zanzibar
and capt. ~~and~~
1350 rifles & 160,000 rounds
of ammunition in
Saïf near Zanzibar
this morning.





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exchange
between the
Commander of
H.M.S. Philomel
& the Commodore
of

544. ⁽¹¹⁾ The ~~Commander~~ of the Turkish
man-of-war paid a visit to the
H.M.S. "Philomel" and received a
salute of 11 guns, which was
replied by the Turkish man-of-war.

555. The ^{Turkish Commodore} ~~Commander~~ and Captain paid
an official visit to H.H. the Sultan.

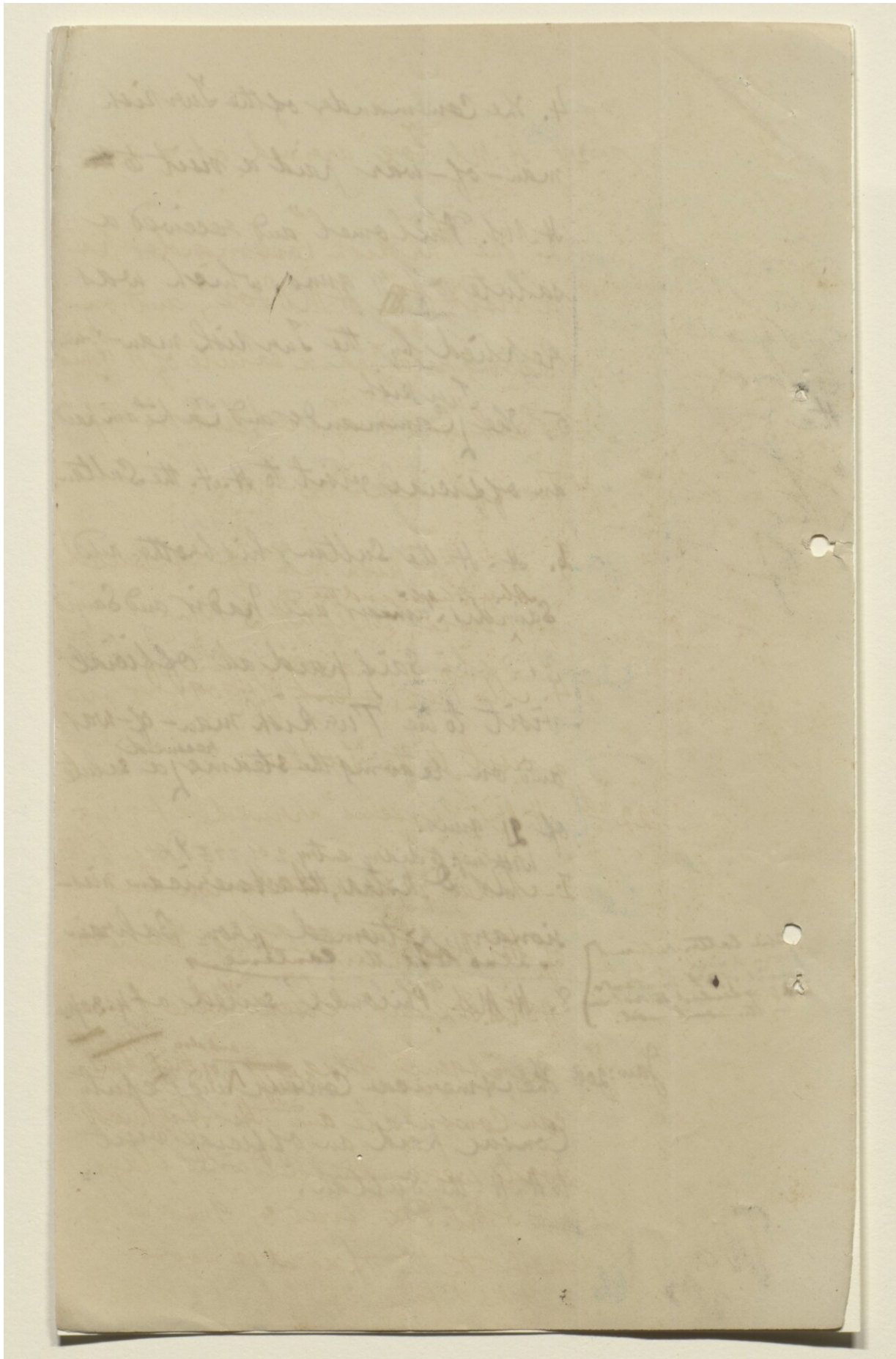
56 6. H.H. the Sultan ^{with} his brother and
Sajidis Jamsur and Hadir and Sajid
Badr bin Saif paid an official
visit to the Turkish man-of-war
and on leaving the steamer ^{received} a salute
of 21 guns.

with the 57 7. Mr Dykstra, the American mis-
sionary, returned from Bahrain
as also ^{reid} Mr. Cantline.

The letter returned
from America by the
mail of 3rd inst. &
had ~~been~~ decided to Bahrain
by the next mail.

85 H.M.S. "Philomel" sailed at 4:30 pm.

Jan: 20th 59 The American Consul and Deputy
Consul paid an official visit
to H.H. the Sultan.





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Jan: 21st ⁶⁰ H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 7 am.

Officers and crew were exchanged between the Captain of H.M.S. Fox & the Commandant of the Turkish man-of-war.

61 2. The Turkish Commander paid a visit to ~~the~~ H.M.S. "Fox", and on leaving received a salute of 11 guns which was only replied by the Turkish man-of-war.

62 3. The Turkish man-of-war sailed for ^{the} Persian Gulf at 3 p.m.

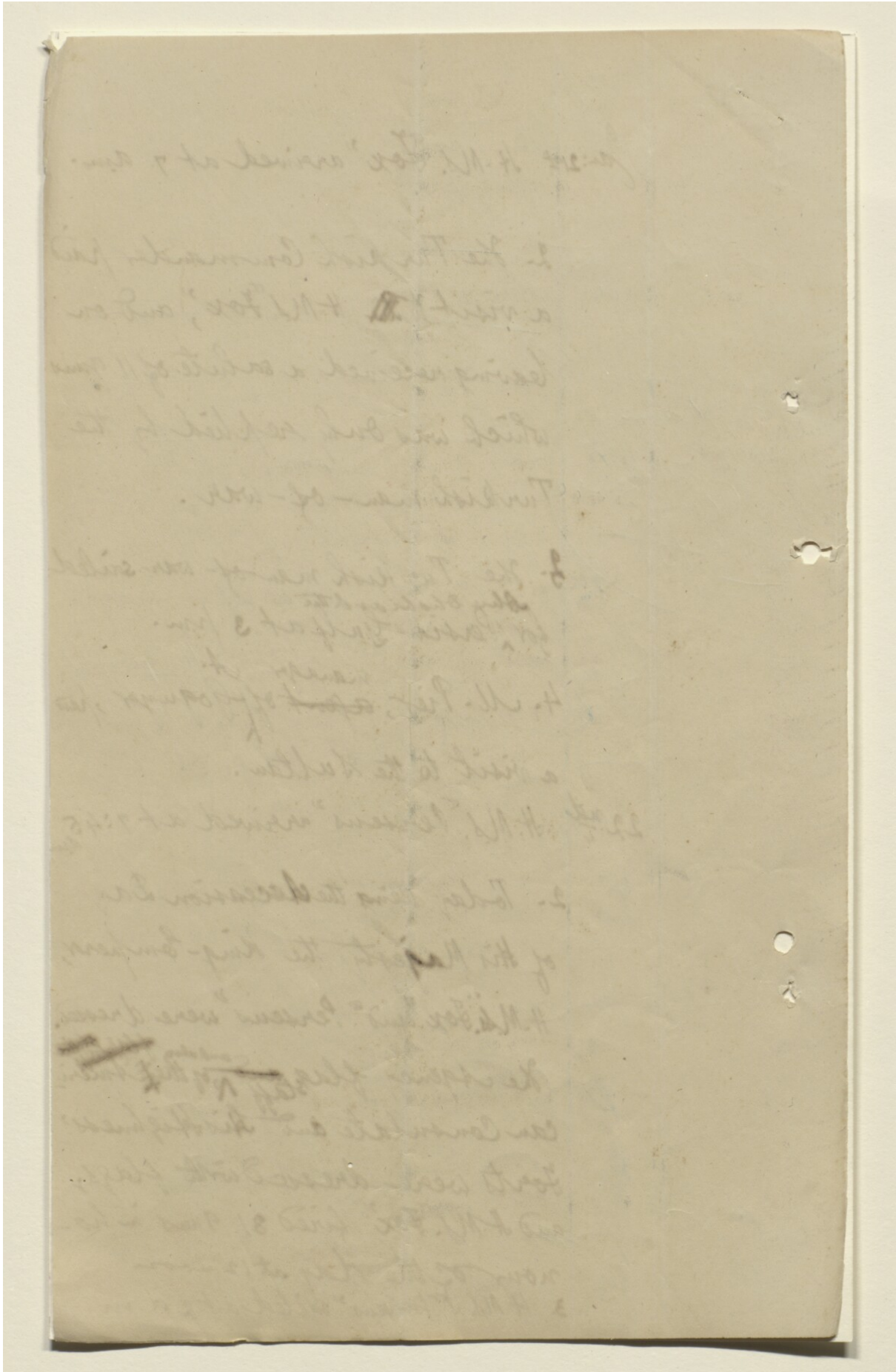
63 ^{Neauber} 4. M. ~~Pier~~ ^{manager of the firm of} ~~agent of~~ Goguyer, paid a visit to the Sultan.

22nd ⁶⁴ H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 7:45 am.

65 2. Today being the Accession Day of His Majesty the King-Emperor, H.M.S. "Fox" and "Perseus" were dressed. The Agency flag ^{and also of the} ~~of the~~ American Consulate and His Highness' Forts were dressed with flags, and H.M.S. "Fox" fired 31 guns in ho-

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hour of the day at 12 noon.
3. H.M.S. "Perseus" sailed at 2 p.m.





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Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat, for the week ending 29th January 1910.

January 23rd **67** Saiyid Hilal bin Hamud, Wali of Burka arrived on a visit to H.H. the Sultan.

68 2. H.M.S. "Fox" sailed at 5.30 P.M.

" 24th **69** With reference to diary entry of 1 of 18th August 1909, Mohomed Amin Effendi arrived here from Karachi by slow mail "Bulimba"

2. **70** Mr. Menteris and his wife and Mr. Strate American subjects arrived here from Karachi on a tour with a cinemetograph exhibition.

3. **71** The American Consul General, Consul and Deputy Consul paid an official visit to H.H. the Sultan.

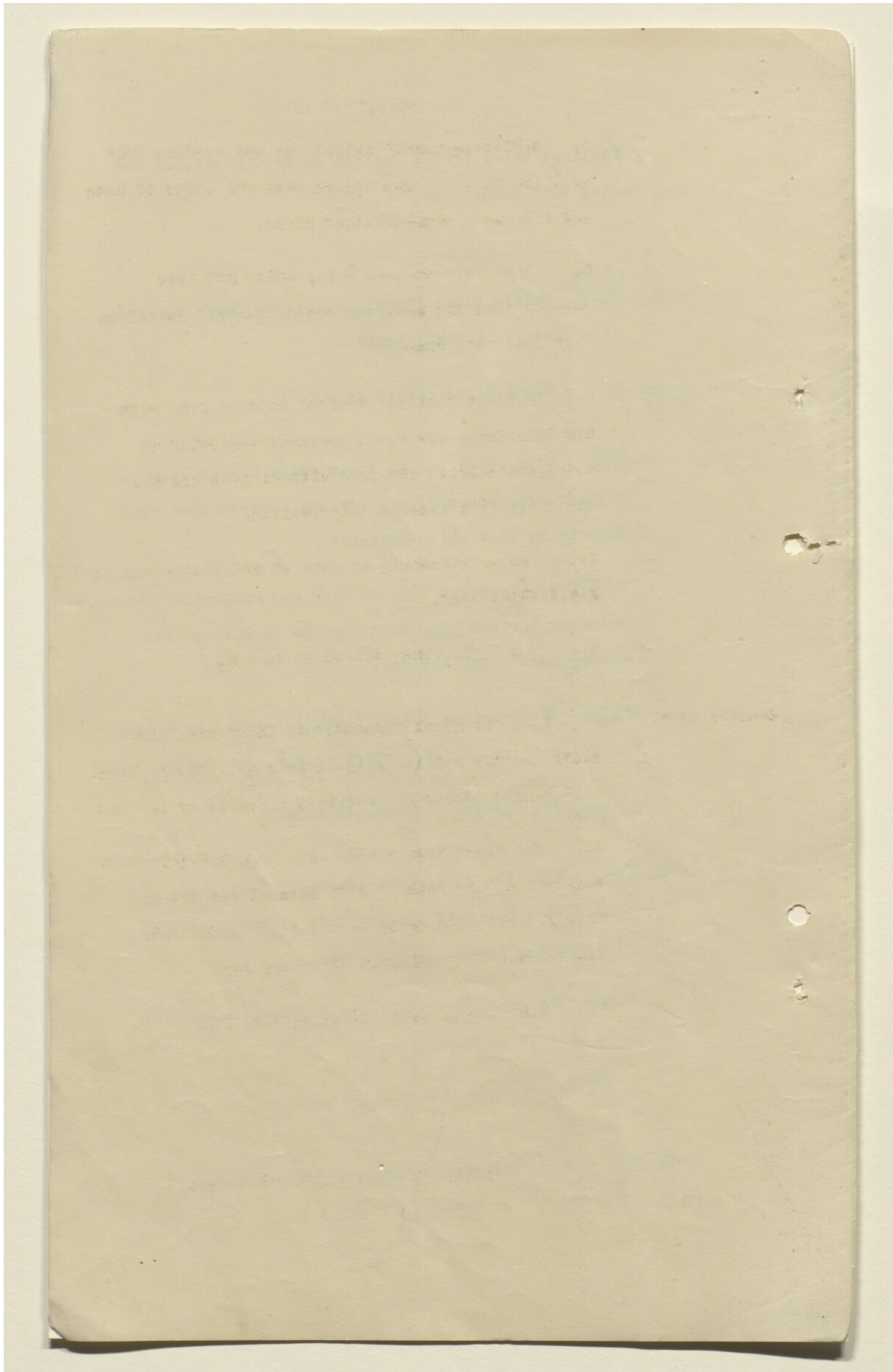
4. **72** Mr. Dykstra returned to Bahrein.

" 25th **73** H.H. the Sultan, Saiyid Mohamed bin Turki and Saiyid Bedr bin Seif and the Wali of Burka paid a visit to the American Consulate.

2. **74** The American missionary the Rev. Mr. Cantine paid a visit to the Sultan

3. **75** H.M.S. "Lapwing" arrived at 4.15 P.M.

" 26th **76** S.S. "Tabaristan" arrived from Europe at 7 A.M. with Mrs. Cox on board.





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77 2. S.S. "Tabaristan" sailed for the Persian Gulf at 12.30 P.M. She landed here 185 cases of arms and 100 cases miscellaneous goods.

78 3. With reference to Diary entry of 19th January 1910 the American Consul General sailed by the fast mail "Kasara".

79 4. H.M.S. "Hyacinth" arrived at 4.30 P.M. with His Excellency the Naval Commander-in-Chief on board, and saluted the port with 21 guns His Highness' saluting battery duly replied.

80 5. The Political Agent paid an official visit to H.M.S. "Hyacinth".

81 6. H.M.S. "Lapwing" sailed at 10 P.M.

January 27th 82 H.E. the Naval Commander-in-Chief with his staff and the Political Agent paid an official visit to H.H. the Sultan and received a salute of 15 guns.

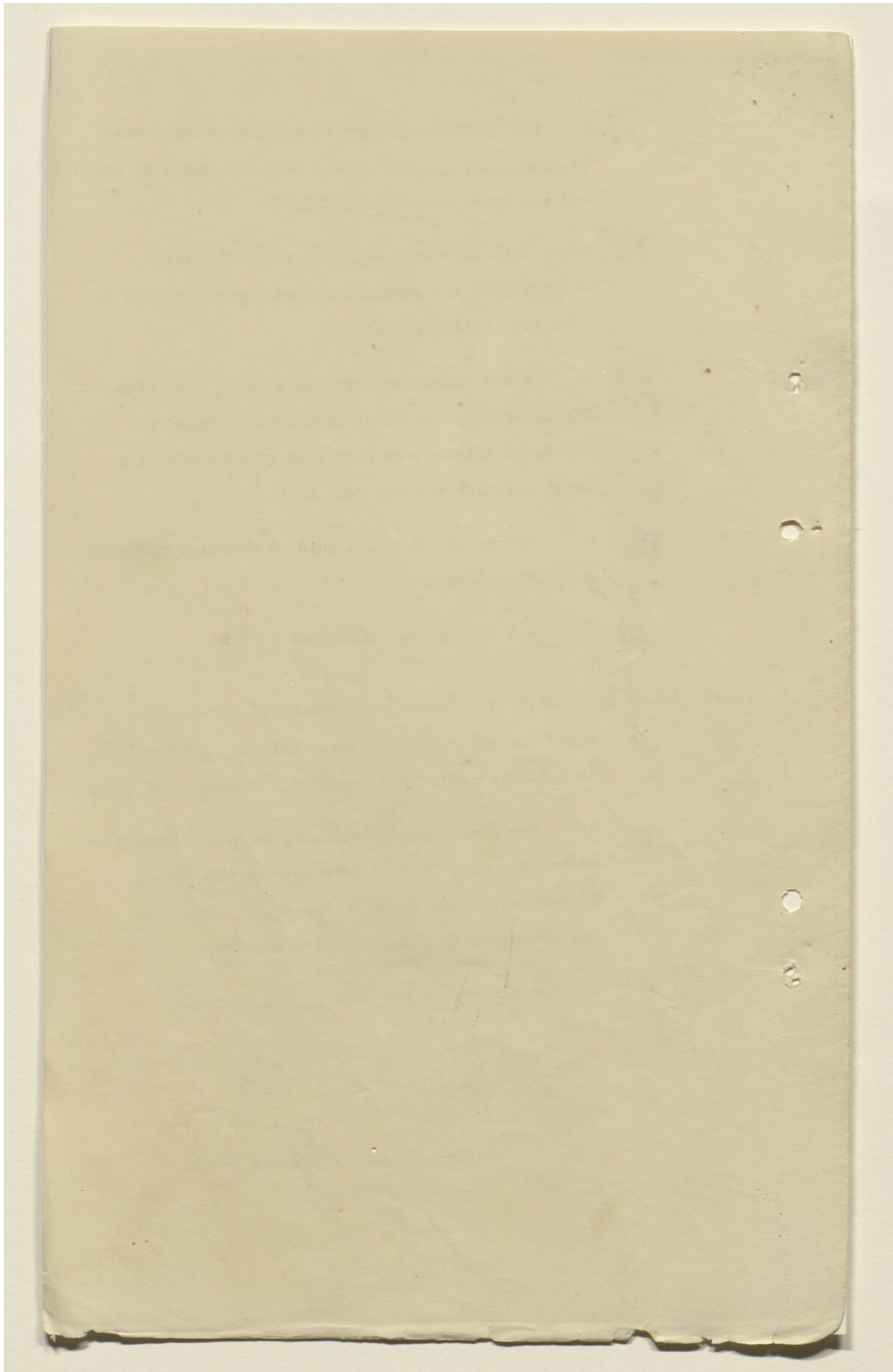
83 2. The Steam launch belonging to H.M.S. "Hyacinth" captured a dhow full of arms outside the Mutrah harbour which was going to Koweit. The dhow was subsequently released after enquiry.

84 3. H.M.S. "Hyacinth" sailed at 6.30 P.M.

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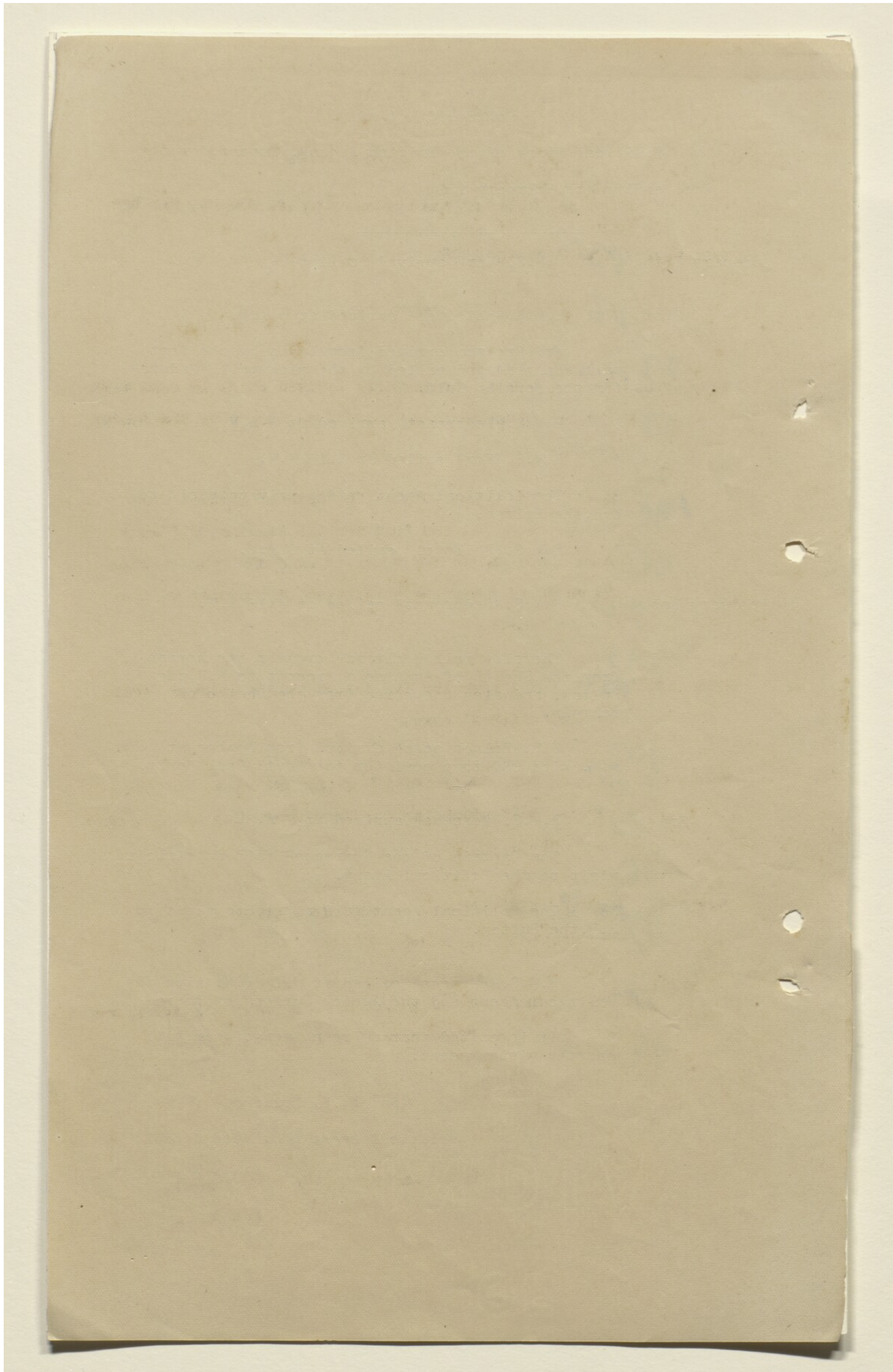
Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat, for the
week ending 4th February 1910

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- January 30th 85 H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 11 P.M.
- " 31st 86 H.M.S. "Philomel" arrived at 6 A.M.
- 87 2 Mr. Gregson arrived from India by the fast
mail "Dwarka" and sailed by the slow mail "Madura"
for the Persian Gulf.
- 88 3 H.M.S. "Redbreast" arrived at 9 A.M.
- 89 4 H.M.S. "Fox" sailed at 3.15 P.M.
- 90 5 The political Agent paid a private visit to
H.H. the Sultan.
- 91 6 H.M.S. "Philomel" sailed at 8 P.M.
- February 1st 92 H.M.S. "Redbreast" sailed at 4.15 P.M.
- " 2nd 93 The slow mail "Goalpara" brought two horses
from the Sheikh of Iman as a present to H.H. the
Sultan, and also one horse from the Sheikh of
Bahrein.
- 94 2 S.S. "Baluchistan" arrived from Europe at 6.30
P.M. with 950 tons coal for the Govt: Coal Depot.
- " 3rd 95 H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 7 A.M.
- 96 2 The Captain of the "Perseus" paid an official
visit to the Political Agent.
- 97 3 The Political Agent paid a private visit to
H.H. the Sultan.
- " 4th 98 H.M.S. "Perseus" sailed at 4.15 P.M. with the
Political Agent and the Agency Surgeon on board.
- 99 2 It is stated that a French men-of-war will
shortly visit Muscat.

(Sd) R. E. Holland

Political Agent & H.B.M.'s Consul,

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Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat, for the week ending 12th February 1910.

Feb. 7th. 100 H.M.S. "Proserpine" arrived at 7. 30 a.m. with the Political Agent on board returning from the Mekran Coast.

101 2.- The German Steamship "Sparta" arrived from Europe at 7 a.m. and left for the Persian Gulf at 5 P.M. She landed 502 cases of arms and ammunition, 22 cases of wines and spirits and 8 packages stores and perfumery.

Feb. 8th. 102 His Highness the Sultan paid a private visit to the Political Agent.

Feb. 9th. 103 S.S. "Baluchistan" sailed at 6 p.m. for the Persian Gulf after landing Government Coal and 5 packages amber.

Feb. 10th. 104 The Political Agent paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan.

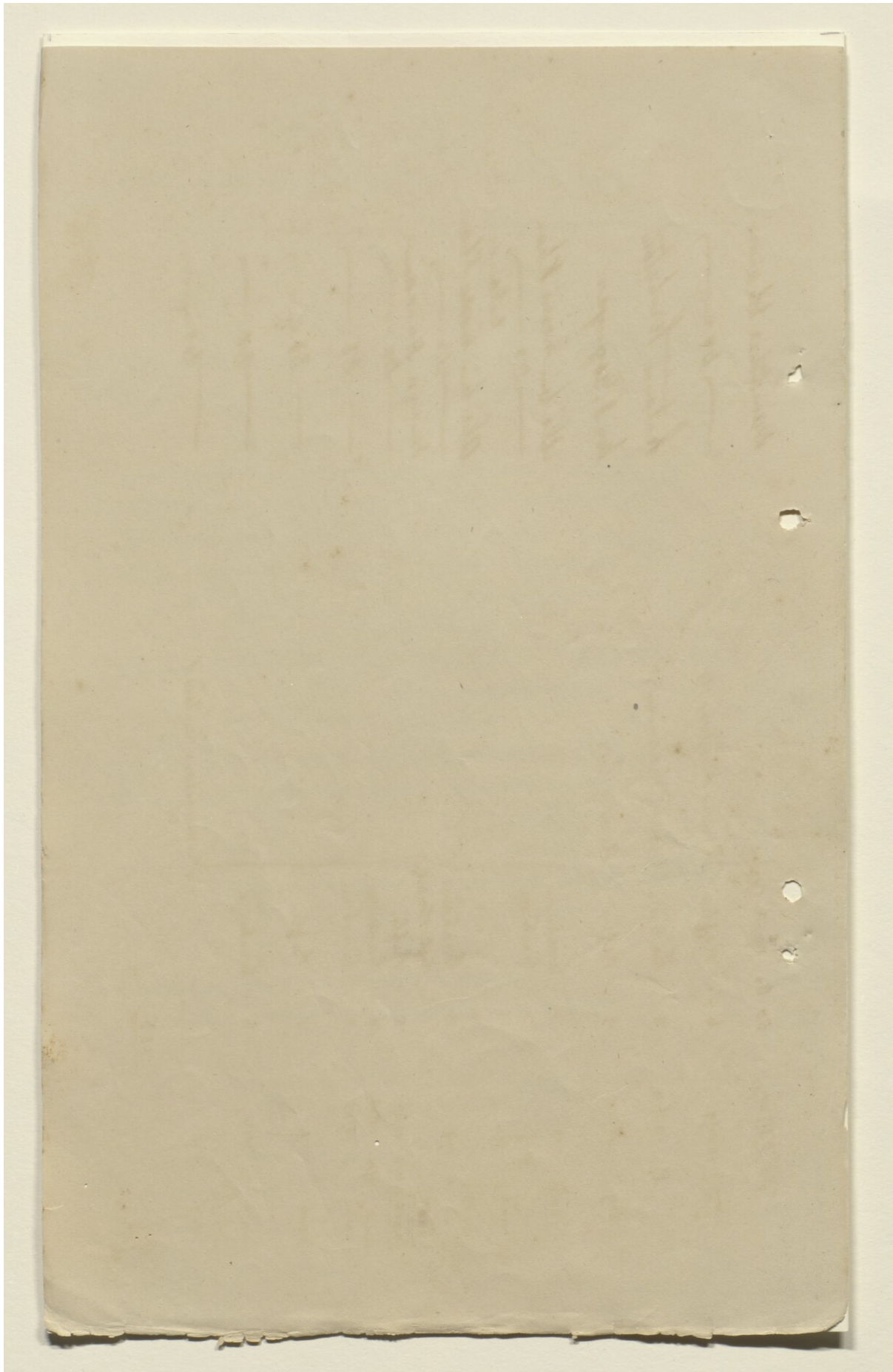
Statement of particulars of arms and ammunition landed ex S.S. "Tabaristan" is herewith enclosed.

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Political Agent & H.B.M.'s Consul,
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Statement of Arms and Ammunition landed at Muskat ex S. S. "Sabaiokan" " on the 26th January 1900.

Marks or Numbers.	Cases.	Contents.	Names of Shippers	Names of Consignees.	Names of Persons taking delivery.	Remarks.
W M 75 742	1	Case Pistols	Louis Alon		S. S. Agunayson	
I D 61/66	6	Munition	"		do	
1930 205 619	4	Trails	L. Gueyrel Marsat		Mrs A. Goguyer	
1933 3/4	7	"	"		Abdul Kalam Jaffer	
A G 447/63	17	Cartridges	Kaupstiff & Co. Solax		Mrs A. Goguyer	Marseilles
DD 1/20	20	Cartridges			Another Shermes	
140	1	"			do	
61/72	17	"			do	
TD 1014/18	5	Rifls			do	
1019/20	2	"			do	
1021/23	3	"			do	
	73		Mrs Sharwort			Marseilles

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Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat, for the week ending 19th February 1910.

Feb. 14th. ¹⁰⁵ With reference to Diary entry No. 1 of 2nd February . The Bahrain Sheikh's men returned by to-day's mail. They were given Rs. 200/- by H.H. the Sultan as a present for the Sheikh.

¹⁰⁶ 2. H.M.S. "Hyacinth" arrived at 7 A.M.

¹⁰⁷ 3. The Political Agent paid a private visit to H.H. the Naval Commander in Chief

¹⁰⁸ 4. H.M.S. "Hyacinth" sailed at 6 P.M.

" 16th ¹⁰⁹ R.I.M.S. "Hardinge" arrived at 6. A.M.

¹¹⁰ 2 R.I.M.S. "Minto" accompanied by H.M.S. "Mashona" "Miner" "Harold" "Mustee" and "Karanja" arrived here at 10.30 A.M.

¹¹¹ 2. The Commander of R.I.M.S. "Hardinge" paid an official visit to the Political Agent Muscat.

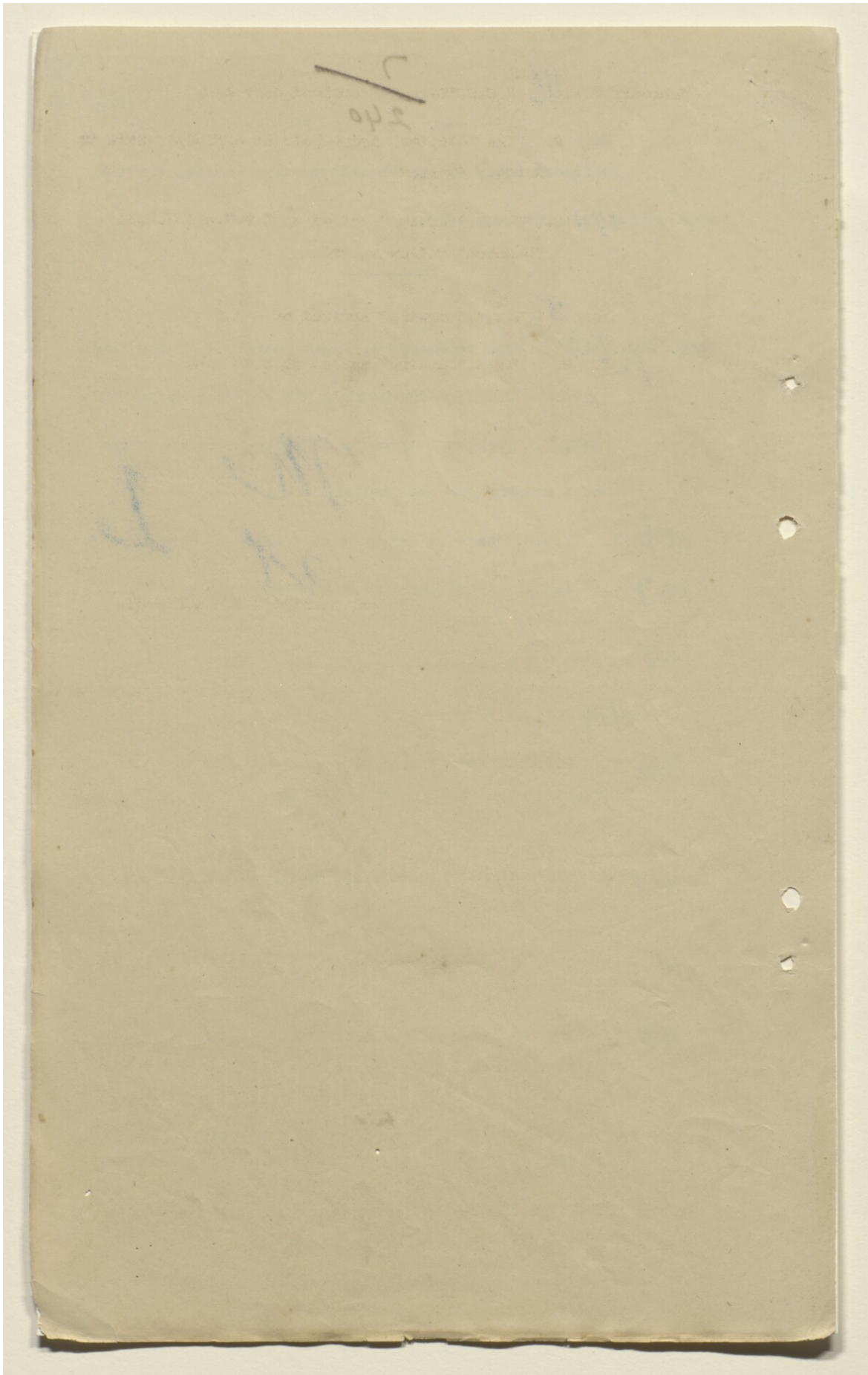
¹¹² 4. The Political Agent paid an official visit to H.H. 3. "Hardinge"

¹¹³ 5. The Commander of R.I.M.S. "Minto" paid an official visit to the Political Agent.

" 17th ¹¹⁴ The Political Agent ^{paid} a private visit to H. H. the Sultan.

¹¹⁵ 2. R.I.M.S. "Hardinge" sailed at 6 P.M. and four out of five small steam vessels followed her.

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February 18th ¹¹⁶ H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 7 A.M. (19)

¹¹⁷ 2. The Political Agent paid an official visit to R.I.M.S. "Minto"

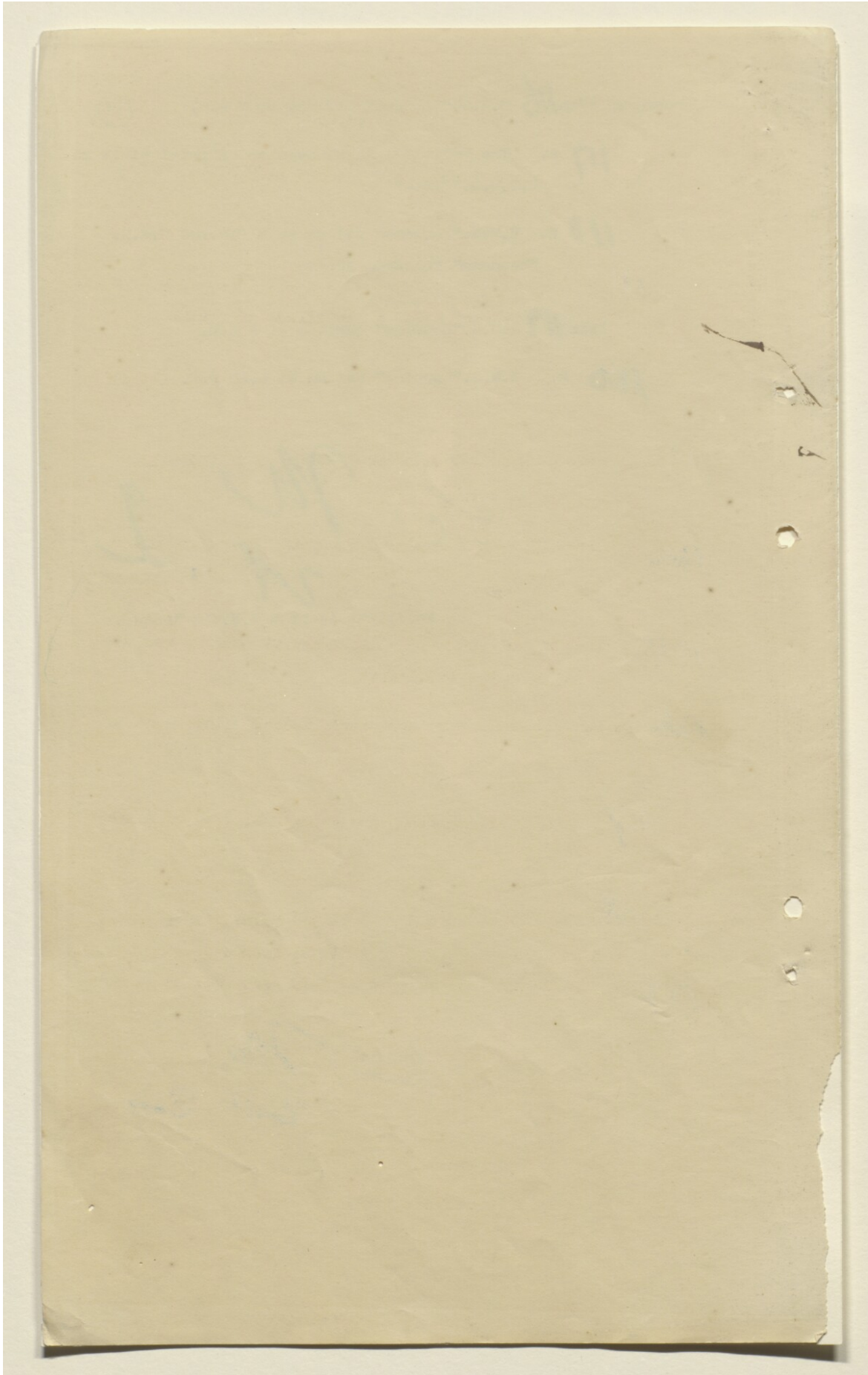
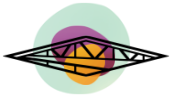
¹¹⁸ 3. H.M.S. "Perseus" sailed at 8 P.M. and H.M.S. "Mashona" followed her/.

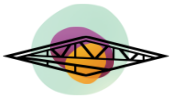
" 19th ¹¹⁹ H.M.S. "Lapwing" arrived at 6 A.M.

¹²⁰ 2. H.M.S. "Lapwing" sailed at 5.30 P.M.

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February 20th ¹²¹ H. H. the Sultan's yacht "Mur-ul-Bahr" arrived from Bombay at 11 A.M. with a miscellaneous cargo.

21st ¹²² H.H. the Sultan paid a private visit to the Political Agent.

¹²³ 2. H.M.S. "Philomel" arrived at 7.30 and sailed, after coaling, at 5 P.M.

¹²⁴ 3. The Wali of Sur came to Muscat on a visit to H.H. the Sultan.

¹²⁵ The "Mur-ul-Bahr" left for Debai at 2.30 to land some goods brought from Bombay.

¹²⁶ 2. H.H. the Sultan's eldest son Saiyed Isma'el left for Sib.

23rd ¹²⁷ The Political Agent paid a private visit to H.H. the Sultan.

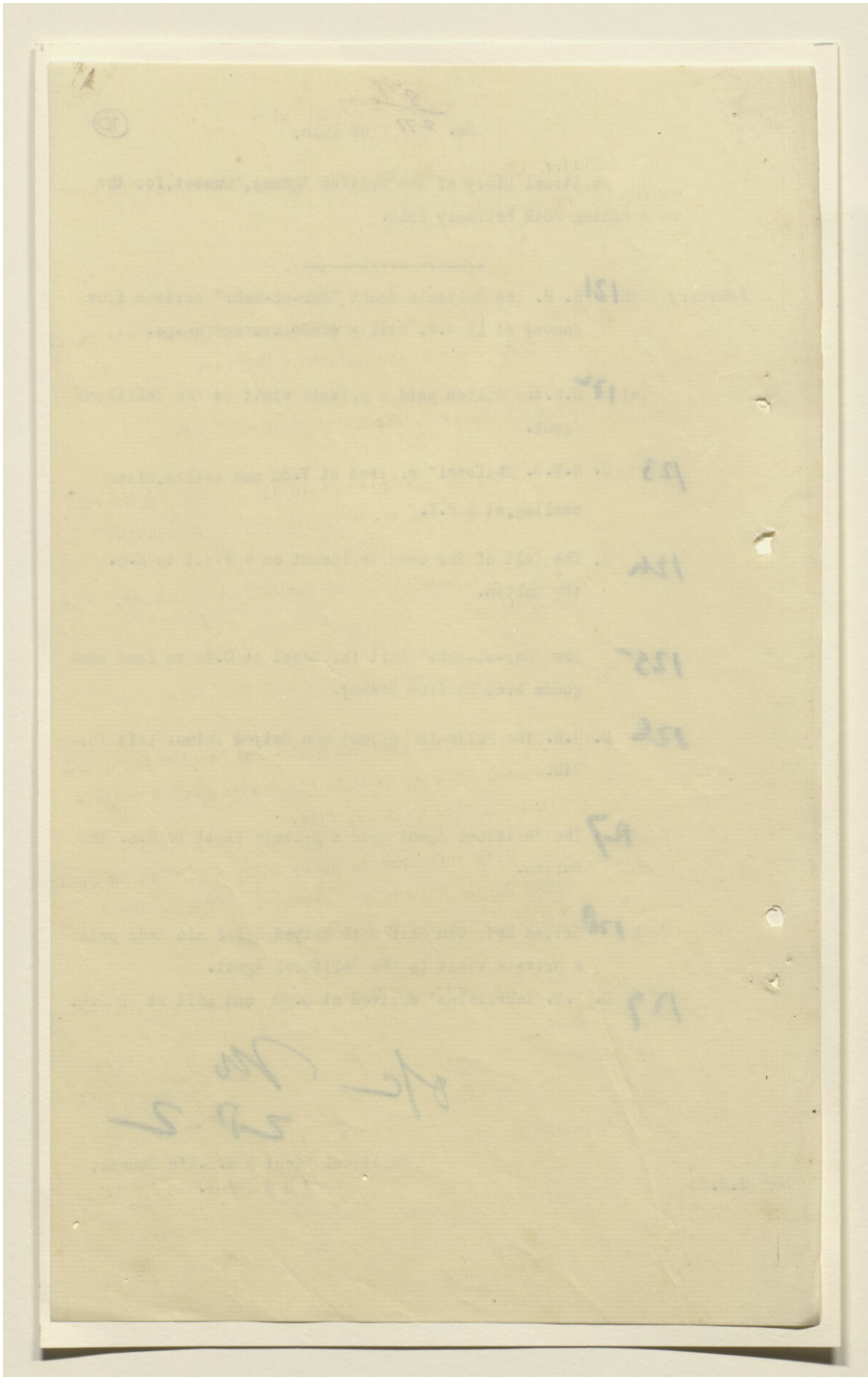
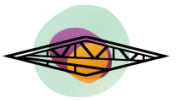
24th ¹²⁸ Saiyed Bedr bin Saif with Saiyed Hilal bin Bedr paid a private visit to the Political Agent.

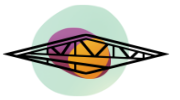
¹²⁹ 2. S.S. "Tabaristan" arrived at 6.30 and left at 9 P.M.

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Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat for the week ending 5th March 1910.

February 27th. ¹³⁰ H. H. the Sultan and Saiyid Mohamed bin Turki paid a visit to the Agency Surgeon.

" 28th. ¹³¹ R.I.M.S. "Minto" arrived at 7 A.M.

March 1st ¹³² H. H. the Sultan with his son Saiyid Mohamed paid a private visit to the Political Agent.

" 2nd ¹³³ R.I.M.S. "Hardinge" arrived at 6 A.M. and left at 12 A.M.

" 3rd ¹³⁴ R.I.M.S. "Minto" sailed at 2.30 P.M.

" 4th ¹³⁵ Saiyid Mohamed bin Turki and Saiyids Nadir and Mohamed the sons of H.H. the Sultan paid a private visit to the Political Agent.

¹³⁶ 2. With reference to Diary entry 2 of 22nd February 1910 Saiyid Taimur, the eldest son of H.H. the Sultan, returned to Muscat from Sib.

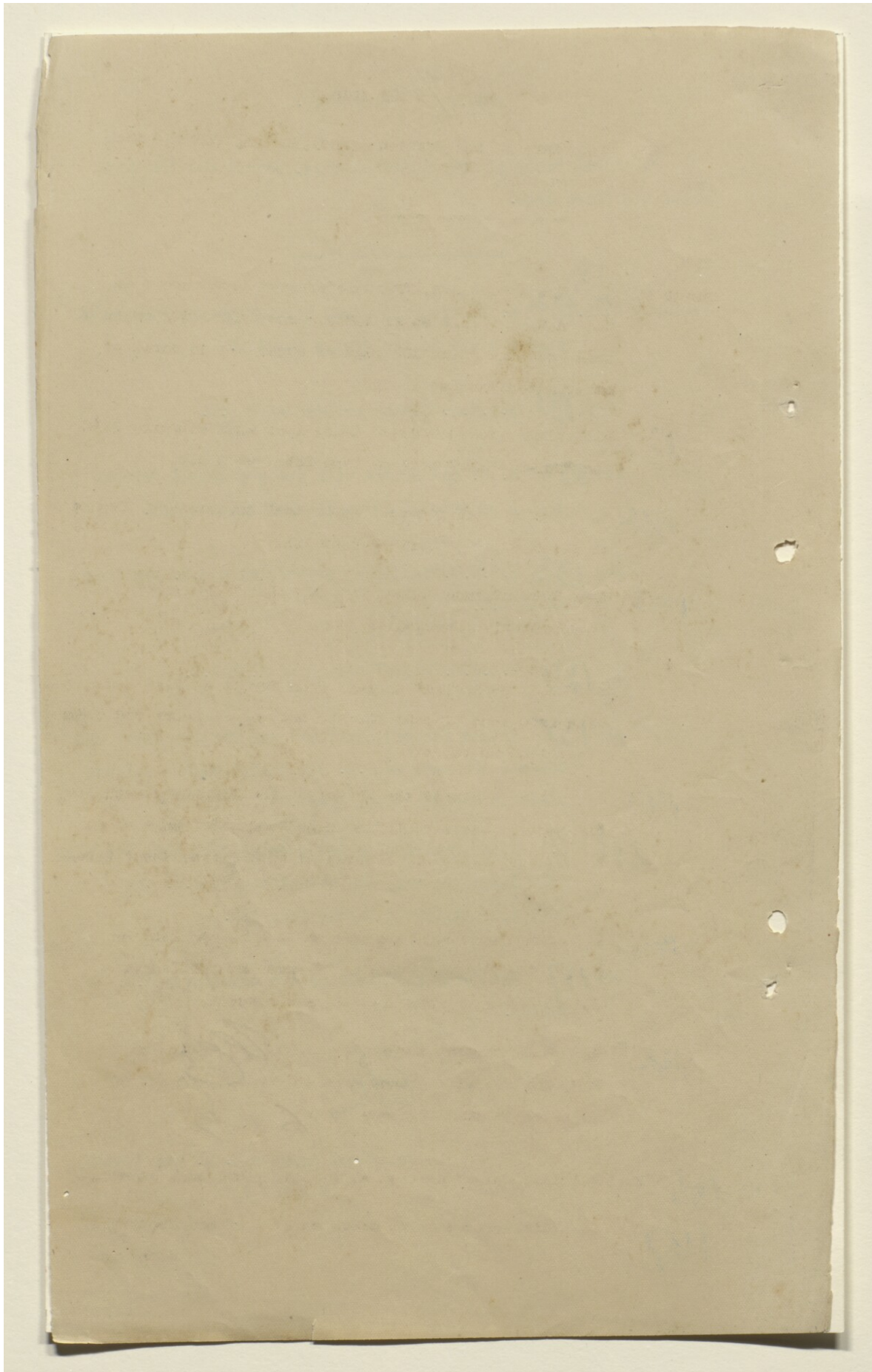
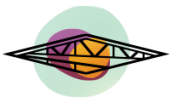
" 5th ¹³⁷ The Political Agent paid a private to H.H. the Sultan.

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Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat, for the week ending 12th March 1910.

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March 6th ¹³⁸ The German S.S. "Parthia" arrived from Europe at 6.30 A.M., and left at 11 A.M.. She landed 221 cases of arms and ammunition 100 bags of sugar and 48 cases of other miscellaneous goods.

¹³⁹ 2. With reference ^{to} diary entry 1 of 22nd February 1910 The "Nur-ul-Behr" arrived from Debai at 9 A.M.,

¹⁴⁰ 3. The Russian Steamer "Euphrates" arrived from Europe at 11.30 A.M. and left at 2.30 P.M.

¹⁴¹ 4. Four Afghans landed from the S.S. "Euphrates". They probably embarked at Aden.

" 7th ¹⁴² S.S. "Bardistan" arrived from Europe at 7.15 A.M. with 2200 tons of coal for the Government Depot and other miscellaneous cargo.

¹⁴³ 2. Abdul Masib of the Editor of the Egyptian newspaper "Al-Amran" arrived by the S.S. "Bardistan" on a visit to H.H. the Sultan and is staying with saiyed Yusuf Zowavi.

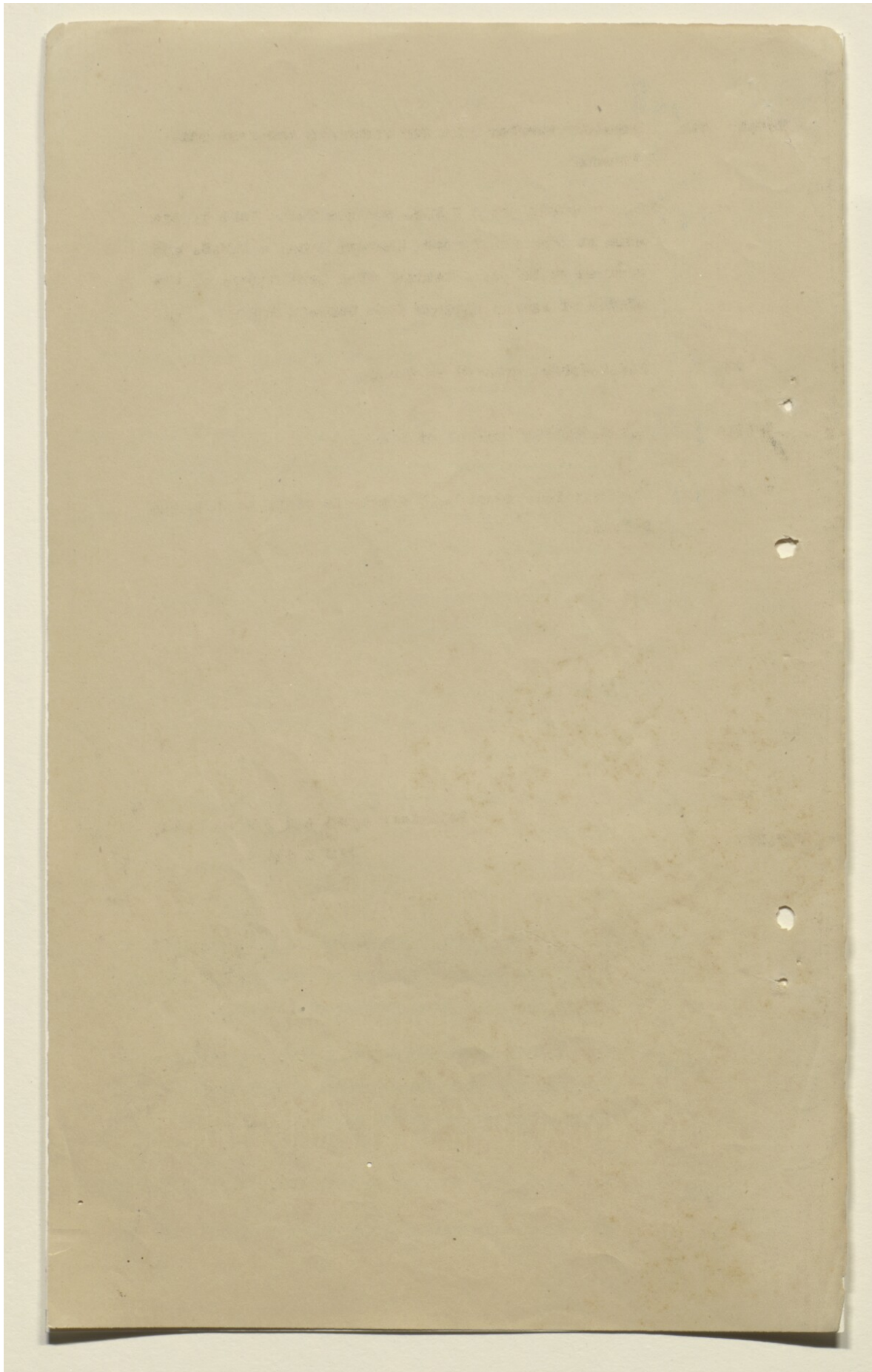
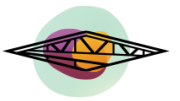
¹⁴⁴ 3 S.S. "Guildhall" arrived at 12 A.M. and left at 3 P.M. She landed 378 cases of arms and cartridges and 30 cases of other miscellaneous goods.

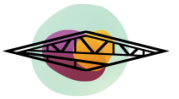
¹⁴⁵ 4. S.S. "Griqua" arrived at 1 P.M. and sailed at 4 P.M. She landed 14 cases arms and ammunition and 53 cases other miscellaneous goods

¹⁴⁶ " 8th R.I.M.S. "Minto" arrived at 7-45 A.M. and left at night.

¹⁴⁷ 2. With reference to diary entry 1 of 3rd January/10

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March 8th ¹⁴⁸ Monsieur Neauber left for France by the fast mail
"Dwarka"

3. ¹⁴⁹ Captain Scott I.M.S. and Mrs Scott left by the
same steamer for Europe. Captain Crossle I.M.S. who
arrived by the s.s."Dwarka" took over charge of the
office of Agency Surgeon from Captain Scott I.M.S.

" 9th ¹⁵⁰ H.M.S.Sphinx arrived at 7 A.M.

" 10th ¹⁵¹ H.M.S."Sphinx" sailed at 8 A.M.

" 12th ¹⁵² The Political Agent paid a private visit to H.H. the
Sultan.

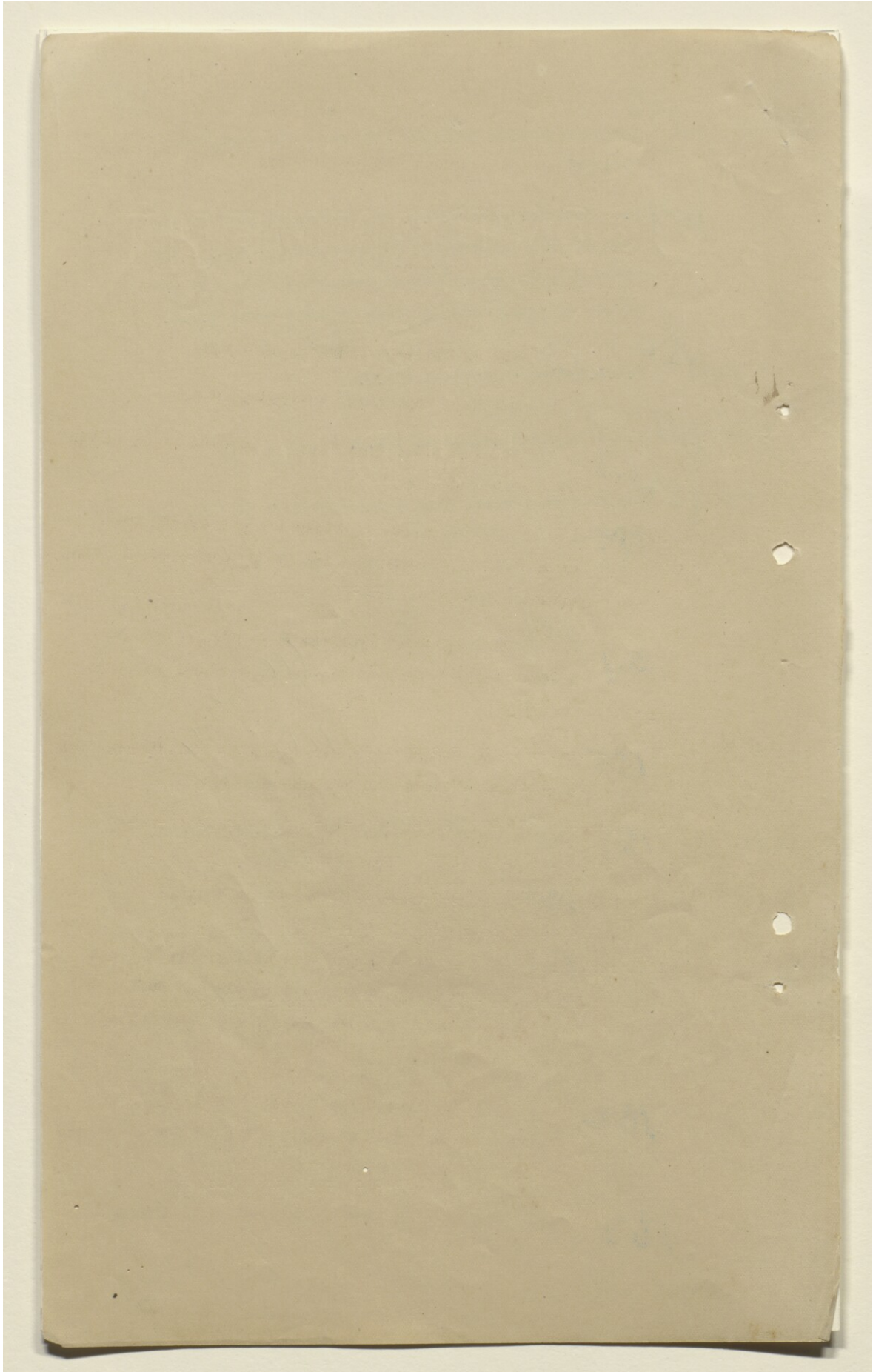
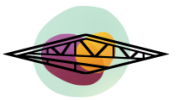
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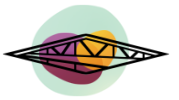
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Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat, for the
week ending 19th March 1910.

March 13th. 153 H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 5 p.m.

March 14th. 154 R.I.M.S. "Hardinge" arrived at 9 a.m.

155 2.- The Political Agent paid a private visit to His
Highness the Sultan.

156 3.- With reference to Diary entry 1 of 7th March
1910, S.S. "Bardistan" sailed at 11 a.m. after landing
Government coal, 51 cases of arms & ammunition, 160
bales of piece-goods, 160 cases of wines & spirits and
12 packages of miscellaneous cargo (waras, etc).

157 4.- News has been received that two men of the
Ruwahah tribe have been killed by the Bani Surur at
Khadra.

158 5.- S.S. "Pondo" arrived at 8 p.m. from Europe with
2,496 tons of coal for Government Depot.

159 6.- H.M.S. "Perseus" left at night.

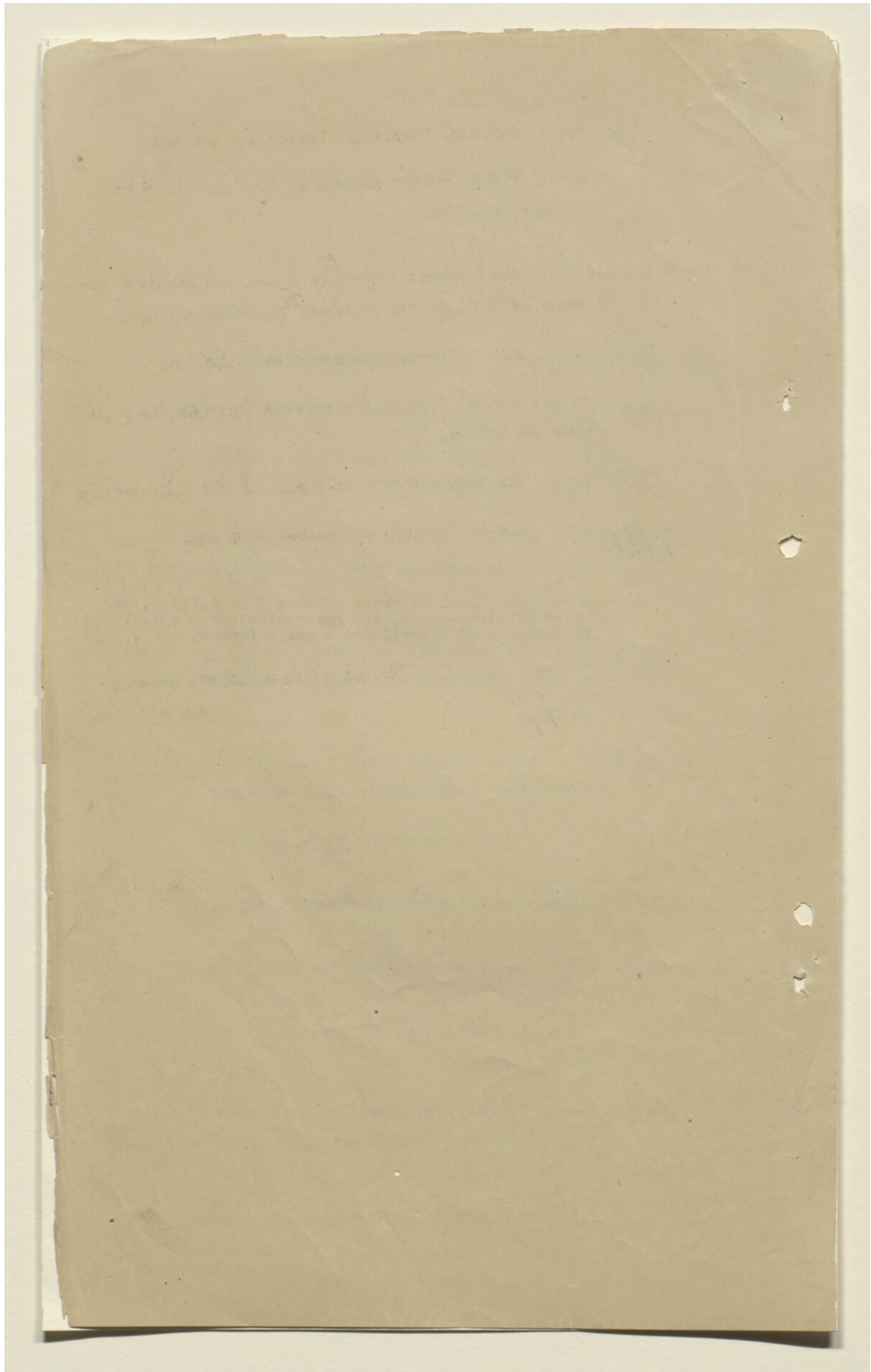
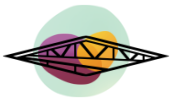
March 16th. 160 H.M.S. "Hyacinth" arrived at 7 a.m.

March 17th. 161 It is reported that the Wali of Basreh has
obtained permission from His Highness the Sultan of
Muscat to quarry rock near Muscat for road making
purposes.

162 2.- H.M.S. "Proserpine" arrived at 12 noon and
saluted the port with 21 guns. His Highness' salut-
ing battery duly replied.

163 3.- R.I.M.S. "Lawrence" arrived at 1.15 p.m.

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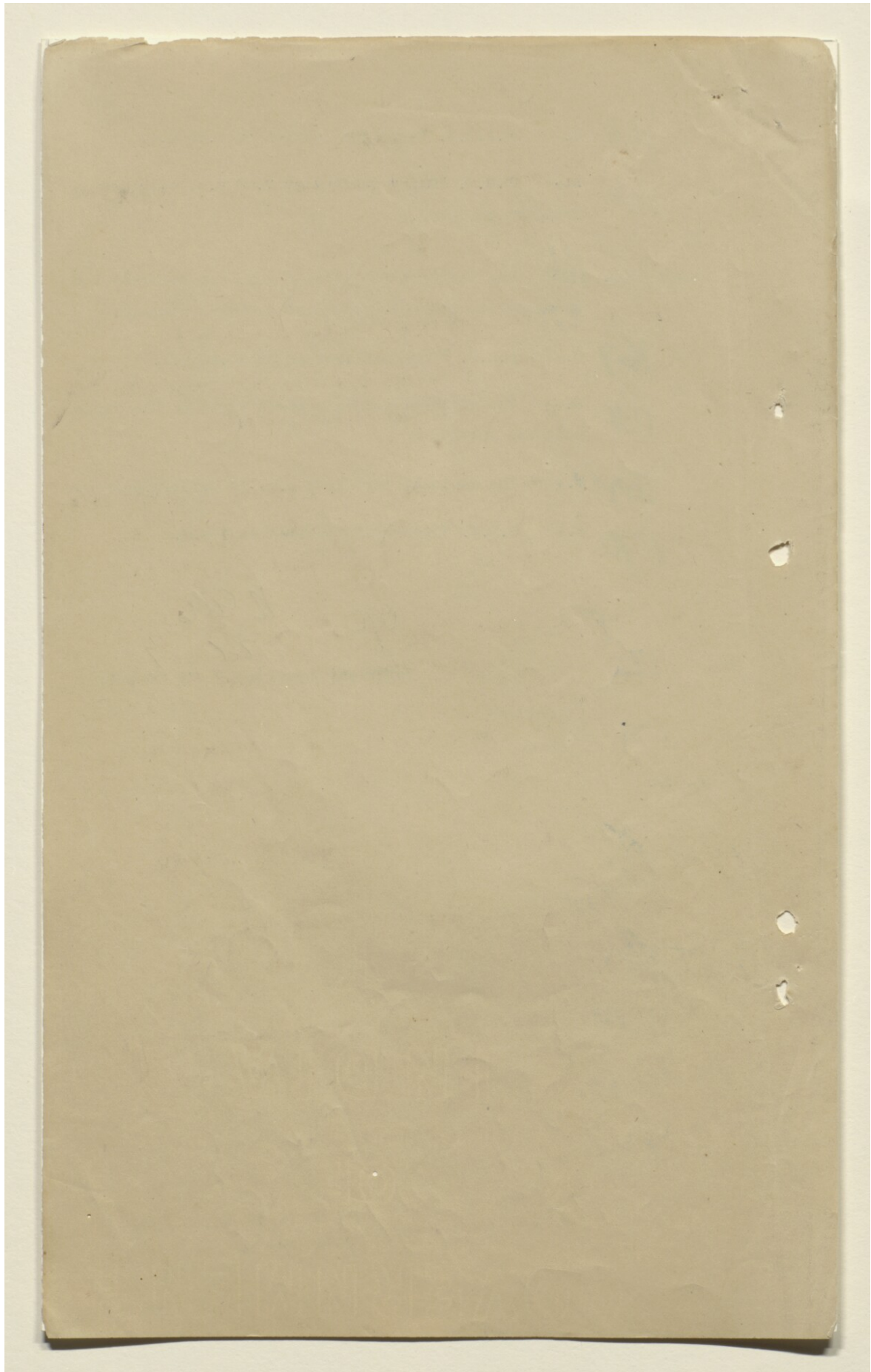


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- 164 4.- R.I.M.S. "Hardinge" sailed at 7.48 p.m.
- 165 5.- H.M.S. "Odin" arrived at 7.30 p.m. with the Resident on board.
- March 19th. 166 The Resident landed at 8 a.m. and received the usual salute from His Highness' saluting battery.
- 167 2.- H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 10.30 a.m.
- 168 3.- The Resident paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan.
- 169 4.- The Resident left at 7 p.m. in R.I.M.S. Lawrence
- 170 5.- H.M.S. "Proserpine" sailed at 8 p.m.

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Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat, for the week ending 26th March 1910.

March 21st 171 H.M.S. "Philomel" arrived at 1.15 P.M.

172 2. With reference to Diary entry 2 of 19th March 1910 H.M.S. "erseus" sailed at night.

" 22nd 173 Sheikh Mohamed bin Nasir bin Humaid of Bahl came with 30 followers on a visit to the Sultan. His Highness gave \$100 as a present to the Sheikh.

" 23rd 174 H.M.S. "hilomel" sailed at 7.30 A.M.

175 2. The Political Agent paid a private visit to H.H. the Sultan.

176 3. It is reported that a man of the Shuebi tribe was killed at Sur by one of the Janabeh tribe near Sur.

177 4. Mr. Wram arrived from Bahrein by slow mail.

" 24th 177 H.M.S. "Redbreast" arrived at 7 A.M.

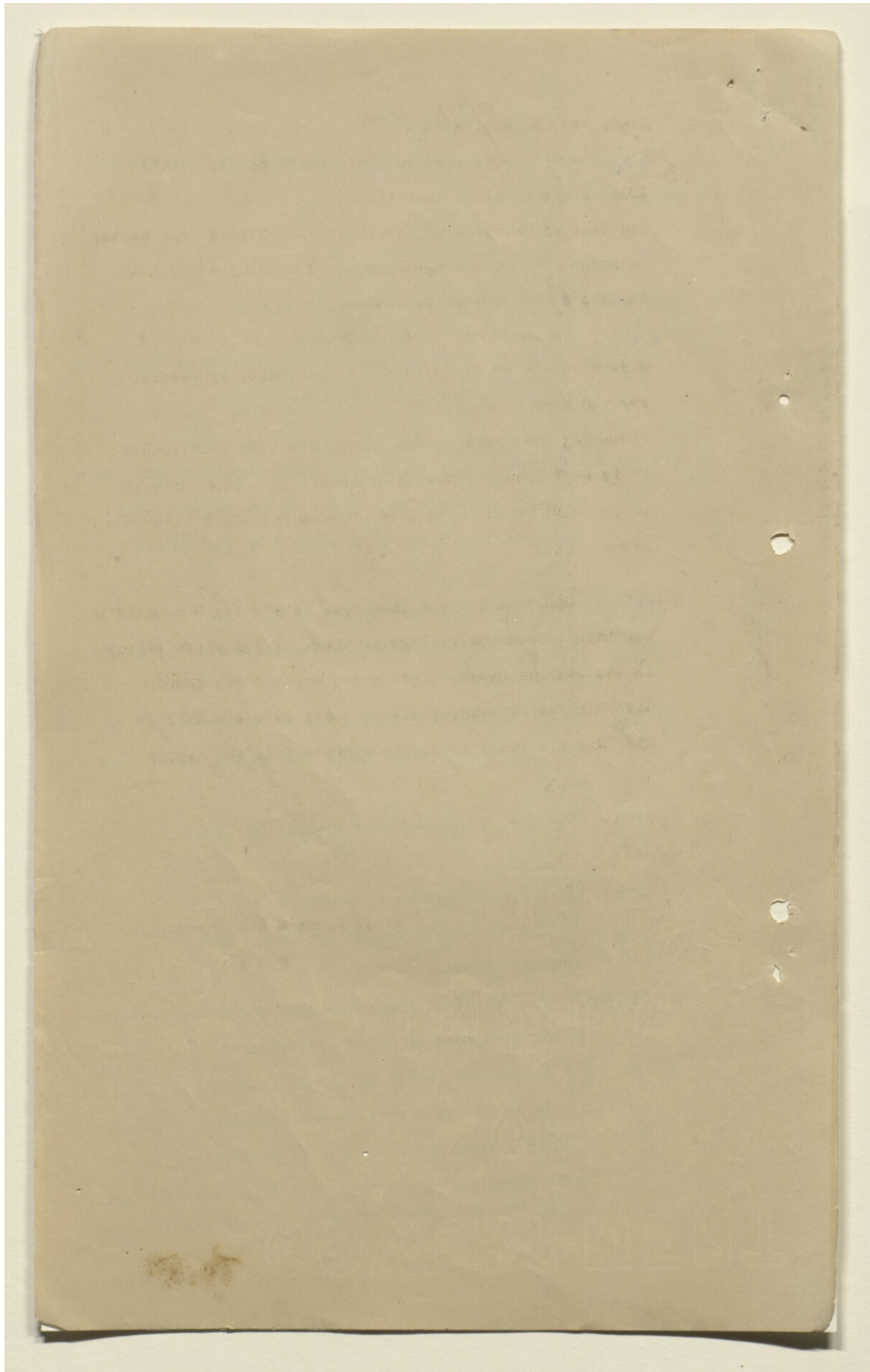
178 2. The Commander paid an official visit to the Political Agent.

" 25th 180 The Political Agent returned the official visit of the Commander of H.M.S. "Redbreast".

" 26th 181 H.M.S. "Redbreast" sailed at 11.30 A.M.

182 2. It is reported that Messrs Wonckhaus proposed sending a European to Muscat to Superintend the local Branch of their firm, but that they have recently decided not to do so in view of the depressed

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state of the arms trade.

3. 183 With reference to diary entry of 17th March 1910, it is reported that Abdul Aziz bin Salim El Badr, ^{Mahandi's} the Wali of Basrah's representative, has left for Bombay in order to make arrangements for Quarrying and transporting the stone from Muscat to Basreh.

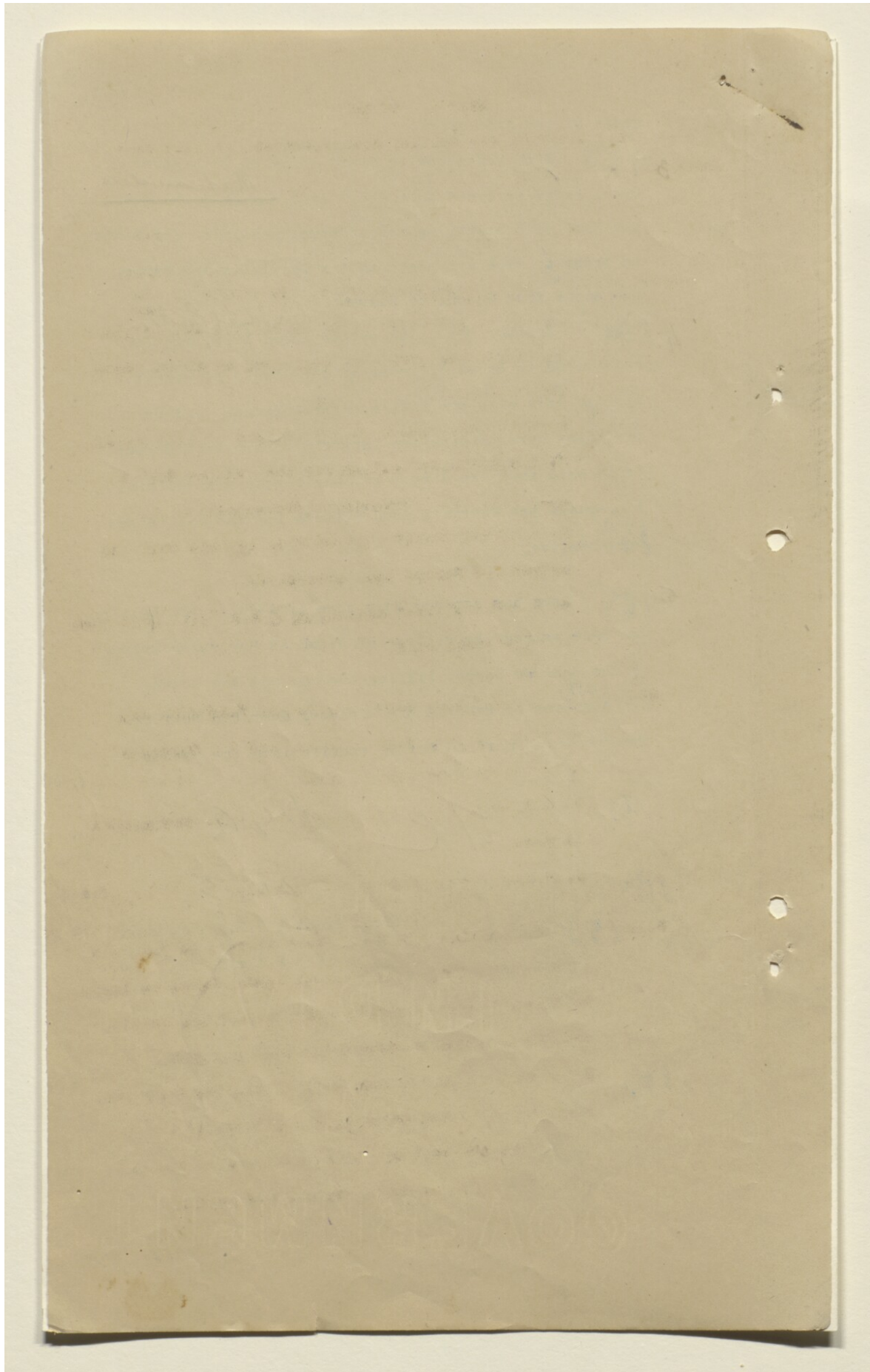
4. 184 Another man, also called Abdul Aziz, ^{bin Salim El Badr,} who is understood to be an official of the Sheikh of Koweit, arrived here with the Wali's representative, and is remaining here pending the latter's return from Bombay. It is said that the Sheikh of Koweit sent his official to request the Sultan's good offices for the Wali's representative.

5. 185 News has arrived that some of Abdulla bin Salim's men have seized the village of Jinah at Sur which belongs to the Beni Bu Hasan, killing one man and two women. His Highness is sending his Minister Bedr bin Seif in the "Nur-ul- Bahr" to Sur to enquire into the matter.

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Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat, for the week ending 2nd April 1910.

March 27th 186 An At Home was given by the clerks of the Agency to bid farewell to Mr. Holland who is about to vacate the office of Political Agent on transfer to India.

187 2. With reference to Diary entry 5 of 14th March 1910, S.S. "Pondo" sailed for the Persian Gulf at 1-30 P.M. after discharging Government coal.

188 3. S.S. "Guildhall" arrived from Persian Gulf and sailed for Europe soon afterwards.

189 4. S.S. "Arabistan" arrived at 6 A.M. with 4213 tons of Government coal.

" 28th 190 H.M.S. "Proserpine" arrived at 7-15 A.M. and saluted the port with 21 guns, and the Sultan's saluting battery duly replied.

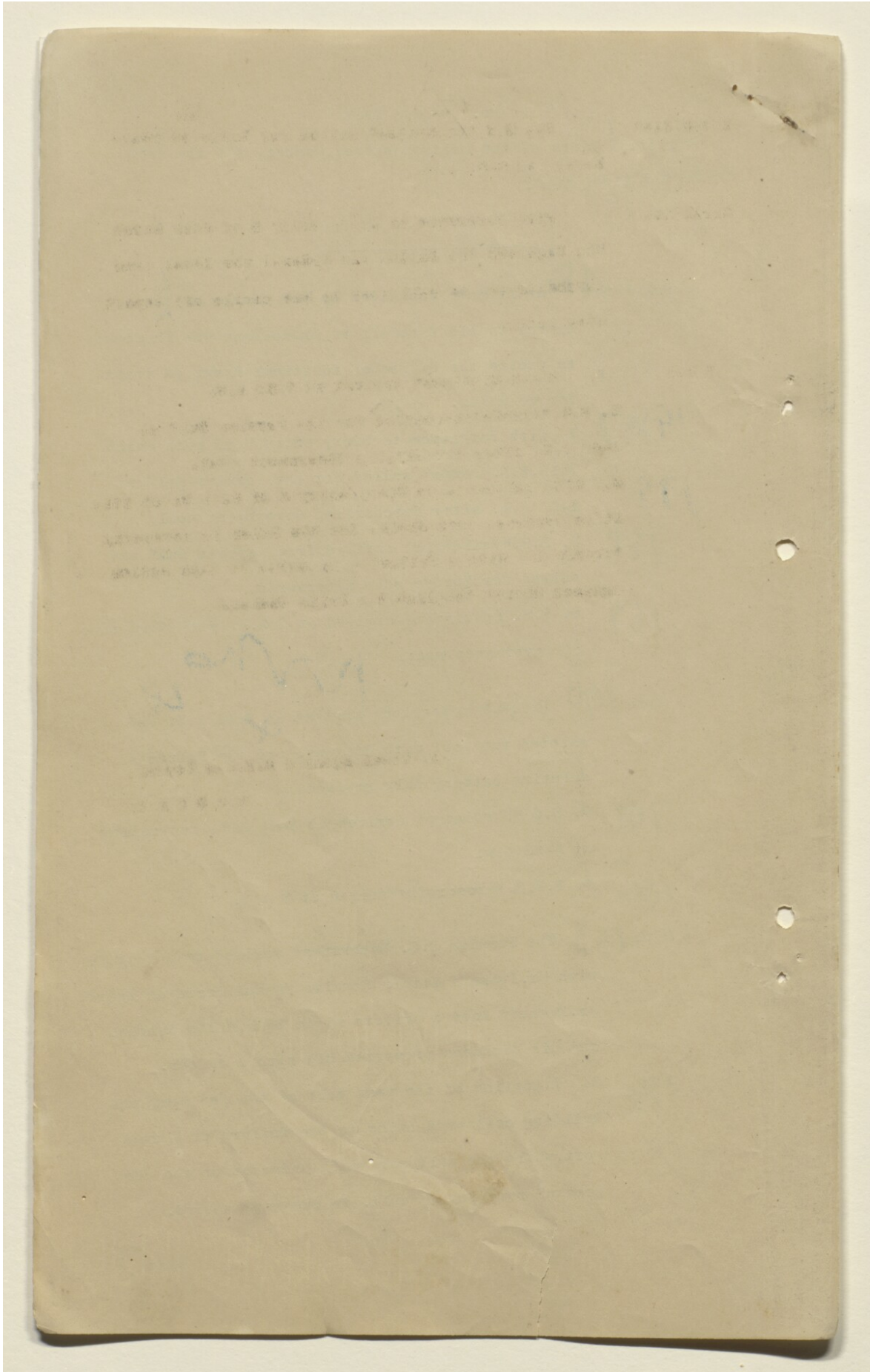
191 2. S.S. "Kurdistan" arrived at 6-30 A.M. and sailed at 3-45 P.M.

192 3. H.M.S. "Proserpine" sailed at 8 A.M.

" 30th 193 The Russian S.S. "Euphrates" arrived at 3-30 P.M. with Mr. Ivanoff lately Russian Consul, Basra on board. Mr. Ivanoff paid a private visit to H.H. the Sultan, and His Highness presented him with a dagger.

194 2. A portion of the west wall of the New Hospital building collapsed owing to the failure of a support, while the wall was being undercut for the purpose of removing a fault. No one was injured.

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March 31st ¹⁹⁵ The S.S. "Euphrates" sailed for India en route Europe at 2-30 A.M. (79)

April 1st ¹⁹⁶ With reference to Diary entry 5 of 26th March His Highness the Sultan has ordered the local arms merchants not to sell arms to Sur people nor export arms to Sur. 6

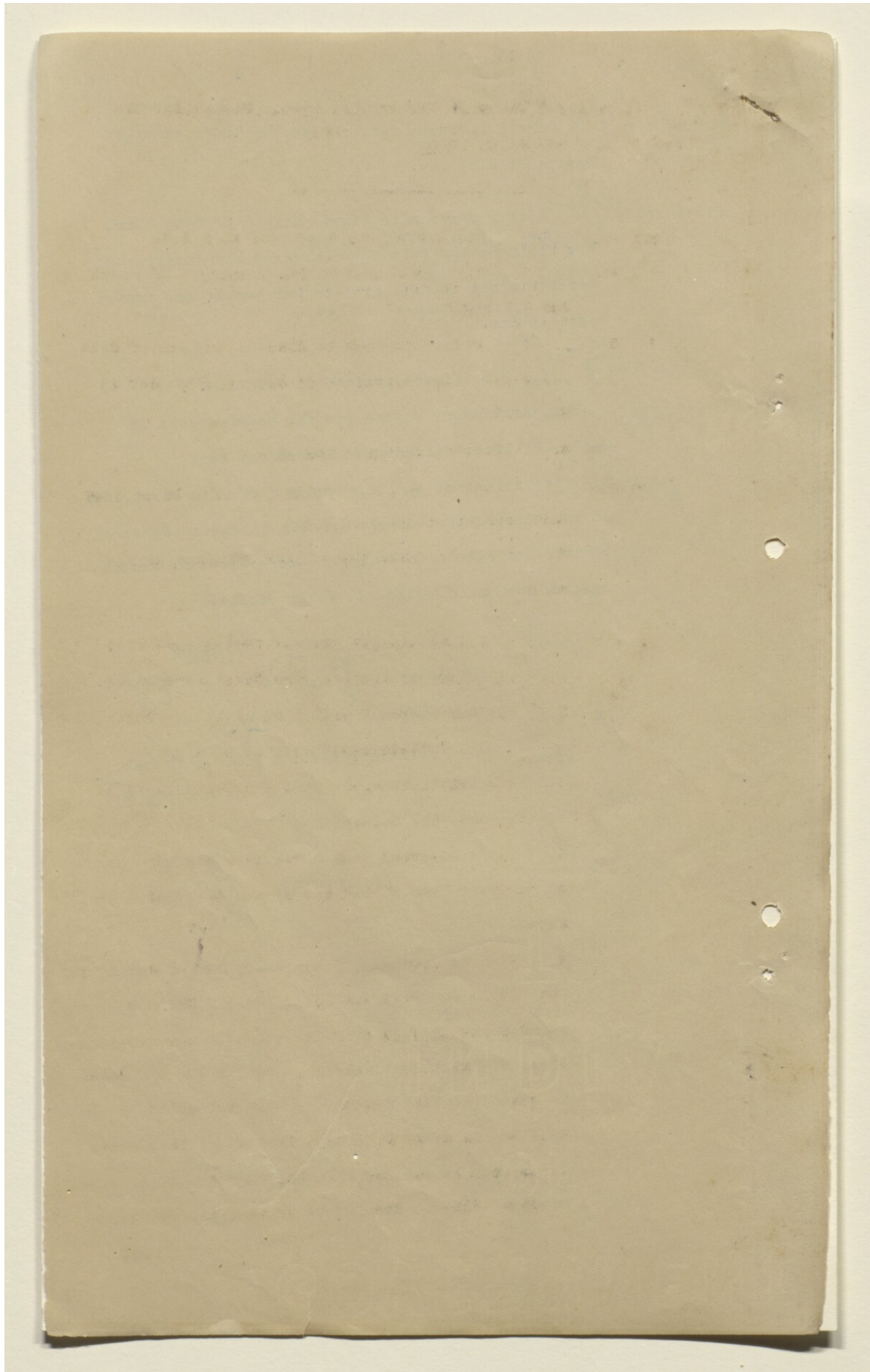
" 2nd ¹⁹⁷ R.I.M.S. "Minto" arrived at 7-30 A.M.

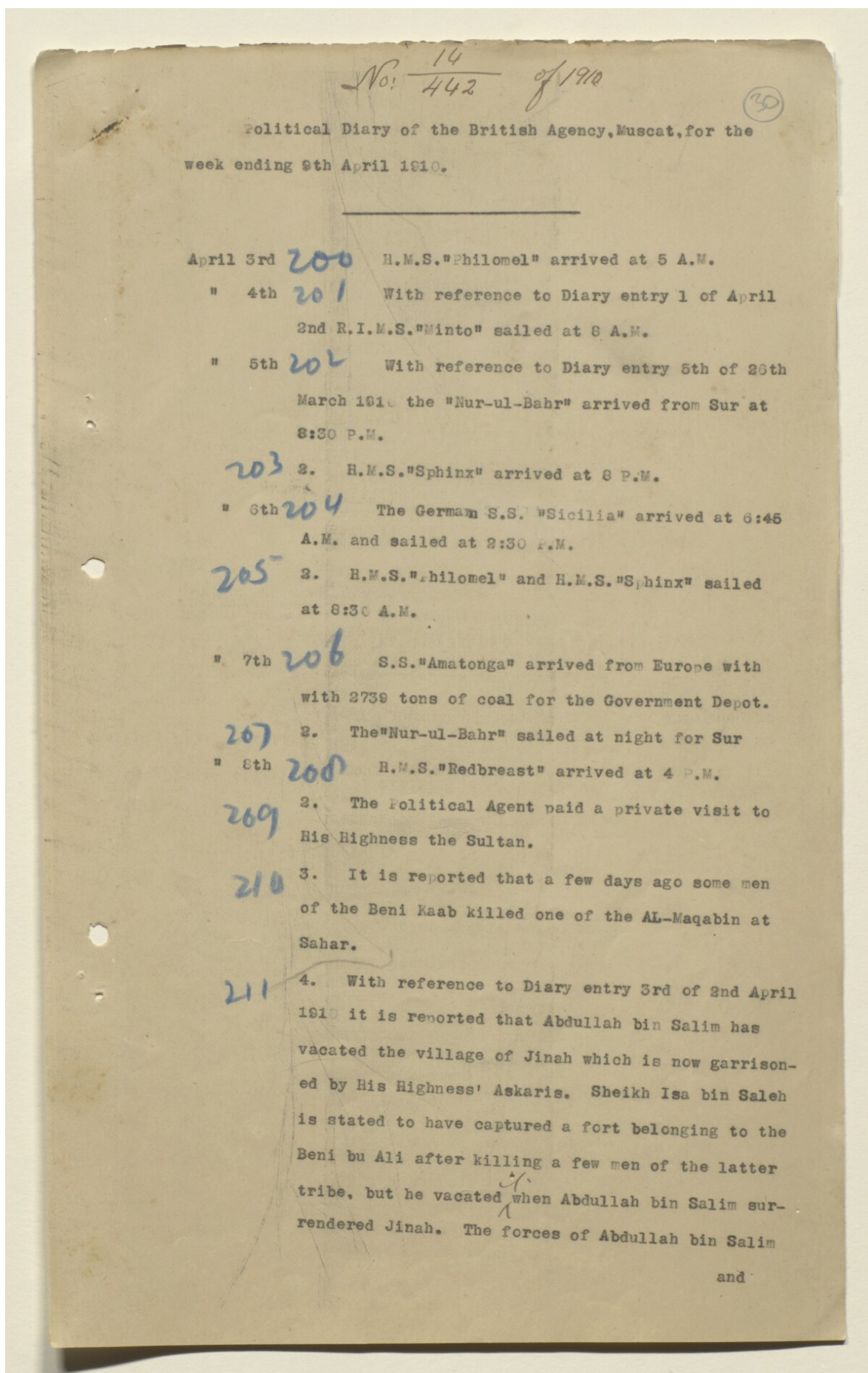
¹⁹⁸ 2. S.S. "Arabistan" sailed for the Persian Gulf at 1-45 P.M. after discharging Government coal.

¹⁹⁹ 3. With reference to Diary entry 5 of 26th March 1910 it is reported that Sheikh Isa bin Saleh is advancing towards Sur with a following in order to take action against Sheikh Abdullah bin Salim Jaalan.

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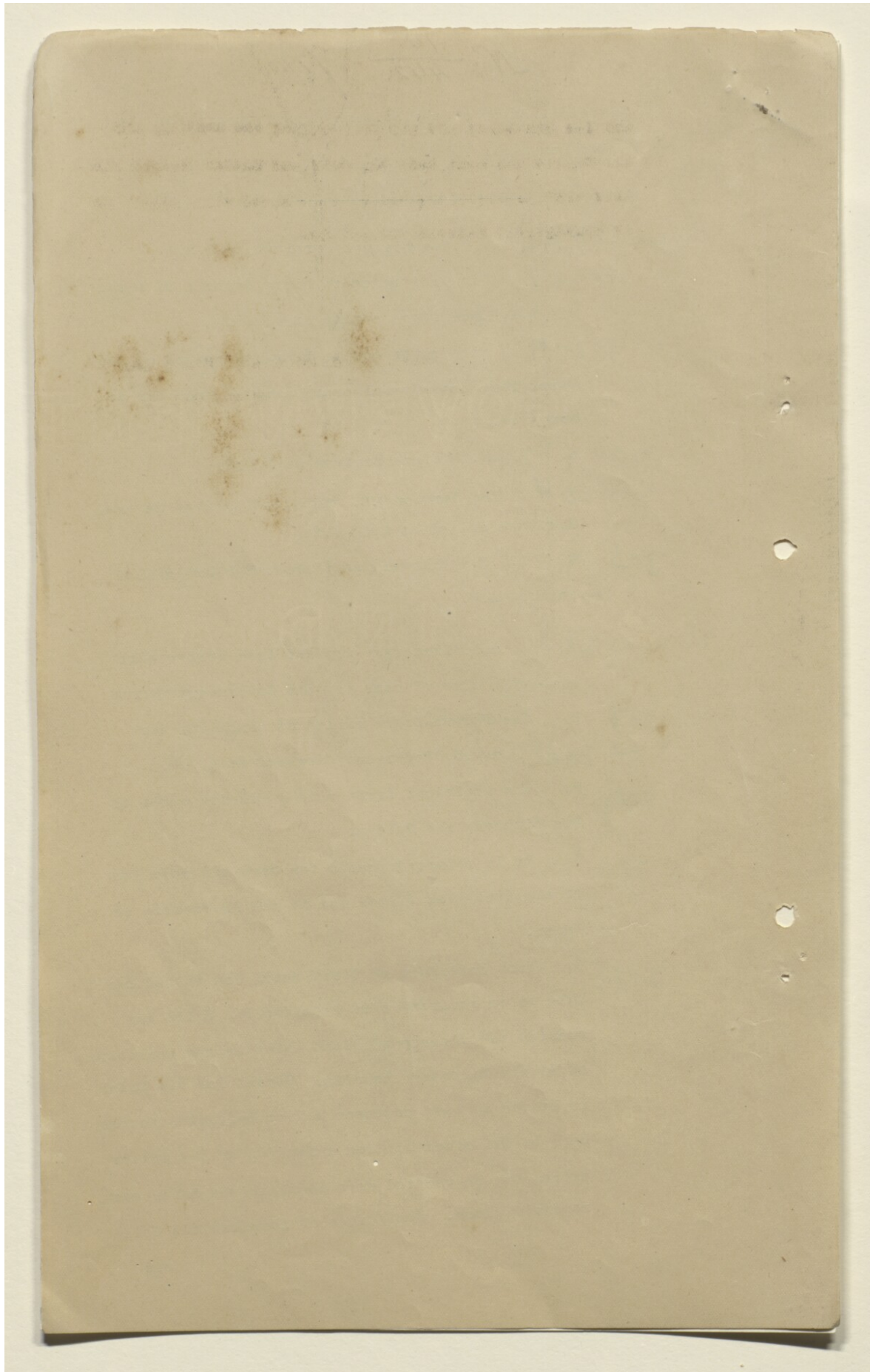


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Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat, for the week ending 9th April 1910.

- April 3rd 200 H.M.S. "Philomel" arrived at 5 A.M.
- " 4th 201 With reference to Diary entry 1 of April 2nd R.I.M.S. "Minto" sailed at 8 A.M.
- " 5th 202 With reference to Diary entry 5th of 26th March 1910 the "Nur-ul-Bahr" arrived from Sur at 8:30 P.M.
- 203 2. H.M.S. "Sphinx" arrived at 8 P.M.
- " 6th 204 The German S.S. "Sicilia" arrived at 6:45 A.M. and sailed at 2:30 P.M.
- 205 2. H.M.S. "Philomel" and H.M.S. "Sphinx" sailed at 8:30 A.M.
- " 7th 206 S.S. "Amamonga" arrived from Europe with with 2739 tons of coal for the Government Depot.
- 207 2. The "Nur-ul-Bahr" sailed at night for Sur
- " 8th 208 H.M.S. "Redbreast" arrived at 4 P.M.
- 209 2. The Political Agent paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan.
- 210 3. It is reported that a few days ago some men of the Beni Kaab killed one of the AL-Maqabin at Sahar.
- 211 4. With reference to Diary entry 3rd of 2nd April 1910 it is reported that Abdullah bin Salim has vacated the village of Jinah which is now garrisoned by His Highness' Askaris. Sheikh Isa bin Saleh is stated to have captured a fort belonging to the Beni bu Ali after killing a few men of the latter tribe, but he vacated when Abdullah bin Salim surrendered Jinah. The forces of Abdullah bin Salim and

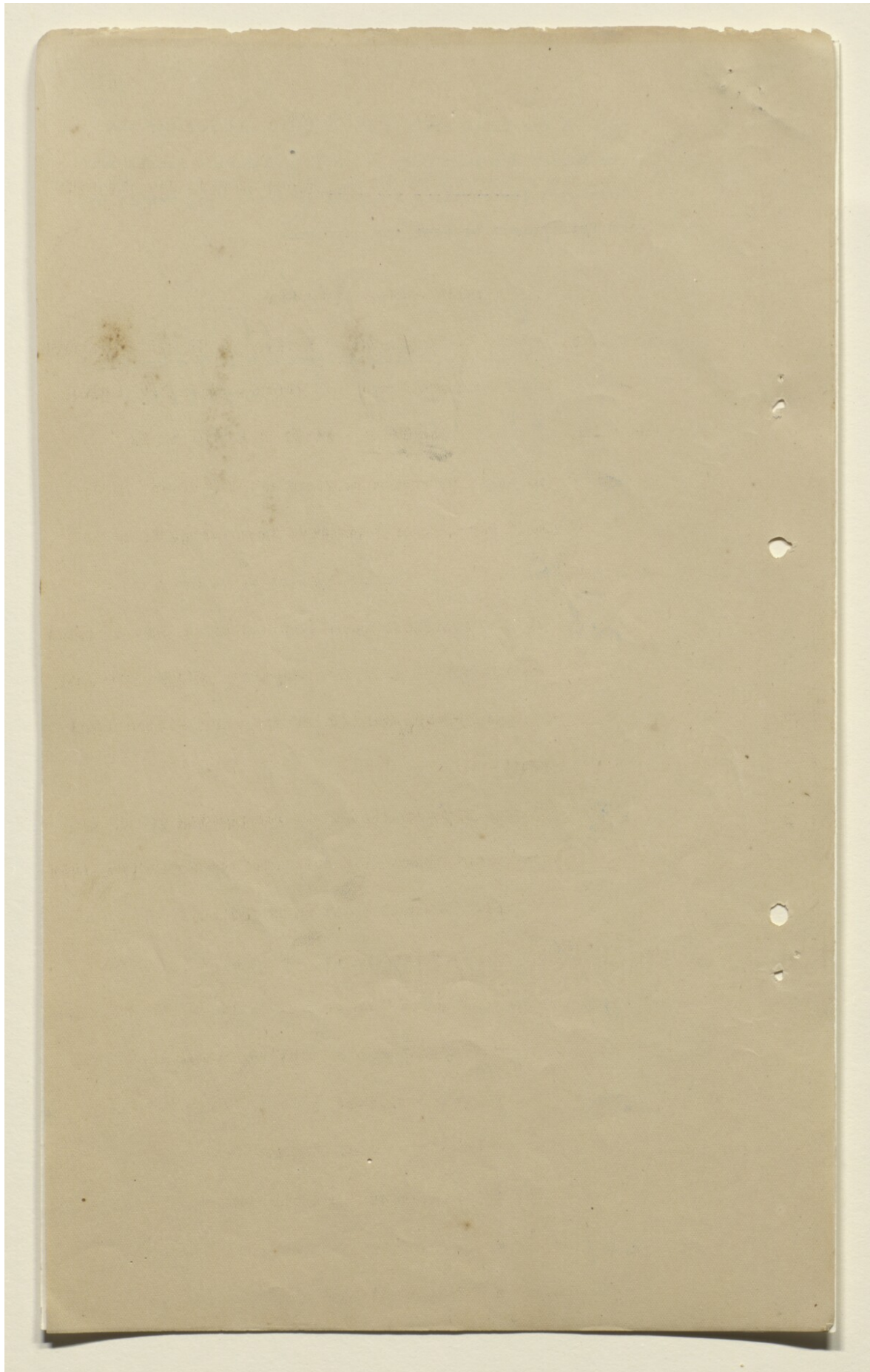




and Isa bin Saleh are now confronting one another and
the Sultan has sent Bedr bin Seif and Sheikh Rashid bin
Aziz with instructions which it is hoped will result in
an arrangement between the parties.

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Political Diary of the British Agency Muskat, for the week ending the 16th April 1910.

April 10th. ²¹² S. S. "Haddon hall" arrived at 6. 30. A. M. from the Persian Gulf and left shortly after for Europe.

-do- 11th. ²¹³ H. M. S. "Odin" arrived at 6. 30. A. M.

²¹⁴ (2) With reference to diary entry 2 of 7th April the " Nur-ul-Bahr " returned from Sur at 7. A. M.

-do- 12th. ²¹⁵ H. M. S. " Odin " left at 6. A. M.

²¹⁶ (2) The Political Agent (Mr Holland) paid official farewell visits to His Highness the Sultan, the American and French Consuls and the Italian Government Agent.

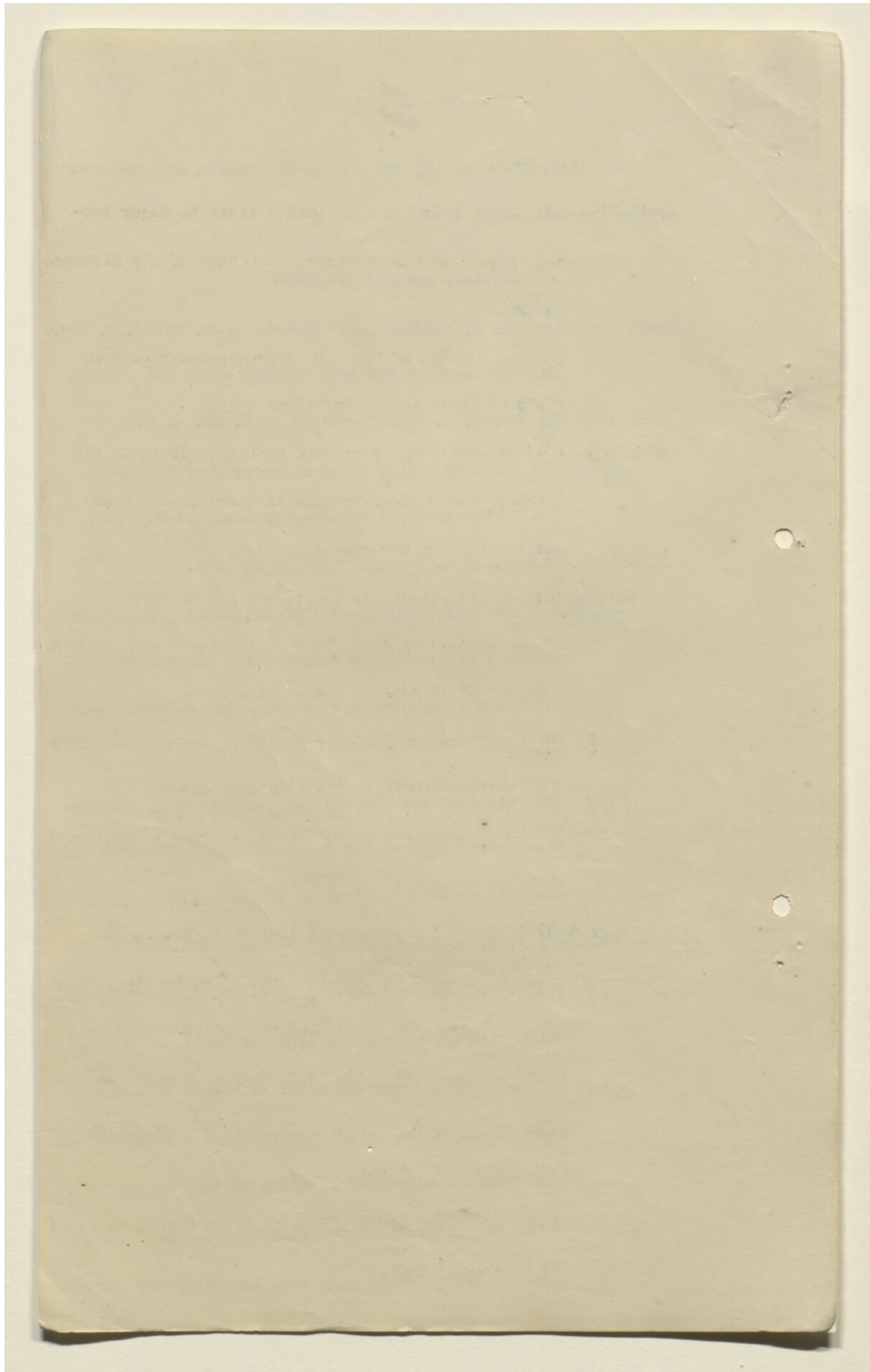
²¹⁷ (3) His Highness the Sultan accompanied by his brother Saiyid Mohomed bin Turki and his son Saiyid Taimur paid a farewell visit to Mr Holland.

-do- 13th. ²¹⁸ H. M. S. " Proserpine " arrived at 6. 30. A. M.

²¹⁹ (2) S. S. " Queda " arrived at 6. 30. A. M. from Calcutta with 25,000 bags of rice for Muskat.

²²⁰ (3) Major Trevor arrived by S. S. " Kola " to take over charge of the Agency and received a salute of 11 guns from His Highness' saluting battery on landing.

²²¹ (4) Mr Holland left by the fast mail " Kola " and received a salute of 11 guns from His Highness' saluting battery





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April 13th. (5) Saiyid Bedr bin Seif paid a visit to Major Trevor to welcome him to Muskat on behalf of His Highness the Sultan.

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(6) The Captain of H. M. S. " Proserpine " paid an official visit to the Political Agent.

April 14th. 224 The Political Agent paid official visits to His Highness the Sultan, the American and French Consuls and the Italian Government Agent.

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(2) The Political Agent returned the official visit of the Captain of H. M. S. " Proserpine " and received a salute of 11 guns on leaving the ship.

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(3) The principal Hindu merchants of Muskat and Mutrah paid their respects to the Political Agent.

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(4) The Italian Government Agent returned the official visit of the Political Agent.

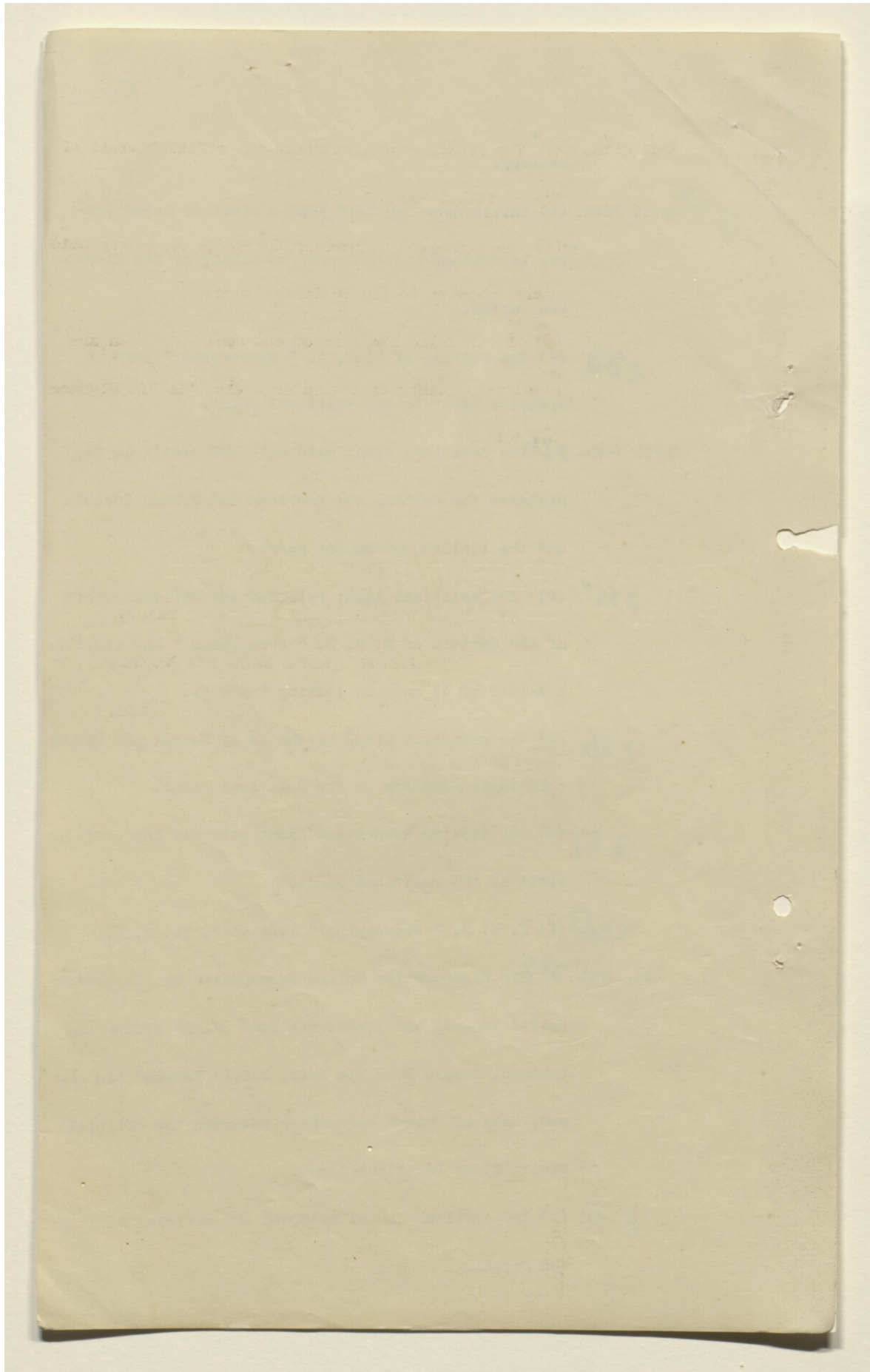
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(5) H. M. S. " Proserpine " left at 7. 30. P. M.

-do- 15th. 229 His Highness the Sultan accompanied by his brother Saiyid Mohomed bin Turki, his sons Saiyid Taimur and Mohomed, Saiyid Bedr bin Seif, Saiyid Mohomed bin Ahmed, Wali of Mutrah and others returned the official visit of the Political Agent.

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(2) The American Consul returned the official visit of the Political Agent.





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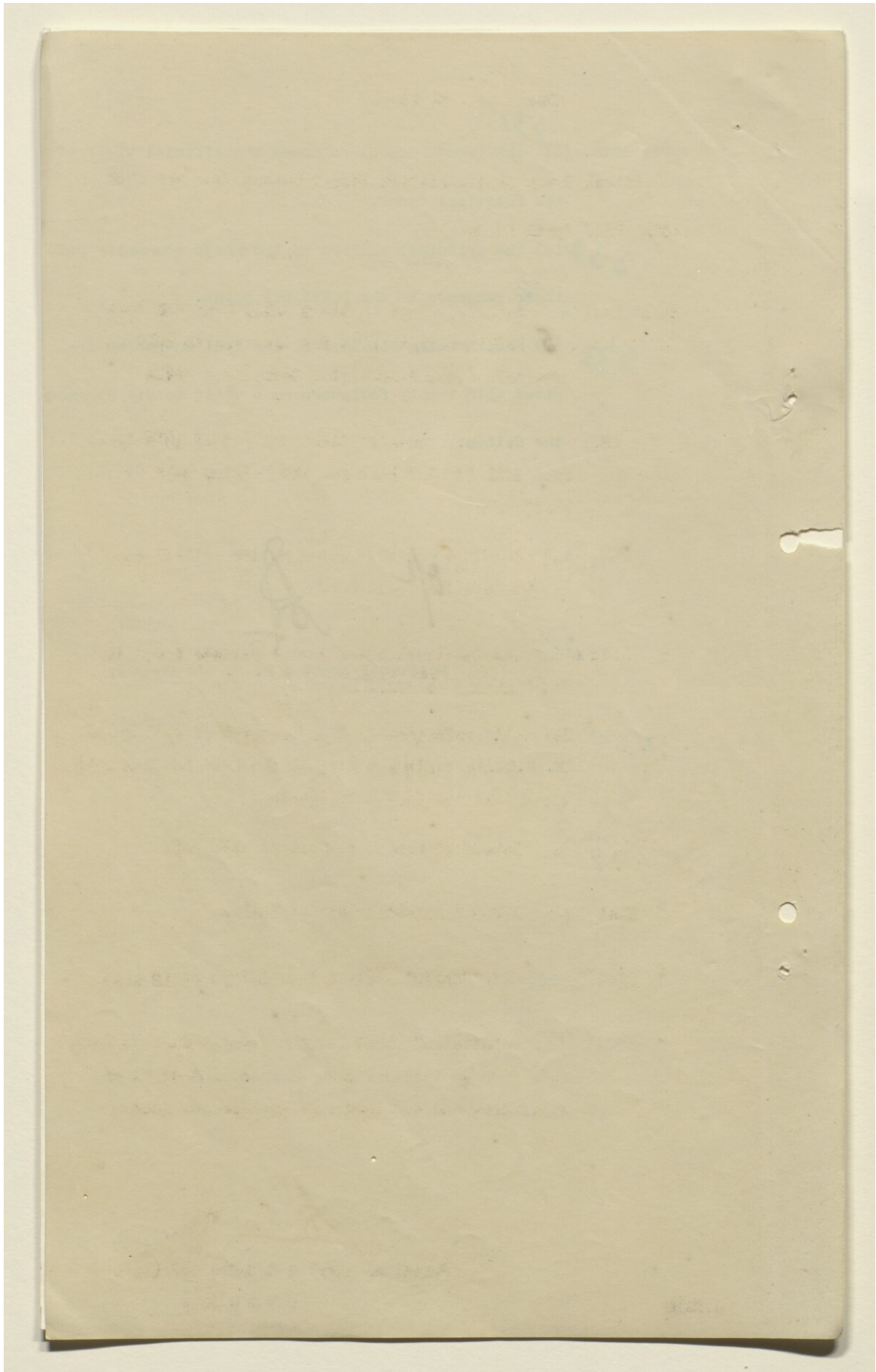
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April 15th. (3) The French Consul returned the official visit of
the Political Agent.

232 (4) The principal members of the Khoja community paid
their respects to the Political Agent.

233 (5) Sheikh Salim bin Amar of the Beni Bu-Hassan ar-
rived with twenty followers on a visit to His Highness
the Sultan.

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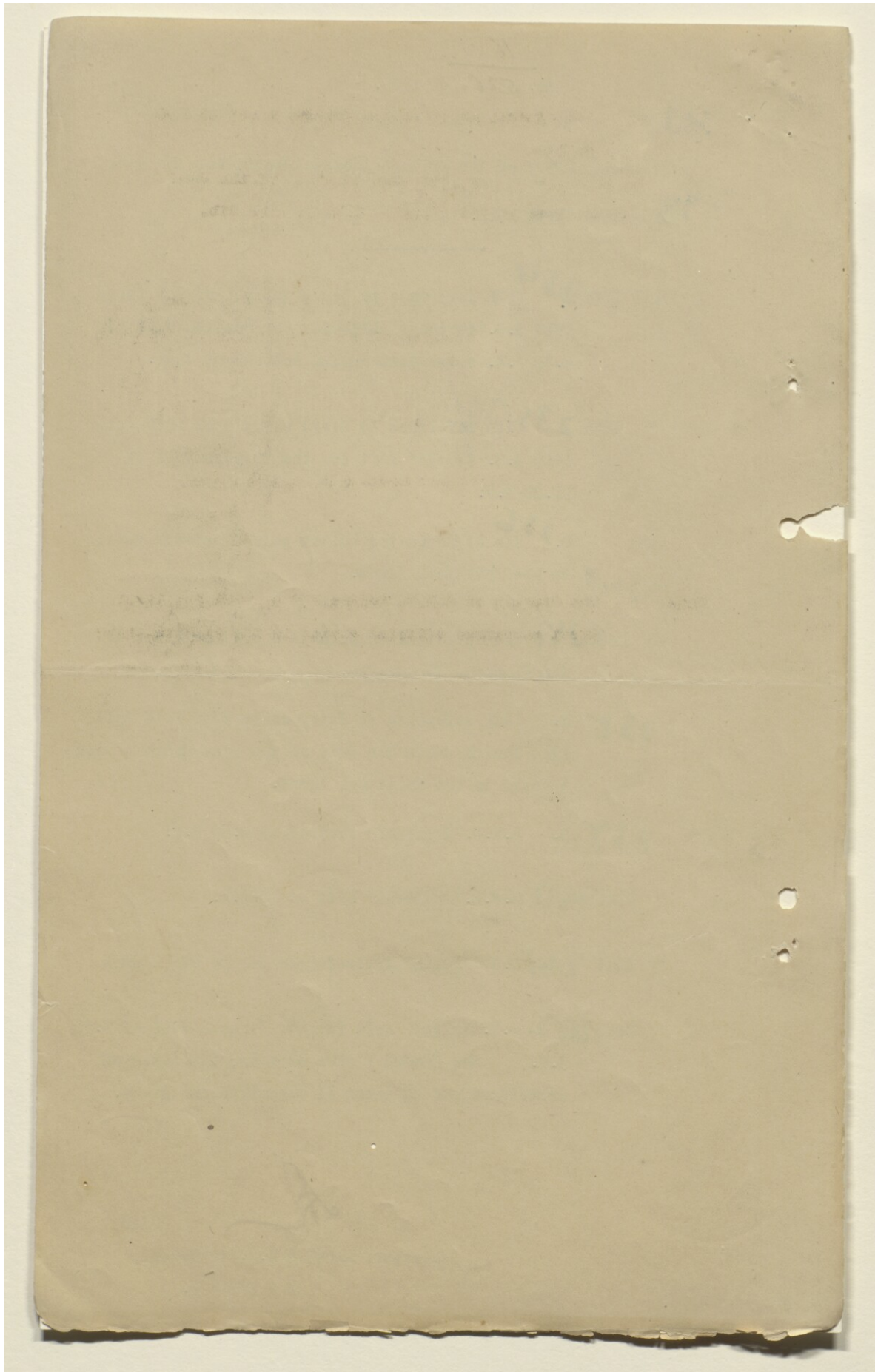
- April 17th ²³⁴ With reference to Diary entry 1 of 7th April
1910 S.S. "Amstonga" left for the Persian Gulf at
6.30 A.M. after discharging Government Coal.
- " 18th ²³⁵ With reference to Diary entry 2 of 13th April
1910 S.S. "Queda" left for the Persian Gulf at
11.30 A.M.
2. ²³⁶ His Highness the Sultan paid a private visit
to the Political Agent.
- " 19th ²³⁷ The Political Agent paid a private visit to
His Highness the Sultan.
- ²³⁸ 2. With reference to Diary entry 5 of 15th April
1910 Sheikh Salim bin Amir of the Beni Buhasen paid
a visit to the Political Agent.
- ²³⁹ 3. H.M.S. "Philomel" arrived at 2.30 P.M.
- " 21st ²⁴⁰ H.M.S. "Philomel" left at 10 A.M.
- " 22nd ²⁴¹ S.S. "Adalie" arrived from Europe at 12 noon
- " 23rd ²⁴² S.S. "Adalie" left for the Persian Gulf at 9.15
A.M. She landed 1 case of arms, 136 cases of
cartridges and 40 cases of miscellaneous goods.

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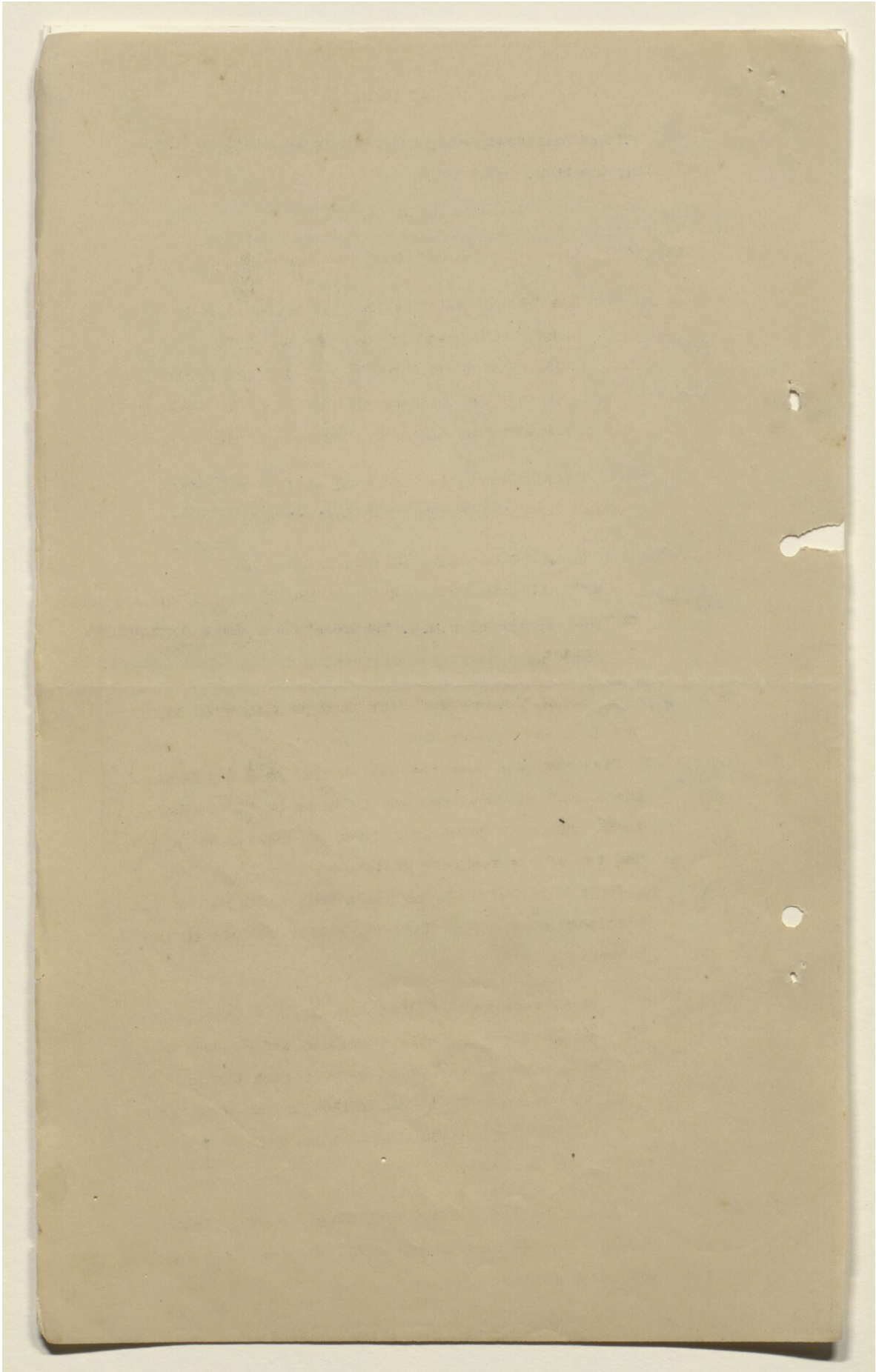
243 2. The Political Agent paid a private visit to H.H.
the Sultan.

244 3. It has been reported that some men of the Beni
Ruwaha have killed a man at Maabela near Sib.

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Note:- The Captain of H.M.S. "Redbreast" and the Political
Agent exchanged official visits on the 26th instant.





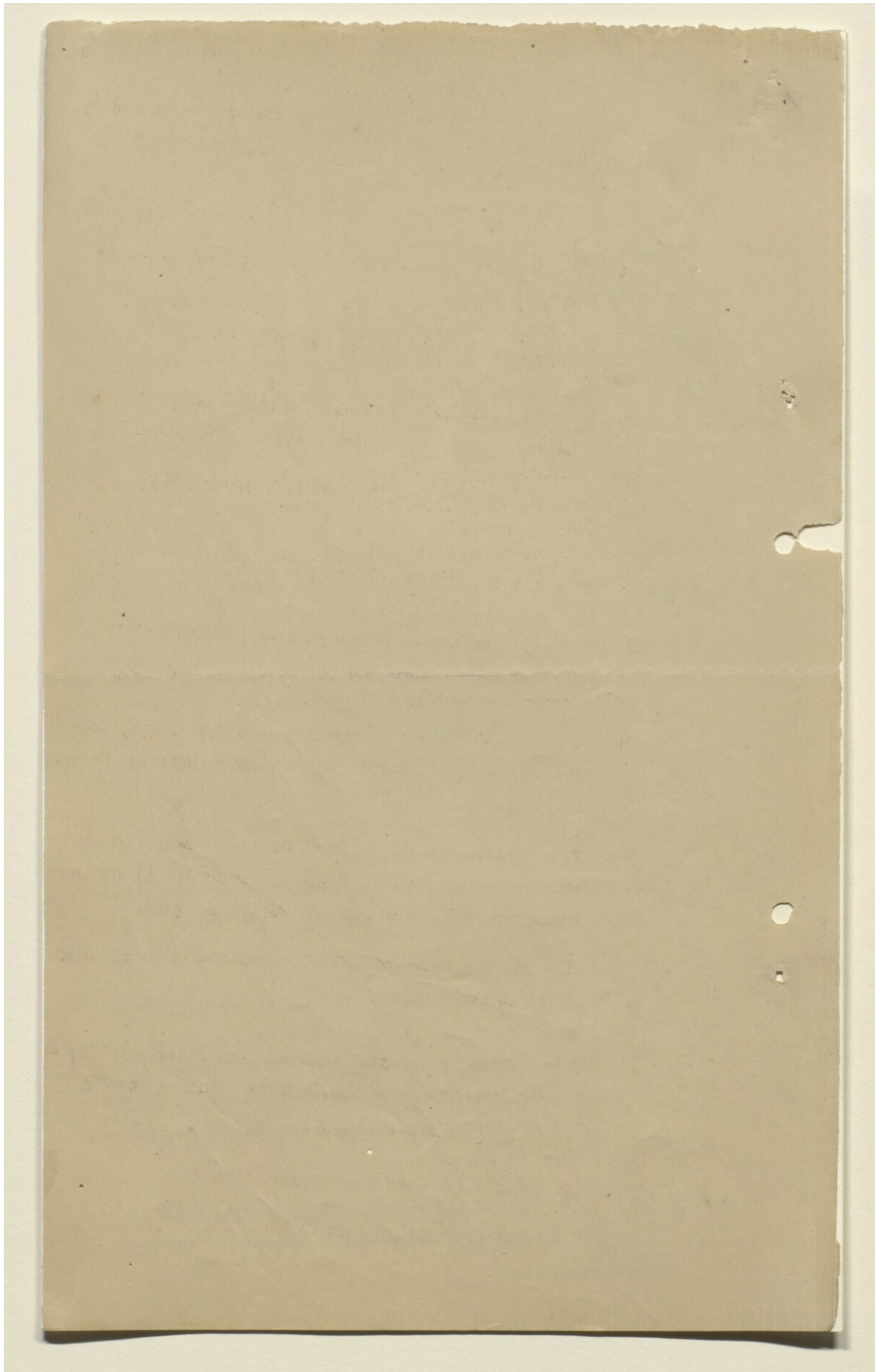
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Political Diary of the British Agency, Muscat, for the
Week ending the 30th April 1910.

- April 24th ²⁴⁶ The "Nur-ul-Bahr" left for Jessa at 7.30 A.M.
- " 25th ²⁴⁷ The "Nur-ul-Bahr" arrived from Jessa at 2. P.M.
- ²⁴⁸ 2. H.M.S. "Redbreast" arrived at 2.30 P.M.
- ²⁴⁹ 3. Mr. Gregson arrived per S.S. "Kola" and Captain Biscoe, arrived in the same ship en route to take up his appointment as Assistant Resident, Under Abbas.
- " 26th ²⁵⁰ H.M.S. "Proserpine" arrived at 1.15 P.M. with Captain Craufurd D.S.O. from Jask on board.
- " 27th ²⁵¹ H.M.S. "Redbreast" left at 2. P.M.
- ²⁵² 2. Sheikh Ali bin Ahmad nephew of the Sheikh of Bahrain arrived by the slow mail "Bulimba" on a visit to H.H. the Sultan.
- " 28th ²⁵³ H.M.S. "Proserpine" left at 8.30 A.M. with Capt: Craufurd and Mr. Gregson.
- ²⁵⁴ 2. News has been received that Sheikh Seif bin Hamad Al-Maawali of Nakhil who was going on an invitation to Muragah with 25 men, was fired at from an ambush and two of his men were killed.
- ²⁵⁵ 3. It is reported that the Al-Maqabil tribe raided the territory of the Beni Kaab and killed two men of the latter.
- " 29th ²⁵⁶ It is reported that the Al-Mahalil tribe attacked the Beni Bu-Hasan and killed two men and wounded two. The Beni Bu-Hasan retaliated by attacking Sheikh Abdullah bin Salim's men and killed two of them. Subsequently the Beni Rasib attacked the Beni Bu-Hasan and killed four men.
- " 30th ²⁵⁷ S.S. "Okhla" arrived from Calcutta with 16200 bags of rice, 22 bags of pulse and 60 boxes of tobacco and piece goods.

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May 1st ²⁵⁸ The Russian S.S. "Tigris" arrived from Europe at 1 P.M.

²⁵⁹ 2. H.M.S. "Philomel" arrived at 3.45 P.M.

" 2nd ²⁶⁰ The Political Agent and the Commander of H.M.S. "Philomel" paid an official visit to H.H. the Sultan.

²⁶¹ 2. The Russian S.S. "Tigris" left for the Persian Gulf at 10 A.M.

²⁶² 3. H.M.S. "Philomel" left at 4.45 P.M.

" 3rd ²⁶³ With reference to Diary entry 1 of 30th April 1910 S.S. "Okhla" left for the Persian Gulf at 6.45 P.M.

" 4th ²⁶⁴ H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 5.30 A.M. and saluted the port with 21 guns. His Highness' saluting battery duly replied.

²⁶⁵ 2. Captain Bee the relieved Consul of Bander Abbas who arrived by the S.S. "Madura" accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Keymer paid a visit to the Political Agent.

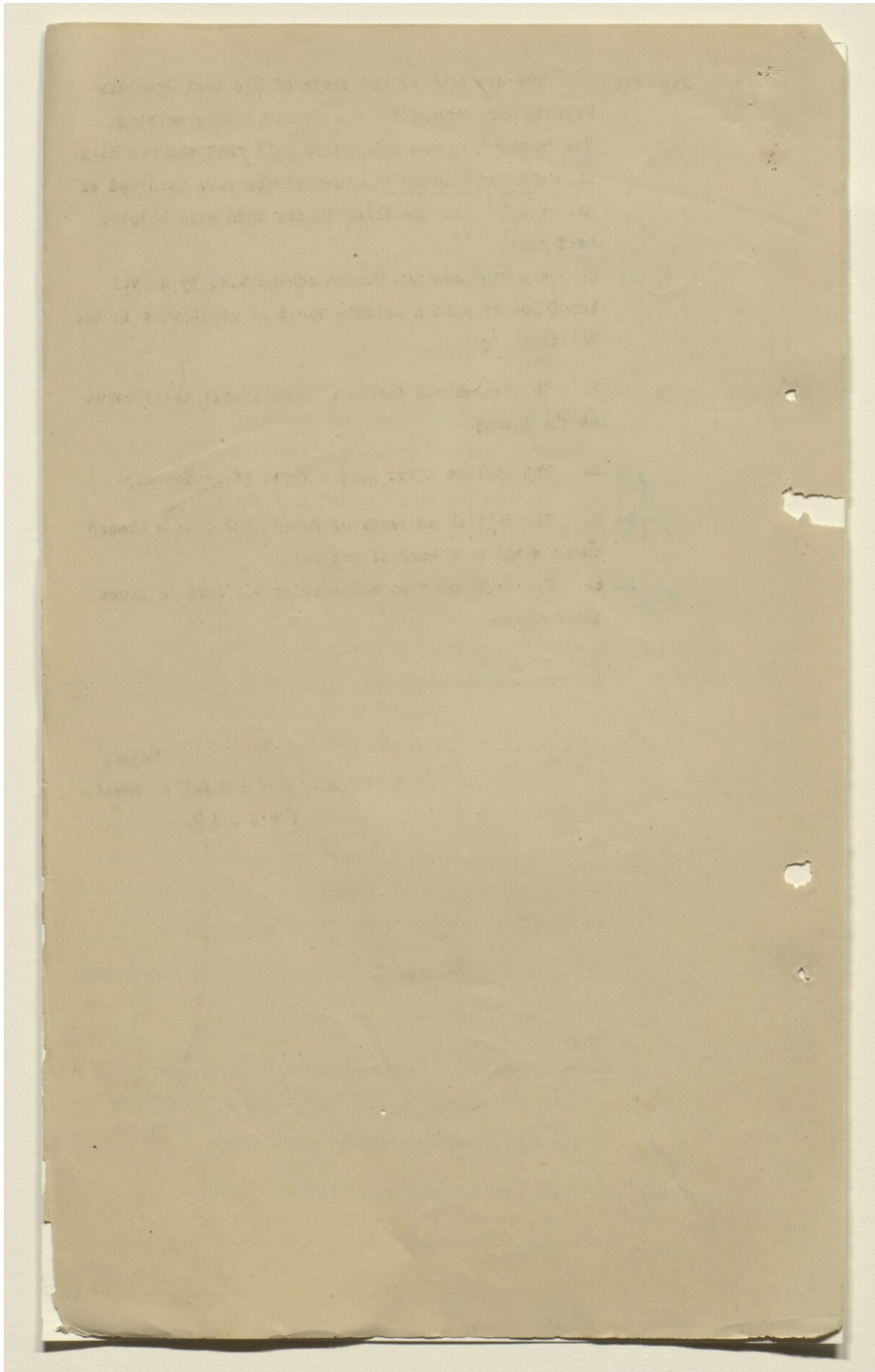
" ²⁶⁶ 3. The Commander of H.M.S. "Perseus" paid an official visit to the Political Agent.

" 5th ²⁶⁷ The Political Agent returned the official visit of the Commander of H.M.S. "Perseus" and on leaving the vessel received a salute of 11 guns.

²⁶⁸ 2. H.M.S. "Philomel" arrived at 11 A.M.

²⁶⁹ 3. H.M.S. "Perseus" left at 5.15 P.M.

May





May 7th ²⁷⁰ The sad news of the death of His Most Gracious Majesty King Edward VII was received this morning. The Agency flag was hoisted at half mast and His Highness and the Foreign representatives were informed of the event. All the flags in the town were hoisted half mast.

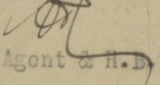
²⁷¹ 2. His Highness the Sultan accompanied by Saiyid Yusuf Zowavi paid a private visit of condolence to the Political Agent.

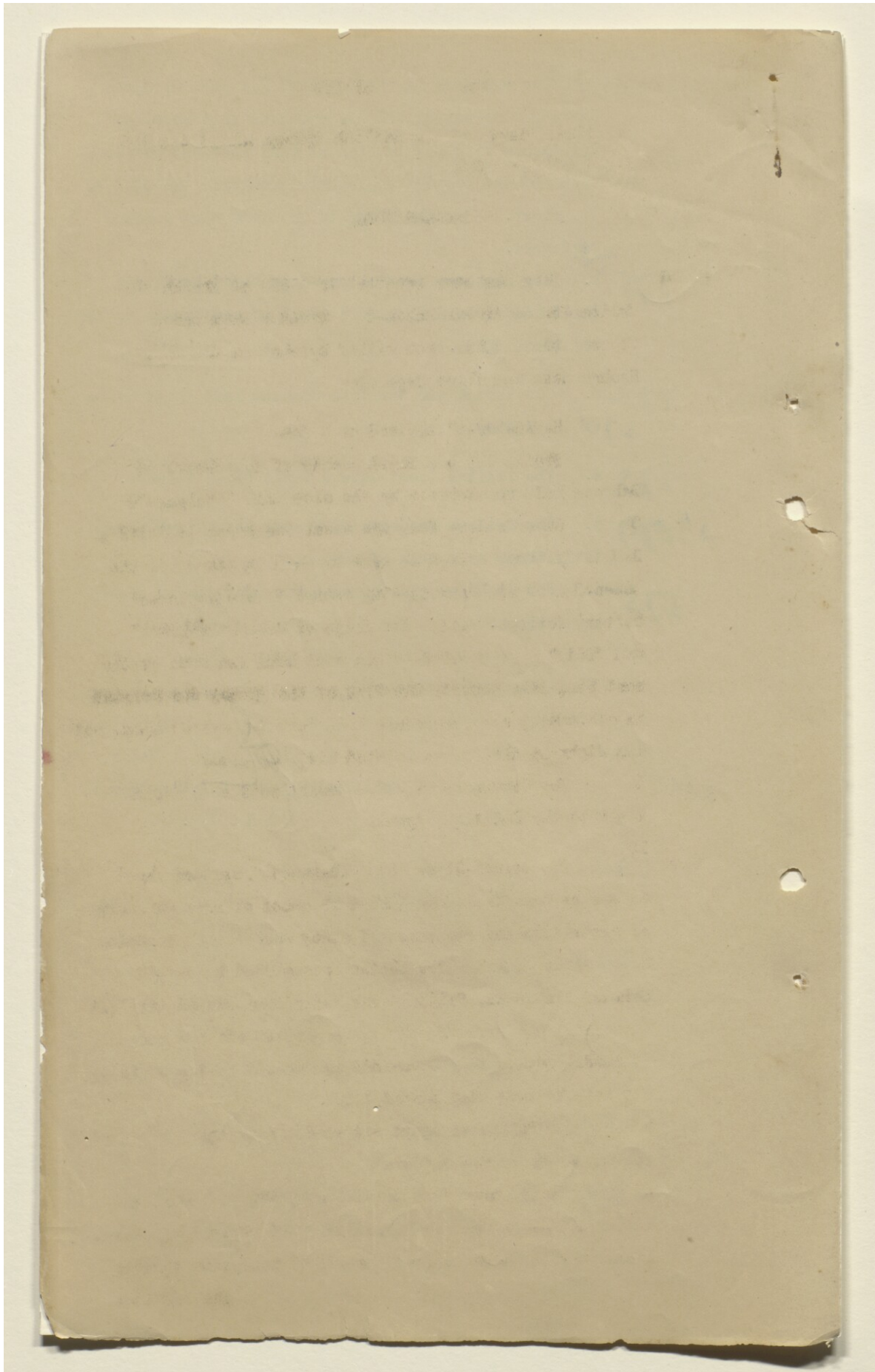
²⁷² 3. The French and American Consuls left their cards at the Agency.

²⁷³ 4. The Italian Agent paid a visit of condolence.

²⁷⁴ 5. The British subjects of Muscat and Mutrah closed their shops as a mark of respect.

²⁷⁵ 6. His Highness also ordered his subjects to close their shops.


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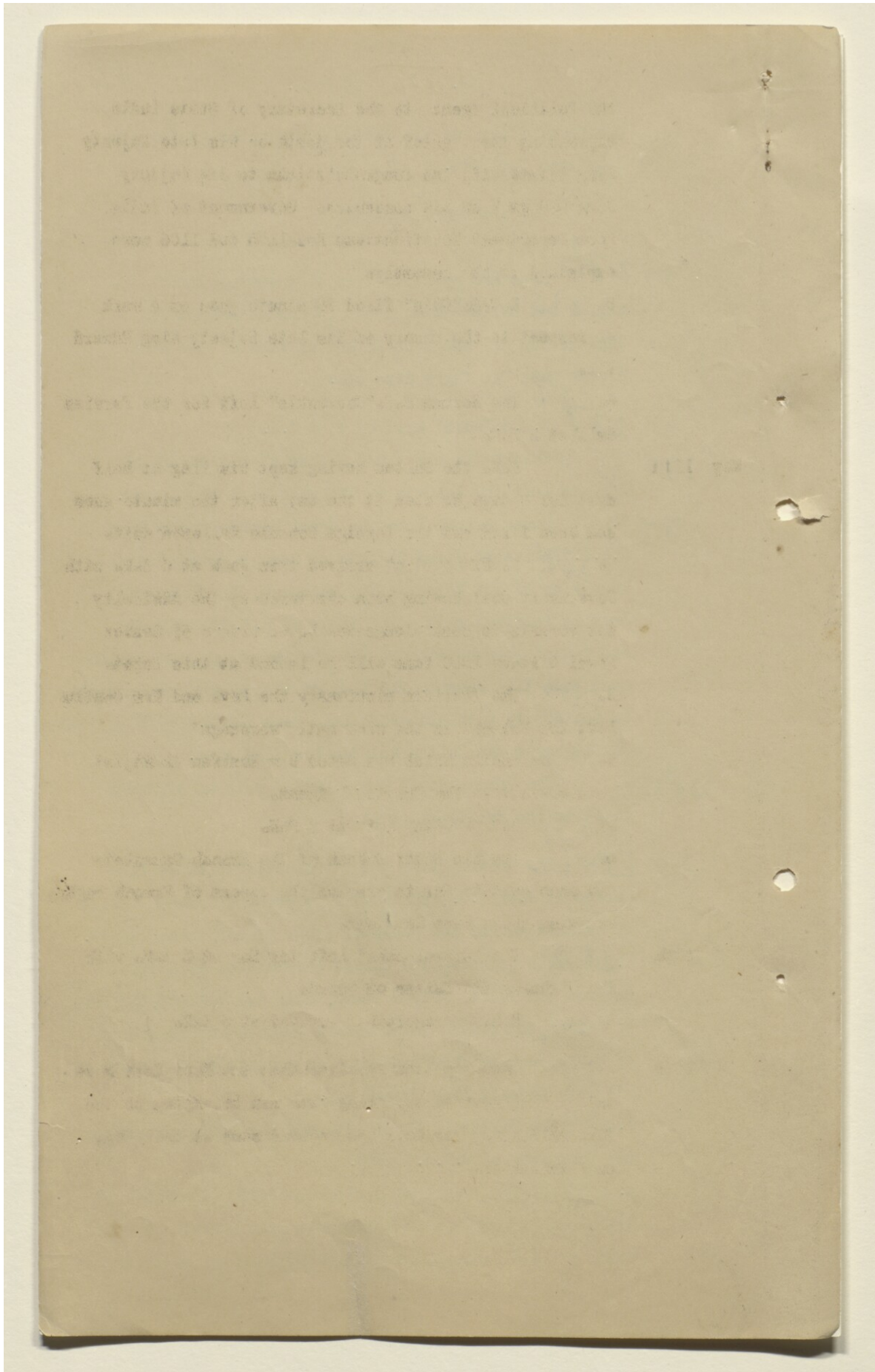
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week ending 14th May 1910.

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- May 8th **276** News has been received that one of Sheikh Abdullah bin Salim bin Mohomed Al-Hamudah's men, named Mohomed bin Ali has been killed by some of the Beni Hashum near Sur three days ago.
- " 9th **277** H.M.S. "Odin" arrived at 8 A.M.
- 278** 2. Sheikh Ali bin Ahmad, nephew of the Sheikh of Bahrain left for Bahrain by the slow mail "Goalpara".
- 279** 3. Under orders from the Naval Commander-in-Chief, H.M.S. "Philomel" fired 31 guns at noon in honour of the accession of His Majesty King George V, His Highness' battery followed suit. The flags of H.M.S. "Philomel" and "Odin" were hoisted to the mast head and kept at the mast head till sunset. The flag of the Agency was hoisted in conformity with procedure laid down for H.M.'s Ships, and His Highness the Sultan hoisted his flag also.
- 280** 4. The Commander of H.M.S. "Odin" paid an official visit to the Political Agent.
- 10th **281** The German Steam Ship "Cheruskia" arrived from Europe at 8.15 A.M., She landed 19 cases of arms, 53 cases of cartridges and 140 cases of other miscellaneous goods.
- 282** 2. His Highness the Sultan accompanied by Saiyid Mohomed bin Turki, Saiyid Temur, Nadir and Mohomed, the Wali of Mutrah and Saiyid Yusuf Zowavi paid an official visit of condolence to this Consulate on account of the death of His late Majesty King Edward VII.
- 283** 3. The Political Agent returned the official visit of the Commander of H.M.S. "Odin".
- 284** 4. All the prominent British subjects of Muscat and Mutrah, Hindus as well as Mohomedans paid a visit of condolence to this Consulate and despatched telegrams through the Political





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the Political Agent to the Secretary of State India expressing their grief at the death of His late Majesty King Edward VII, and congratulations to His Majesty King George V on his accession. Government of India Home Department Notifications Nos. 1105 and 1106 were explained to the assembly.

5. 285 H.M.S. "Odin" fired 68 minute guns as a mark of respect to the memory of His late Majesty King Edward VII.

6. 286 The German S.S. "Cheruskie" left for the Persian Gulf at 2 P.M.

May 11th 287 H.H. the Sultan having kept his flag at half mast for 3 days, hoisted it the day after the minute guns had been fired and the foreign Consuls followed suit.

2. 288 S.S. "Tangistan" arrived from Jask at 6 A.M. with Government Coal having been chartered by the Admiralty for vessels to coal alongside. Under orders of Senior Naval Officer 1500 tons will be landed at this Depot.

3. 289 The American missionary the Rev. and Mrs Cantin left for Karachi in the slow mail "waroonga"

4. 290 Sheikh Hilal bin Saeed bin Khalfan Al-Hajiri paid a visit to the Political Agent.

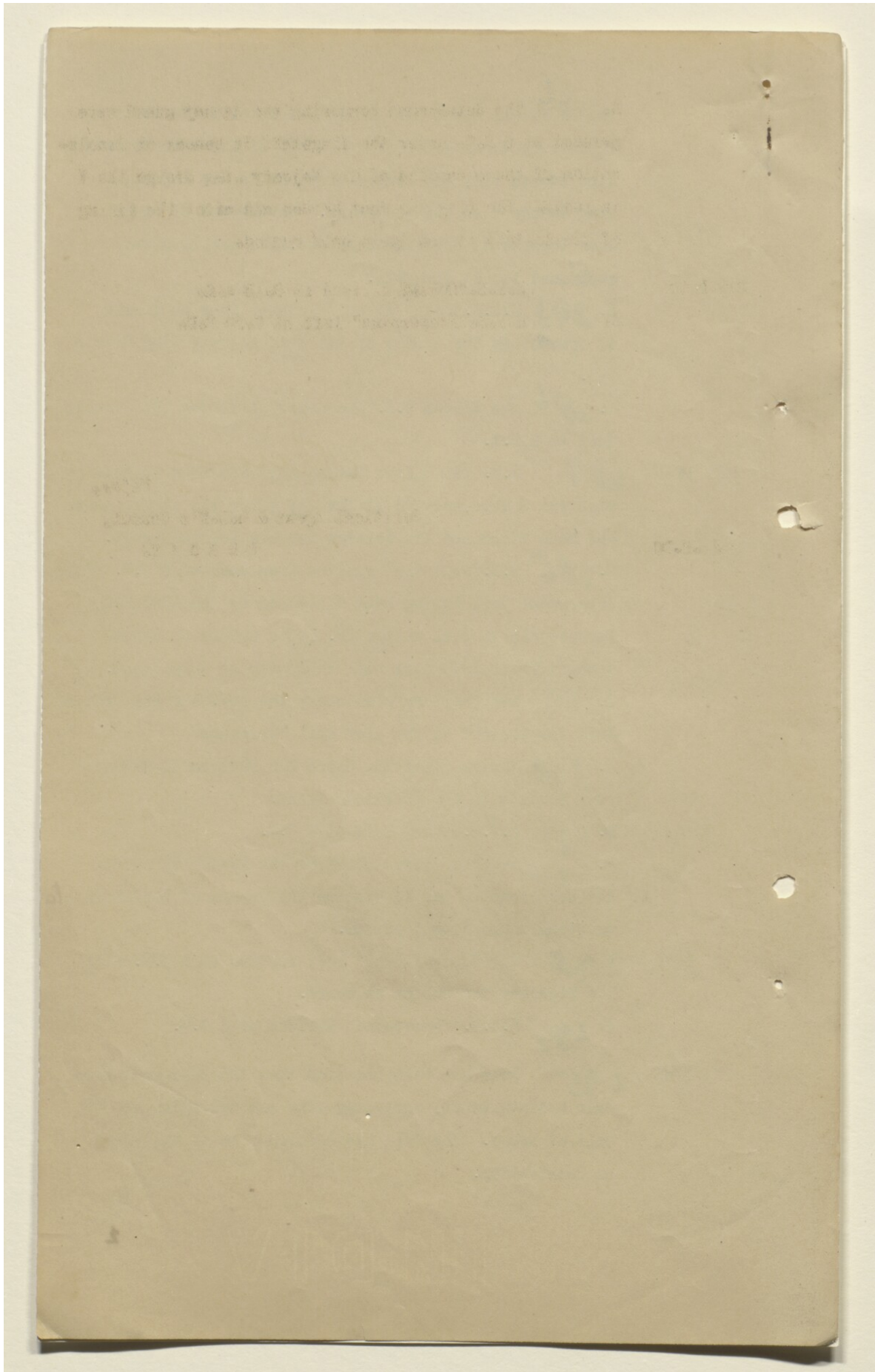
5. 291 H.M.S. "Odin" left at 2 P.M.

6. 292 Isa bin Dinar Dobash of the French Consulate has been sent to Sur to examine the papers of French Bughta arriving there from Zanzibar.

" 12th 293 The "Nur-ul-Bahr" left for Sur at 5 A.M. with His Highness the Sultan on board.

2. 294 H.M.S. "Proserpine" arrived at 6 A.M.

" 13th 295 News has been received that the Beni Kaab have made a disturbance, capturing nine men belonging to the Wali of Sohar. The Wali has secured some of their men in retaliation.





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The detachment composing the Agency guard were
paraded at 5 P.M. under the flagstaff in honour of Procla-
mation of the accession of His Majesty King George the V
in India. The flag was mast headed and after the firing
of ^{the} feu-de-joie it was again half masted.

May 14th

297 H.M.S. "Sphinx" arrived at 8.15 A.M.

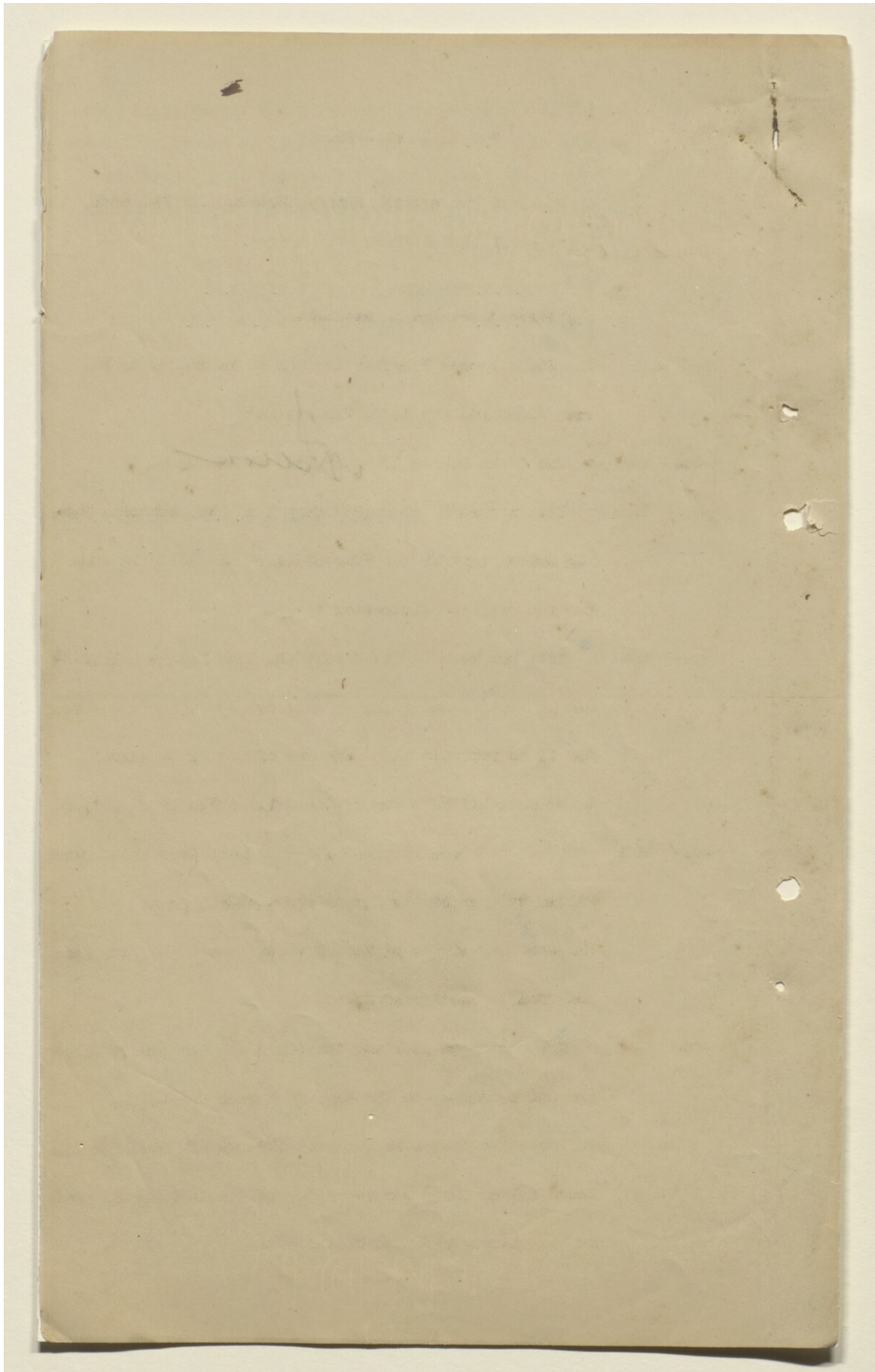
2. 298 H.M.S. "Proserpine" left at 7.30 P.M.

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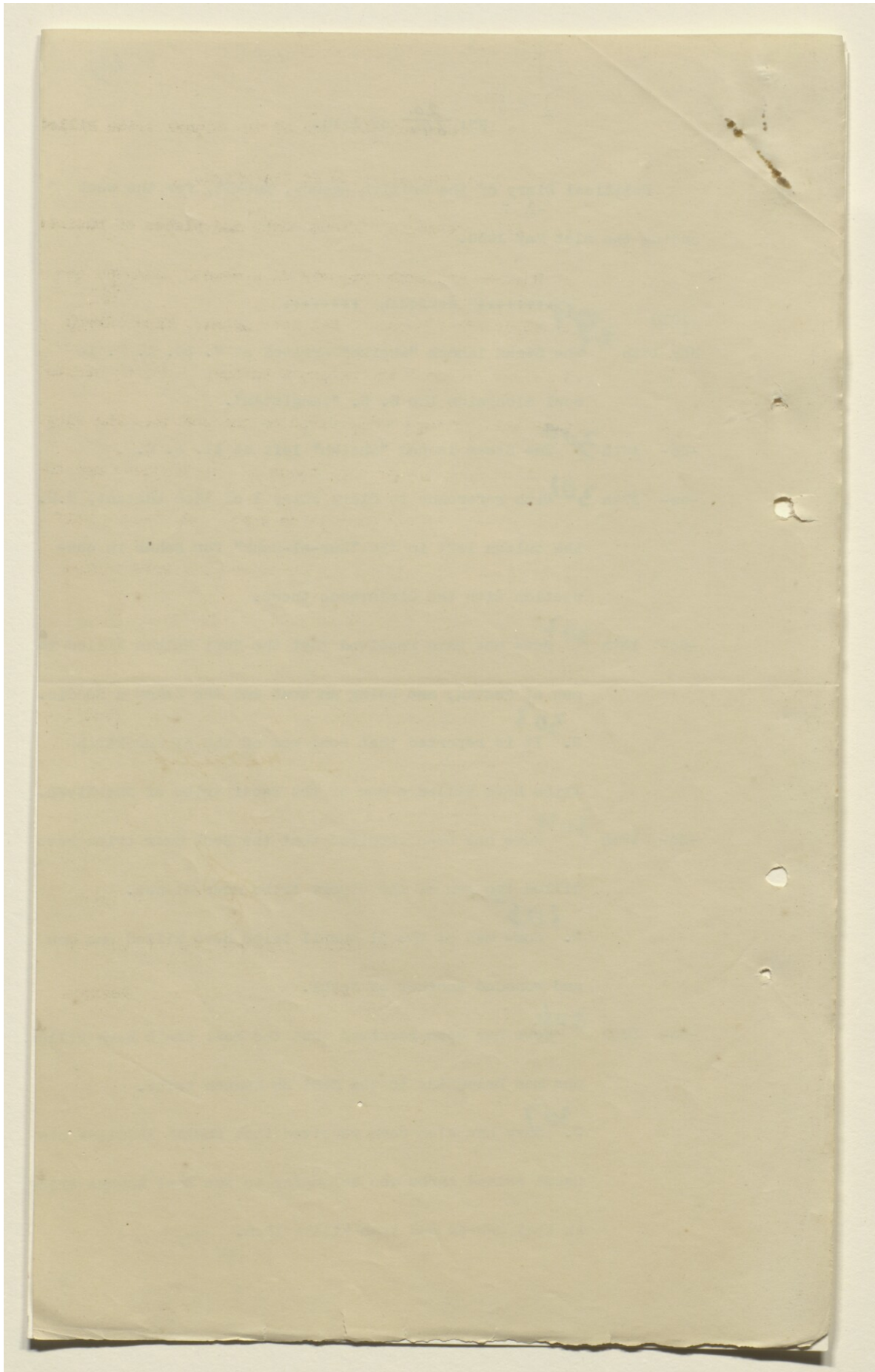




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May 15th ²⁹⁹ The Steam launch "Sheikh" arrived at 7. 30. A. M. to coal alongside the S. S. "Tangistan".
- do- 16th ³⁰⁰ The Steam launch "Sheikh" left at 11. A. M.
- do- 17th ³⁰¹ With reference to diary entry 1 of 15th instant, H.H. the Sultan left in the "Nur-el-Bahr" for Sohar in connection with the disturbance there.
- do- 18th ³⁰² News has been received that the Beni Kalban killed two men at Rustaq, one being an Arab and the other a Seedie.
- ³⁰³ 2. It is reported that some men of the Al Musakirah tribe have killed a man of the Habsi tribe of Sharkiyeh.
- do- 19th ³⁰⁴ News has been received that the Beni Umar tribe have killed two men of the Siyabi tribe near Misnaa.
- ³⁰⁵ 2. Some men of the Al Muawil tribe have killed one man and wounded another of Nakhl.
- do- 20th ³⁰⁶ News has been received that the Beni Rasib have killed one man belonging to the Beni BU Hassan tribe.
- ³⁰⁷ 2. News has also been received that Sheikh Abdullah bin Saeed seized three men belonging to the Beni Ruwaha tribe in Wadi Mahram and then killed them.



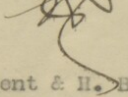


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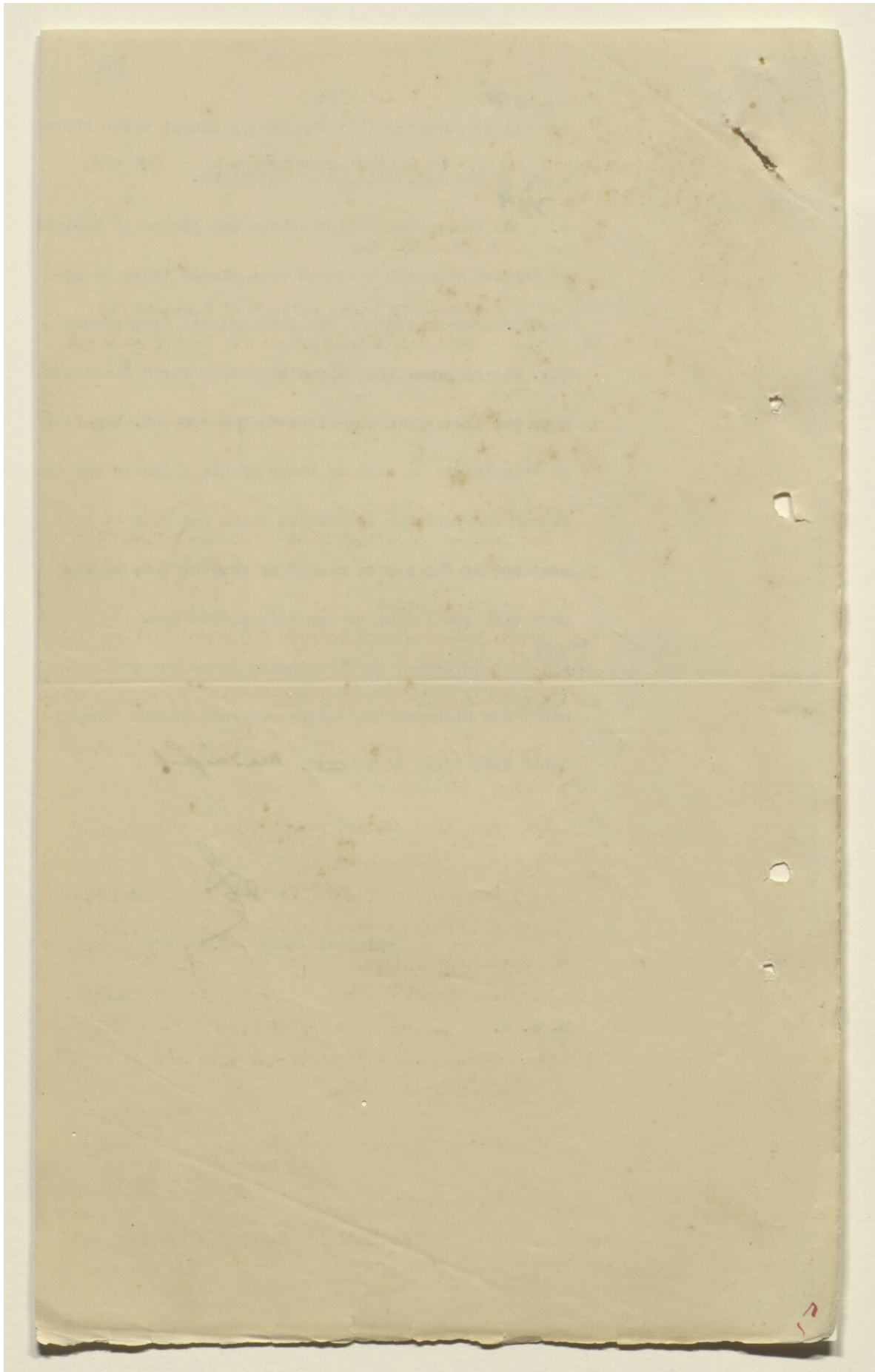
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3. It is reported that one of the Sinavi tribe killed a man of the Harisi tribe at Sharkiyeh.

309
4. All Government offices shops and places of business of British and Arab subjects were closed today on account of the funeral of His late Majesty King Edward VII. His Highness the Sultan's battery fired 68 minute guns the last gun being fired as the sun set. The flag of this Agency as well as those of His Highness and the French and American Consulates which had been at half mast during the day as a mark of respect were hauled down with the firing of the last minute gun.

May 21st. 310 With reference to diary entry dated the 17th instant His Highness the Sultan returned in the "Nur-el-Bahr" from Sohar at 12 ~~pm~~ *midnight*


Major,
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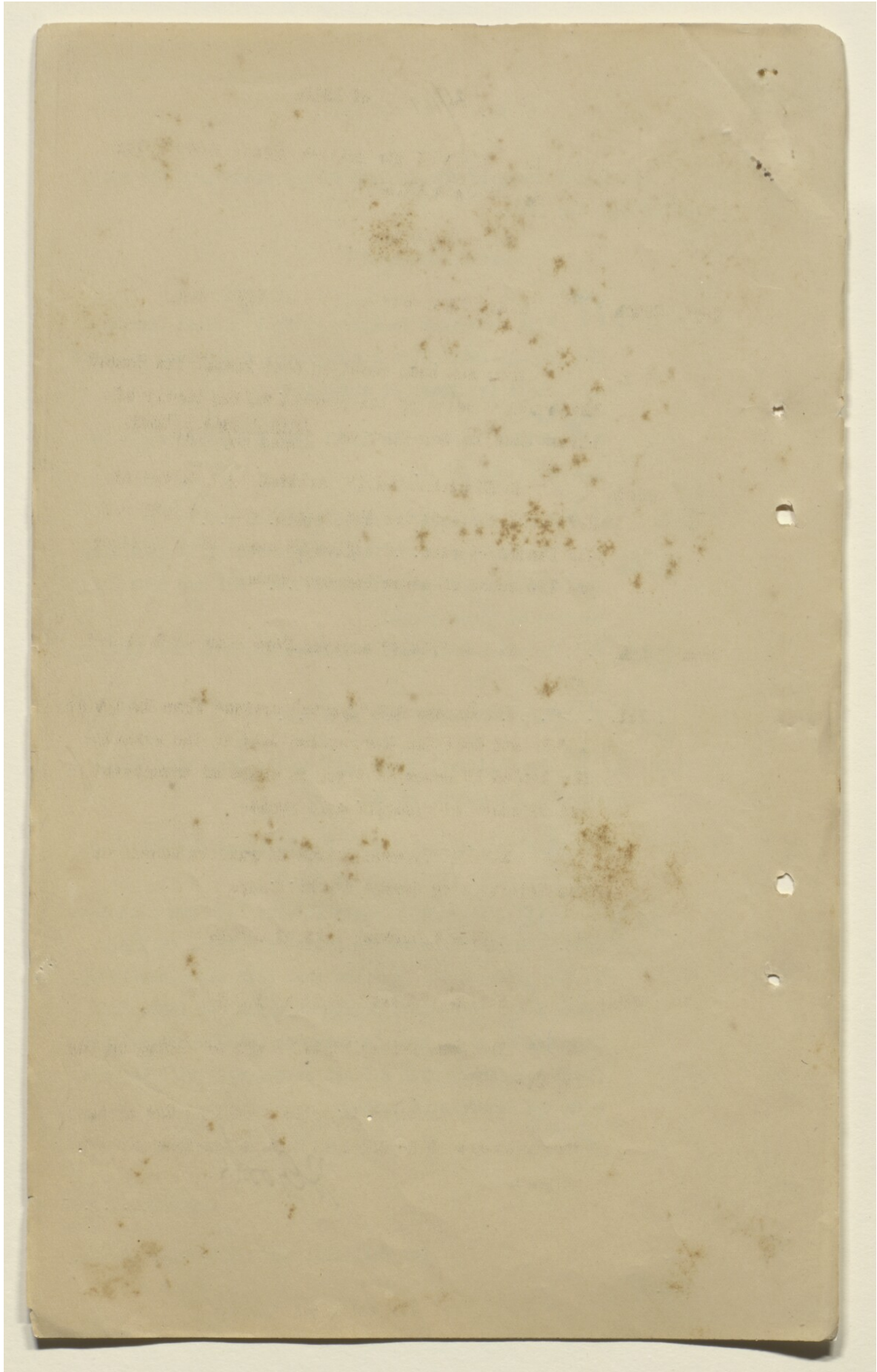
- May 23rd. 311 With reference to diary entry 1 of 21st instant the "Nur-ul-Behr", with His Highness the Sultan on board again left for Sohar at mid-night.
2. 312 Saiyid Mohamed bin Turki paid a private visit to the Political Agent.
- " 24th 313 H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 11.15 A.M.
- 314 2. The Russian S.S. "Tigris" arrived at 12 noon from the Persian Gulf and left at 9 P.M. She has landed five bundles of piece goods.
- 315 3. Saiyid Taimur paid a private visit to the Political Agent.
- 316 4. H.M.S. "Perseus" let at 5 P.M.
- " 25th 317 The Political Agent left by the fast mail "Kola" for Karachi for summer recess.
- " 27th 318 The "Nur-ul-Behr" with His Highness the Sultan on board returned from Sohar at 4 A.M.
- 319 2. With reference to diary entries 13th and 17th instant. On His Highness the Sultan's arrival at Sohar it was arranged for the time that both sides should release their respective prisoners, which was done. His Highness is to go back to Sohar on 5th Jamadi-ul-Akhir (13th June next) when a final arrangement will be made with the disaffected tribes.

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for Political Agent & H.B.M.'s Consul,
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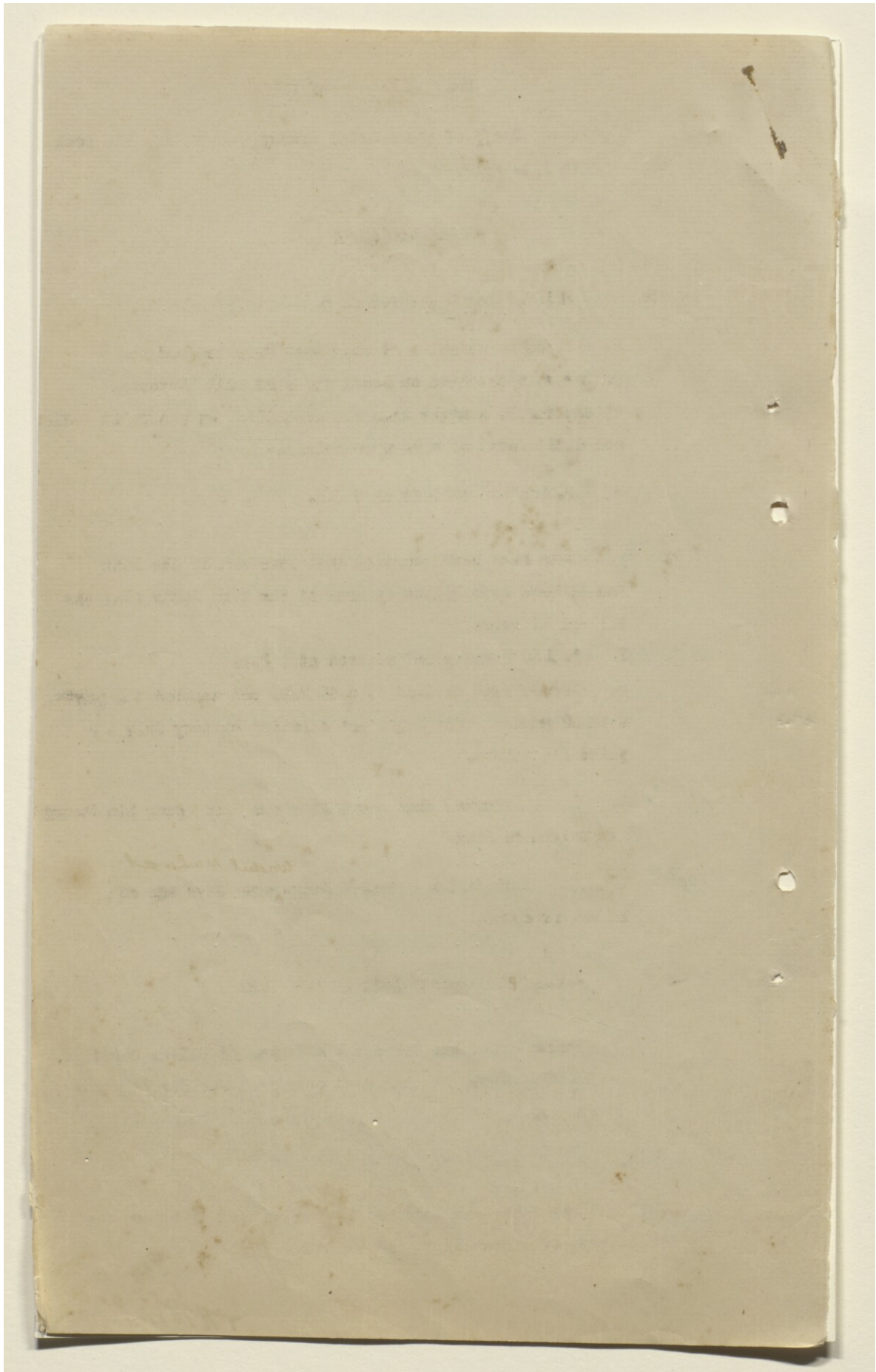
- May 29th. ³²⁰ H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 7.30 A.M.
- " 30th. ³²¹ News has been received that Fessul bin Hamood bin Azzen, a scion of the present ruling family of Muscat died in Sharqiyah on 12th Jamadi 111328 22nd May 1910
- " 31st. ³²² S.S. "Trentham Hall" arrived from Europe at 9.30 A.M. and left for the Persian Gulf at 5.30 P.M. She landed 15 cases of rifles, 92 cases of cartridges and 190 cases of miscellaneous goods.
- June 2nd. ³²³ H.M.S. "Alert" arrived from Aden at 7.30 A.M.
- " 3rd. ³²⁴ The German S.S. "Sparta" arrived from Europe at 1 P.M. and left for the Persian Gulf in the evening. She landed 17 cases of arms, 48 cases of ammunition and 99 cases of miscellaneous goods.
2. ³²⁵ H.M.S. "Perseus" fired 31 guns in honour of His Majesty King George V's birthday.
3. ¹²⁶ H.M.S. "Perseus" left at 5 P.M.
- " 4th. ³²⁷ H.M.S. "Alert" left at 8 P.M.
2. ³²⁸ The Beni Kelben killed 2 men of Kustaq on the 1st June 1910.
- ³²⁹ It is proposed to build a wall at Sur against the tribesmen \$50,000 have been subscribed for the purpose.

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Captain, I.M.S.

for Political Agent *H.B. Hislop*





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June 6th. ³³⁰ H.M.S. "Alert" arrived at 6 A.M.

³³¹ 2. Three persons two of whom were Persians and one a Beluch, were arrested on board the slow mail "Waroonge" attempting to smuggle arms and ammunition on board. 13 rifles and 4,310 round of arms were seized.

³³² 3. H.M.S. "Alert" left at 3 P.M.

" 7th ³³³ News have been received that five men of the Beni Muawil have been killed by some of the Beni Jabir near the village of Hubra.

³³⁴ 2. H.M.S. "Proserpine" arrived at 1 P.M.

³³⁵ 3. H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 6.45 P.M. and saluted the port with 21 guns. His Highness' saluting battery duly replied the salute.

³³⁶ 4. It is reported that the Sultan's cousin Nunu bin Barash bin Saiyid is dead.

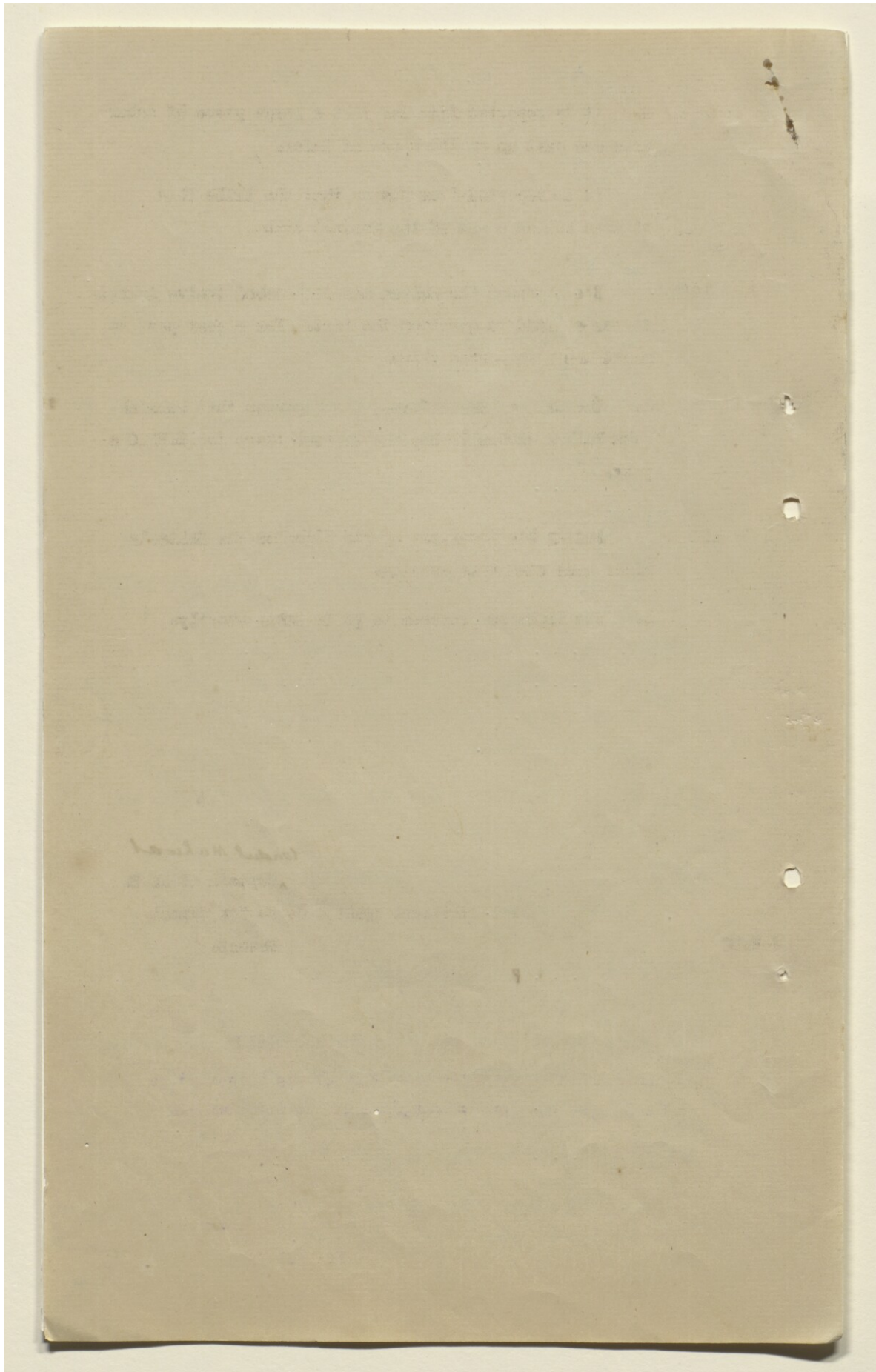
³³⁷ 5. The Beni Jaffer attacked Hubra, ^{wadul Mahwal} some days ago and killed five men.

" 8th ³³⁸ H.M.S. "Proserpine" left at 1.30 P.M.

" 9th ³³⁹ Sheikh Saeed bin Mohamed bin Mansur of Sidora Chief of the tribe Elewrwah arrived here on a visit to His Highness the Sultan.

³⁴⁰ 2. H.M.S. "Fox" left at 7 P.M.

³⁴¹ 3. News have been received that Beni Darus attacked the village of Aidam and killed two men.





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4. It is reported from Sur that a large piece of ambergris was cast up on the shore of Dufar.

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5. It is reported from Miswar that the tribe Dhru at Adem killed a man of the Mandari tribe.

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June 10th His Highness the Sultan has despatched twelve Askaris to Ras-el-Hadd to garrison the fort. For a year past no guard has been posted there.

345
2. The Wali of Sur informed His Highness that bannish Teka Maller wishes to buy the Customs there for £.7500 a year.

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" 11th Badren bin Fesul, one of His Highness the Sultan's minor sons died this evening.

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2. His Highness proposes to go to Sohar shortly.

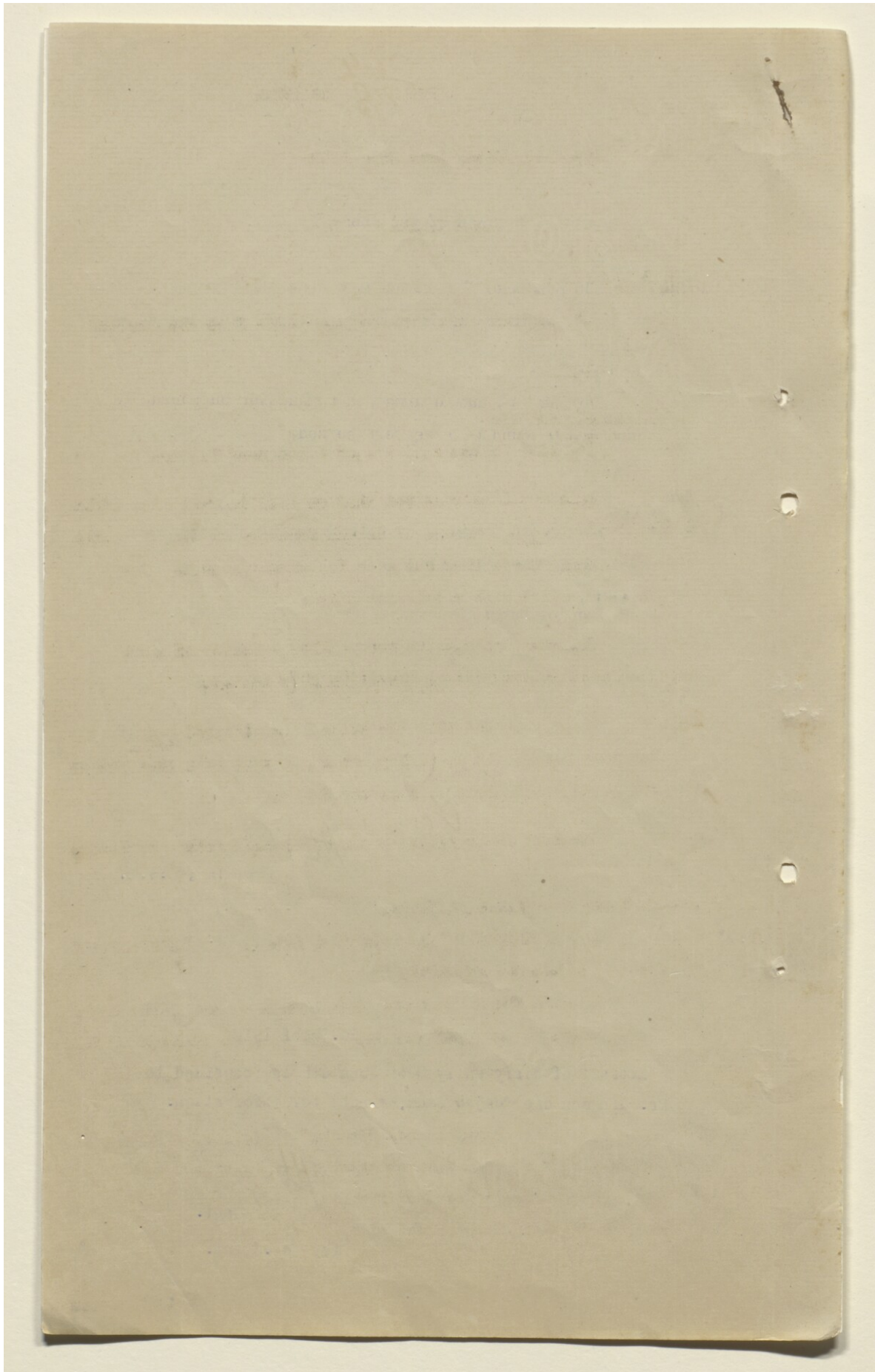
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Captain, I.M.S.
for Political Agent & H. B. M's Consul,
Muscat.

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Extract of diary entry 2 of June 6th is forwarded to Mr. Gregson c/o Punjab Bank, Karachi for information.

gc. *Ht*
Capt.
for Pol. Agent.





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News for the week ending 18th June 1910.

CUSTOMS.

348. His Highness has received Rs.4000/- from the Customs at Gwadur.

Condition of Country.

349. The Beni Kalban have killed a man near Rustag.

350. News has been received that on 13th instant some Arabs attacked and looted a number of Baluch families of Mutrah in the Wadi-Al-Muawil, where they had gone for summer resort. One Baluch was wounded with a ball-cartridge.

351. The Beni Jabir tribe have killed a Baluch of that neighbourhood in the Wadi-al-Muawil on 17th instant.

352. It is reported that the tribe Naim attacked Hasaifi a place near Sohar. It is perhaps on account of this that Sheikh Khalife bin Said of Abu Dhabi has not yet arrived there to meet the Sultan.

353. The Beni Jabir killed 2 men of almawal tribe at Hubra.

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

354. H.M.S. "Redbreast" arrived at 4 P.M. on the 12th instant and left at 8 A.M. on the 15th.

355. R.I.M.S. "Minto" arrived at 9.30 A.M. on the 13th instt.

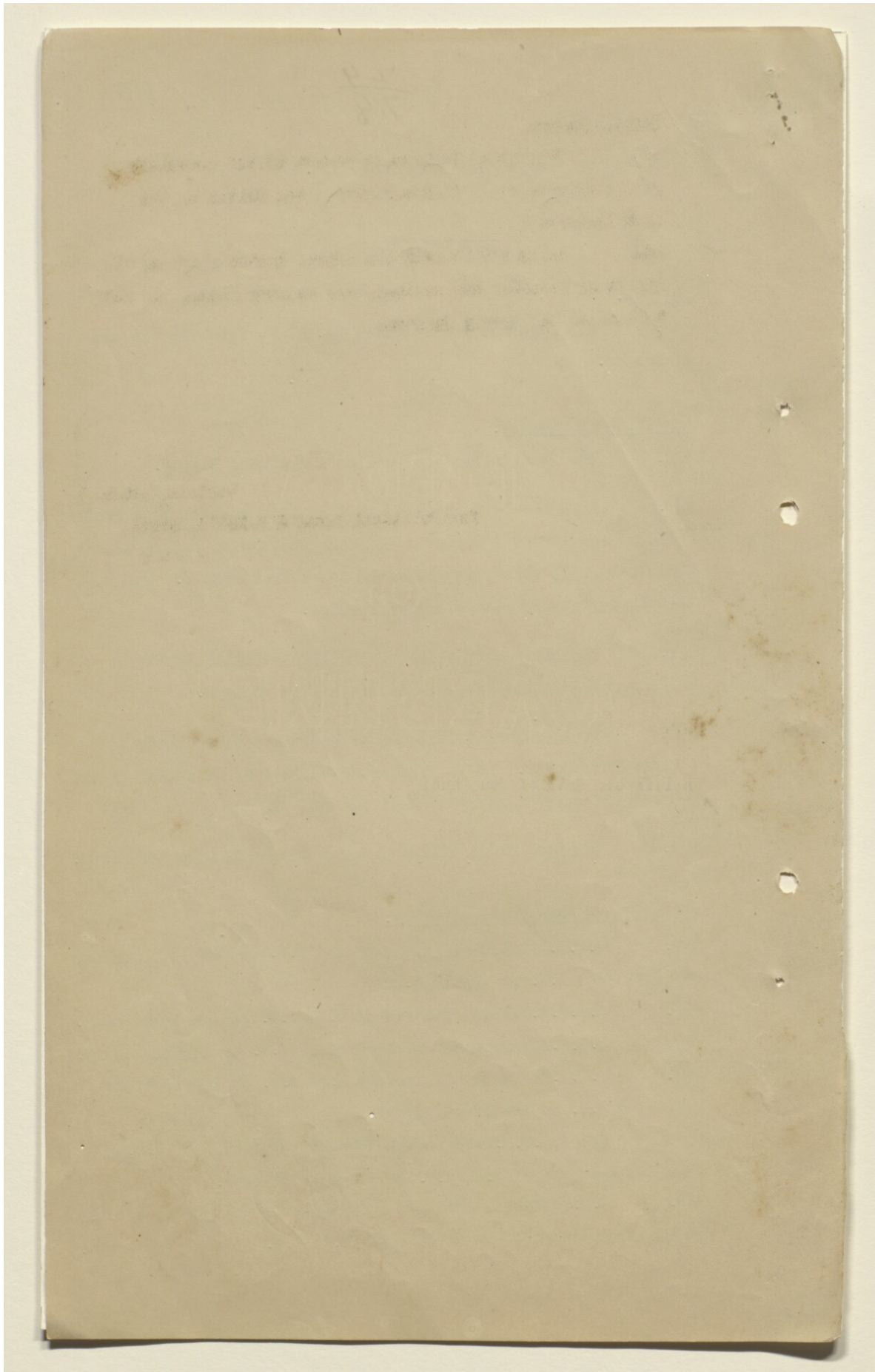
356. H.M.S. "Proserpine" arrived at 10 A.M. on the 14th instt.

357. H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 8.30 A.M. on the 16th and left at 5 P.M. on the 17th instant.

358. The R.I.M. Armed Launch "Sheikh" arrived at 2 P.M. on the 16th and left at 7.45 A.M. on the 18th instant.

359. S.S. "Edenhall" arrived from the Persian Gulf at 2 P.M. on the 16th and left for Karachi at 11.30 A.M. on the 17th instt.

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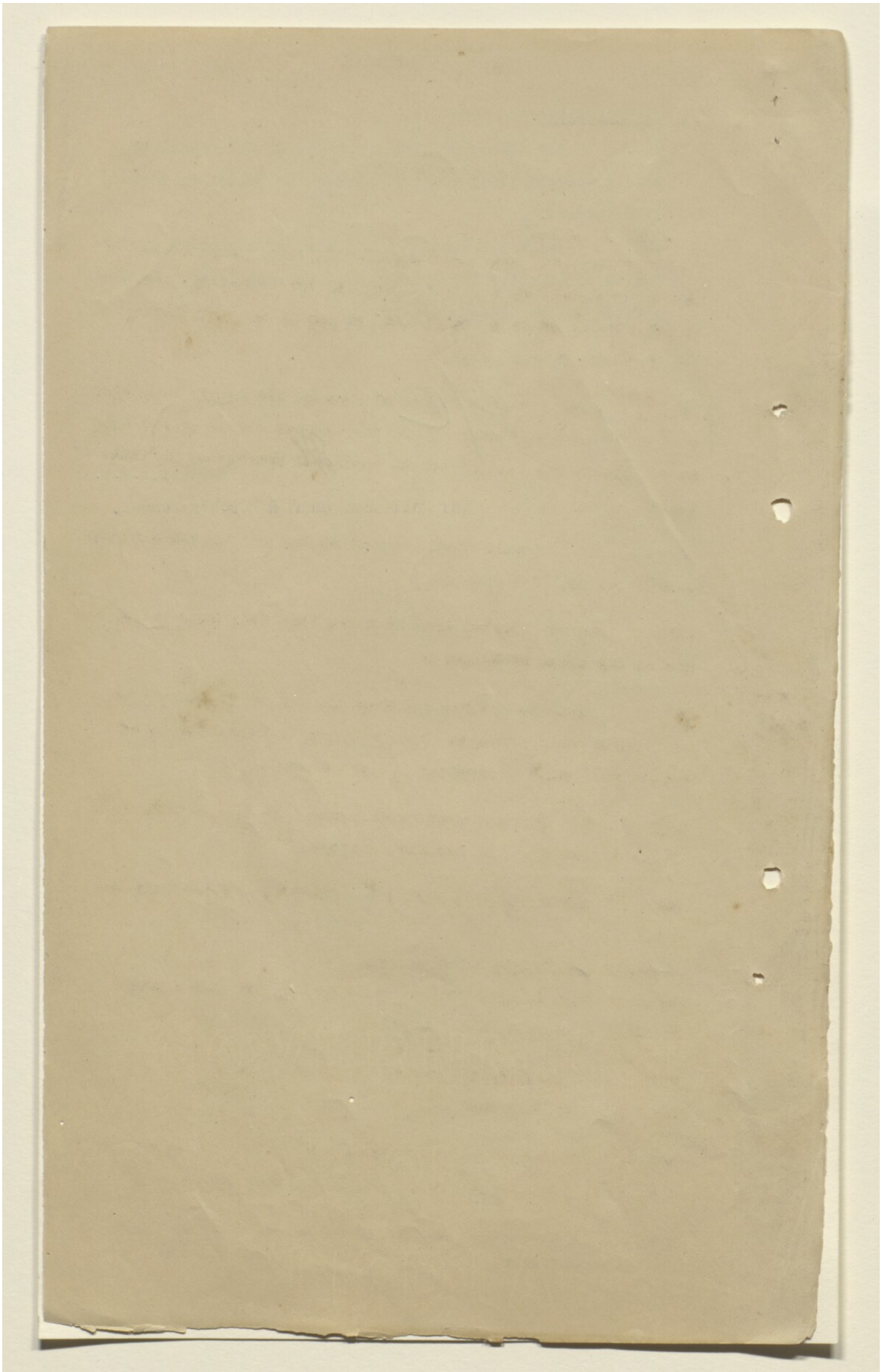
360. The Agency Surgeon, in charge of the Consulate, paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 15th instant.

361. Selim bin Mohamed bin Sahim, Arabic clerk of the Sultan of Zanzibar has arrived here on long leave. He paid a visit to the Agency Surgeon.

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Captain, I.M.S.
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MUSCAT





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News for the week 25th June 1910.

Condition of Country.

362. News has been received that the Beni Jabir tribe killed two men of Beni Muawil. About 40 men of the Al-Muawil attacked Nakhl in retaliation and one man of the Beni Jabir was killed on 20th instant.

363. ^{20th June (Monday)}
A man resident of Ras-ul-Khemah, was caught smuggling arms on board S.S. "Eulimba". The four Mauser rifles he had were seized and he was handed over to the local government for custody.

364. Three Somali dhows arrived at Sur for the coming date season on the 20th instant.

365. It is reported from Khaboura that Beni Omar killed one man of the tribe El-Hawasina

366. Sixty to seventy men from the tribes El-Musharifah Beni Basim and El-Hawayah have attacked the inhabitants of Rufsa near Sur and captured 8 head of cattle.

367. His Highness sent 22000 cartridges to Sur to be used by his troops there, on the 23rd instant.

368. Tribe Nakhwala killed one man of the tribe Wadi Muawil.

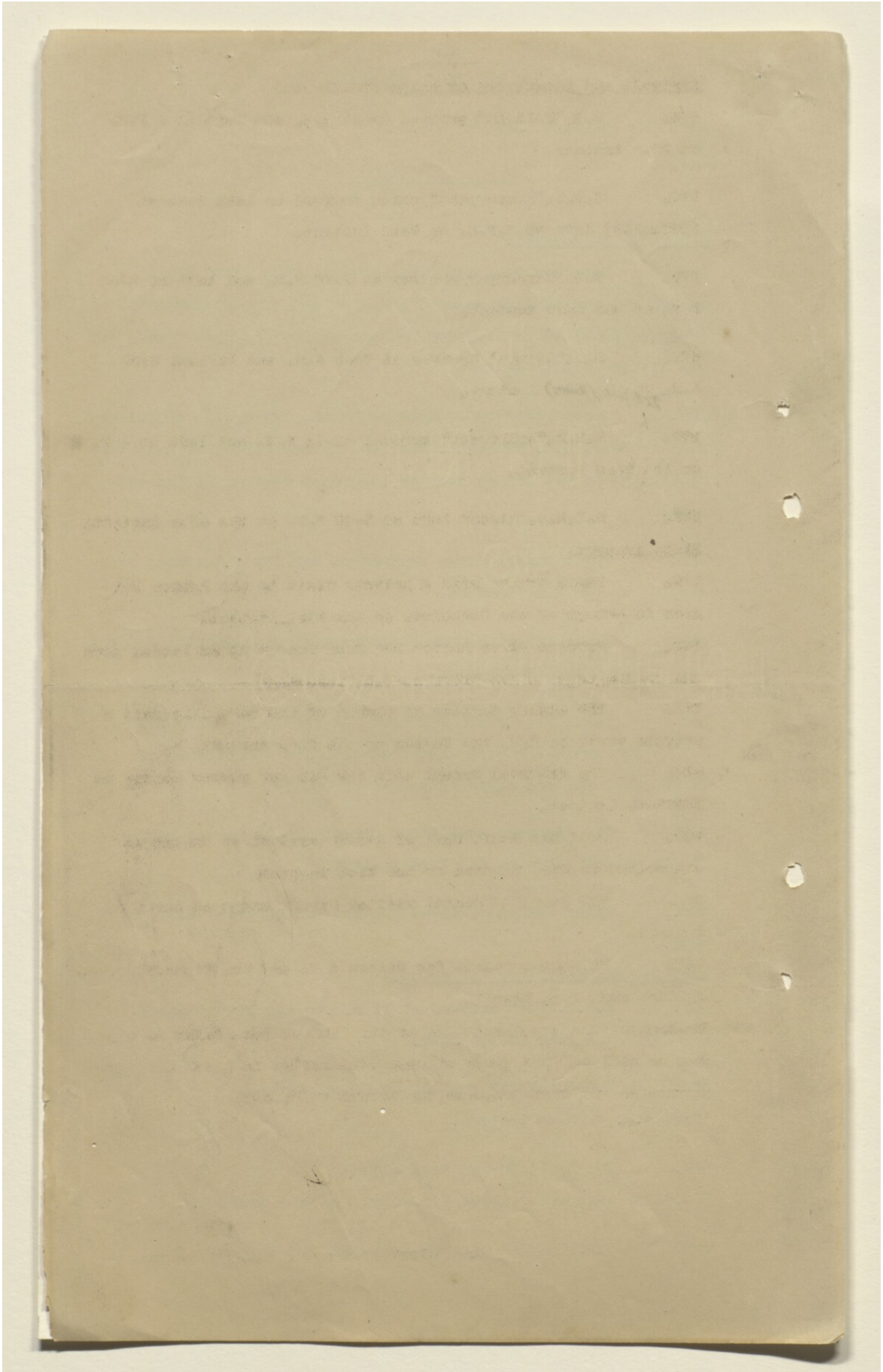
Arrivals and departures of ships.

369. H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 11 A.M. on the 19th instant and left at 8 P.M. on the 20th.

370. H.M.S. "Alert" arrived at 6 A.M. on 20th 10:30 A.M. on 21st instant.

371. The Royal Indian Marine gunb. 6 A.M. on 19th and left at 7 P.M. on the 20th instant.

372. S.S. "Kasara" arrived at 4 P.M. and left at 5 P.M. on the 20th instant.





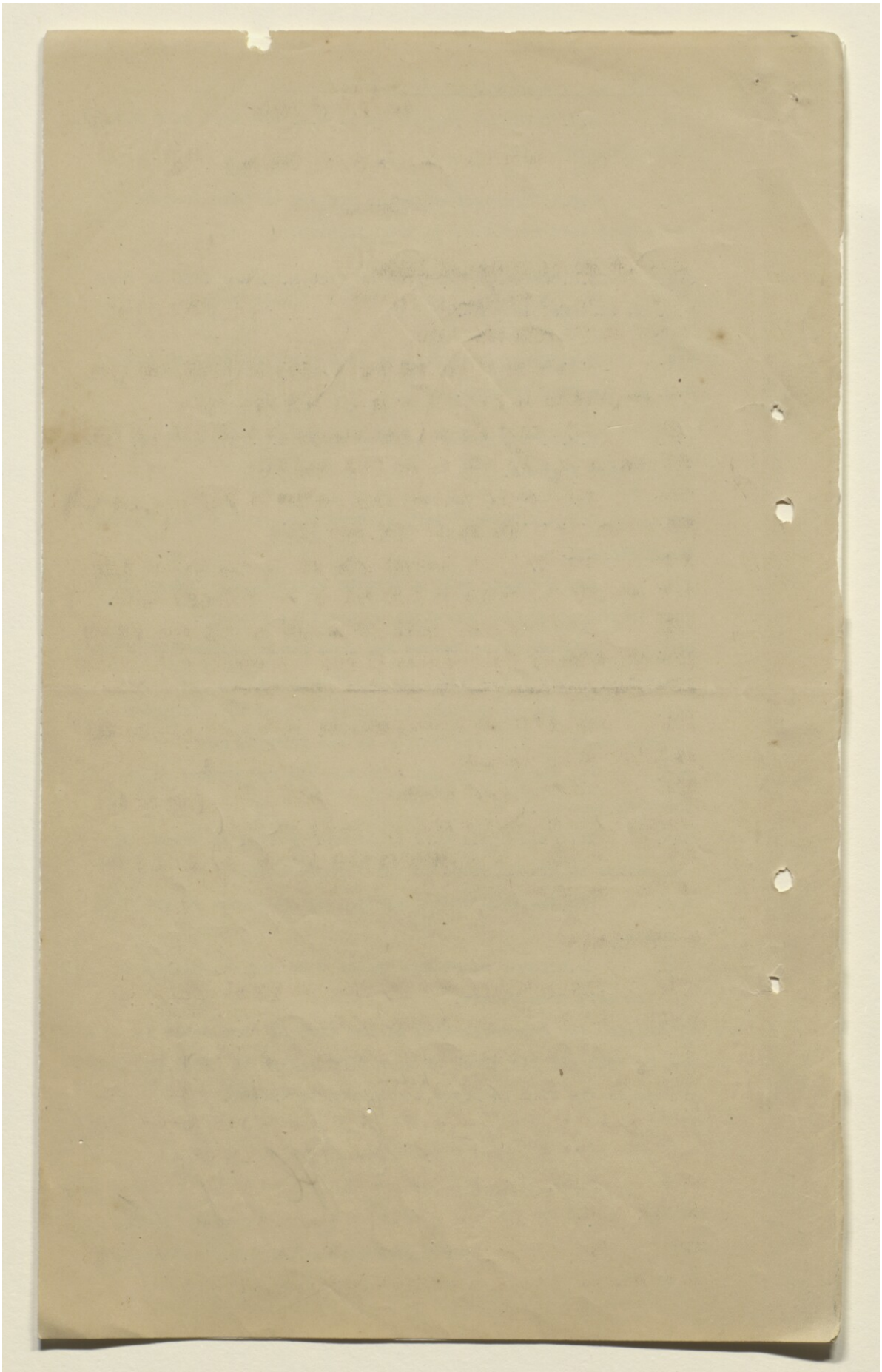
Arrivals and departures of ships (Continued) (2)

373. S.S. "Eulimba" arrived at 11 A.M. and left at 7 P.M. on 20th instant
374. H.M.S. "Proserpine," which arrived on 14th instant (para:356) left at 7 P.M. on 20th instant.
375. S.S. "Waroonga" arrived at 7:30 A.M. and left on 2:30 P.M. on the 22nd instant.
376. S.S. "Dwarka" arrived at 7:45 A.M. and left at 8:30 A.M. on the 22nd instant.
377. H.M.S. "Redbreast" arrived at 11 A.M. and left at 4 P.M. on the 23rd instant.
378. R.I.M.S. "Minto" left at 2:30 P.M. on the 25th instant.

Miscellaneous.

379. Sayid Temour paid a private visit to the Agency Surgeon in charge of the Consulate on the 21st instant.
380. Subedar Mirza Rustom Beg from Bunder Abbas landed here and sailed after a few hours on S.S. "Waroonga"
381. The Agency Surgeon in charge of the Consulate paid a private visit to H.H. the Sultan on the 23rd instant.
382. The American Consul left for Sib for summer recess on the 24th instant.
383. Saif bin Hamid Wali of Misweh arrived at Muscat 10 and called on His Highness on the 21st instant.
384. The American Consul visited His Highness on the 22nd instant.
385. Mr. Lagasse agent for Baiet & Co and Mr. Nishan arrived by slow mail from Koweit.
386. Mr. Coulon the representative of the firm of Cara Galla is trying to sell off his stock of some 2000 rifles to Local gun merchants as the firm proposes ^{to close} the branch at Muscat.

o/c *AC*
Captain I.M.S.,
for Political Agent & H.E.M.'s Consul,
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News for the week ending 2nd July 1910.

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

287. H.M.S. "Redbreast" arrived at 7.30 P.M. and left at 2 P.M. on the 26th June 1910.
288. S.S. "Madura" arrived from Karachi at 6 A.M. and left for the Persian Gulf at 2 P.M. on the 27th June 1910.
389. S.S. "Kole" arrived from Karachi at 1.25 P.M. and left for Bushire at 2.15 P.M. on the 27th June 1910.
390. S.S. "Kasara" arrived from Bushire at 7.15 A.M. and left for Karachi at 8 A.M. on the 29th June 1910.
391. S.S. "Goalpara" arrived from the Persian Gulf at 9.30 A.M. and left for Gwadur at 2.30 P.M. on the 29th June 1910.
392. S.S. "Gorgistan" arrived from Jask on 30th June having been chartered by the Admiralty to coal His Majesty's Ships. She will discharge 2500 tons in the local coal depot.
393. H.M.S. "Alert" arrived here at 10.15 A.M. and left ~~for~~ at 5 P.M. on 1st instant.
394. S.S. "Anatolia" arrived from Europe at 11 A.M. on 1st instant and left for the Persian Gulf at 5.30 P.M.
395. H.M.S. "Odin" arrived at 6.30 A.M. on 2nd instant and is still in the harbour.

Miscellaneous.

396. With reference to diary entry No. 382 the American Consul returned from Sib on 27th instant.
397. Mr. Abdul Masih an Arab Christian^{ian} Journalist, and Editor and Proprietor of the Al-Amran of Egypt arrived from Busreh by S.S. "Kasara" on the 29th Ultimo. He is putting up with Saiyid Abdul Qadir and intends to leave for Behrein by the next mail.
398. Captain Craufurd arrived here from Jask by S.S. "Goalpara" on 29th ultimo and left by H.M.S. "Alert" on 1st instant.
399. The American Consul paid a private visit to the Agency Surgeon in charge of the Consulate on the 2nd instant.

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400. The Agency Surgeon in charge of the Consulate paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on 2nd instant.

W. Crook

Captain, I.N.S.

for H.B.M.'s Consul, Muscat.



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Condition of country.

401. 2 Somali dhows arrived a few days ago at Sur for the date trade, one bound for Debai and the other for Mutrah, a suburb of Muskat.

Arrival and departure of ships.

402. H. M. S. "Redbreast" arrived at 3 P. M. on the 3rd instant and left at 11 A. M. on the 5th.

403. The Hamburg-America S. S. "Parthia" arrived from Europe at dawn ~~on the 3rd~~ and left for the Persian Gulf at 10. 30. A. M. on the 4th instant.

404. S. S. "Nudda" arrived with mails from Gwadar at 1. 30. P. M. on the 4th instant and left for Jask at 8. A. M. on the 5th.

405. S. S. "Dwarika" arrived with mails from Karachi at 6. 45. A. M. and left ^{for Bushire} at 7. 30. A. M. ~~on the 5th instant~~ on the 5th instant.

406. H. M. S. "Alert" arrived at 11. 30. A. M. on the 5th instant and is still in harbour.

407. H. M. S. "Proserpine" arrived at 7. P. M. on the 5th instant and is still in harbour.

408. H. M. S. "Fox" arrived at 1. 30. P. M. on the 5th instant and is still in harbour.

409. S. S. "Bulimba" arrived from ~~Jask~~ ^{with mails from Jask} at 8. A. M. and left for ^{Chhabbar} Gwadar at 2. 30. P. M. on the 6th instant.

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410. S. S. "Kola" arrived with mails from Bushire at 8. A. M. and left for Karachi at 9. A. M. on the 6th instant.

411. With reference to diary entry NO 395 H. M. S. "Odin" left at 7. P. M. on the 6th instant.

sent from Aden in search of S. S. "Trieste";

412. R.I.M.S. "Dalhousie" arrived at dawn on the 8th instant

~~from Aden in search of the S. S. "Trieste"~~ and left for Aden

at 8. P. M. on the 9th. The Agency Surgeon acting on information received from the Resident at Aden informed the Commanding officer that the missing vessel had reached Bombay.

Miscellaneous.

413. The 4th instant being the American Independence Day His Highness the Sultan's battery fired a salute of 21 guns. The flagstaffs of all the Foreign Consulates, of H. H' palace and forts and the masts of His Majesty's ships in harbour were dressed in honour of the day.

414. His Highness the Sultan accompanied by his Brother Saiyid Mohamed bin Turki, his sons Saiyids Taimur and Nadir and his suite paid an official visit to the American Consul, on the American Independence day. The Agency Surgeon in charge of the Consulate accompanied by the Commanding officers of H. M. ships "Odin and Redbreast also paid an official visit to the American Consul; ^{also} ~~as well as~~ the French Consul and the Italian Government Agent.

415. Sheikh Sultan bin Mansur of the Yal Wehba arrived on the 4th instant,



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instant, with 30 followers on a visit to His Highness the Sultan.

~~416.~~ M. Tram, the gun merchant returned to Muskat by S. S. "Bulimba" on the 6th instant.

~~417.~~⁴¹⁶ The American Consul left by S. S. "Kola" on the 6th instant for Karachi.

R. Croode

Capt, I.M.S.,
for Political Agent & Consul.

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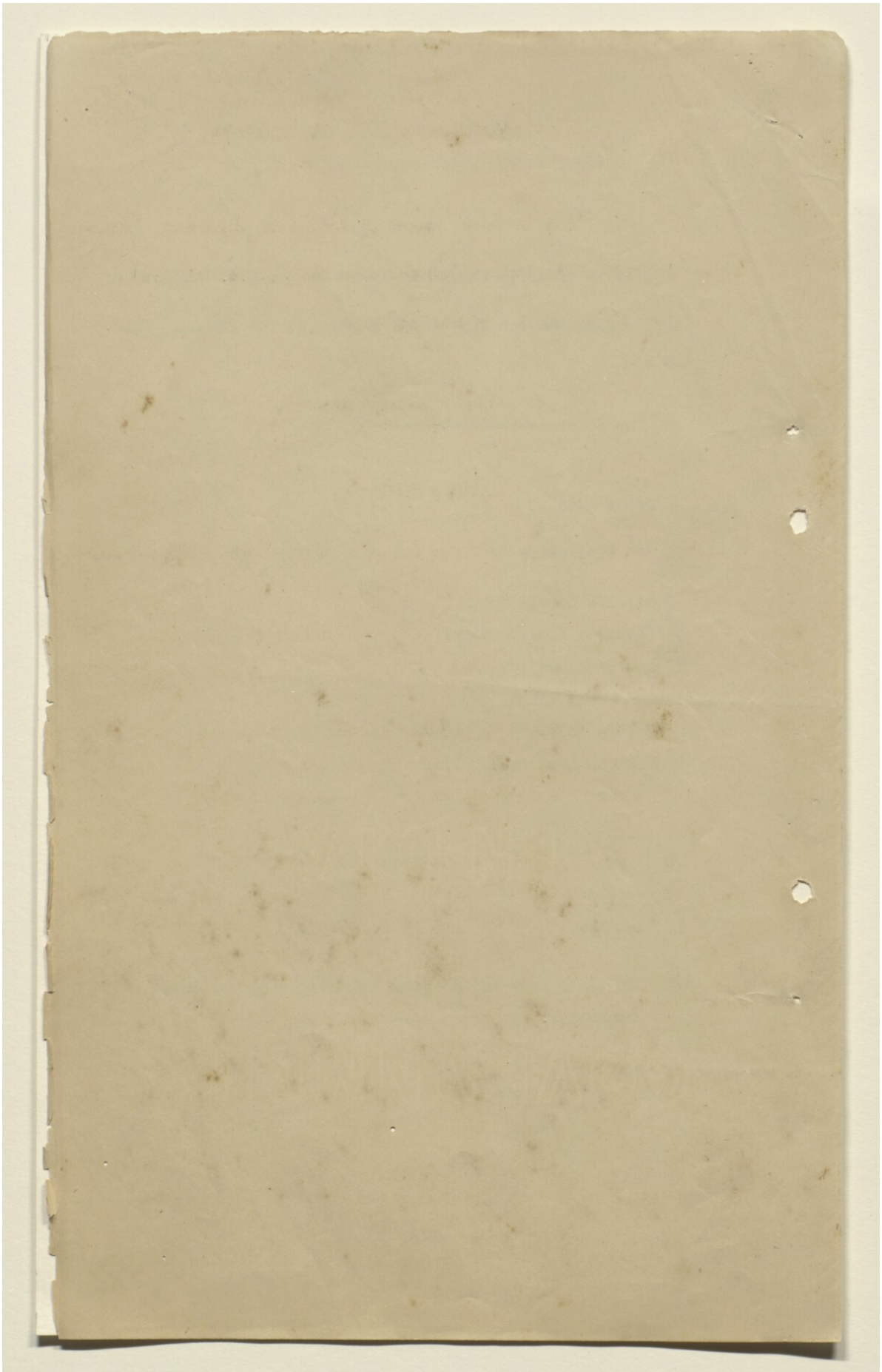
Secret Commercial Intelligence.

Details of cargo landed at Muscat as per S.S. "Parthia" of
the Hamburg America line which arrived on the 4th July 1910.

25 cases Gin
46 " Wier nails
3 berrils Spirit
6 Packages Florida Water
1 case Machines
1 " Fruit salt
4 berrils Spirit
5 packages & 2 Cases Spirit

75 Cases
7 Berrils
11 Packages

Add 30 cases Arms and 93 cases cartridges as per Arms
statement.





Secret Commercial Intelligence.

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Details of cargo loaded at Muskat on board the S.S. Par-
thia" of the Hamburg-America line for Persian Gulf ports
which sailed on the 4th July 1910.

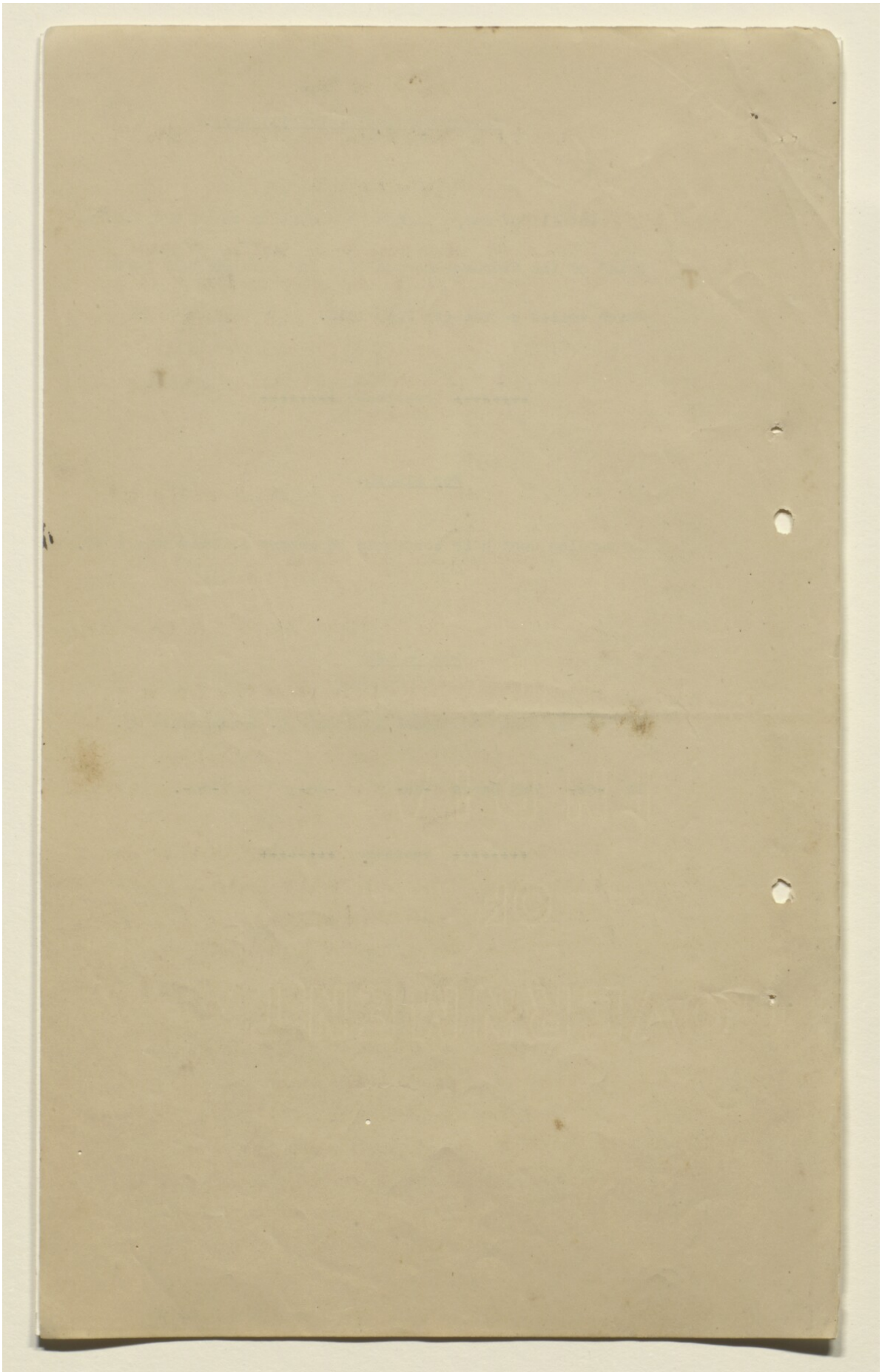
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12 bundles Goat hair consigned to Messrs R. Wonckhaus & CO.

For Buareh

19 bundles Henna consigned to Messrs R. Wonckhaus & CO.

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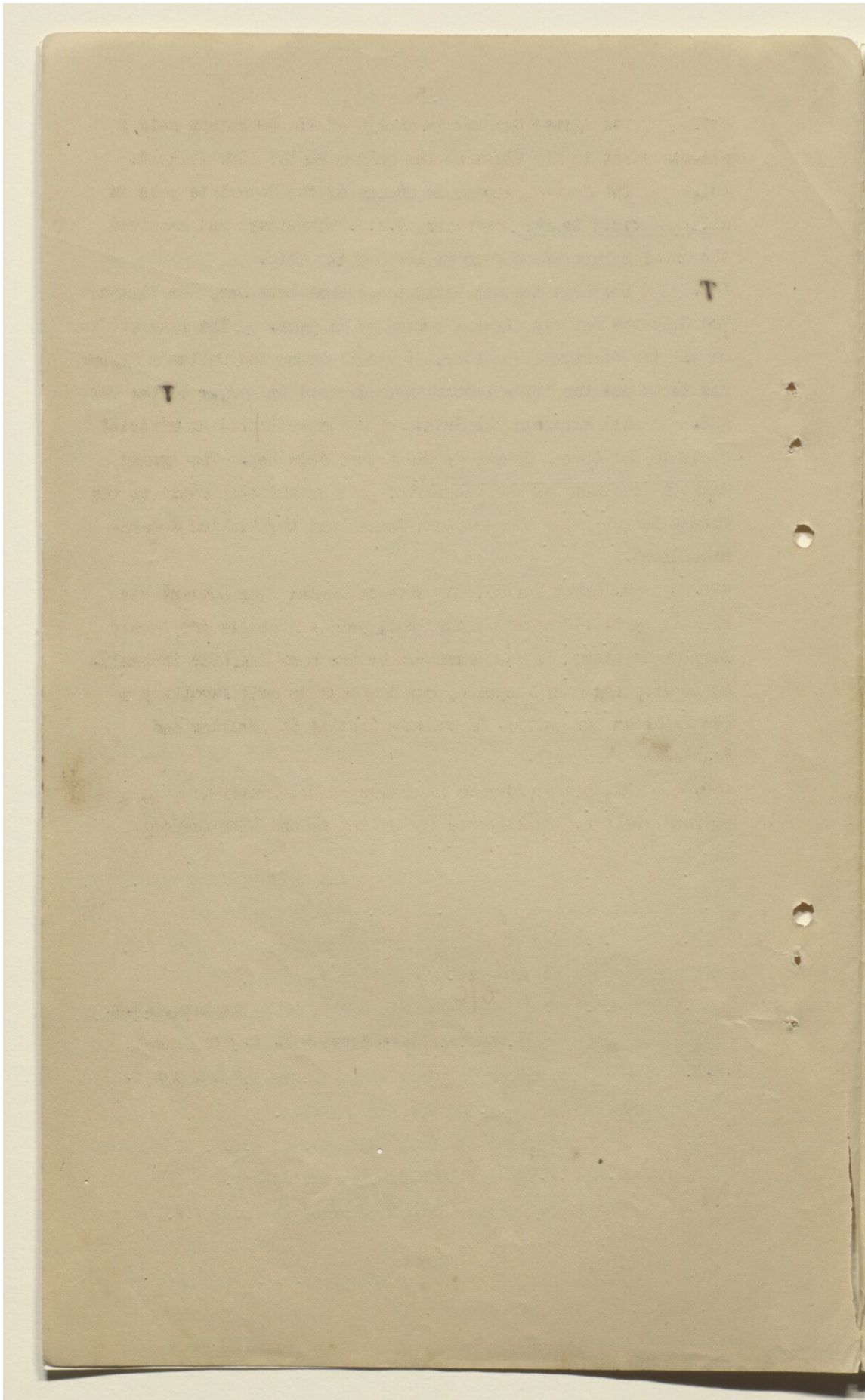
Condition of Country.

417. His Highness the Sultan sent Sheikh Seif bin Suleiman of **Tau**, who was here for some months, to make peace with the Muawil tribe, and has also deputed Sheikh Abdul Aziz **Ar-Ruwshi** and Sheikh Mohamed bin Rashid to help in the matter. Up to the present their efforts have failed and the feud between **Tau** and Muawil and Nekhl still exists.

Arrival and departure of Ships.

418. H.M.S. "Redbreast" arrived at 3 P.M. on the 10th and left at 12.15 A.M. on 12th instant.
419. H.M.S. "Odin" arrived at 7 A.M. on the 11th & left at night.
420. H.M.S. "Alert" which arrived on 5th, left on the night of 11th instant.
421. H.M.S. "Gibraltar" arrived from Aden at 2 P.M. on the 11th and saluted the port with 21 guns, which was duly replied by His Highness' saluting battery. She is still in harbour.
422. S.S. "Weroonga" arrived with mails from Charbar at 6 A.M. and left for Jask at 4.30 P.M. on 11th instant.
423. S.S. "Kasera" arrived with mails from Karachi at 5.50 P.M. and left for Bushire at 6.30 P.M. on 11th instant.
424. S.S. "Madura" arrived with mails from Jask at 6 A.M. and left for Gwedur at 2.30 P.M. on the 13th instant.
425. S.S. "Dwerka" arrived with mails from Bushire at 8.45 A.M. & left for Karachi at 9.30 A.M. on the 13th instant.
426. With reference to Diary entry No. 392 S.S. "Gorgistan" left for Basidu at 7 A.M. on the 15th instant.
427. With reference to diary entry No. 407 H.M.S. "Proserpine" left at 11.30 A.M. on the 16th instant for Bombay.
428. The Armed Launch "Sheikh" arrived at 11.30 A.M. on the 16th instant.
429. With reference to ^{diary} entry No. 408 H.M.S. "Fox" left at 2.30 P.M. on the 16th instant.

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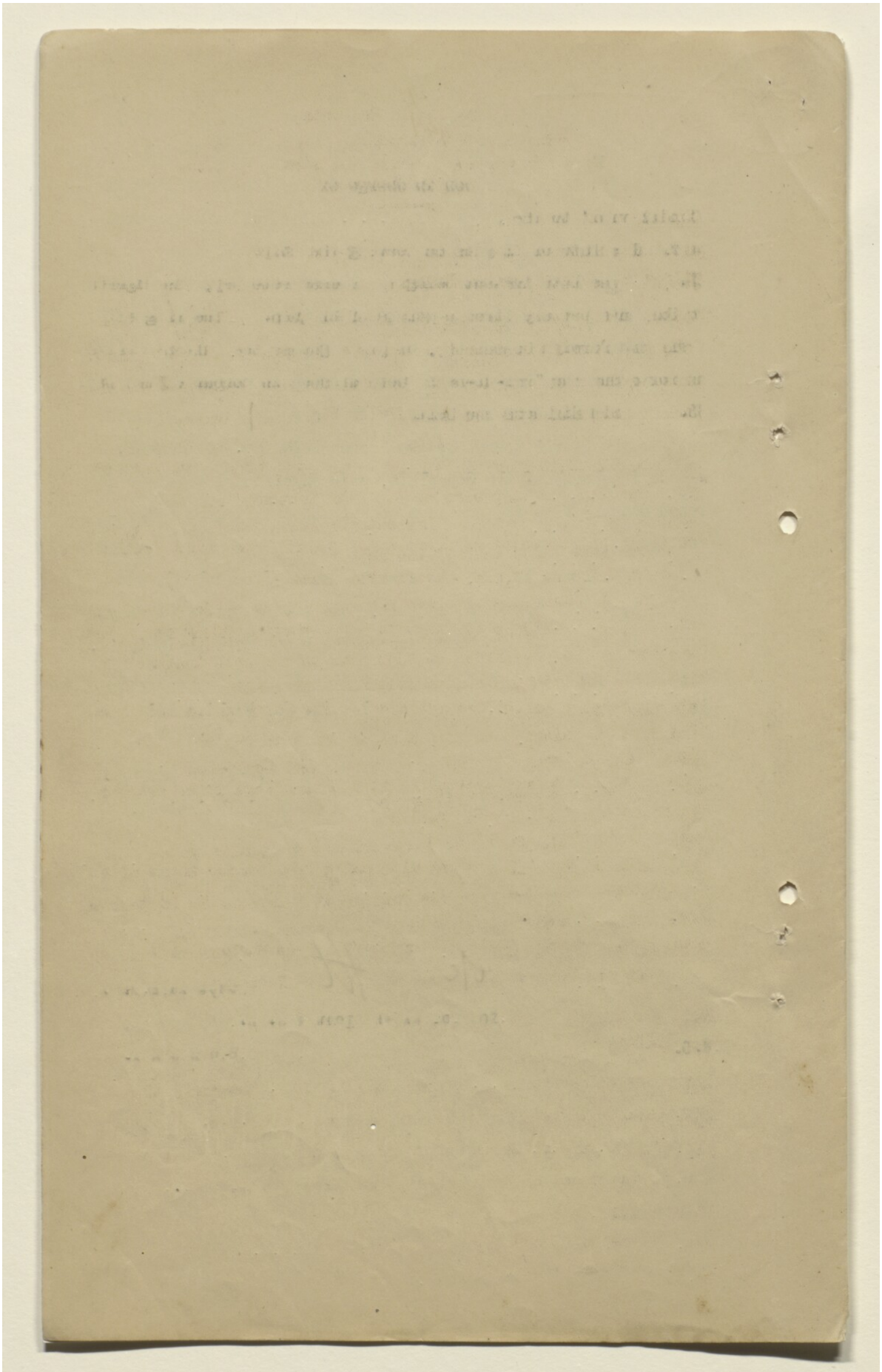
430. The Agency Surgeon in charge of the Consulate paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 13th instant.
431. The Agency Surgeon in charge of the Consulate paid an official visit to the Commander, H.M.S. "Gibraltar" and received the usual salute of 11 guns on leaving the ship.
432. The 14th instant being the French Fete Day, His Highness the Sultan's battery fired a salute of 21 guns. The flag staffs of all the Foreign Consulates, of His Highness the Sultan's Palace and forts and the "Mar-ul-Behr" were dressed in honour of the Day.
433. His Highness the Sultan with his suite paid an official visit to the French Consul on the French Fete Day. The Agency Surgeon in charge of the Consulate, paid an official visit to the French Consul; also the American Consul and the Italian Government Agent.
434. M. Albert Verrin, who came to Muscat from Behrein via Bushire by S.S. "Dwarka" on the 13th, paid a visit to the Agency Surgeon in charge of the Consulate on the same day (13th instant). He is staying with M. Lagasse, and has come to sell Jewellery to His Highness the Sultan. He intends leaving for Bushire and Baghdad by next mail.
435. The Agency Surgeon in charge of the Consulate paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 16th instant.

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Captain, I.M.S.
for Political Agent & H. B. M's Consul,
MUSCAT.

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Arrivals and departures of Ships.

436. S.S. "Luristan" arrived from Basreh at 8 a.m. and left for the United States of America at 5 p.m. on the 17th Instant. She landed a sick apprentice here for medical treatment who has been accommodated in the quarters of the Agency Surgeon.

437. With reference to Diary entry No.421 H.M.S. "Gibraltar" left for Berbera at 9 a.m. on the 17th Instant.

438. With reference to Diary entry No.428, the armed launch "Sheikh" left at 10 p.m. on the 18th Instant.

439. S.S. "Goalpara" arrived with mails from Gwadar at 11 a.m. and left for Bunder Abbas at 4.30 p.m. on the 18th Instant.

440. S.S. "Kola" arrived with mails from Karachi at 8.35 p.m. and left for Bushire at 9.15 p.m. on the 18th Instant.

441. H.M.S. "Odin" arrived at 12 noon and left after coaling at 10.30 p.m. on the 18th Instant.

442. S.S. "Muddia" arrived with mails from Bunder Abbas at 3 p.m. on the 19th and left for Chahbar at 3.15 p.m. on 20 Instant

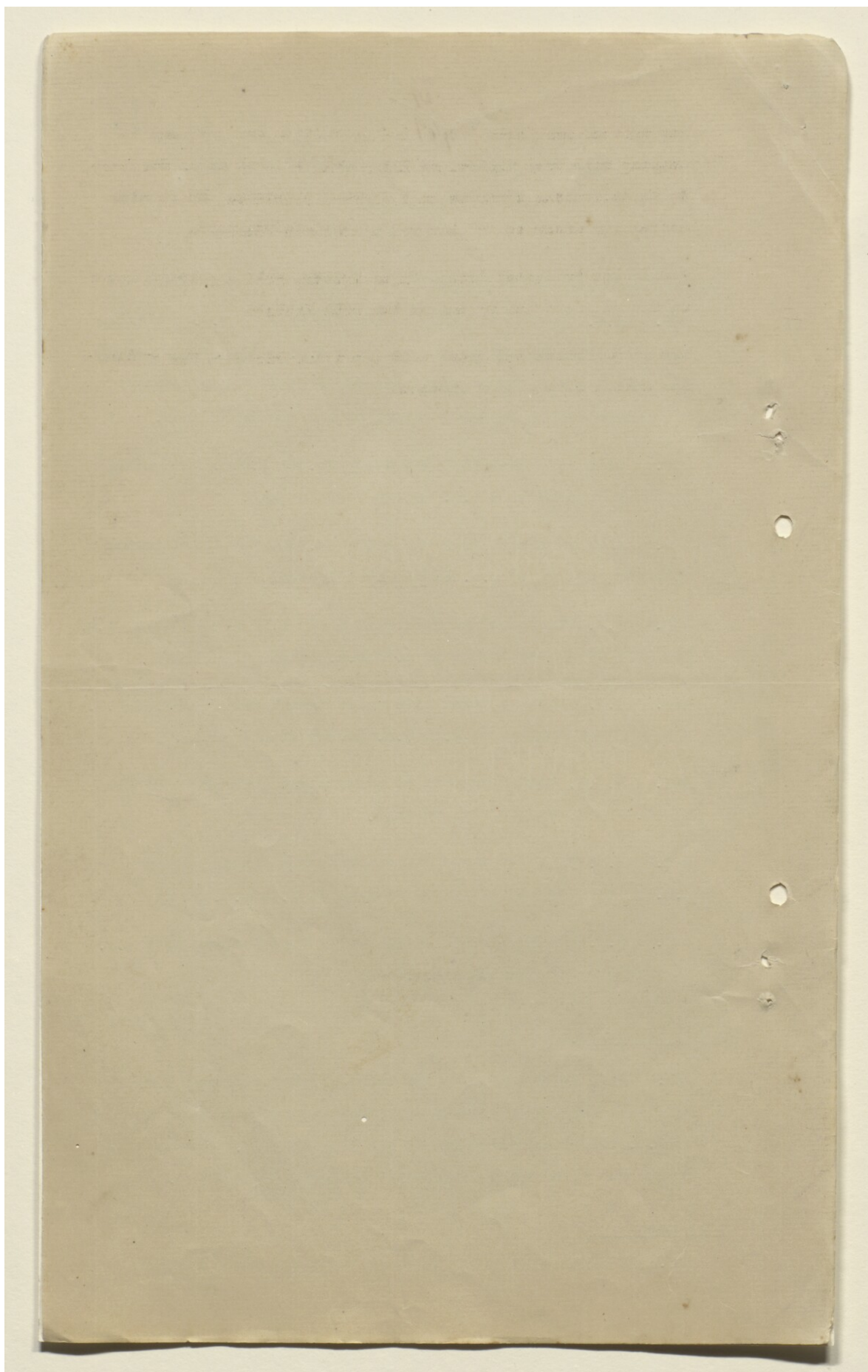
443. S.S. "Kasara" arrived with mails from Bushire at 7 a.m. and left for Karachi at 8 a.m. on the 20th Instant.

Local Officials.

444. With reference to Diary entry 317 Major Trevor I.A., Political Agent & H.B.M's Consul, Muscat, returned from Karachi by S.S. "Kola" on the night of the 18th Instant. The usual ~~xx~~ salute was fired by His Highness' battery next morning.

Miscellaneous.

445. A Bengalee Sanyasi preacher, with two young disciples,
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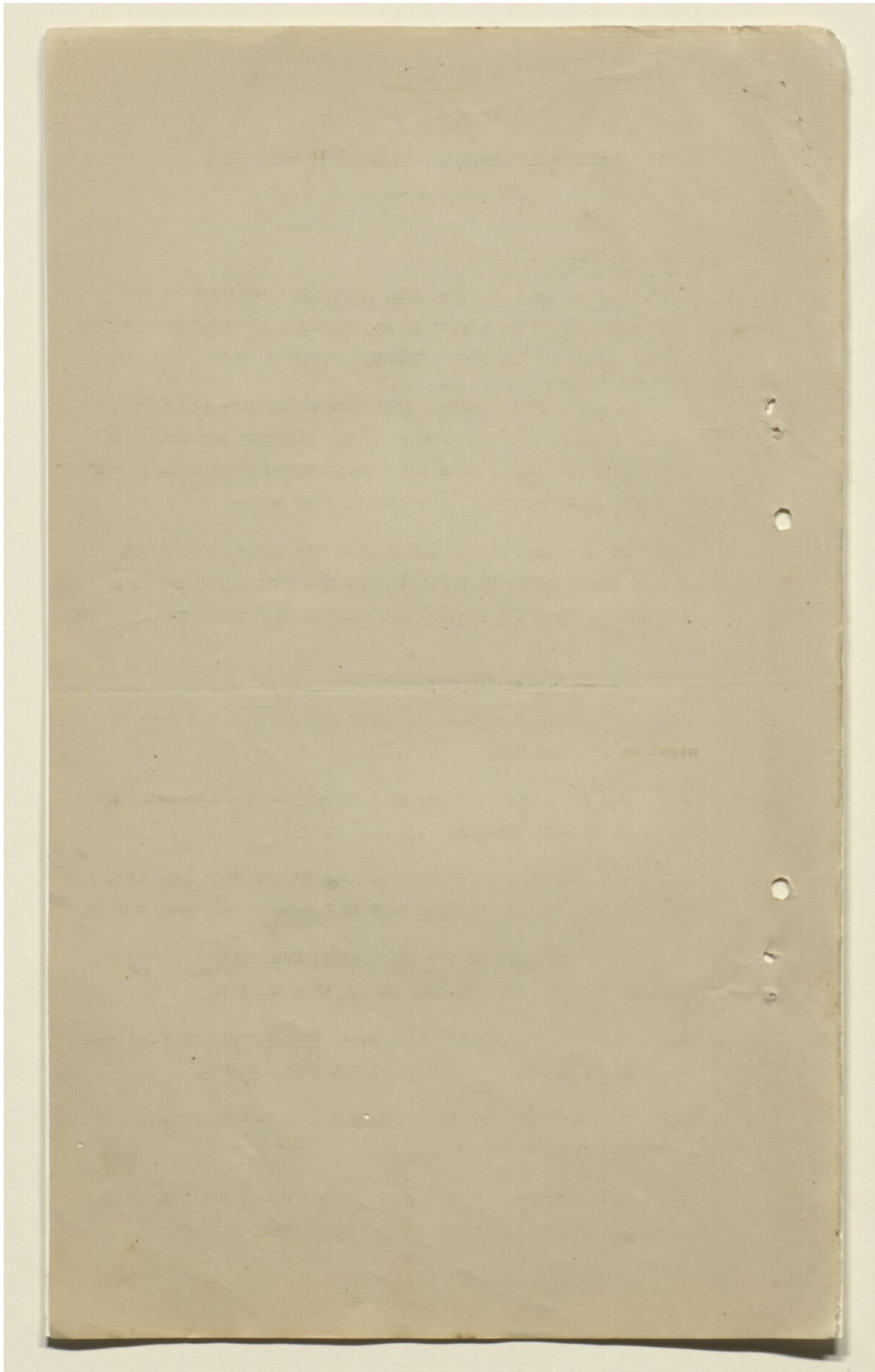
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has arrived here from India last week (11th Instant) and is staying with Seth Khushaldas Khimammal, a local Hindu merchant. He is delivering lectures on religious problems. He is also collecting money it is said for a Sanskrit Patshala.

446. The Political Agent, Major Trevor, paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 20th Instant.

447. The Political Agent paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 23rd Instant.

o/c
Major.
Political Agent & H.B.M's Consul,
M U S C A T.

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News for the week ending the 30th July 1910.

Condition of Country.

448. News has been received from Sohar that some men of the Al-Naeem tribe committed a raid in the vicinity of Sohar and carried away 50 camels on the 24th Instant.

449. News has been received that Shaikh Khalifah bin Zaid has arrived in Breami and has written to His Highness the Sultan to meet him in connection with the late disturbance at Sohar. His Highness, however, seems to be disinclined to go.

450. It is reported from Sib that in the course of a fight between two Baluchis an Arab gardener who came up to separate them was accidentally stabbed and died shortly after on July 29th

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

451. H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 12.30 p.m. on 24th and left at night on 25th Instant.

452. H.M.S. "Alert" arrived at 1.30 p.m. on the 24th and left at 8 p.m. on 27th Instant.

453. S.S. "Stanley Hall" arrived from Europe at 8 a.m. on the 25th and left for the Persian Gulf at 5 a.m. on the 26th Instant.

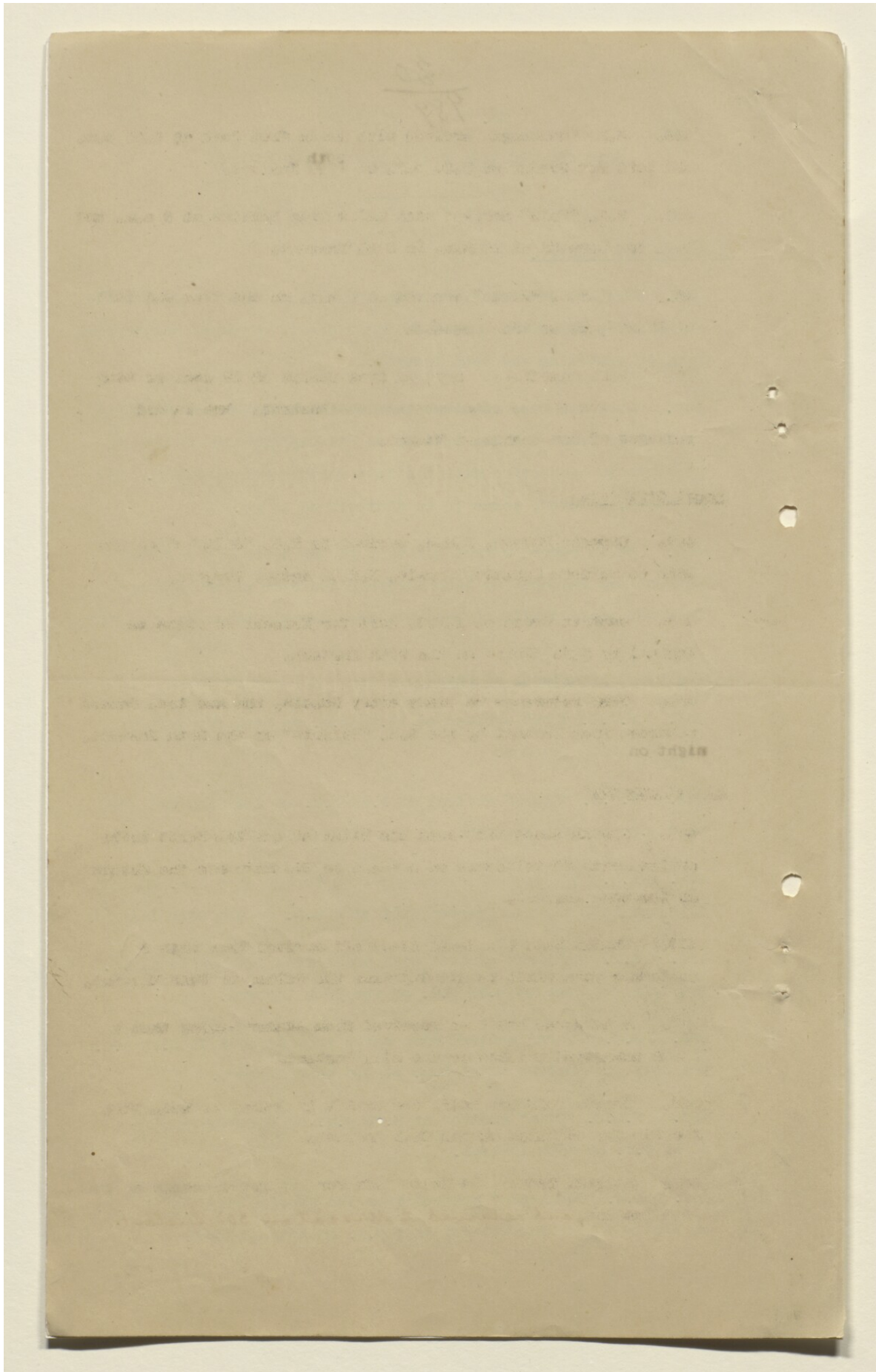
454. S.S. "Dulimba" arrived with mails from Chahbar at 6 a.m. and left for Jask at 4.30 p.m. on the 25th Instant.

455. S.S. "Dumra" arrived with mails from Karachi at 9.10 a.m. and left for Bushire at 10 a.m. on the 25th Instant.

456. H.M.S. "Odin" arrived at 2.30 p.m. on the 25th and left at 11 a.m. on 26th Instant.

457. S.S. "Gorgistan" arrived from the Persian Gulf at 11 p.m. on 26th and left for Karachi at 2 p.m. on 27th Instant.

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458. S.S. "Wazoonga" arrived with mails from Jask at 6.30 a.m. and left for Gwadur at 5.30 p.m. on 27th Instant.

459. S.S. "Kola" arrived with mails from Bushire at 9 a.m. and left for Karachi at 10 a.m. on 27th Instant.

460. R.I.M.S. "Minto" arrived at 9 a.m. on the 27th and left at 12.30 p.m. on 29th Instant.

461. S.S. "Kurdistan" arrived from Europe at 12 noon on 24th and left for the Persian Gulf on 29th Instant. She landed 9008 packages of box-boards at Mutrah.

Local Officials.

462. Captain McVean, I.M.S. arrived by S.S. "Bulimba" on the 25th to relieve Captain Crossle, I.M.S. Agency Surgeon.

463. Captain Crossle, I.M.S. left for Karachi en route to England by S.S. "Kola" on the 27th Instant.

464. With reference to Diary entry No.416, the American Consul returned from Karachi by the S.S. "Bulimba" on the 25th Instant.

Miscellaneous.

465. Shaikh Saood bin Hamed bin Hilal of the Yal-Wehba tribe arrived with 20 followers on a visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 25rd Instant.

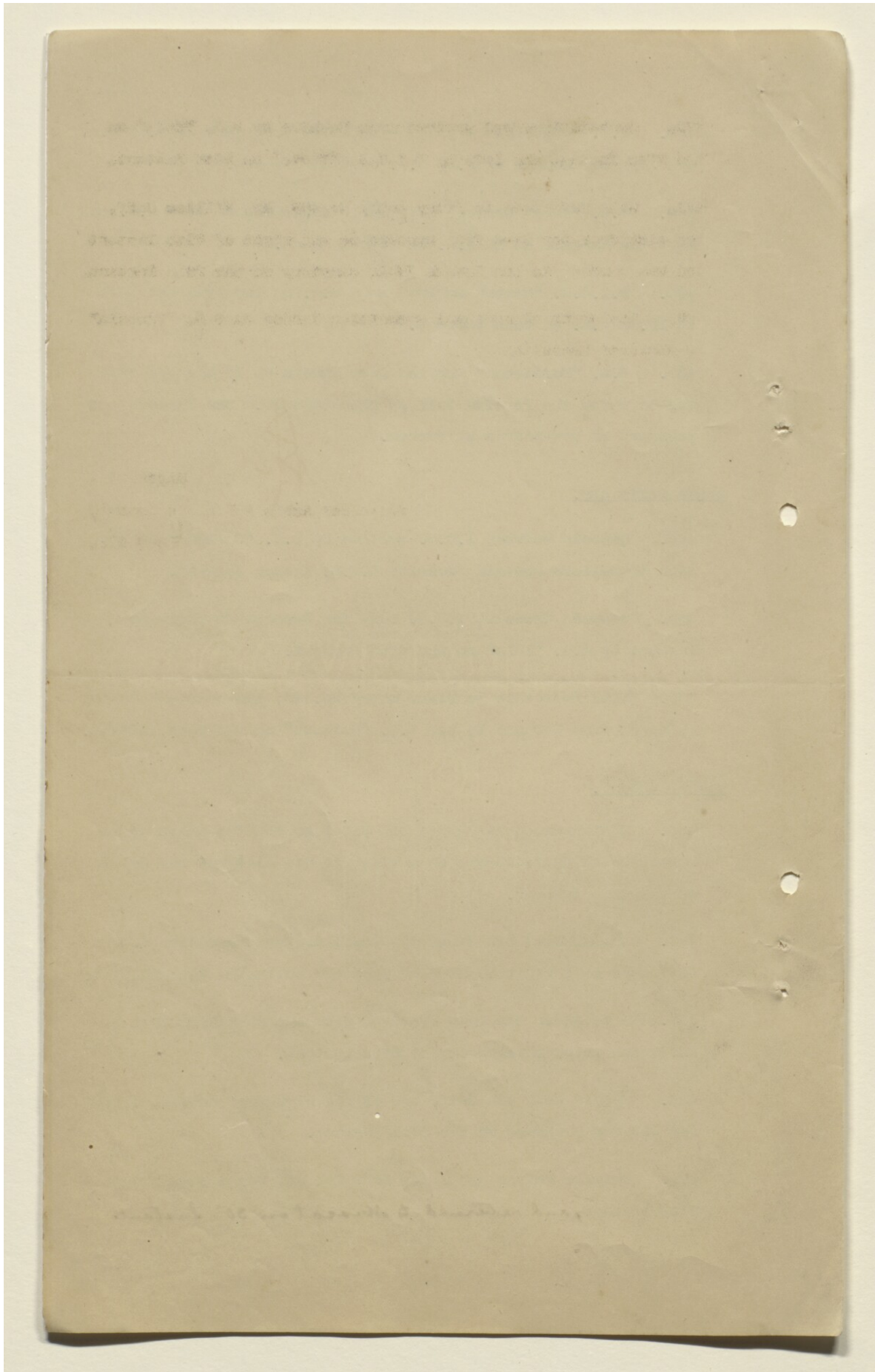
466. Shaikh Said bin Hamed Al-Jehafi arrived here with 25t followers on a visit to His Highness the Sultan on 24th Instant.

467. A telegram has been received from Gwadur saying that a Khoja committed suicide on the 24th Instant.

468. Saiyid Bedr bin Seif, one of His Highness' nobles, left for Sib for a change on the 25th Instant.

469. Saiyids Taimur and Nadir left for Sib for a change on the 26th Instant, and returned to Muscat on 30: Instant.

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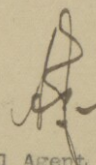


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470. Captain Crawford arrived from Bushire by S.S. "Kola" on the 27th Instant and left by R.I.M.S. "Minto" on 29th Instant.

471. With reference to Diary entry No.456, Mr. William Cuff, the sick deck-boy died from syncope on the night of 25th Instant and was buried in the Shaikh Jabir cemetery on the 26th Instant.

472. Statement of arms and ammunition landed ex S.S. "Parthia" is enclosed herewith.

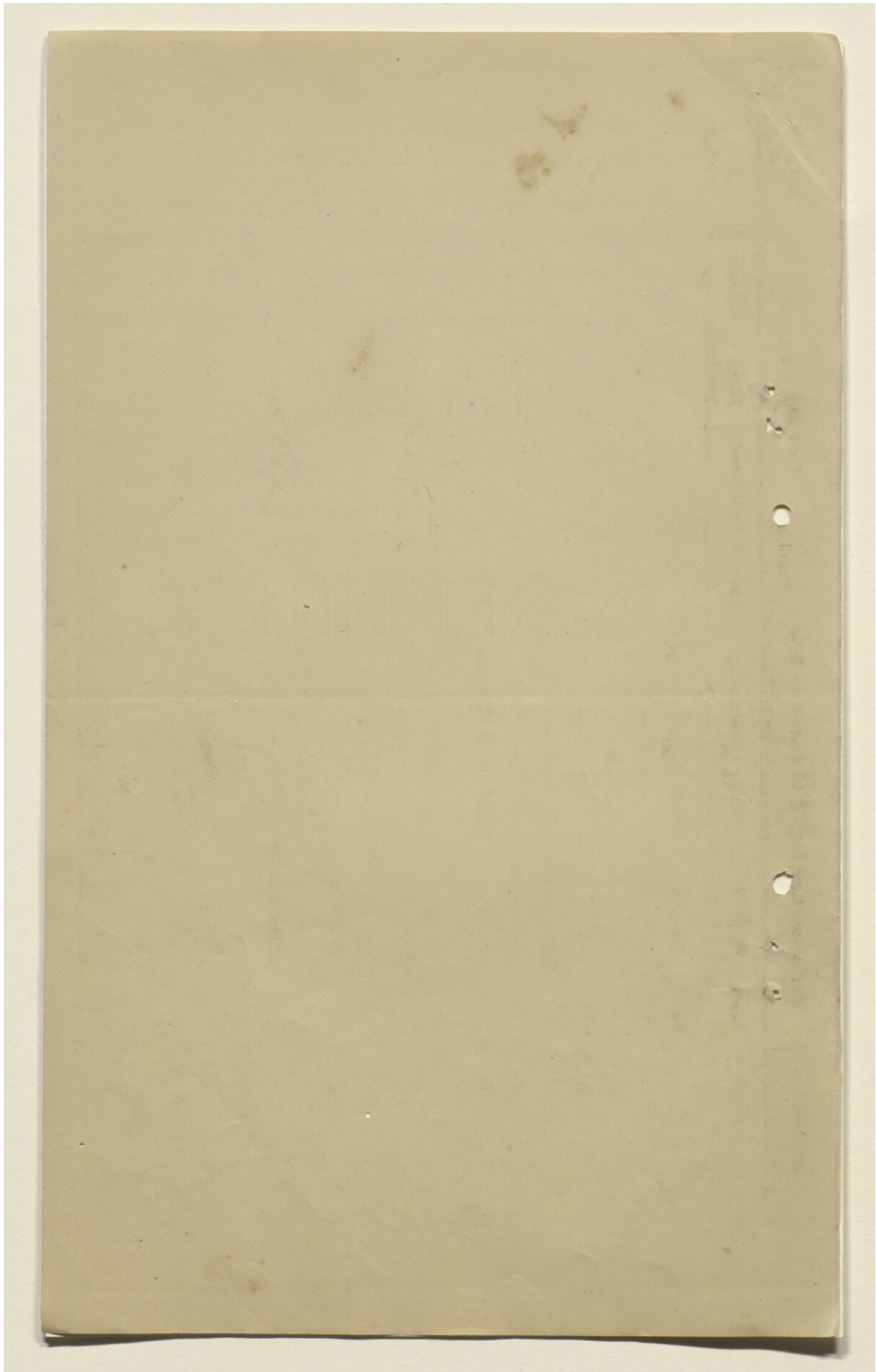
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Major.

Political Agent & H.E.M.'s Consul,

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Statement of Arms and Ammunition landed at Muscat ex S.S. " Parthia " on the 4th July 1910.

Marks or Numbers	Cases	Contents	Names of shippers	Names of Consignees	Names of persons taking delivery	Remarks
1109	1 case	Weapons	Louis Dieu (H. Reynardts)	Order		
1119	1 "	"	----	"		
1135	1 "	"	----	"		
1110	1 "	"	----	"		
75	1 "	Safety Cartridges	----	"		
1142	1 "	--do-- do--	----	"		
507/8	5 "	Arms dechane Connellier & Schepens		Hanza - Elbez		
A G				Order		
E.S.	1 "	old guns	-----Do-----	"		
	2 "	Cartridges	-----do-----	"		
E.L.	1/80	--do--	Parent & Leroy	"		
75	1102	Arms	Louis Dieu	"		
--"	1104	"	----	"		
"	1103	Safety Cartridges	----	"		
"	1105	--do--	----	"		
O.T.J.	1/4	Rifles	B. D. Z. Smeu	"		
--"	4 "	--do--	----	"		
--"	9/14	--do--	----	"		
M	47/50	Arms				20 arms 30 arms
M	51/86	Safety metal	Adolf Frank, Export G. in H.H.			40 50 93 Cartridges



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Year	Month	Day	Event	Remarks	Amount	Balance
1910	Jan	1
1910	Jan	2
1910	Jan	3
1910	Jan	4
1910	Jan	5
1910	Jan	6
1910	Jan	7
1910	Jan	8
1910	Jan	9
1910	Jan	10
1910	Jan	11
1910	Jan	12
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Condition of Country.

473. With reference to Diary entry No.417, some prominent men of the Al-Muawil tribe have arrived at Sib and His Highness the Sultan proposes to depute Saiyid Mohamed bin Ahmed bin Nasir, Wali of Mutrah, to discuss with them the question of peace between Tan and Al-Muawil.

474. With reference to Diary entries Nos.319 and 449, Shaikh Sultan bin Mohamed Al-Naeemi has written a strong letter to His Highness the Sultan remonstrating against the latter's delay in going to Sohar. His Highness has replied that he cannot leave Muscat, but that the Shaikh might come to Muscat with not more than 20 followers and accompanied by Shaikh Khalifah bin Zaid.

The Sultan however informed the Political Agent on the 6th Instant that he had finally written to Shaikh Khalifah that as there had been so much delay in acting on his previous letters he could not now receive him at Muscat.

Arms Traffic.

475. A Koweit dhow belonging to Evaz left Mutrah at the beginning of the week; she had a cargo of timber, but it is suspected that a considerable number of arms are concealed under a false lining along the sides.

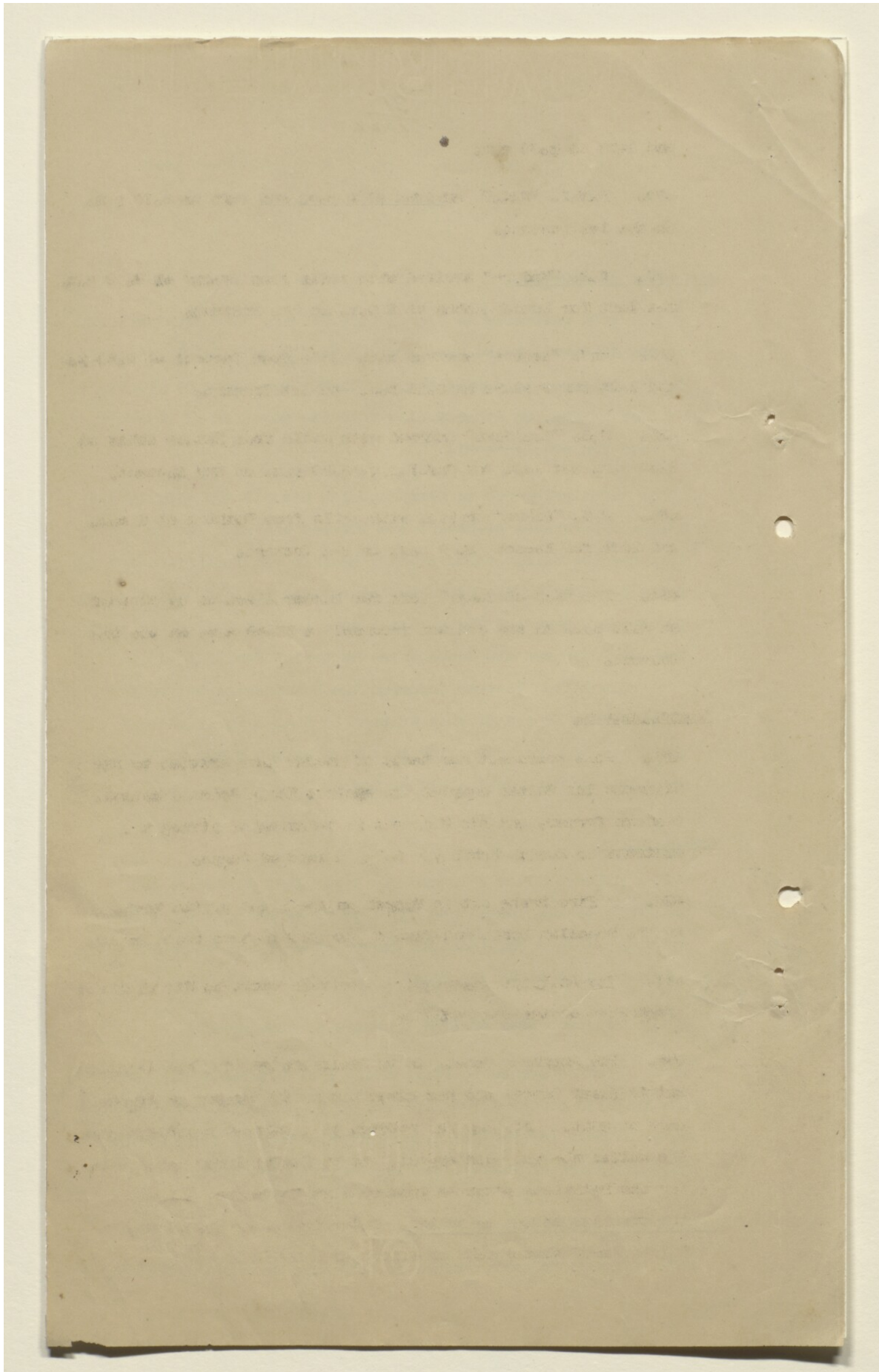
476. Monsieur Wram arrived by the S.S. "Goalpara".

477. With reference to Diary entry 1 of October 10th, 1909, the Armenian commercial traveller, M. B. Menasche, who according to M. Lagasse (of Baijeot & Co.) travels for the firm of Dieu (gun exporters of Paris), has also arrived in Muscat.

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

478. H.M.S. "Alert" arrived at 5.30 a.m. on the 1st Instant
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and left at 8.30 p.m.

479. H.M.S. "Odin" arrived at 2 p.m. and left at 8.30 p.m. on the 1st Instant.

480. S.S. "Madura" arrived with mails from Gwadur at 8.10 a.m. and left for Bunder Abbas at 2 p.m. on 1st Instant.

481. S.S. "Kasara" arrived with mails from Karachi at 2.30 p.m. and left for Bushire at 8.15 p.m. on 1st Instant.

482. S.S. "Goalpara" arrived with mails from Bunder Abbas at 5.30 a.m. and left for Chahbar at 8.30 p.m. on 3rd Instant.

483. S.S. "Dumra" arrived with mails from Bushire at 8 a.m. and left for Karachi at 9 a.m. on 3rd Instant.

484. The "Nur-ul-Bahar" left for bunder Jissa to be cleaned at 8.30 a.m. on the 4th and returned at 11.30 a.m. on the 6th Instant.

Miscellaneous.

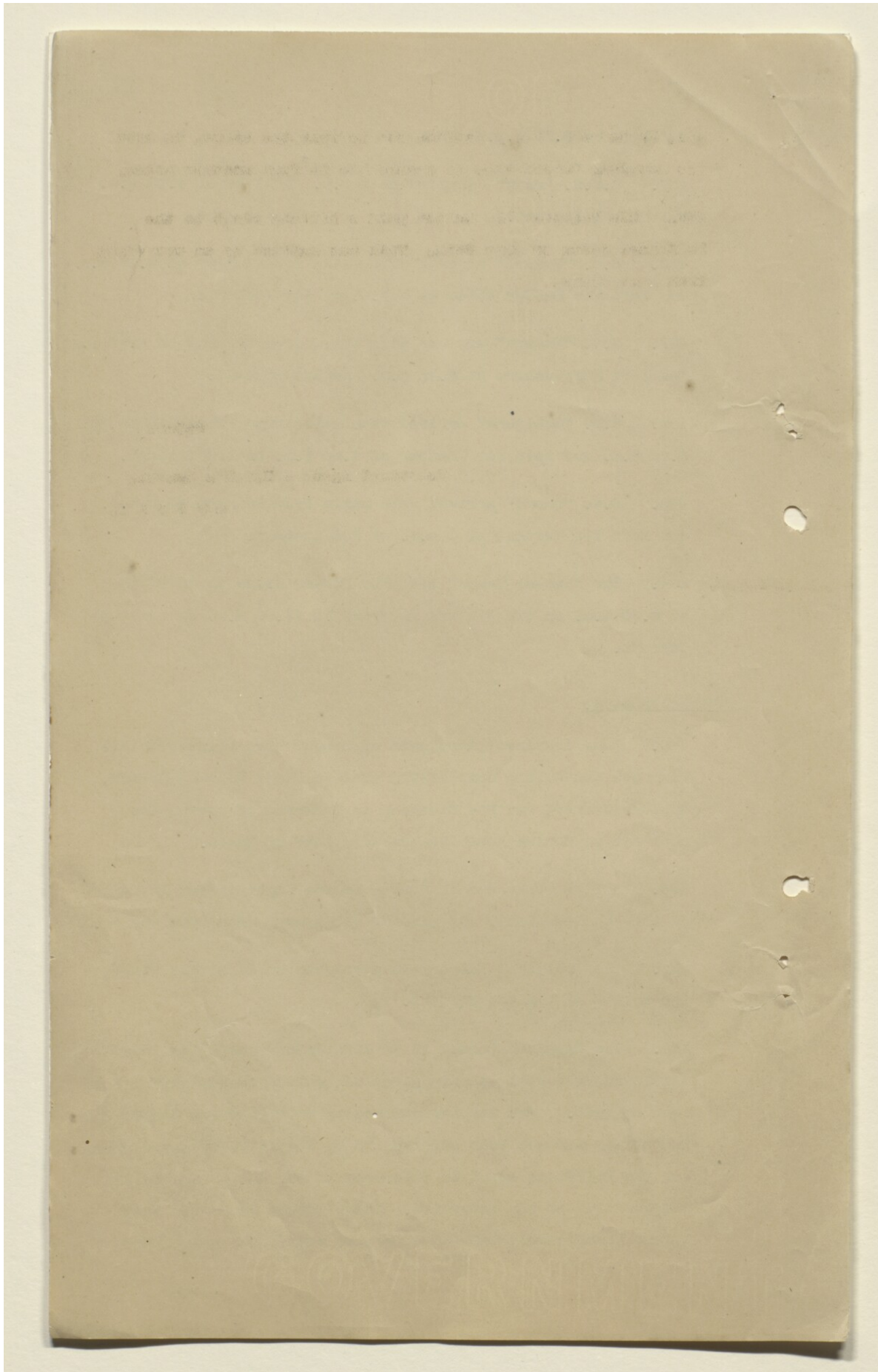
485. Some prominent merchants of Gwadur have written to His Highness the Sultan complaining against Khoja Mohamed Reimoo, Customs farmer, and His Highness is thinking of giving the contract to Shaikh Habib bin Sulayim late of Congo.

486. A fire broke out in Mutrah on the night of 4th Instant in the Mohallah Dakka and five or six houses have been burned.

487. The Political Agent paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 6th Instant.

488. The American Consul is in difficulties with his landlord Saiyid Yusuf Zowavi who has given him notice to pay an enhanced rent or quit. Mr. Ray has refused to do either and His Highness the Sultan who has been appealed to by Saiyid Yusuf seems anxious for the Political Agent to intervene in the matter and raised the question at the interview. Major Trevor suggested that Saiyid Yusuf should make an effort to settle the matter amicably

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and, if had absolutely decided not to rent the house, to give the American Consul time to enable him to find another house.

489. His Highness the Sultan paid a private visit to the Political Agent on July 26th. This was omitted by an oversight from last Diary.

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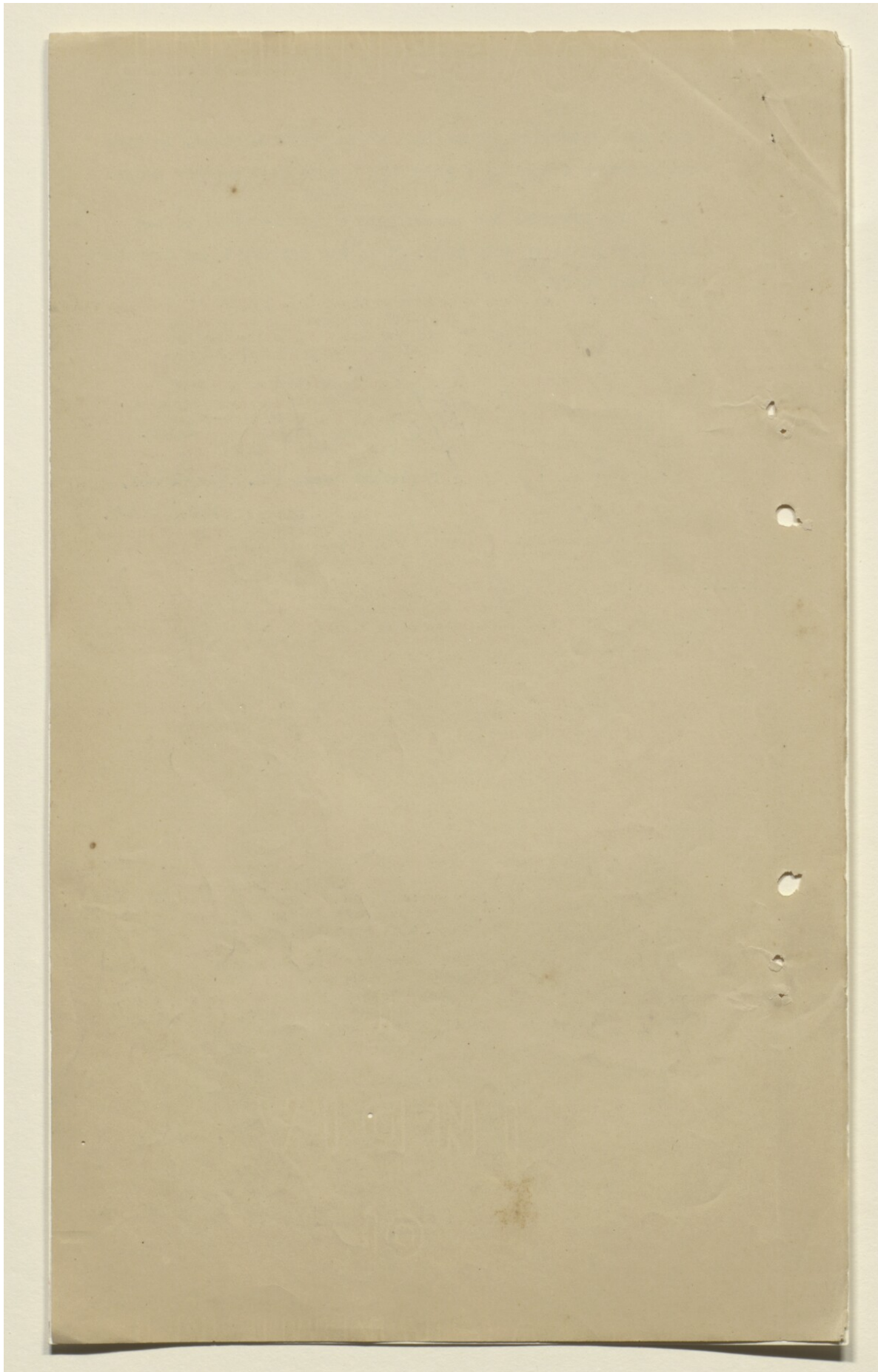
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Major.

Political Agent & H.B.M's Consul,

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News for the week ending 13th August 1910.

Condition of Country.

490. News has been received that in the course of a night raid in Tewi near Sur one man of the Jennebeh tribe was killed.

491. A fierce fight took place between the gardeners and servants of Shaikh Ali bin Juma on one side and those of Shaikh Habib bin Sulayim on the other in Hitat. Clubs and daggers were used and several men were injured and wounded on both sides. His Highness called the principals and the men concerned and sent three men on each side into prison on the 13th Instant.

492. With reference to Diary entry No. 473, it is reported from Sib that the Al-Muawils captured a date caravan of 50 camels belonging to Nakhl on its way to Mutrah.

493. With reference to Diary entry No. 450, twenty men of the Habus tribe have arrived in Sib to take action in connection with the murder.

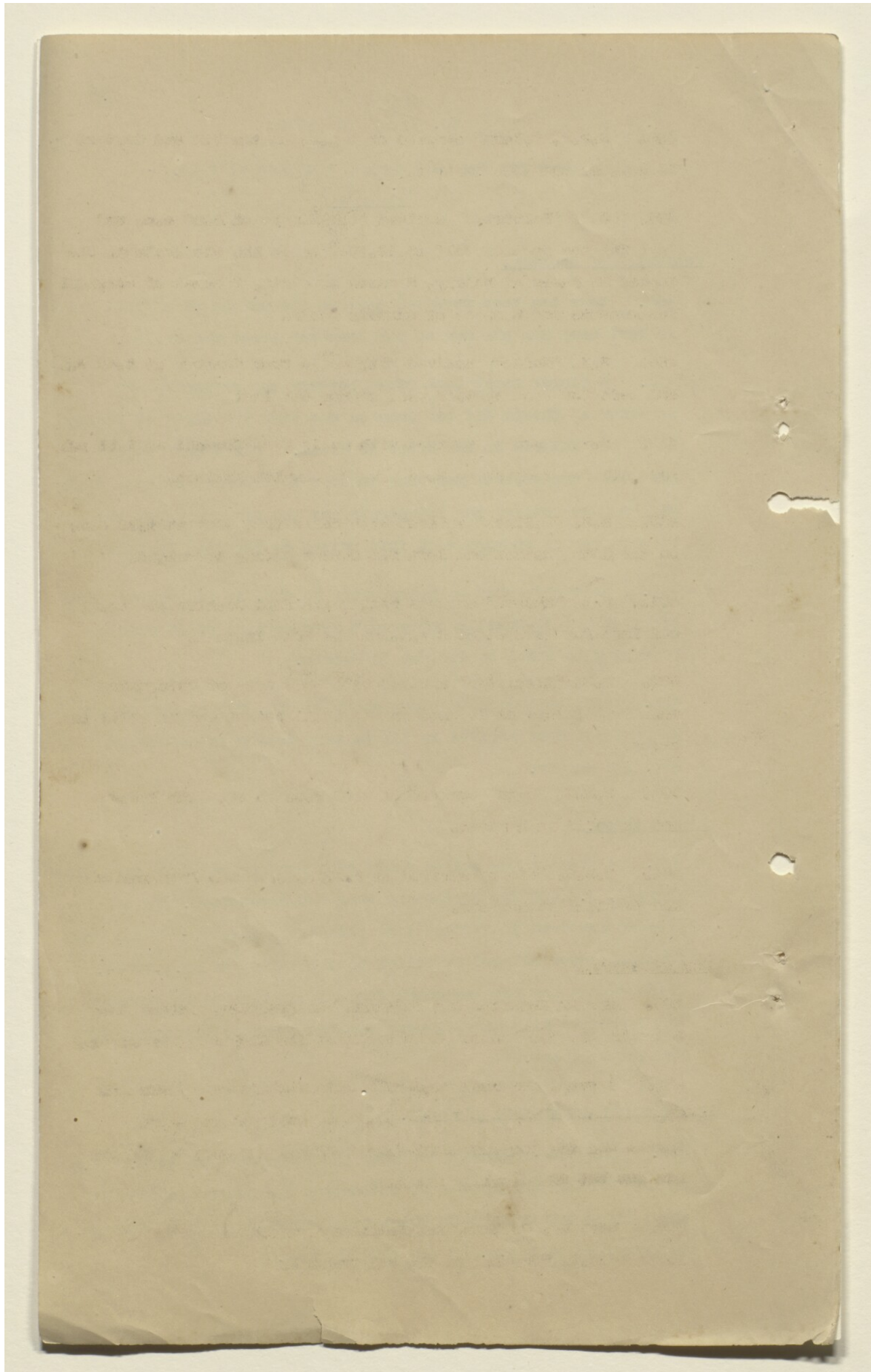
Arms Traffic.

494. A Bushire man called Ahmad Ajmi has arrived here with, it is said, \$4,000 for purchasing arms and ammunition. He is at present involved in difficulties with Mirza Husein, a local gun merchant, over alleged swindling to the extent of Rs. 1,700/-, which amount has been extorted from him on threats of exposure and deposited with His Highness pending communications from some Bushire merchant.

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

495. The "Nur-ul-Bahar" left for the Batineh Coast at 4.30 a.m. on the 8th for the purpose of collecting the Ashoor (duty) with Abdul Karim the Customs Superintendent attended with 80 Askaris. She returned at 9 p.m. on the 13th Instant.

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496. H.M.S. "Alert" arrived at 4 p.m. on the 7th and left at 12 a.m. on the 10th Instant.

497. S.S. "Baltistan" arrived from Europe at 5.30 a.m. and left for the Persian Gulf at 12.30 noon on the 9th Instant. She landed 25 cases of Whisky, 3 cases of cloth, 2 cases of surgical instruments and 3 cases of unknown goods.

498. S.S. "Nuddea" arrived with mails from Chahbar at 8.40 a.m. and left for Jask at 4.30 p.m. on the 8th Instant.

499. S.S. "Dwarka" arrived with mails from Karachi at 1.55 p.m. and left for Bushire at 2.45 p.m. on the 8th Instant.

500. S.S. "Eulimba" arrived with mails from Jask at 6.30 a.m. on the 10th Instant and left for Gwadar during the night.

501. S.S. "Kasara" arrived with mails from Bushire at 7 a.m. and left for Karachi at 8 a.m. on the 10th Instant.

502. S.S. "Arabistan" arrived with 3957 tons of Government coal from Europe at 10 a.m. on the 10th Instant and is still in harbour.

503. H.M.S. "Odin" arrived at 2.30 p.m. on the 11th Instant and is still in harbour.

504. H.M.S. "Alert" arrived at 9.15 a.m. on the 12th Instant and is still in harbour.

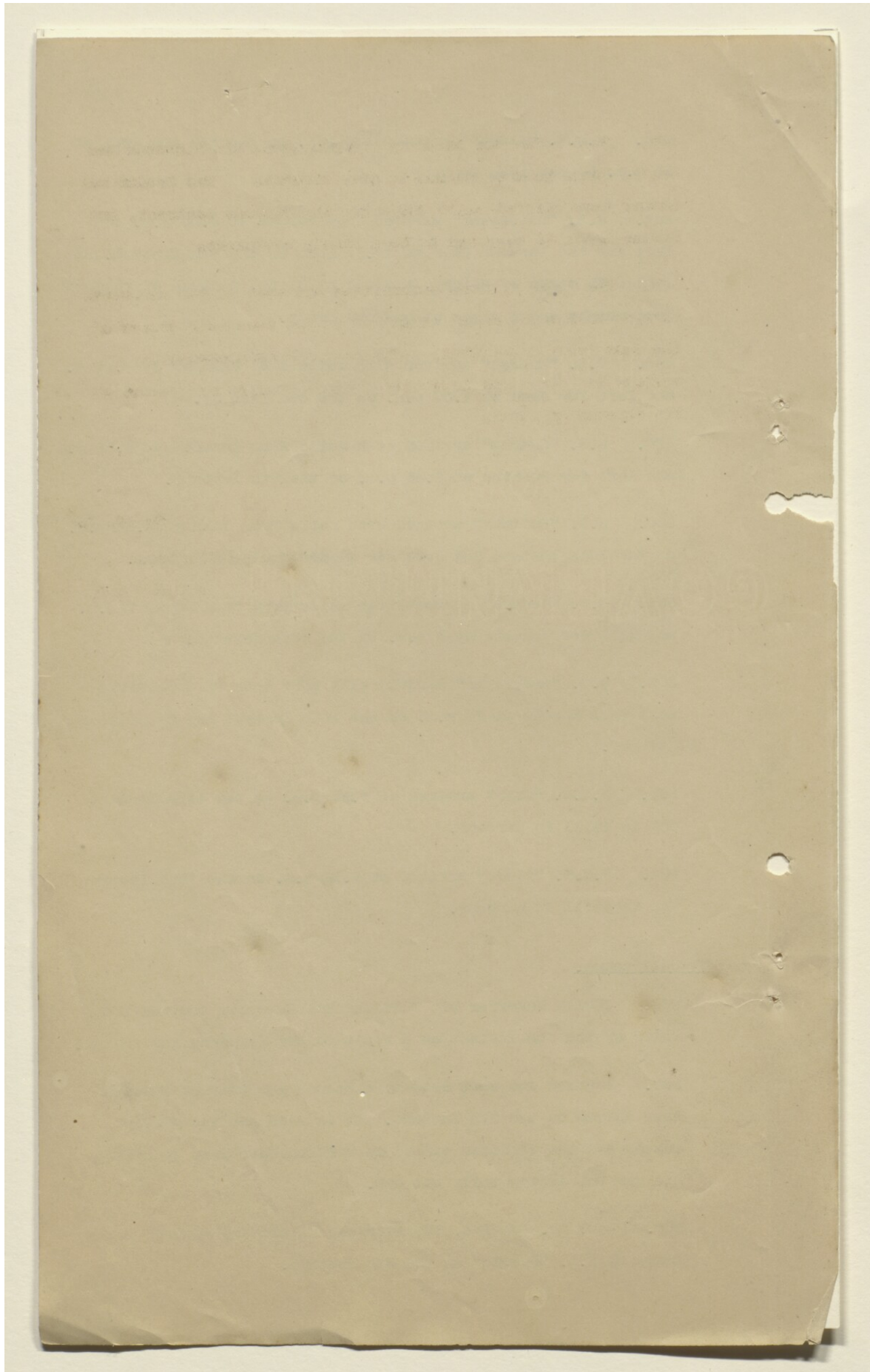
Miscellaneous.

505. Shaikh Mozaffar bin Suleiman bin Suweylim arrived from Sohar on the 7th Instant on a visit to His Highness the Sultan.

506. A woman was shot dead by a Baluch gardener at Wateiyah near Mitrah on the 7th Instant. It is said she was partly insane and the gardener wanted to frighten her away by firing his gun but accidentally hit her.

507. Rev: Mr. Cantine, the American missionary arrived from India by S.S. "Dwarka" on the 8th Instant.

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507. With reference to Diary entry No.485, His Highness has called Khoja Mohamed Reimoo to give account. Two Gwadur merchants have offered Rs.50,000/- for the Customs contract, but Shaikh Habib is supposed to be a likely recipient.

508. The local Customs authorities and some of the merchants have drawn His Highness' attention to the immense increase of the date traffic at Dubai. His Highness is consequently anxious to take steps to secure greater traffic for Muscat at the expense of Dubai.

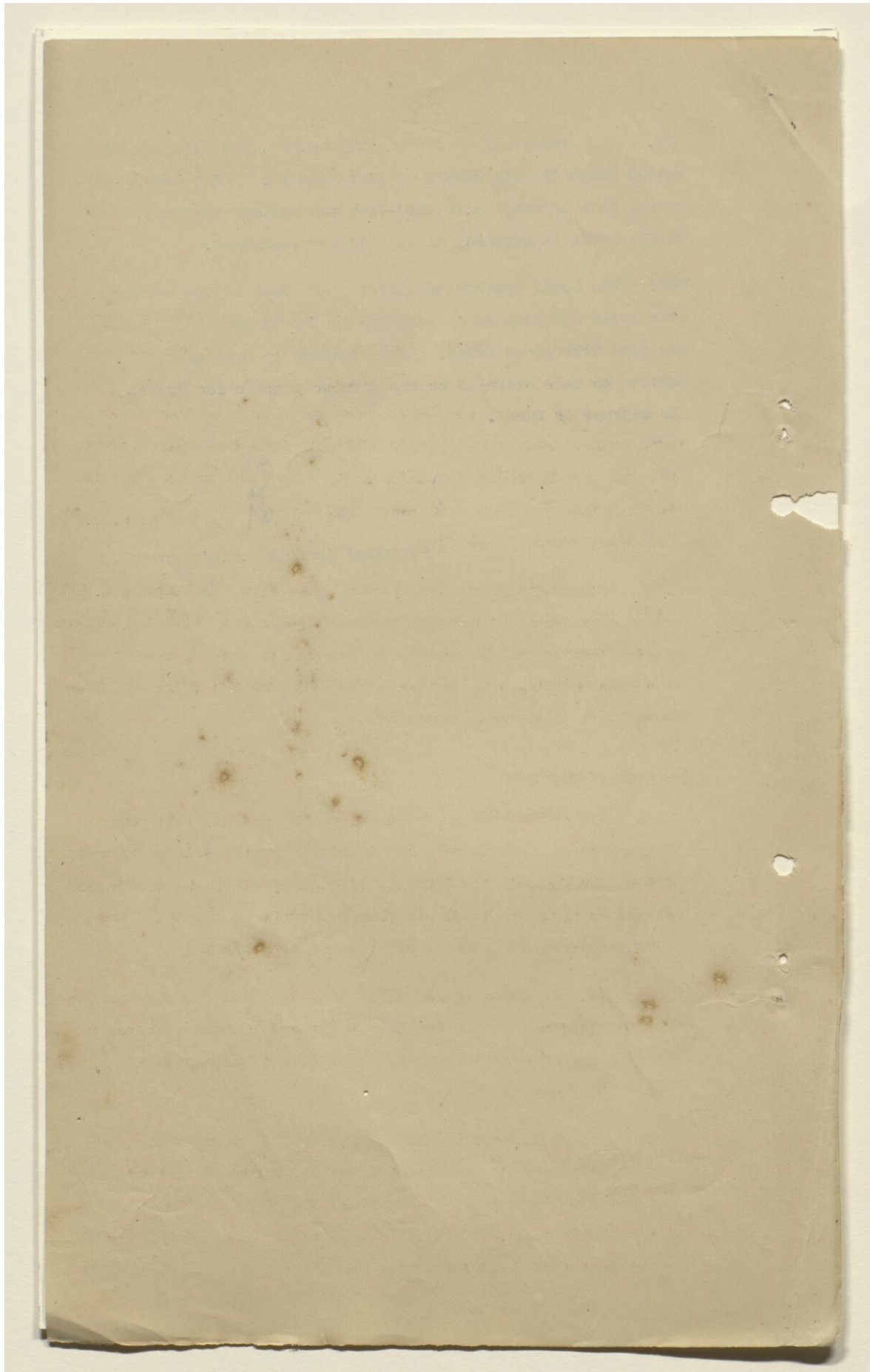
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News for the week ending 20th August 1910.

Customs.

509. With reference to Diary entry 495, it is rumoured here that the Shaikhs of Batineh having refused to pay the 'ashoor' (10 % duty) Abdul Karim, the Customs Superintendent, did not like to return empty-handed and secured a Persian dhow laden with timber near Masnaa and took Rs.300 from the Nakhoda under pretext of fining him for smuggling. As the dhow is supposed to hail from Bushire, some complaint may perhaps be made to the Residency about the matter.

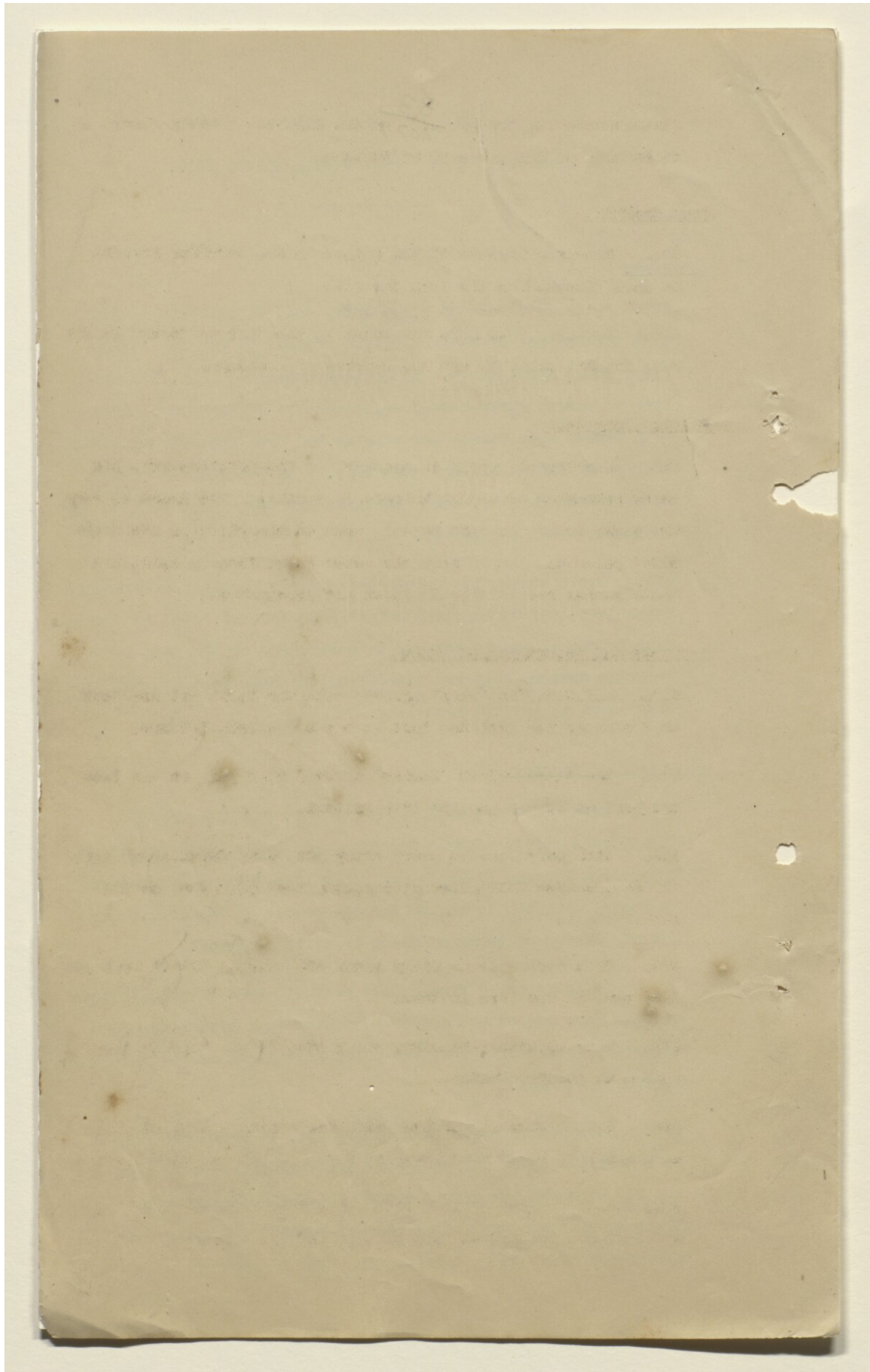
510. His Highness the Sultan has again sent the "Nur-ul-Bahar" which left here at midnight on the 20th Instant, with the Customs Superintendent and 50 Askaris on board, for the purpose of securing Customs duty and patrolling the Batineh coast and further north to prevent smuggling.

Condition of Country.

511. With reference to Diary entry 473, His Highness the Sultan sent Saiyid Mohamed bin Ahmad bin Nasir, Wali of Mutrah, and Shaikh Mohamed Al-Rajihhi to Sib on the 16th. They returned to Muscat with the 15 men of the Al-Muawils on the 17th, and the discussion of terms of peace is still going on.

512. It is reported from Mabela near Sib that a quarrel arose between some men of the Jennebeh and the Beni Awamir tribes resulting in one of the former being killed and one of the latter seriously wounded.

513. With reference to Diary entry 474, it seems that there is a possibility of the Al-Naeem tribe giving further trouble and His Highness has sent £.2,000 with Shaikh Mozaffar bin Suleiman bin Suweylim in the "Nur-ul-Bahar" with instructions to arrange with Shaikh Khalifah bin Zaid to prevent further disturbances





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disturbances for the present, as His Highness himself cannot go on account of the approach of Ramazan.

Arms Traffic.

514. Monsieur Lagasse of the Baijeot & Co. left for Karachi by S.S. "Dwarka" on the 17th Instant.

515. Monsieur Wram left for Sohar in the "Nur-ul-Bahar" on the 20th Instant avowedly for the purpose of a change.

Foreign Interests.

516. The French Consul is negotiating the purchase of a big house belonging to Shaikh Mohamed Al Rajihi. The house is near the coast under the Fort Merani, next to the block of His Highness' palaces. It is said the owner is willing to sell, but His Highness has indirectly shown his disapproval.

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

517. R.I.M.S. "Lawrence" arrived with the Political Resident at 7 a.m. on the 14th and left at 1 p.m. on 16th Instant.

518. The Armed Launch "Sheikh" arrived at 2 p.m. on the 14th and left at 12 a.m. on the 16th Instant.

519. With reference to Diary entry 502, S.S. "Arabistan" left for the Persian Gulf after discharging coal at 4 p.m. on the 19th Instant.

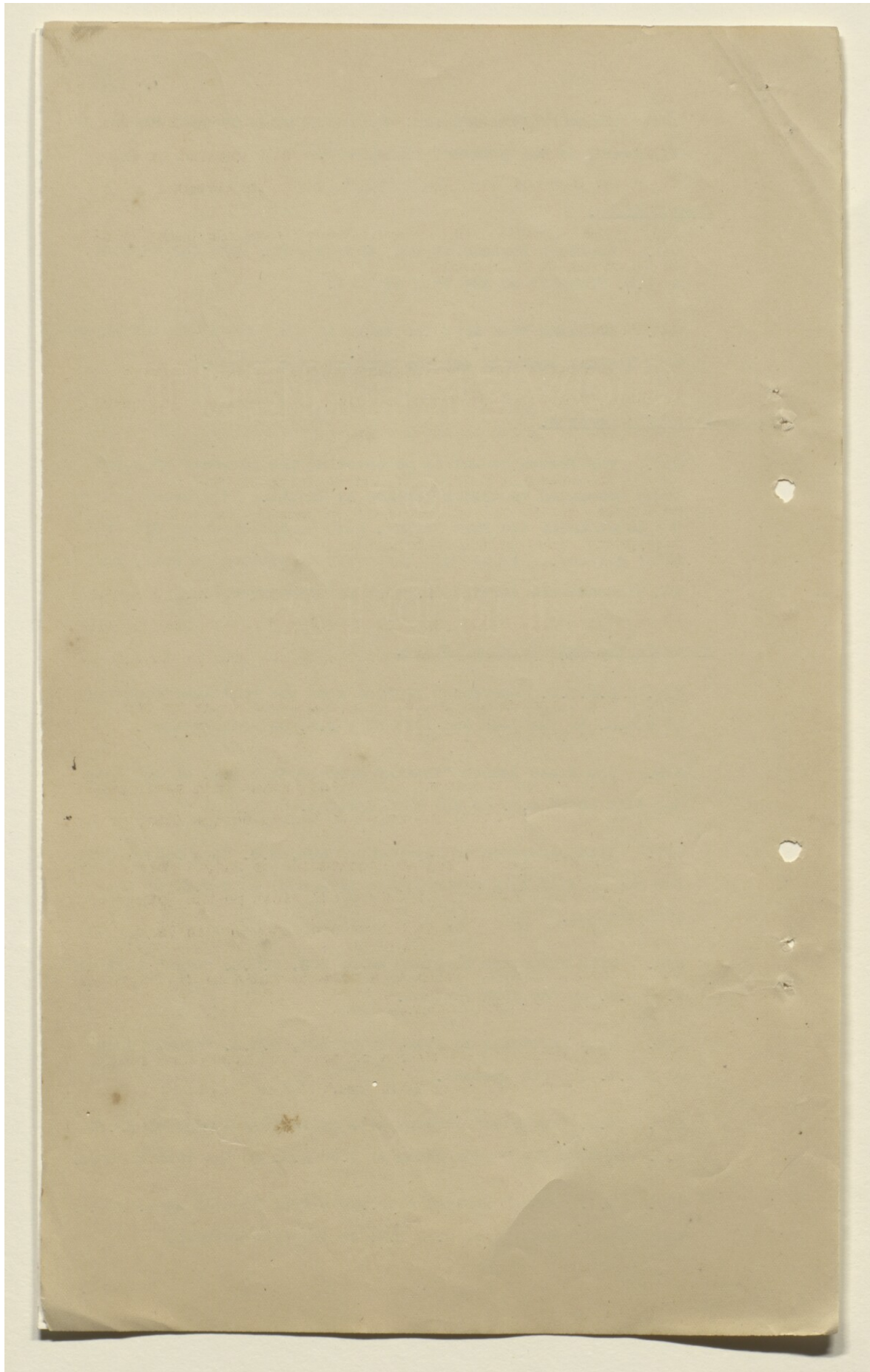
520. With reference to Diary entry 503, H.M.S. "Odin" left at 9.30 p.m. on the 15th Instant.

521. With reference to Diary entry 504, H.M.S. "Alert" left at 9 a.m. on 19th Instant.

522. S.S. "waroonga" arrived with mails from Gwadur at 10.30 a.m. and left for Eunder Abbas at 8.30 p.m. on the 15th Instant.

523. S.S. "Dumra" arrived with mails from Karachi at 7.30 p.m. and left for Bushire at 8.15 p.m. on the 15th Instant.

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524. H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 4.30 p.m. on the 17th and saluted the port with 21 guns which was duly replied by His Highness' saluting battery. She is still in harbour.

525. The Sultan's Yacht "Nur-ul-Bahar" left for Sohar at midnight on the 20th Instant.

Miscellaneous.

526. The Political Resident in the Persian Gulf arrived by R.I.M.S. "Lawrence" at 7 a.m. on the 14th Instant. The usual salute was not fired as it was Sunday.

527. The Resident paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan and to the French and American Consuls and the Italian Government Agent on the 14th Instant.

528. Sardar Mehrab Khan bin Sardar Bhaikhan of Ketch, Mekran, arrived here from Gwador by S.S. "Waroonga" on the 15th Instant. He will proceed to Nejaf and Kerbella on the 22nd Instant.

529. His Highness the Sultan paid a private visit to the Resident on the 15th Instant.

530. A number of prominent Hindus and Khojas paid their respects to the Resident in two separate bodies on the 15th Instant.

531. His Highness the Sultan accompanied by Saiyid Mohamed bin Turki and Saiyid Taimur paid a farewell visit to the Political Resident on the 16th Instant before his departure to Jask. The Resident left at 1 p.m. under the usual salute from Sultan's battery.

532. The American Consul paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 20th Instant.

533. Statements of particulars of arms and ammunition landed ex S.S. "Stanley Hall" and "Baltistan" are enclosed.

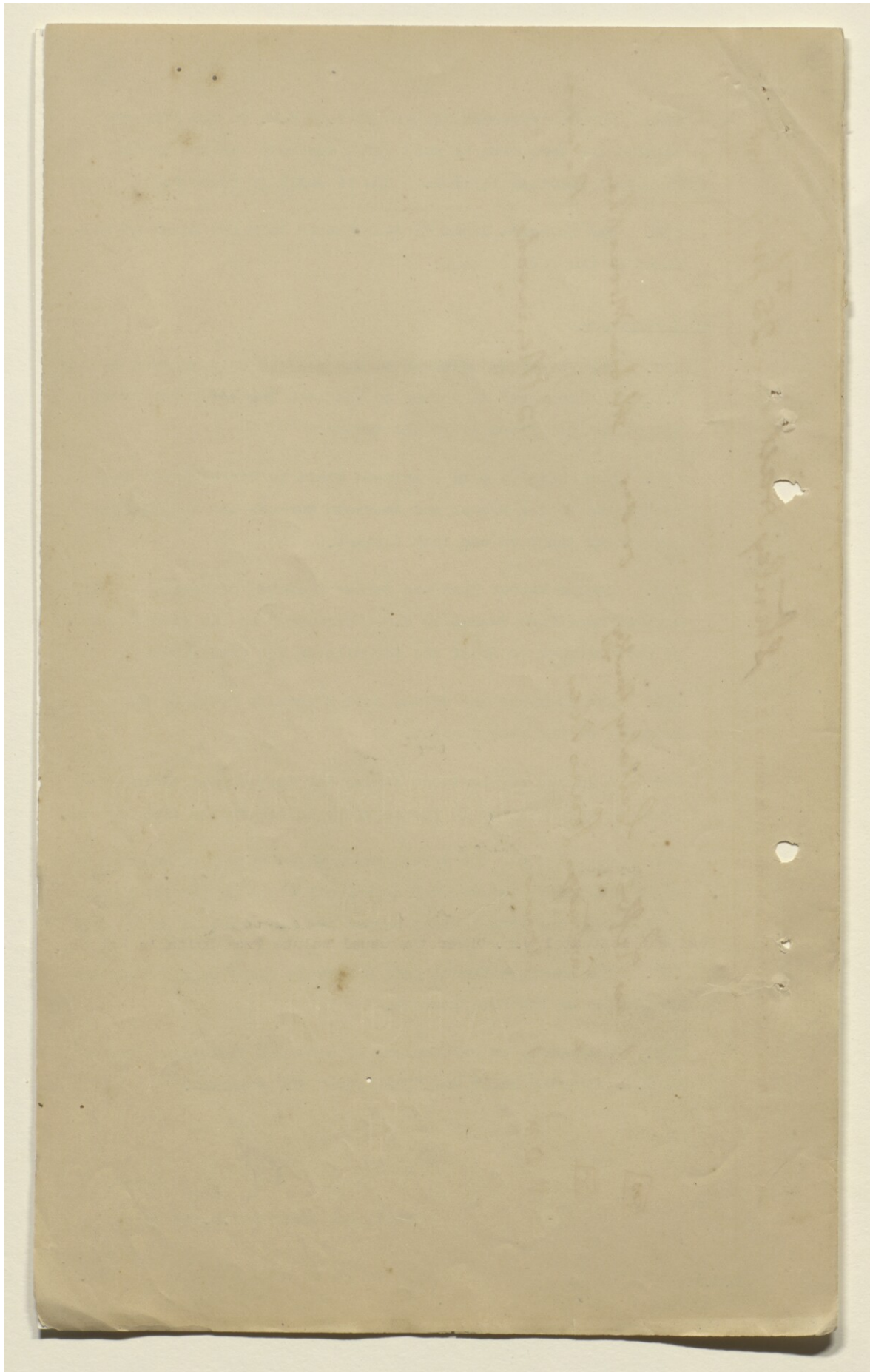
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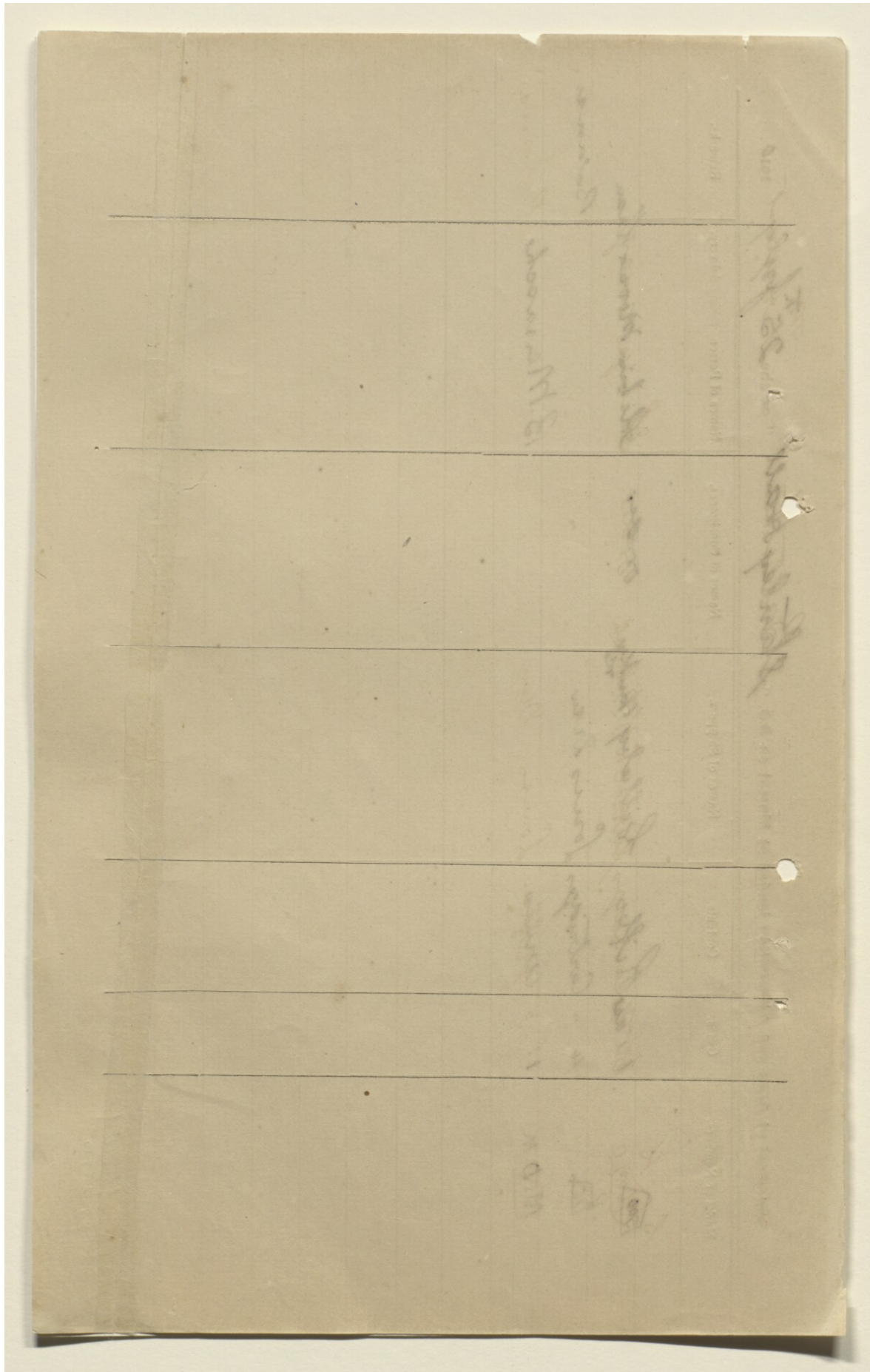


Statement of Arms and Ammunition landed at Muscat ex S.S. "*Stanley Hall*" on the *25th July* 1910.

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Marks or Numbers.	Cases.	Contents.	Names of Shippers.	Names of Consignees.	Names of Persons taking delivery.	Remarks.
500	1 case	Rifles	<i>Gilleyby Stanley</i>	<i>order</i>	<i>Ali bin Moosa Khan</i>	
757	4 "	Cartridges	<i>Louis Diew</i>	"		<i>Balance</i>
M. D. M.	1 "	Arms			<i>B. Menasche</i>	

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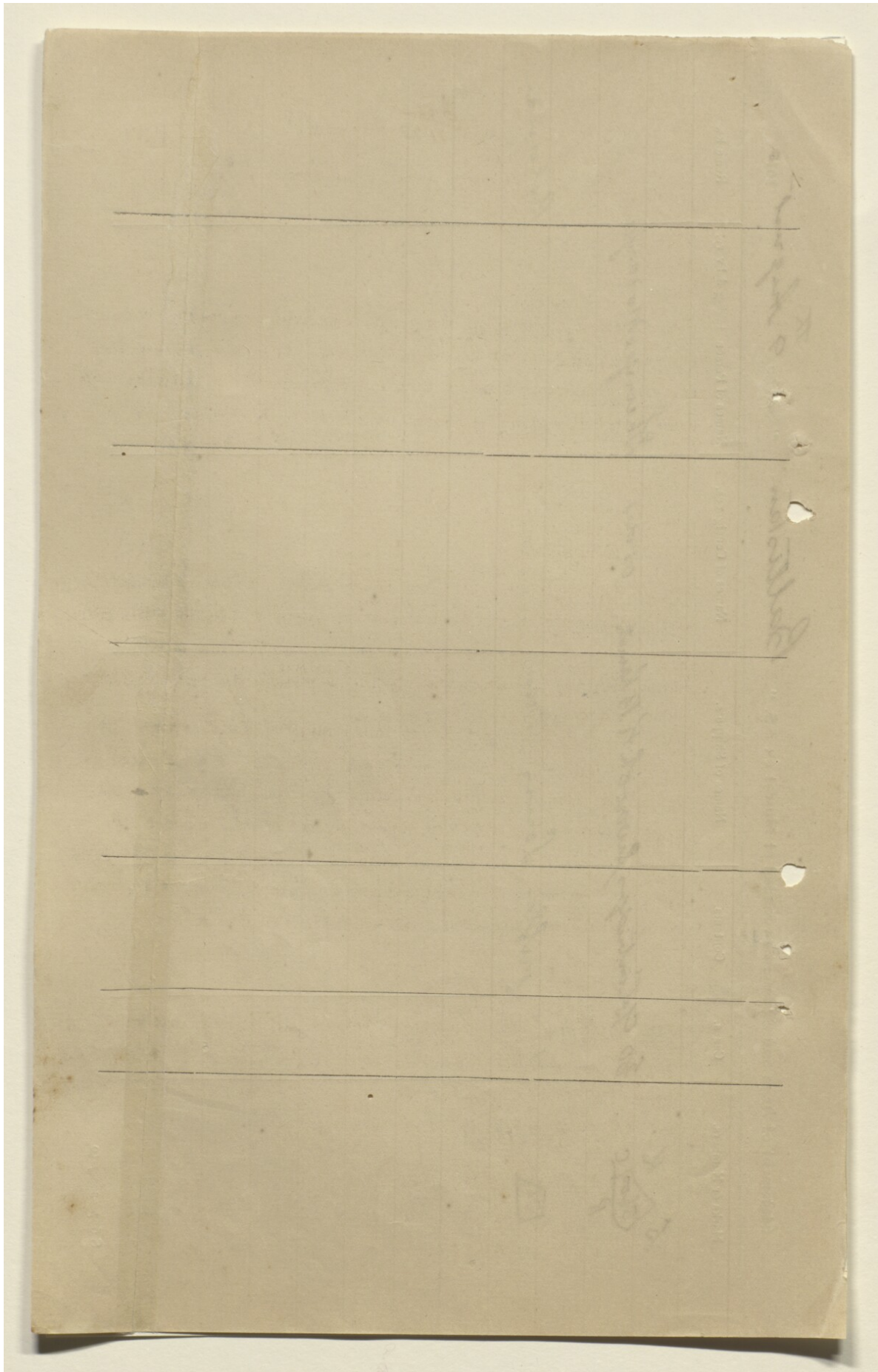




Statement of Arms and Ammunition landed at Muscat ex S.S. "Ballistan" on the 9 August 1910.

Marks or Numbers.	Cases.	Contents.	Names of Shippers.	Names of Consignees.	Names of Persons taking delivery.	Remarks.
5 K 5607C R	30	Cartridges	Surooch H. B. Kanth	order	Shunjee Motarji	
75	1	rifle	Louis Dieu	"		Balance

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News for the week ending 27th August 1910.

Customs.

534. With reference to Diary entry No.510, the "Nur-ul-Bahar" arrived at 10 p.m. on the 26th Instant. The only success she has met with apparently is that a greater number of bughlas with date cargo have come to Muscat this week than lately. It is said that Abdul Karim has also brought £.200 as 'Ashoor (10 % duty).

Condition of Country.

535. With reference to Diary entry No.511, as no settlement could be made with the Bani Muawil in spite of long discussions between His Highness and the former, the Sultan has called representative men of Tau and Nakhl to Muscat for the purpose.

536. With reference to Diary entry No.513, Shaikh Saqar bin Khalifah bin Zaid arrived on 24th to visit His Highness the Sultan in connection with the Sohar question. It is said that Saqar is at enmity with his elder brother who is siding with Shaikh Sultan bin Muhammad Al-Naeemi. He is urging on His Highness the necessity and desirability of calling away Wali Salim bin Suleiman bin Suweylim from Sohar for the present.

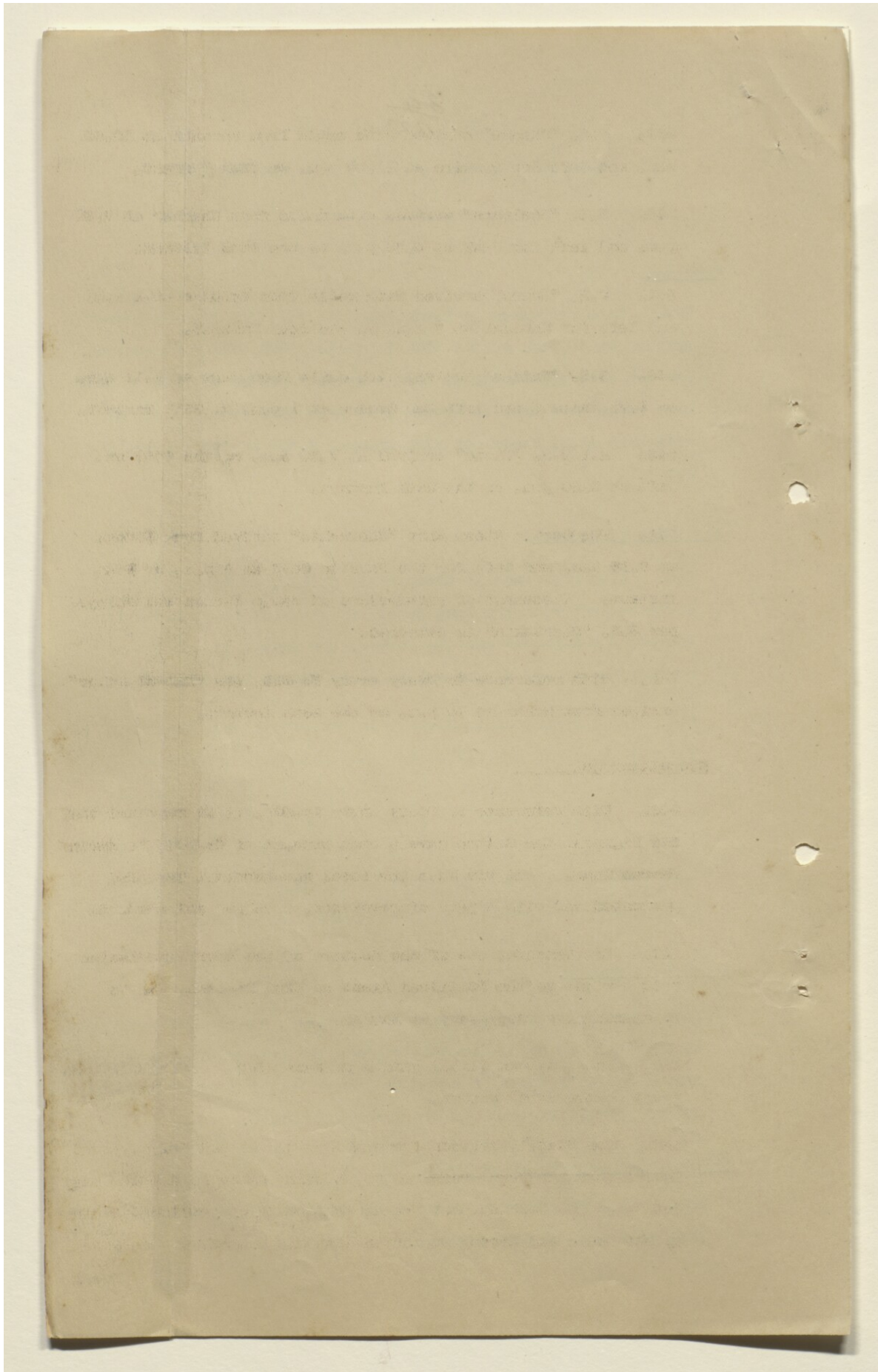
Foreign Interests.

537. With reference to Diary entry No.516, it is reported that as His Highness has indirectly opposed the sale of Shaikh Muhammad Al-Rajihi's house, the French Consul is thinking of demolishing and rebuilding part of his present premises.

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

538. With reference to Diary entry No.534, H.M.S. "Perseus" left at 7 p.m. on 22nd Instant.

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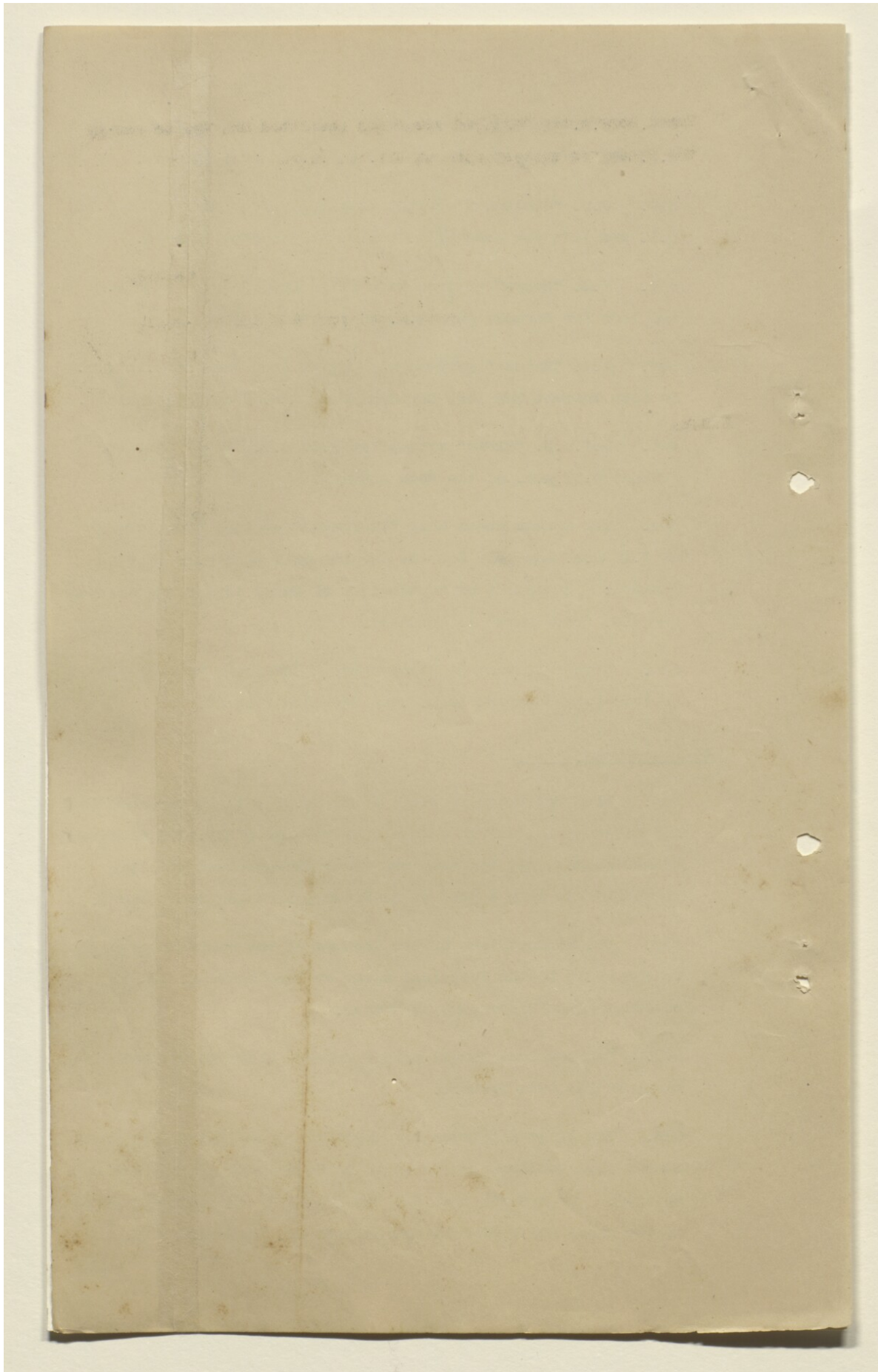


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539. S.S. "Kasara" arrived with mails from Karachi at 10.50 a.m. and left for Bushire at 11.30 a.m. on 22nd Instant.
540. S.S. "Goalpara" arrived with mails from Chahbar at 2.30 p.m. and left for Jask at 4.30 p.m. on the 23rd Instant.
541. S.S. "Dunra" arrived with mails from Bushire at 6 a.m. and left for Karachi at 8 a.m. on the 24th Instant.
542. S.S. "Muddea" arrived with mails from Jask at 6.15 a.m. on 24th Instant and left for Gwadar at 1 p.m. on 25th Instant.
543. R.I.M.S. "Minto" arrived at 7.30 a.m. on the 24th and left at 2.30 p.m. on the 25th Instant.
544. The German Steam Ship "Cheruskia" arrived from Europe at 8.15 a.m. and left for the Persian Gulf at 3 p.m. on 24th Instant. Statement of particulars of cargo landed and shipped per S.S. "Cheruskia" is attached.
545. With reference to Diary entry No.525, the "Nur-ul-Bahar" arrived from Sohar at 10 p.m. on the 26th Instant.

Miscellaneous.

546. With reference to Diary entry No.528, it is reported that His Highness the Sultan gave a cash present of Rs.1000 to Sardar Mehrab Khan. Ali bin Musa the local gun-merchant has also presented him with a pair of revolvers, a dagger and a sword.
547. Dr. Bennett, one of the doctors of the American Mission paid a visit to the Political Agent on 22nd Instant. He is re-opening the Dispensary at Mutrah.
548. The American Consul paid a private visit to the Political Agent on the 27th Instant.
549. The dispute between the American Consul and Saiyid Yusuf Zowavi (his landlord) referred to in Diary entry No.488 has been settled. On hearing that Mr. Ray seriously contemplated giving up the house and living at Mutrah with Mr. Bennett;★ Saiyid Yusuf





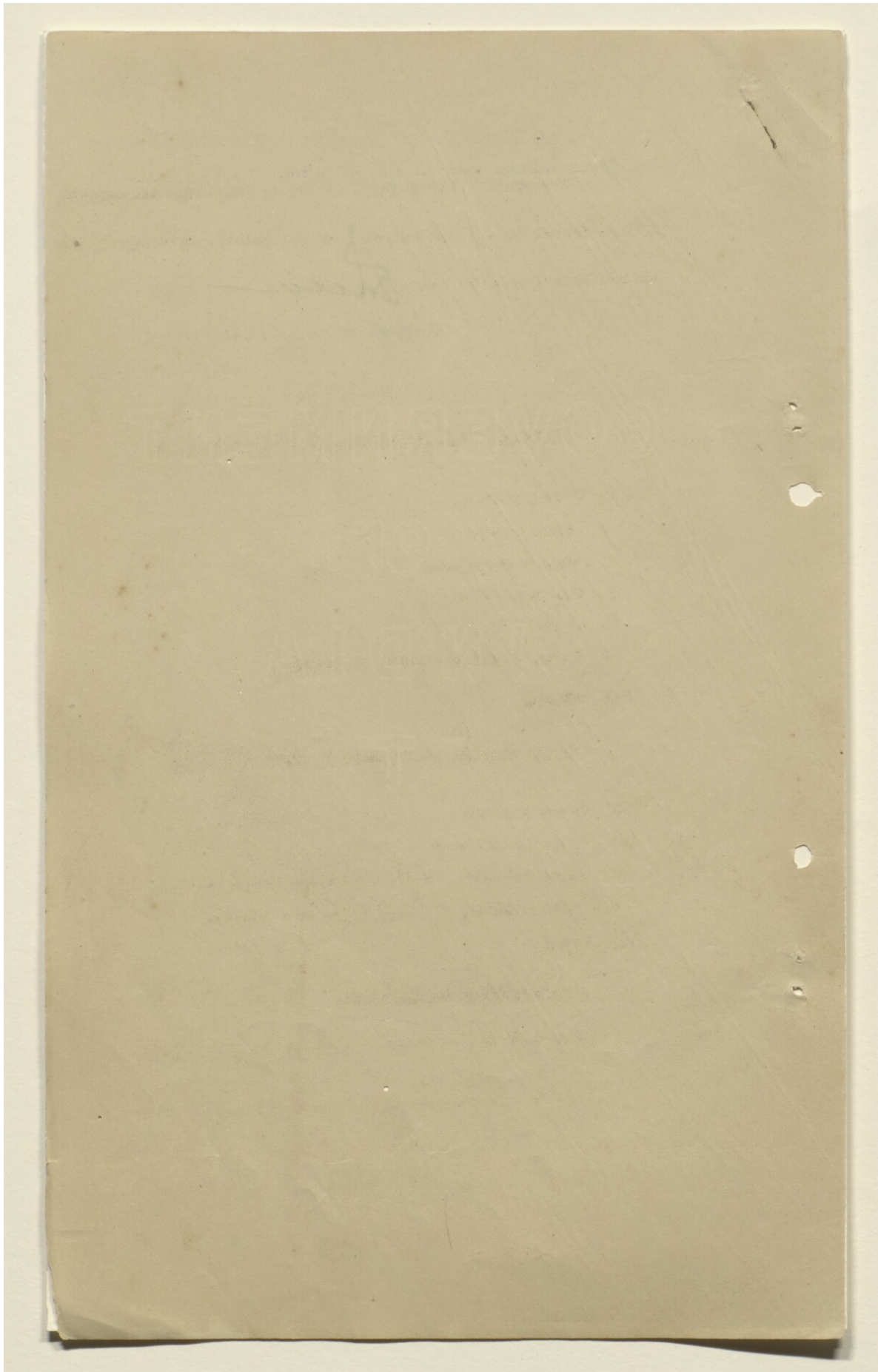
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Yusuf apparently "climbed down" and permitted Mr. Ray to occupy
the house for another year at the old rent.

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Statement of particulars of cargo imported and exported
by the German S.S. "Theruskia", Captain Sacher, arrived at and
sailed from Muscat on 24th August 1910.

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Cargo shipped at Hamburg on 25th July 1910.

30 Cases rifles.
4 Cases Pistols.
98 Cases cartridges.
24 Cases spirits.
3 Casks do.
3 Cases Household goods (1 Organ).

159 Total.

Cargo shipped at Antwerp on 28th July 1910.

12 Cases rifles.
198 Cases cartridges.
35 Cases Vinegar (H.H.'s Customs declare it to be Gin).
2 Cases samples of sugar & printed matter.

247 Total.

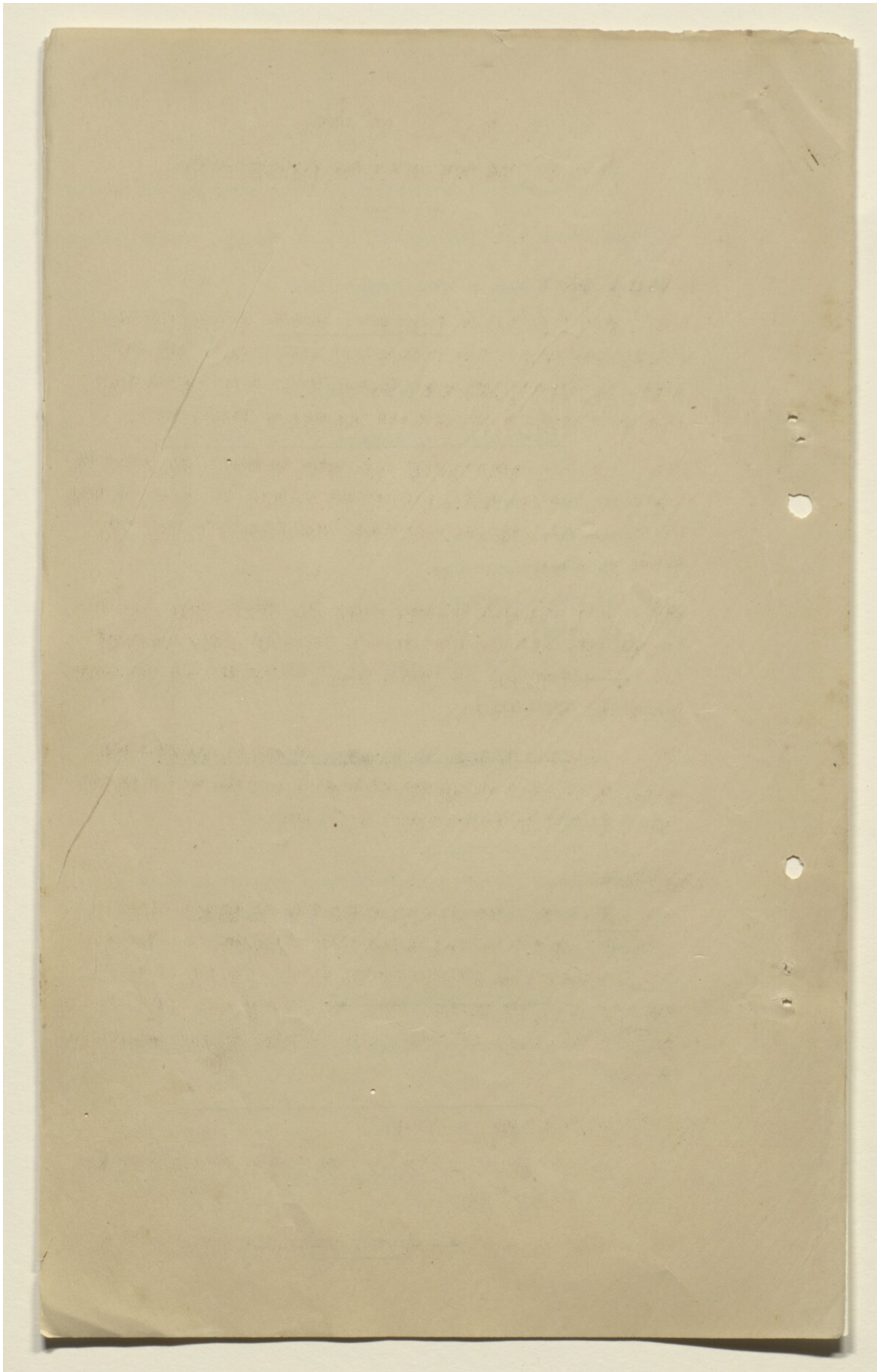
Cargo shipped at Diibouti.

11 Cases Gramophone Discs (Said to contain machines).

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News for the week ending 3rd September 1910.

Condition of Country.

550. With reference to Diary entry No. 535, Shaikh Seif bin Suleiman bin Seif of Tau arrived here with 17 men. The Beni Muawil had already left after stating their terms to His Highness the Sultan for him to press the same on Shaikh Seif.

551. News has been received that there is some disturbance at Khasab between the Shahuh and Kanazil tribes. It is likely that the Sultan will send his second son Saiyid Nadir to meet the situation there.

552. With reference to Diary entry 536, Shaikh Saqar bin Zaid bin Khalifah left for Debai by S.S. "Eulimba". His Highness the Sultan presented the Shaikh with a number of guns and ammunition and 600 dollars.

553. Nasir bin Sultan, the grandson of Shaikh Abdullah bin Salim bin Muhammad Al-Hamudah of Jaalan, arrived here with 100 men on a visit to His Highness the Sultan.

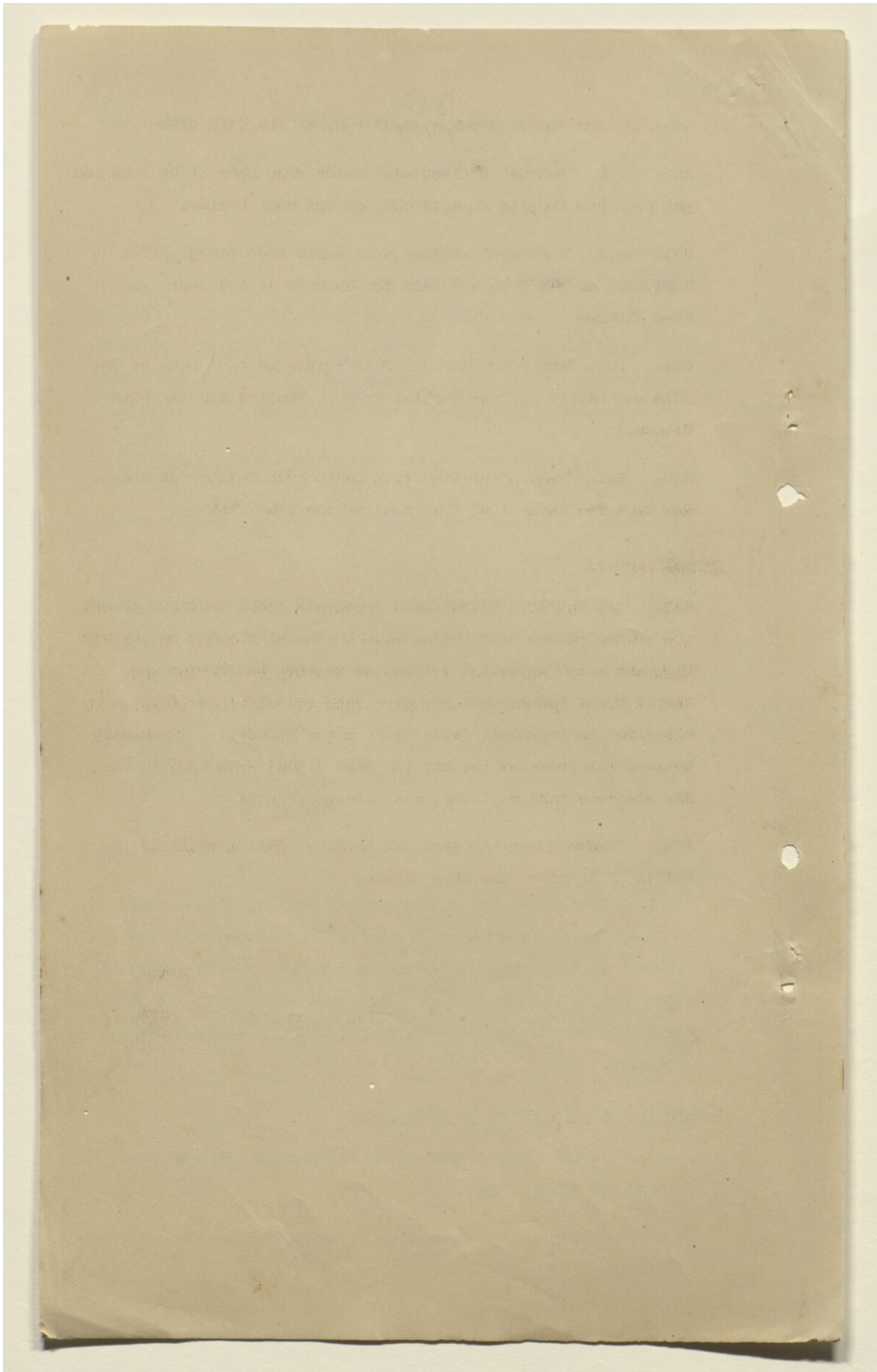
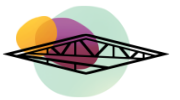
Arms Traffic.

554. With reference to Diary entry 515, it appears that Monsieur Wram landed at each of the places at which the "Nur-ul-Bahar" called, viz. Sib, Barka and Sohar. So far as can be ascertained he had no arms, etc., with him at all, and it is possible that he merely went on the trip for a change of air as he says.

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

555. H.M.S. "Alert" arrived at 1.30 p.m. on 28th and left at 7 p.m. on August 29th.

556. S.S. "Eulimba" arrived with mails from Gwadar at 6.45 a.m.
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and left for Bunder Abbas at 2.30 p.m. on the 29th Ultimo. (2)

557. S.S. "Dwarka" arrived with mails from Karachi at 2.30 p.m. and left for Bushire at 4.15 p.m. on the 29th Ultimo.

558. S.S. "Waroonga" arrived with mails from Bunder Abbas at 3.30 p.m. on the 30th and left for Chahbar at 5.30 p.m. on the 31st Ultimo.

559. S.S. "Registan" arrived from Europe at 2.30 p.m. on the 30th and sailed for the Persian Gulf at about 6 p.m. on 30th Ultimo.

560. S.S. "Kasara" arrived with mails from Bushire at 8 a.m. and left for Karachi at 8.45 a.m. on the 31st Ultimo.

Miscellaneous.

561. The American Consul paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 28th Ultimo with a view to signing before His Highness a new agreement arrived at between the former and Saiyid Yusuf Zowavi in connection with the building occupied by the American Consulate (vide Diary entry No.549). Apparently however the document has not yet been signed according to what His Highness told me today, i.e. September 4th.

562. Shaikh Saqar bin Zaid bin Khalifah paid a visit to the Political Agent on the 28th Ultimo.

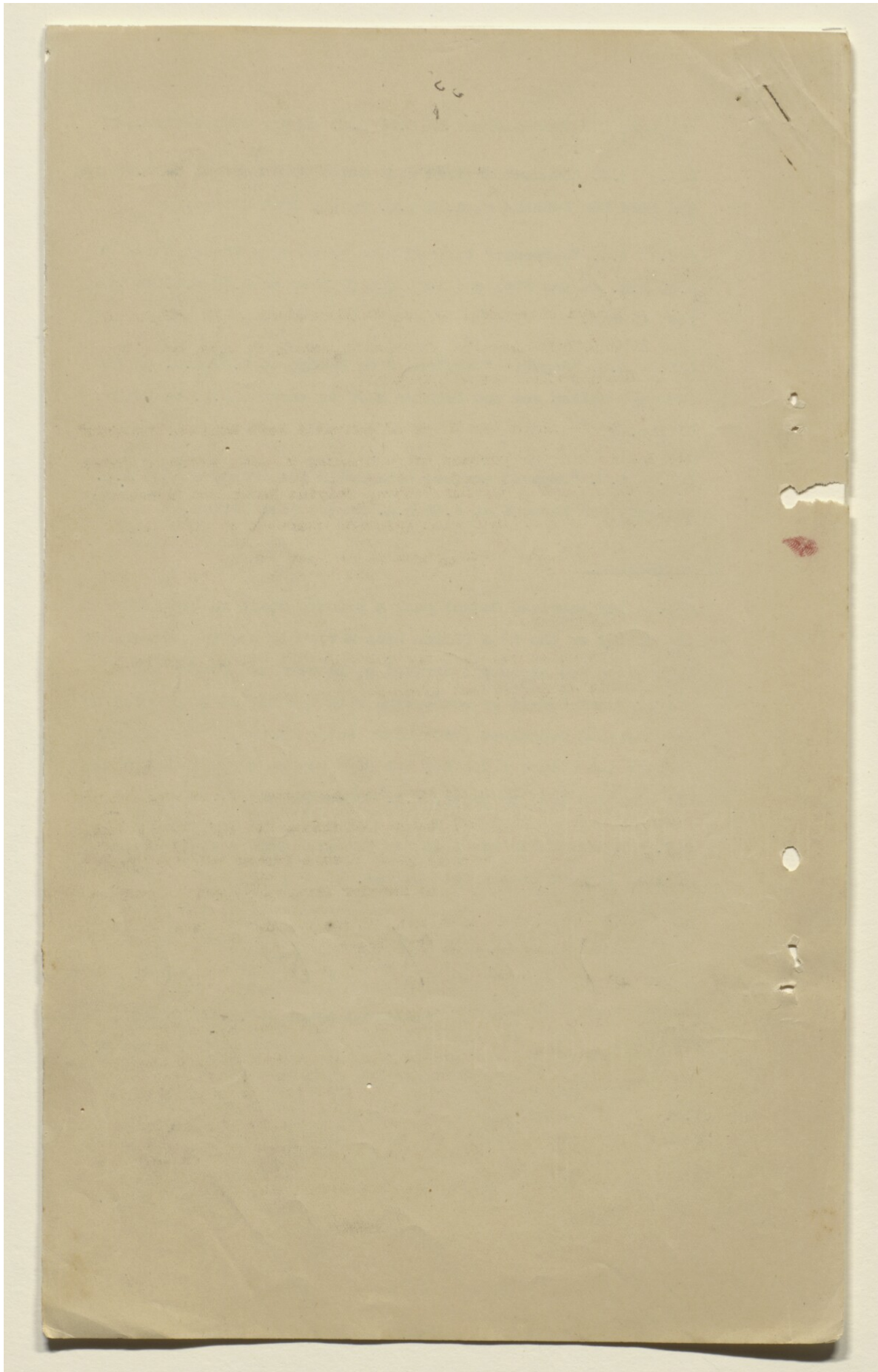
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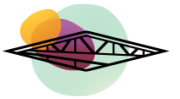
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News for the week ending 10th September 1910.

Local Officials.

562.) Munshi Muhammad Ibrahim, English clerk to His Highness the Sultan, left here for India with family on long leave by S.S. "Goalpara" on the 7th Instant.

564. Munshi Ahmed bin Muhammad Shubeili left by S.S. "Goalpara" for Bombay for the purpose of purchasing \$6,000 worth of furniture, etc. for His Highness' sons, Saiyids Nadir and Muhammad, who are to be furnished with separate quarters to live with their wives. The 'nikah' took place last year.

Condition of Country.

565. With reference to Diary entry No. 551, it appears that the trouble at Khasab has subsided.

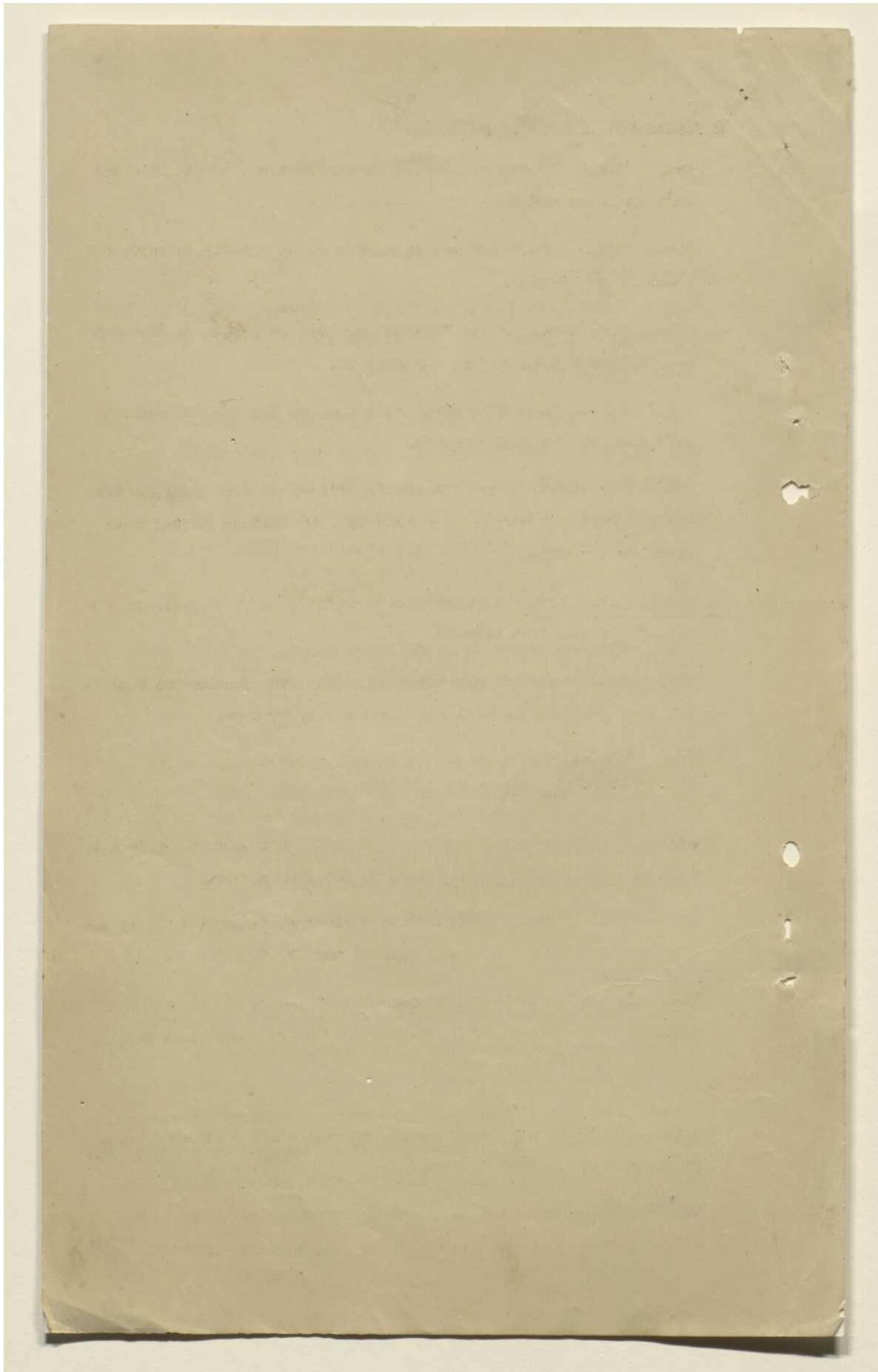
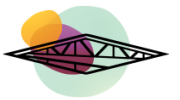
Customs.

566. H. H. the Sultan is offering the Muscat and Mutrah Customs contract to Seth Nainsi Rattansee Panshotam for 500,000 dollars. The Seth is inclined to take up as a sole farmer but His Highness is trying to retain Seth Damodar Dharamsee, who at present has a great deal to do with the running of the Customs.

Arms Traffic.

567. It is reported that ⁵⁰Mir/Musein the local gun-merchant, has despatched, on the night of the 1st Ramazan (6th Instant) 600 rifles by land for Koweit. The arms were removed to Mutrah whence they were loaded on camels and despatched in charge of a Koweit man named Nuru with one man from Muscat. Presumably the arms will be shipped for Koweit from some point on the Trucial or Katr Coast.

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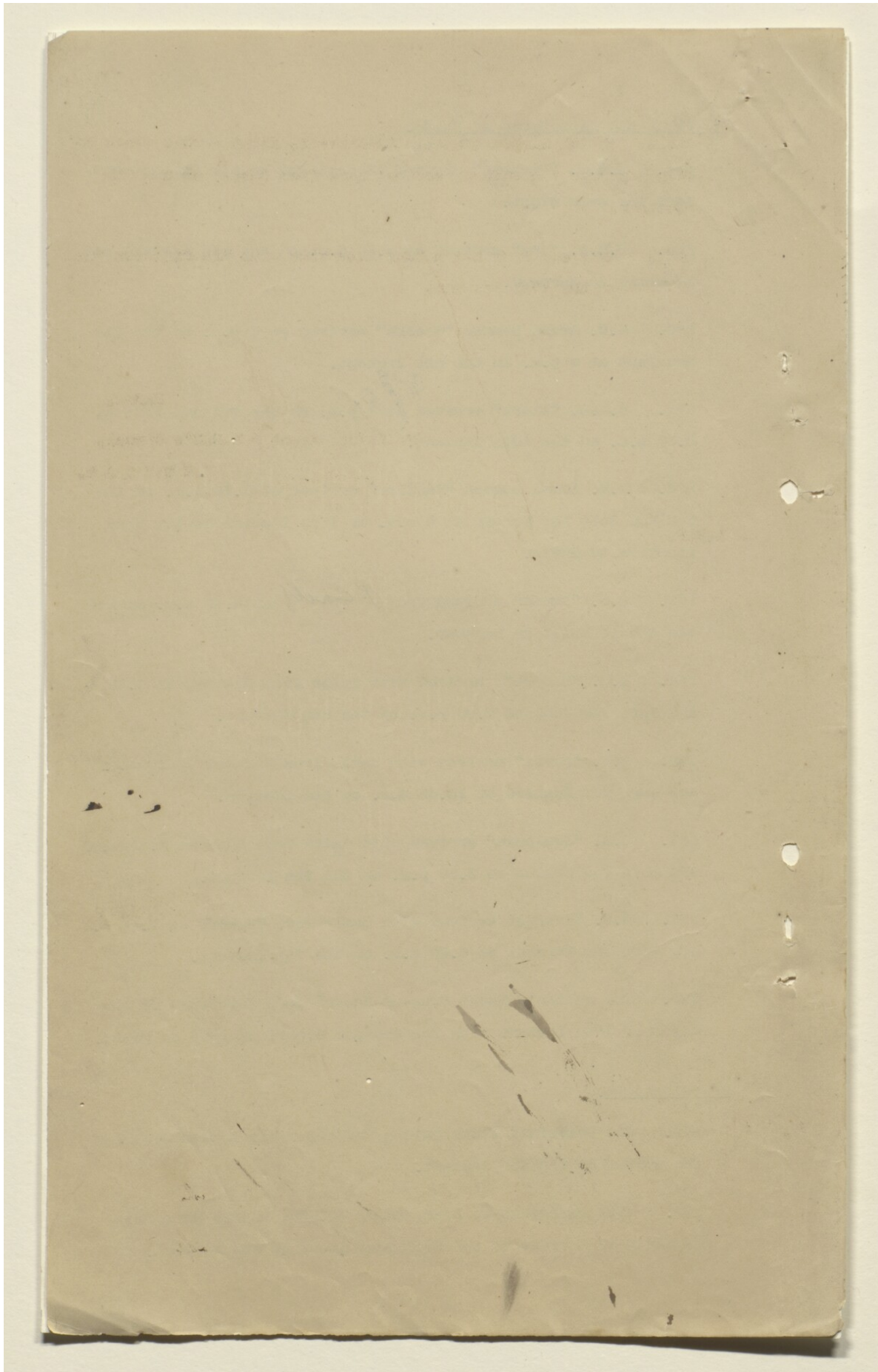
Arrivals and departures of Ships.

568. H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at daylight on 5th Instant and left the same night.
569. H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 5.30 a.m. on the 6th Instant and is still in harbour.
570. H.M. Armed Launch "Sheikh" arrived at 6 a.m. on the 5th and left at 4 p.m. on the 6th Instant.
571. H.M.S. "Alert" arrived at 1 p.m. on the 7th and left at 8.30 a.m. on the 10th Instant.
572. H.M. Armed Launch "Panther" arrived at 1.25 p.m. on the 8th and left for Bombay at 6 a.m. on 11th Instant having been recalled to India.
573. S.S. "Bantu" arrived from *Port Natal*
P. Gulf at 8.45 a.m. on the 6th and is still in harbour.
574. S.S. "Madura" arrived with mails from Ghahbar at 6.45 am and left for Jask at 2.30 p.m. on the 5th Instant.
575. S.S. "Dumra" arrived with mails from Karachi at 10 a.m. and left for Bushire at 10.45 a.m. on 5th Instant.
576. S.S. "Goalpara" arrived with mails from Jask at 8.45 a.m. and left for Gwadar at 3.30 p.m. on the 7th Instant.
577. S.S. "Dwarka" arrived with mails from Bushire at 7.45 a.m. and left for Karachi at 8.30 a.m. on the 7th Instant.
578. The Sultan's Yacht "Nur-ul-Bahar" left for Sohar on the night of 10th Instant with the Customs Superintendent on board.

Miscellaneous.

579. The Political Agent paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 4th Instant.
580. With reference to Diary entry No.553, Shaikh Nasir bin Sultan paid a visit to the Political Agent on 5th Instant.

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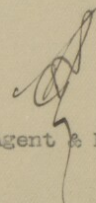




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581. Shaikh Rashid bin Aziz Al-Khasebi, first Arabic clerk to His Highness the Sultan, arrived here from Semail on the 7th Instant.

582. Monsieur Wram had a long interview with His Highness the Sultan on the 10th Instant.

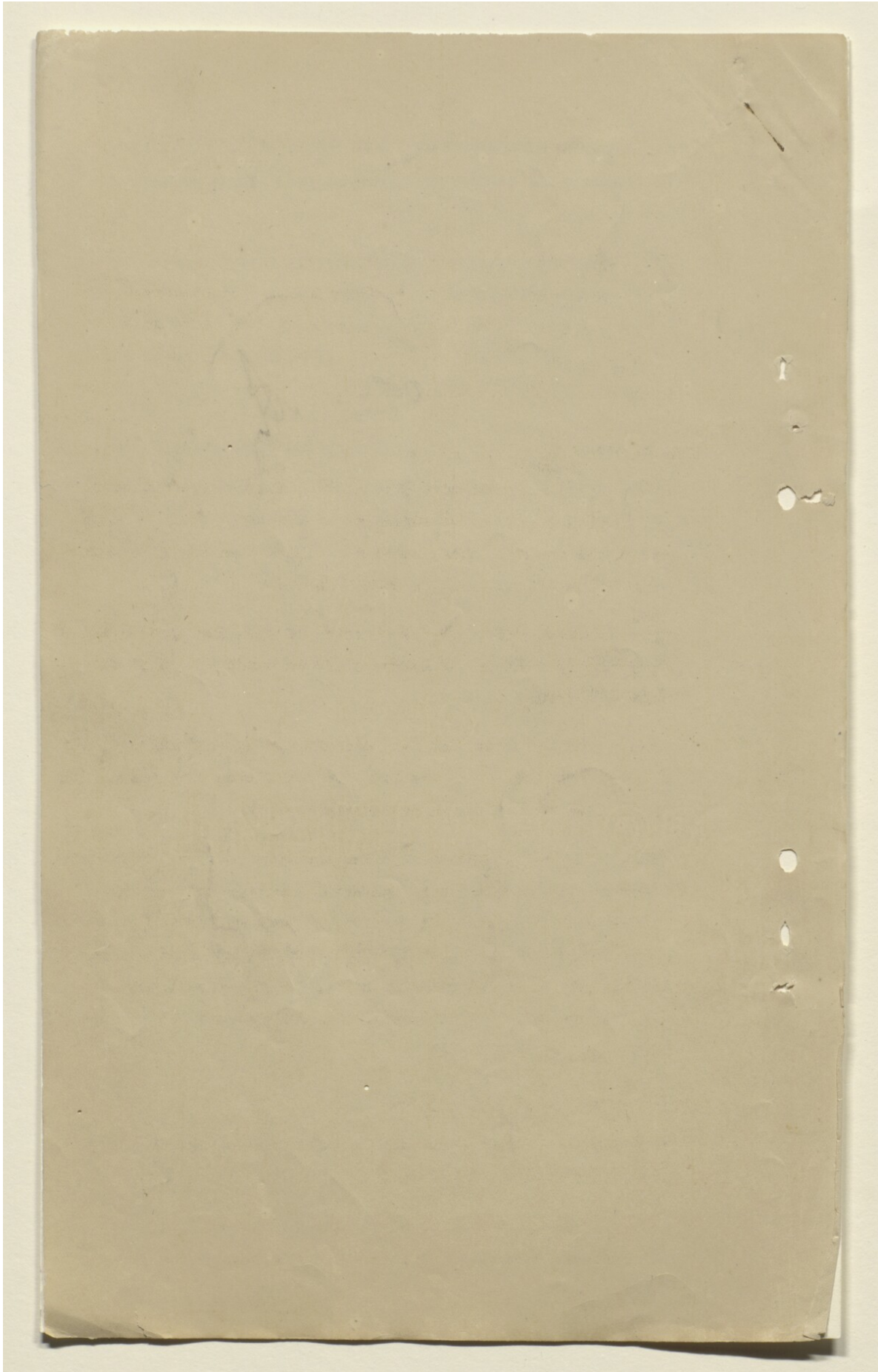
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Customs.

583. With reference to Diary entry No. 578, His Highness the Sultan has ordered Abdul Karim to spend 2 or 3 weeks on the Batineh Coast and further north up to Sohar, in view of his rumoured success in connection with collecting 'ashur'.

Arms Traffic.

584. It is reported that a local Baluch gun-merchant, named Aru (Harun) is making arrangements to deposit a stock of arms and ammunition at Mutrah, sending in small quantities, preparatory to despatching them somewhere, probably to Koweit.

585. Several instances are reported of arms having been thrown overboard by Nakhodas of native craft on sighting one of His Majesty's Ships.

586. Monsieur Wram, the gun-merchant, left for Bushire by the Russian S.S. "Tigre" on the 14th, in connection with the recent prohibition of the Shaikh of Bahrein.

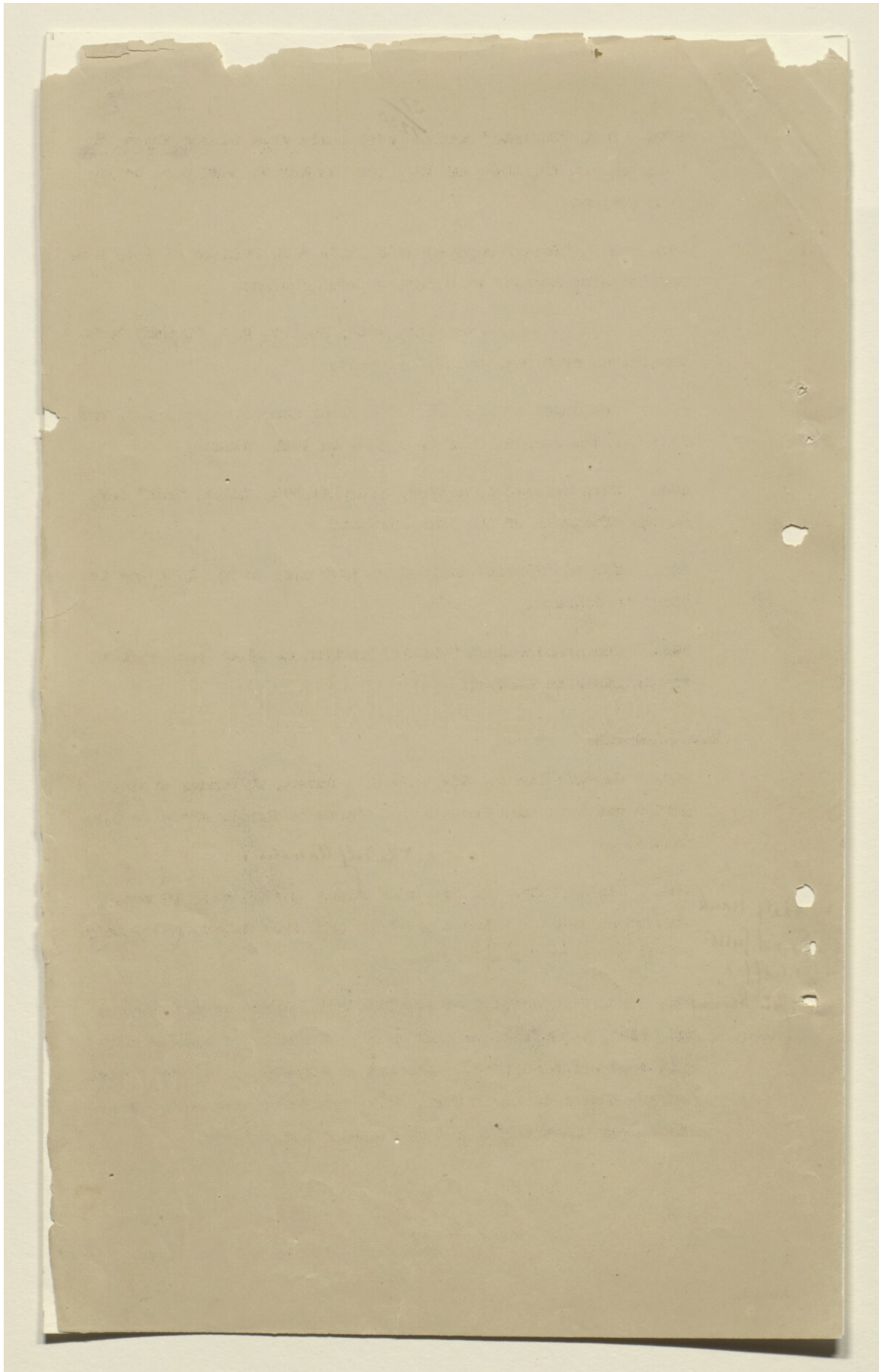
587. A German or German-American ^{Mr. Rudolf Clausen} agent for several German and American arms manufacturing companies, arrived here by the Russian S.S. "Tigre". He has brought some samples of guns and revolvers and noiseless gun-powder. On the strength of representing some American firms he has 'planted' himself on the American Consul. He will probably proceed up the Gulf by next mail.

*Half trunk
Export goods
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office Hamburg
firm.*

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

588. S.S. "Nuddea" arrived with mails from Gwadur at 10 a.m. and left for Bunder Abbas at 5.30 p.m. on 12th Instant.

589. S.S. "Kola" arrived with mails from Karachi at 10.15 a.m. and left for Bushire at 11.15 a.m. on the 12th Instant.





590. S.S. "Eulimba" arrived with mails from Bunder Abbas at 2.15 p.m. on the 13th and left for Chahbar at 3.30 p.m. on the 14th Instant.

591. S.S. "Dumra" arrived with mails from Bushire at 6.45 a.m. and left for Karachi at 8 a.m. on 14th Instant.

592. With reference to Diary entry No.573, S.S. "Bantu" left for Basreh at 3 p.m. on 14th Instant.

593. The Russian S.S. "Tigre" arrived from Aden at 4 p.m. and left for the Persian Gulf at 7 p.m. on 14th Instant.

594. With reference to Diary entry No.569, H.M.S. "Fox" left on the afternoon of the 13th Instant.

595. H.M.S. "Sphinx" arrived at 8.30 a.m. on the 16th and is still in harbour.

596. The Armed Launch "Shaikh" arrived at 12.45 p.m. on 16th and is still in harbour.

Miscellaneous.

597. Captain Biscoe, His Majesty's Consul at Bunder Abbas, paid a visit to this Consulate en route to Bunder Abbas by S.S. "Nuddea".

598. His Highness the Sultan's 'Akeed Sharif, with 10 men, arrived on 13th bringing a prisoner from Hawabi, who had lately killed a man of Hazrami tribe.

599. It is reported from Sib that Abdul Karim of the Customs and Saleh, the Captain of the "Nur-ul-Bahar", had some trouble with some Shaikhs owing to the former refusing to surrender two refugee slaves of the latter. His Highness subsequently ordered the slaves restitution and reprimanded Abdul Karim.

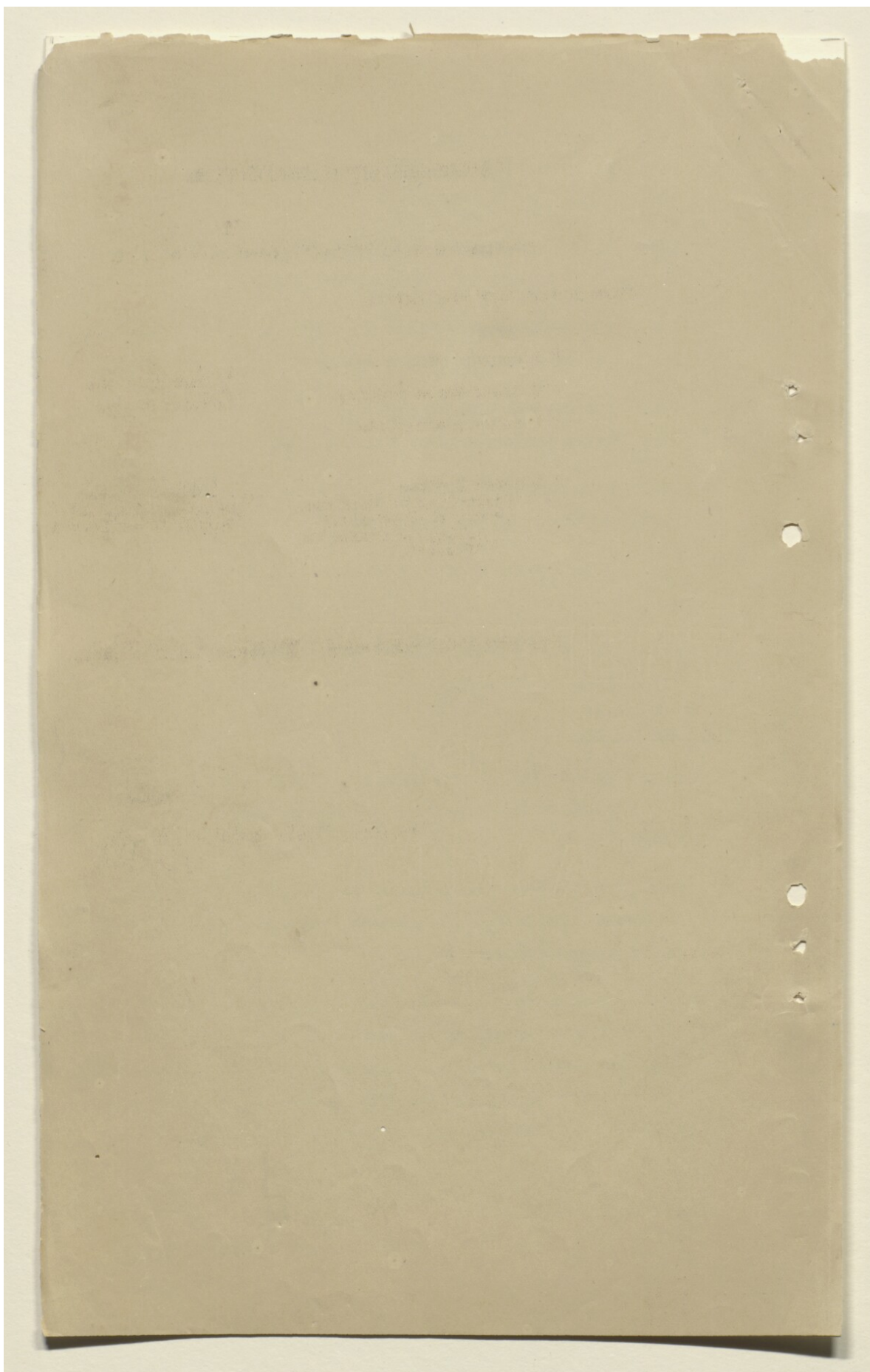
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Secret Commercial Intelligence.

The Russian S.S. "Tigre" landed here on 14th

Instant the following goods.

2 Cases cloth.

Landed in the
Customs House.

9 Bales Waras (ochre)

2 Bales piece-goods.

5 Cases Espices.
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Saiyid Yusuf Zowavi.

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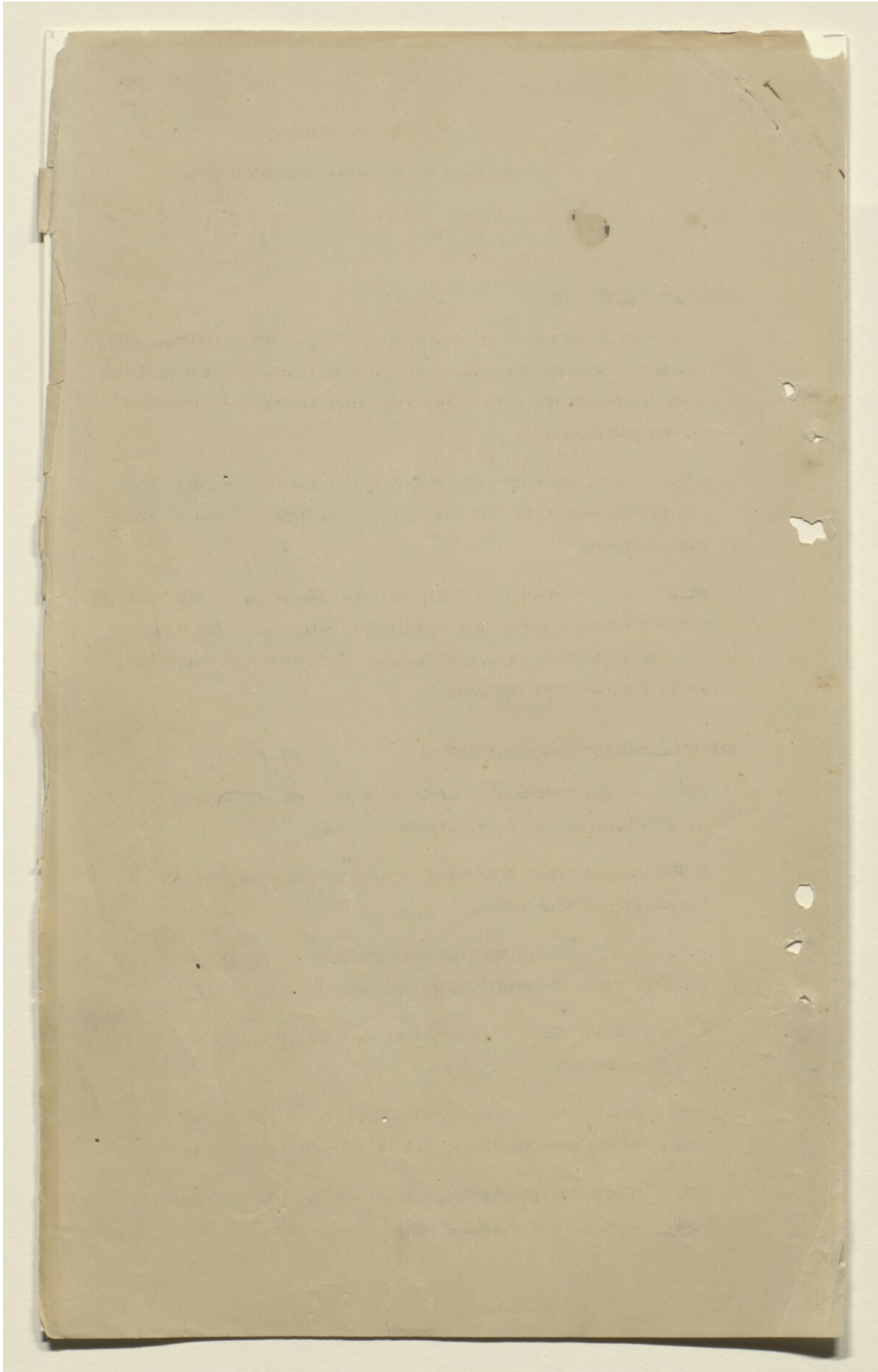
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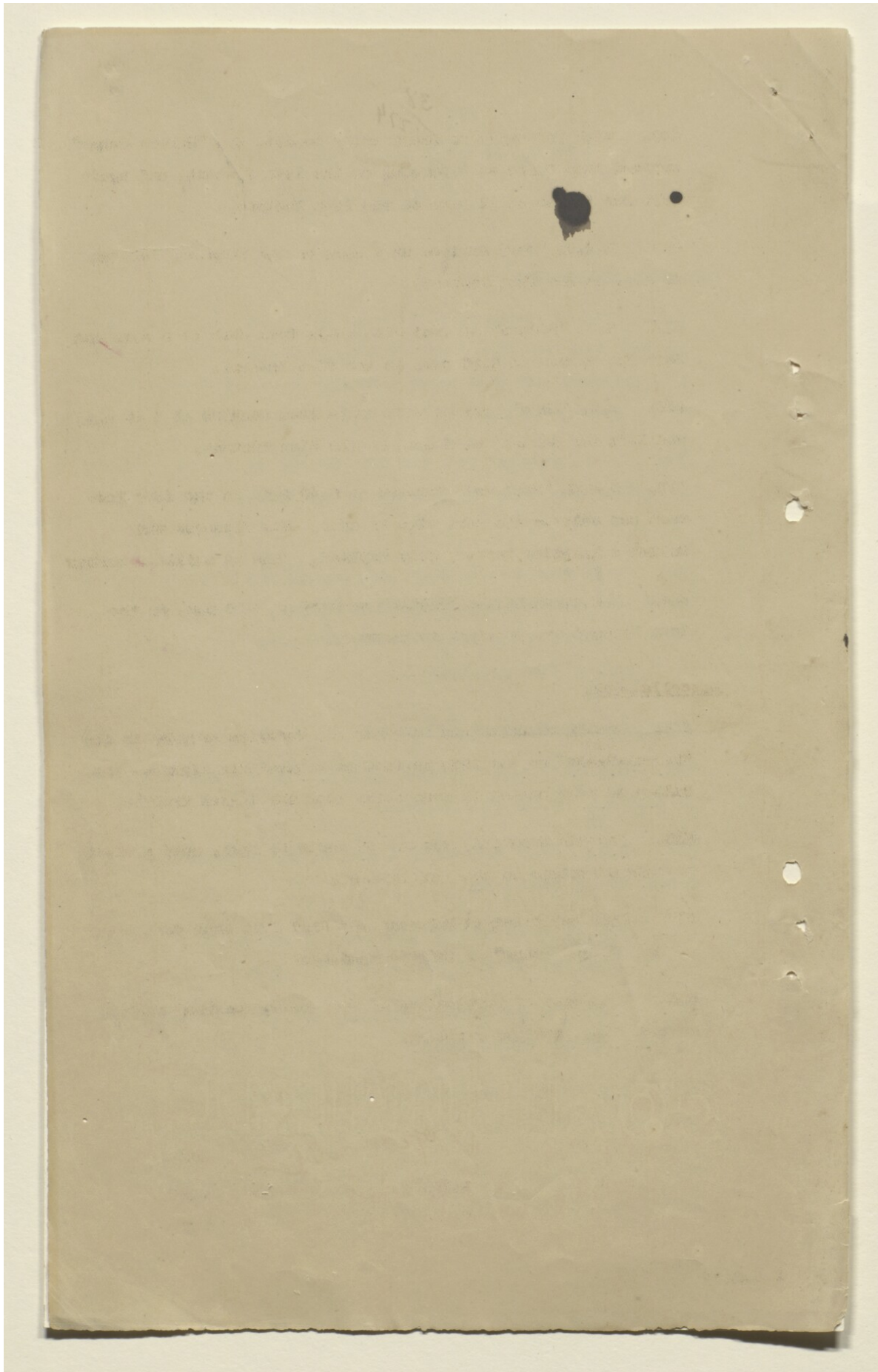
Condition of Country.

600. With reference to Diary entry No.550 and previous, news has been received from Nakhl that the Bani Jabir tribe of Tau have destroyed 400 date trees belonging to the Al-Muawil tribe on the 19th Instant.
601. It is reported from Tau that one man of the Bani Jabir was killed near Nakhl by some men of the Muawil tribe on the 21st Instant.
602. With reference to Diary entries 551 and 565, His Highness the Sultan sent his second son Saiyid Nadir, attended with seventy 'Askaries, to Khasab in the "Nur-ul-Bahar" which left at 11 p.m. on 24th Instant.

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

603. H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 3 p.m. on the 18th and left at 6.30 a.m. on the 22nd Instant.
604. H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 5 a.m. on the 19th and left at 8 p.m. on the same date.
605. S.S. "Kasara" arrived with mails from Chahbar at 6 a.m. and left for Jask at 4.30 p.m. on the 19th Instant.
606. H.M.S. "Alert" arrived at 11.30 a.m. on the 19th and left at 7 p.m. on the 21st Instant.
607. S.S. "Dwarka" arrived with mails from Karachi at 12.30 a.m. and left for Bushire at 1.15 p.m. on the 19th Instant.
608. With reference to Diary entry No.595, H.M.S. "Sphinx" left at 6 p.m. on the 19th Instant.

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609. With reference to Diary entry No.578, the "Nur-ul-Bahar" arrived from Sohar at 8.30 p.m. on the 19th Instant, and again left for Khasab at 11 p.m. on the 24th Instant.

610. H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 7 a.m. on the 20th and left at 12 a.m. on the 21st Instant.

611. S.S. "Madura" arrived with mails from Jask at 6 a.m. and left for Gwadur at 8.30 p.m. on the 21st Instant.

612. S.S. "Kola" arrived with mails from Bushire at 8.10 a.m. and left for Karachi at 9 a.m. on the 21st Instant.

613. H.M.S. "Philomel" arrived at 6.40 p.m. on the 23rd Instant and saluted the port with 21 guns. His Highness the Sultan's saluting battery duly replied. She is still in harbour.

614. H.M.Armed Launch "Sheikh" arrived at 2.30 p.m. on the 24th Instant and is still in harbour.

Miscellaneous.

615. Shaikh Mozaffar bin Sulaiman bin Suweylim arrived in the "Nur-ul-Bahar" on the 19th Instant to request His Highness the Sultan to take action in connection with the Khasab trouble.

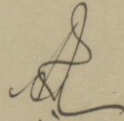
616. Captain Crawford, who was en route to Jask, paid a visit to this Consulate on the 19th Instant.

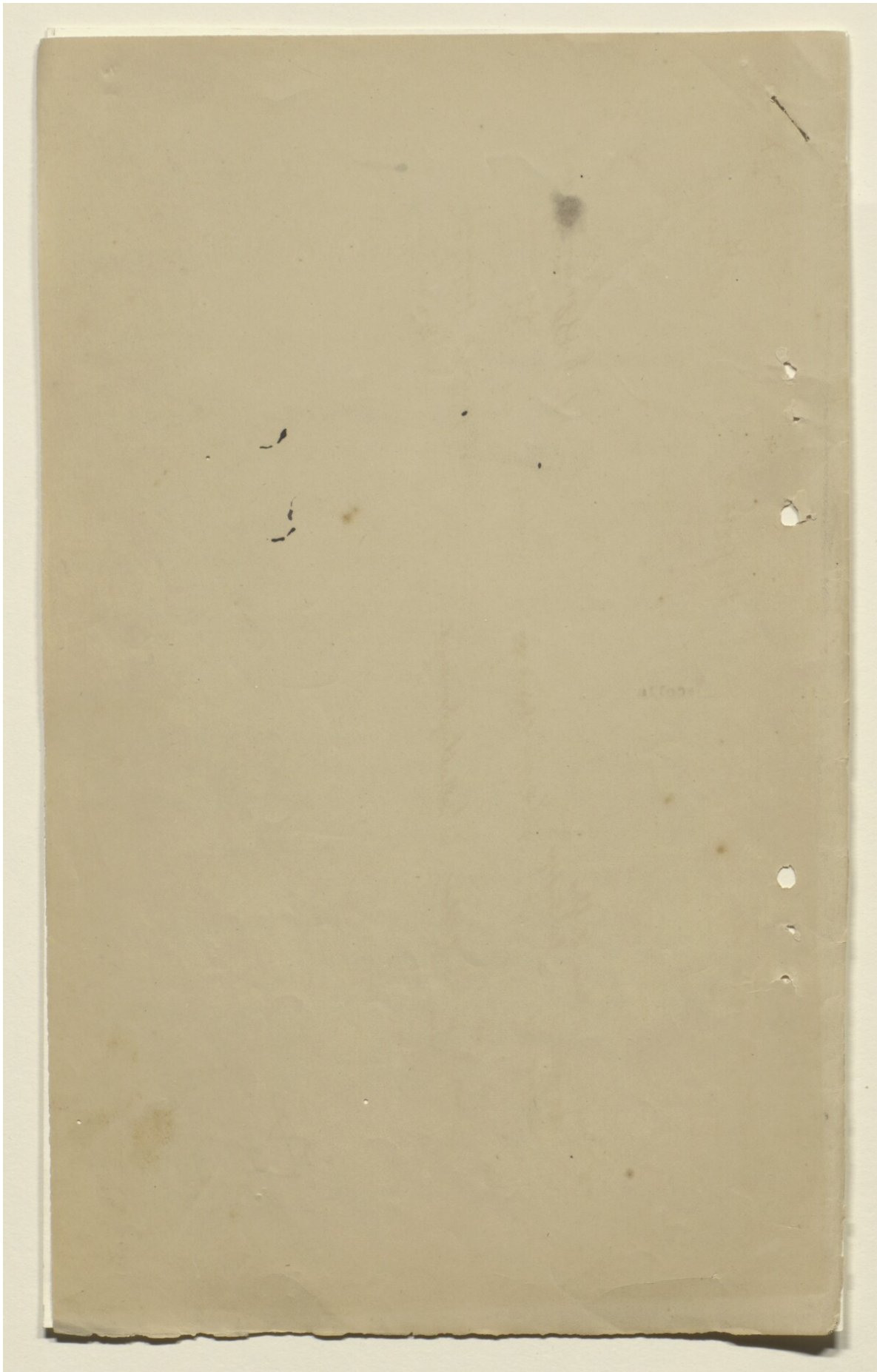
617. Khan Sahib Saiyid Muhammed bin Said left here for Khasab in the "Nur-ul-Bahar" on private business.

618. Statement of particulars of arms and ammunition landed ex S.S. "Registan" is enclosed.

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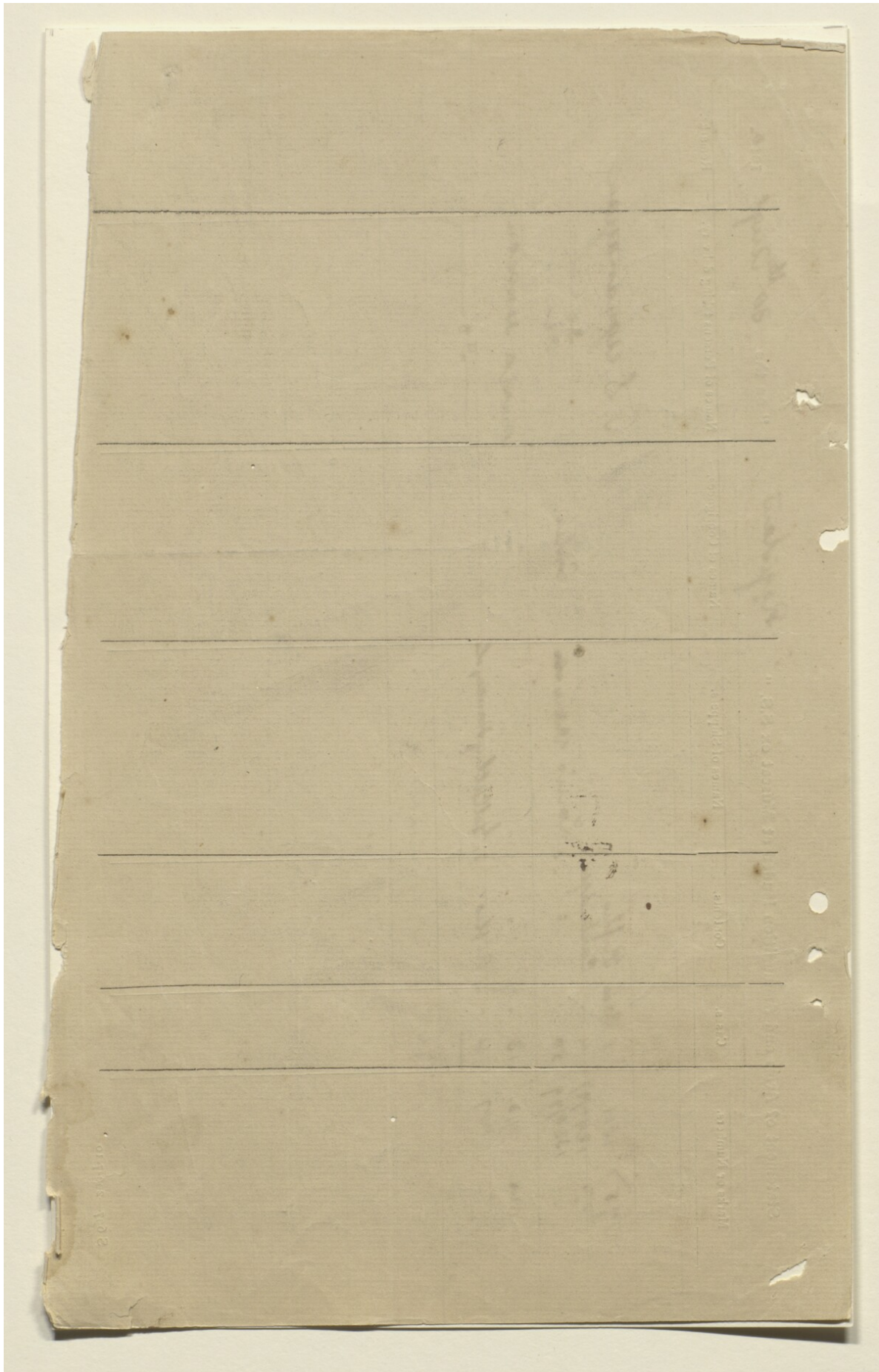
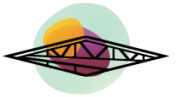


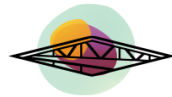


Statement of Arms and Ammunition landed at Muscat ex S.S. " *Regiolaw* " on the *30th Augt* 1910.

Marks or Numbers.	Cases.	Contents.	Names of Shippers.	Names of Consignees.	Names of Persons taking delivery.	Remarks.
<i>175</i> } 1311 129497 1330779	1 Case 4 50	Rifle Cartridges	<i>Manchester</i> Louis <i>Desmoules</i>	<i>Coalen.</i>	<i>S. S. Agnamazean</i> — <i>do</i> — — <i>do</i> —	
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Condition of Country.

619. With reference to Diary entry No.600, news has been received from Wadi Al-Muawil that three men of Nakhl fired at 5 men of Bani Muawil from an ambush near Hubra. Two of the latter were killed and one was carried away severely wounded.

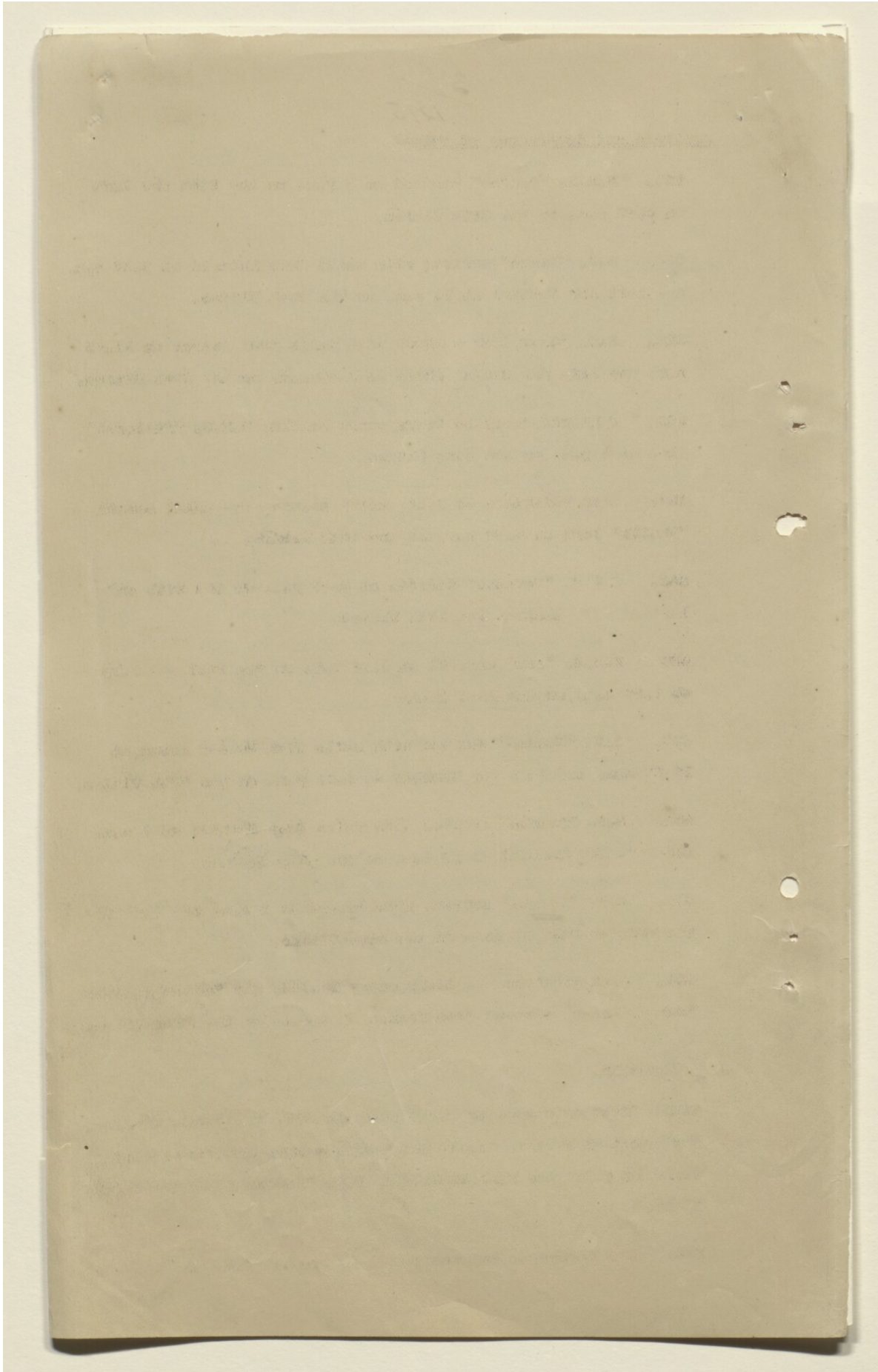
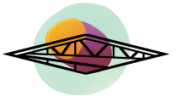
620. With reference to Diary entry No.550 and previous, Shaikh Suleiman bin Nasir of the Bani Muawil tribe intends sending a second deputation to the Sultan after the 'Id to ask His Highness to effect a peace between the Bani Muawil on one side, and Bani Jabir and people of Nakhl on the other. It is supposed that the impertinence of the former deputies offended Saiyids Muhamad bin Turki and Muhammad bin Ahmed bin Nasir the Wali of Mutrah, who were discussing terms on behalf of His Highness and consequently the last deputation was a failure. His Highness has asked Shaikh Seif bin Suleiman Jabiri of Tau to stay here till after the 'Id to see if the Bani Muawil move further in the matter.

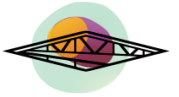
621. With reference to Diary entry No.602, Saiyid Nadir has brought two Shaikhs, belonging respectively to the Shihuh tribe and to Kumzar ~~each~~, with 8 of their men to Muscat to abide by His Highness the Sultan's orders in connection with the Khasab trouble.

Arms Traffic.

622. Three men named Nuri, Nasir Koweiti and Sanduk left by the "Galpara" on 26th Instant; the first named was probably going to Dubai and last two for Kuwait. As they are all engaged in the Arms Traffic the Senior Naval Officer and Consul at Dunder Abbas, were informed by telegram in case it might be possible to have their kit inspected.

Arrivals





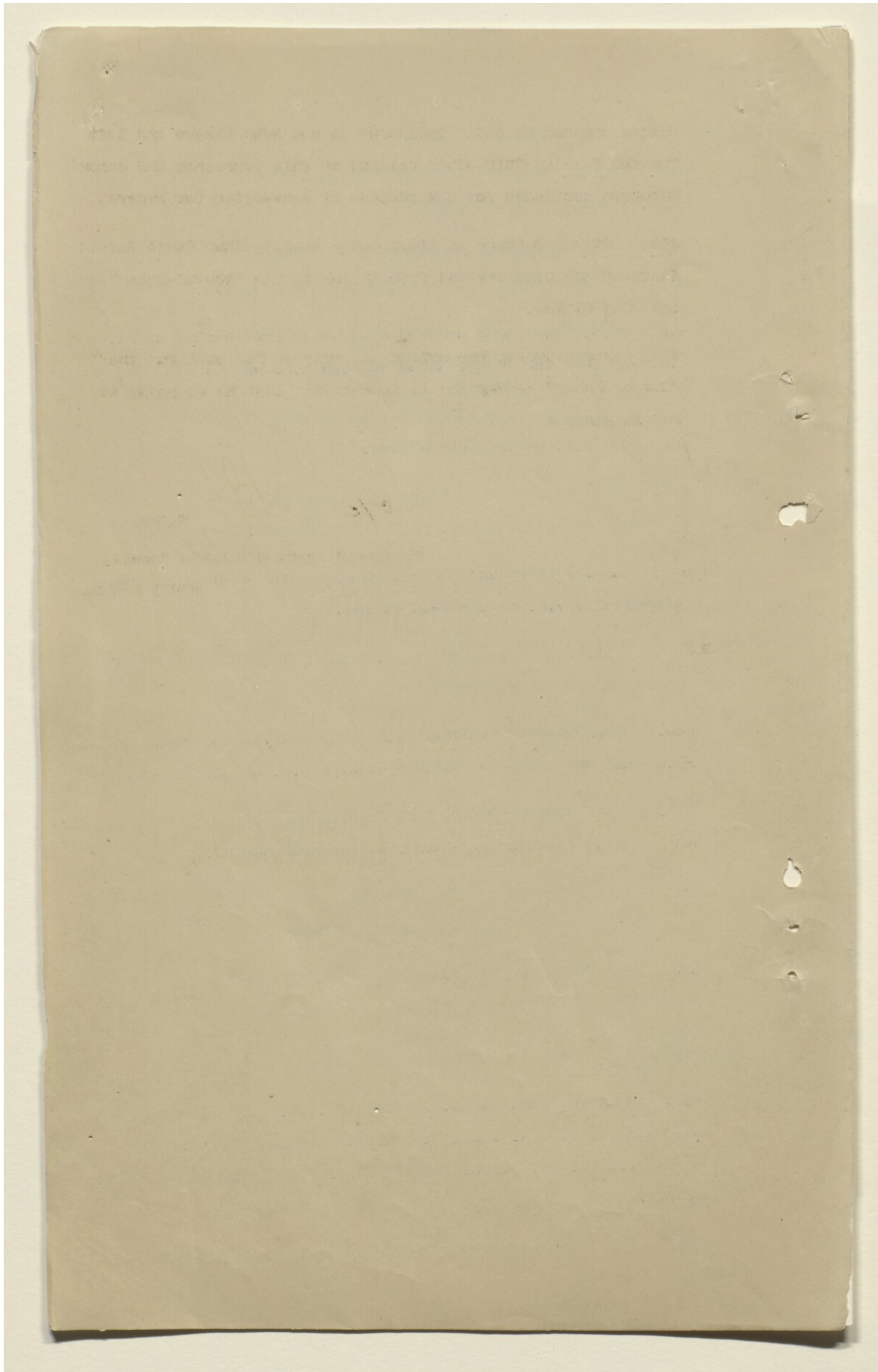
Arrivals and departures of Ships.

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623. H.M.S. "Sphinx" arrived at 3 p.m. on the 25th and left at 4.30 p.m. on the 26th Ultimo.
624. S.S. "Dumra" arrived with mails from Karachi at 9.15 a.m. and left for Bushire at 10 a.m. on the 26th Ultimo.
625. S.S. "Goalpara" arrived with mails from Gwadur at 11.55 a.m. and left for Bunder Abbas at 8.30 p.m. on the 26th Ultimo.
626. With reference to Diary entry No.613, H.M.S. "Philomel" left at 4 p.m. on the 26th Ultimo.
627. With reference to Diary entry No.614, the Armed Launch "Sheikh" left at 6.30 p.m. on the 26th Ultimo.
628. H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 5.45 p.m. on the 27th and left at 11 a.m. on the 28th Ultimo.
629. H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 5.15 p.m. on the 28th and left at 7.30 a.m. on the 29th Ultimo.
630. S.S. "Nuddea" arrived with mails from Bunder Abbas at 10.30 a.m. and left for Chahbar at 5.15 p.m. on the 28th Ultimo.
631. S.S. "Dwarka" arrived with mails from Bushire at 9 a.m. and left for Karachi at 10 a.m. on the 28th Ultimo.
632. S.S. "Griqua" arrived from Europe at 6 a.m. and left for the Persian Gulf at noon on the 29th Ultimo.
633. With reference to Diary entry No.602, the Sultan's Yacht "Nur-ul-Bahar" arrived from Khasab at 4 a.m. on the 30th Ultimo.

Miscellaneous.

634. With reference to Diary entry No.587, Mr. Rudolf Clausen, the agent of several German and American arms manufacturing firms left for the Persian Gulf by S.S. "Goalpara" on the 26th Ultimo.
635. Mr. Holmes, a representative of Messrs. Asquith & Lord of
Bombay



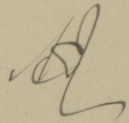


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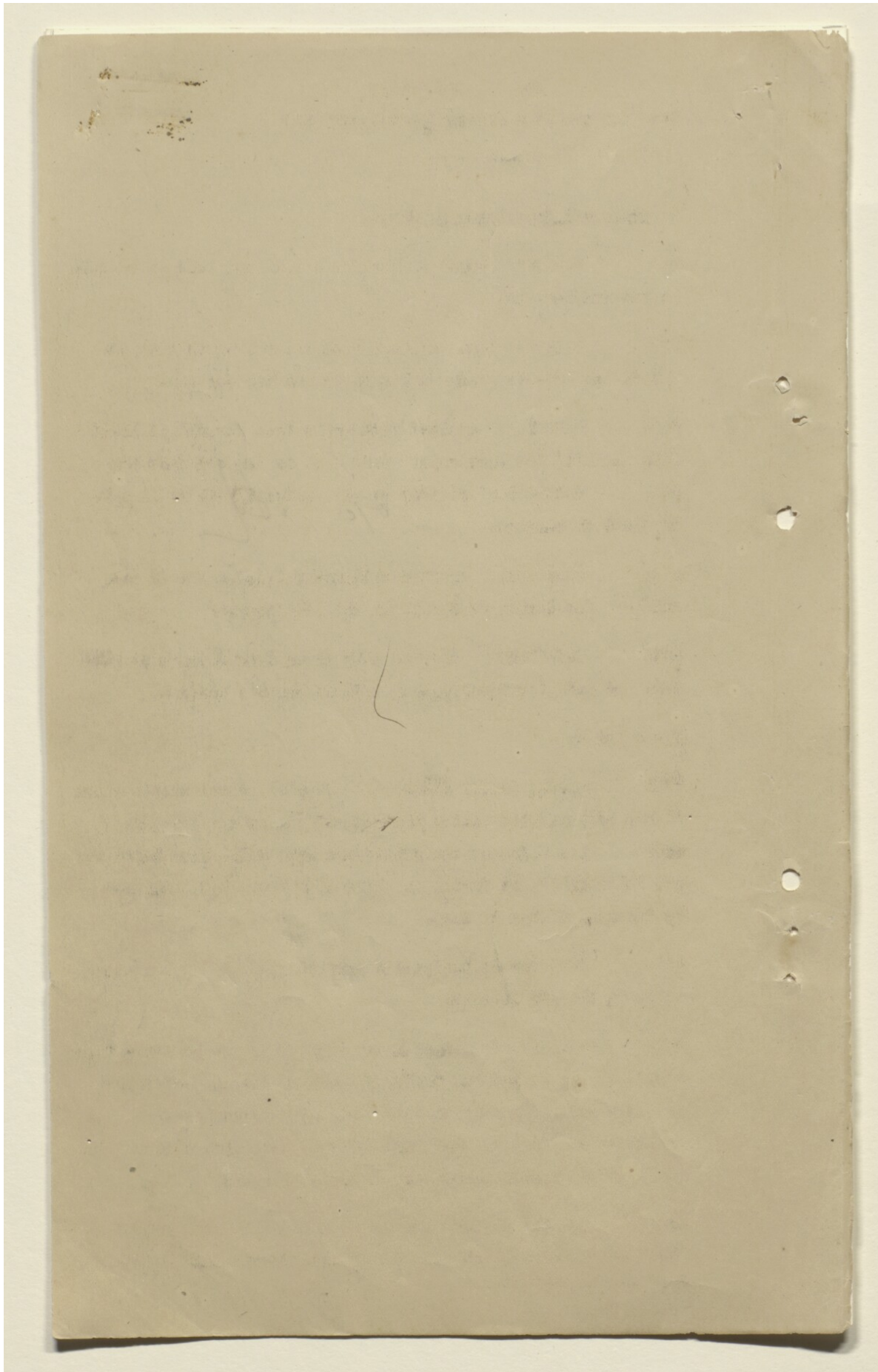
Bombay arrived by S.S. "Goalpara" on the 26th Ultimo and left for the Persian Gulf after calling at this Consulate and other European gentlemen for the purpose of canvassing for orders.

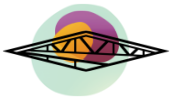
686. With reference to Diary entry No.617, Khan Sahib Saiyid Muhammad bin Said arrived from Khasab in the "Nur-ul-Bahar" on the 30th Ultimo.

687. His Highness the Sultan has ordered for coal for the "Nur-ul-Bahar" to-day and it is reported that he is going to Sur in a day or two.

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Arrivals and departures of Ships.

638. H.M.S. "Persæus" arrived at 6 A.M. and left at 12 A.M. on the 3rd instant.

639. S.S. "Waroonga" arrived with mails from Charbar at 7 A.M. and left for Jask at 5 P.M. on the 5th instant.

640. S.S. "Kola" arrived with mails from Karachi at 11.50 A.M. and left for Bushire at 12.30 P.M. on the 3rd instant.

641. H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 5.30 A.M. and left at 11 A.M. on the 5th instant.

642. S.S. "Kasera" arrived with mails from Jask at 6 A.M. and left for Gwedor at 3 P.M. on the 5th instant.

643. S.S. "Dumra" arrived with mails from Bushire at 7.30 A.M. and left for Karachi at 9 A.M. on the 5th instant.

Miscellaneous.

644. Sheikh Rashid bin Aziz Al-Khasebi, First Arabic clerk to His Highness the Sultan left for Simail on 3rd instant.

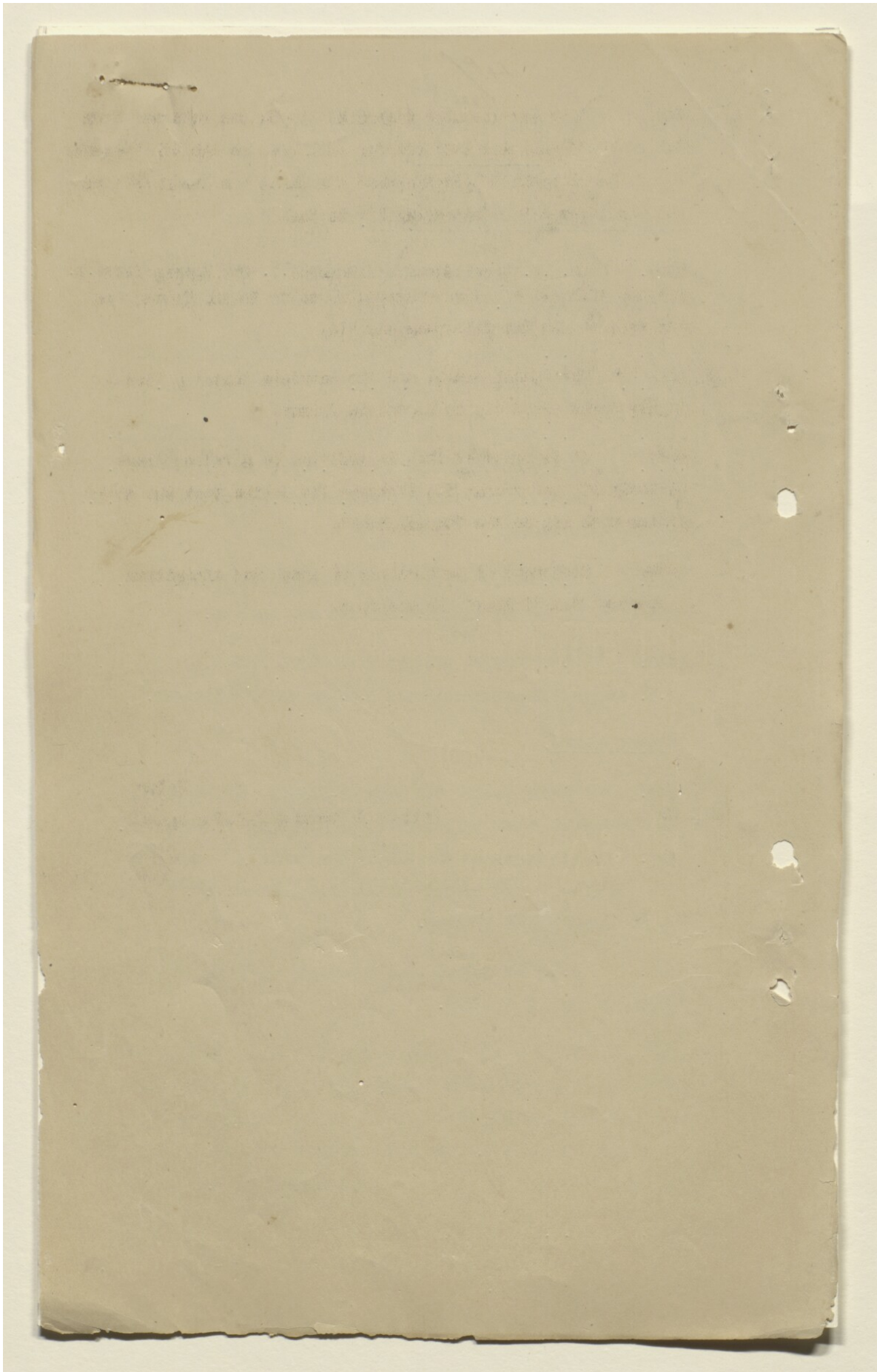
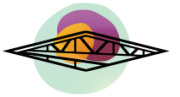
645. His Highness the Sultan has sent 2,500 cartridges for his Wali, Ghalib, of Gwedor in the mail steamer S.S. "Kasera" by Mir Rustom Khan of Khej.

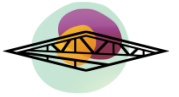
646. H.H. the Sultan paid a private visit to the Political Agent on the 4th instant.

647. The 6th of October being Id-ul-Fitr the Sultan's flag staffs of the palace and forts, as well as the "Nur-ul-Bahr" were dressed and His Highness's saluting battery fired 21 guns in honour of the day. The flagstaffs of this Agency and of the American and French Consulates were also dressed.

648. H.H. the Sultan, with Sheikh Seif of Tau and Saiyid Abdul Qadir Zowavi, left for Sib in the "Nur-ul-Bahr" at 12.30 noon on 6th instant.

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649. "The Nur-ul-Behr" with H.H. the Sultan returned from Sib at 10.30 A.M. and left for Sur at 1 P.M. on the 7th instant. The Sultan brought Saiyid Muhammad bin Ahmad bin Nesir, Wali of Muttrah, from Sib to accompany him to Sur.

650. The Political Agent accompanied by the Agency Surgeon paid an official visit of congratulation to Saiyid Taimur on 7th instant the day following the 'Id.

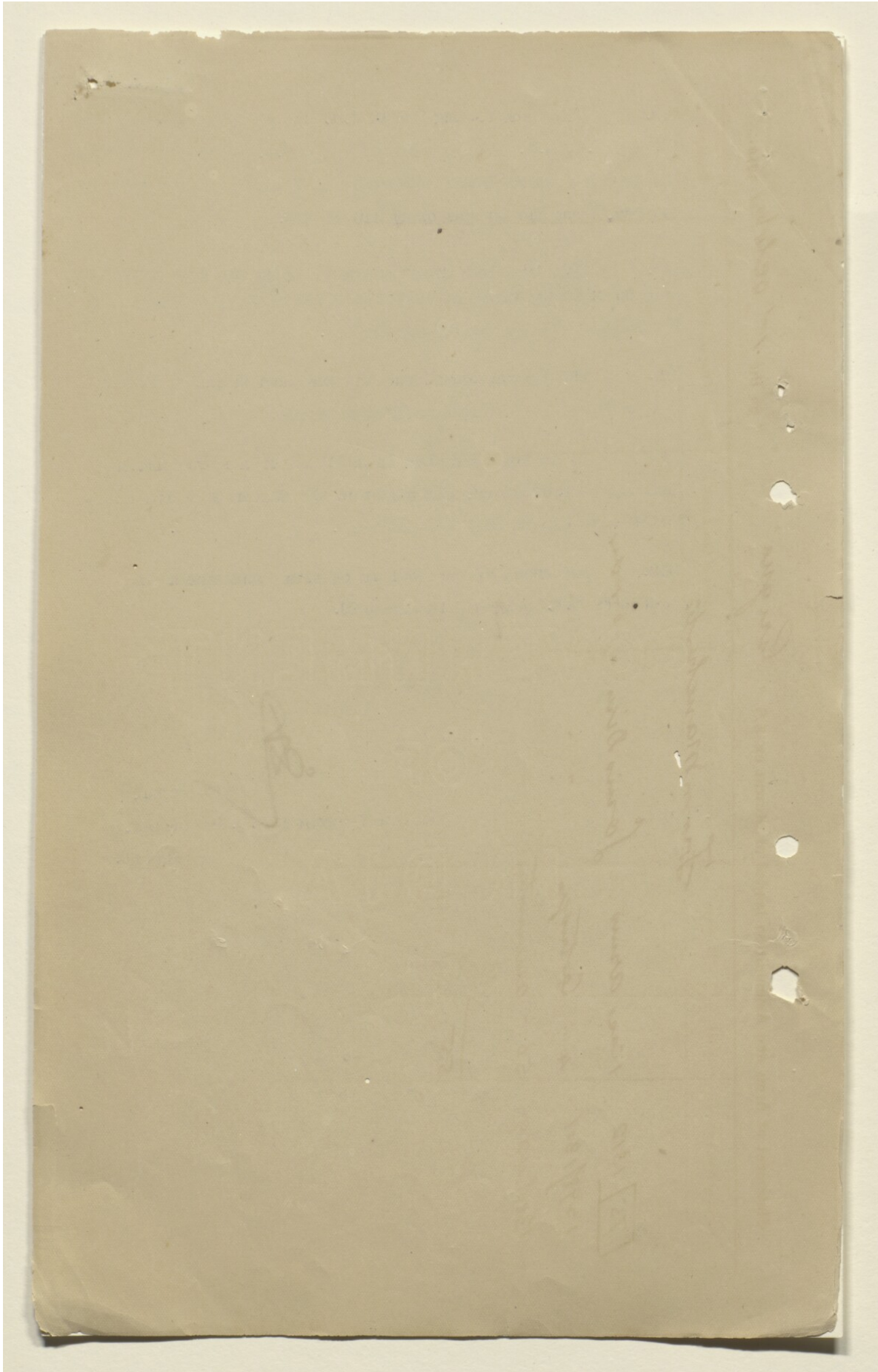
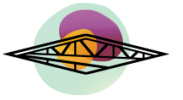
651. The French Consul and the American Consul & Vice & Deputy Consul paid visits to Saiyid Taimur.

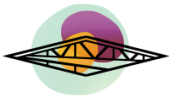
652. It is reported that in addition to a rather large quantity of provisions, His Highness the Sultan took two score rifles with him in the "Nur-ul-Behr".

653. Statement of particulars of arms and ammunition landed ex S.S. "Grigua" is enclosed.

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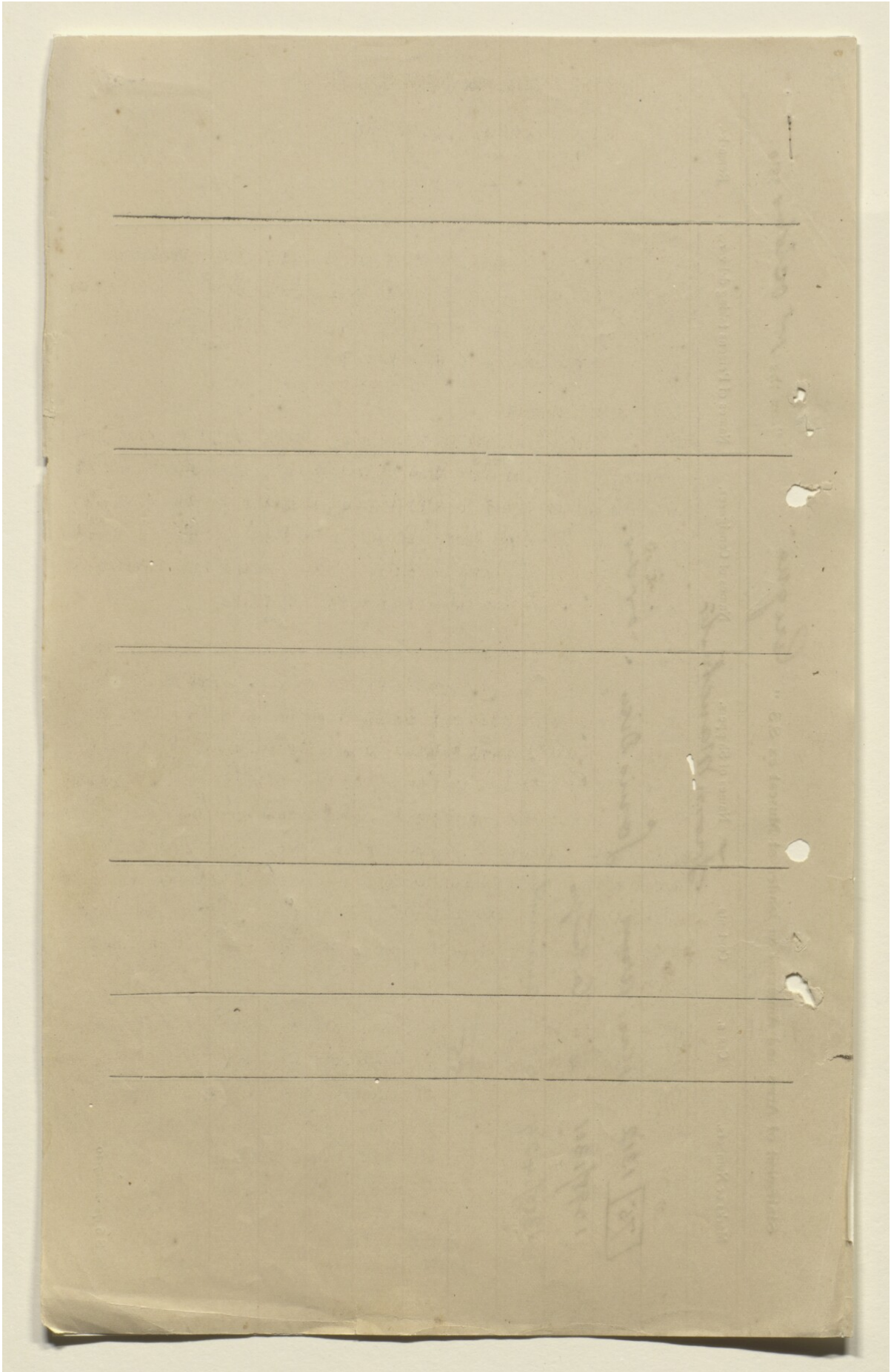
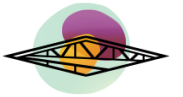
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Statement of Arms and Ammunition landed at Muscat ex S.S. "Erugua"

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[75] 1312	1 case	Arms	From Manchester	Louis Dier		
1298/1301	4 "	Cartridges				
1380/1429	50	Ammunition				
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News for the week ending 15th October 1910.

Customs:-

654. With reference to diary entry No.507, Khoja Muhammad Reim, the Customs farmer of Gwedur has arrived here by S.S. Warora on the 10th instant and is giving account to His Highness; who seems to be well-disposed towards him.

Condition of Country.

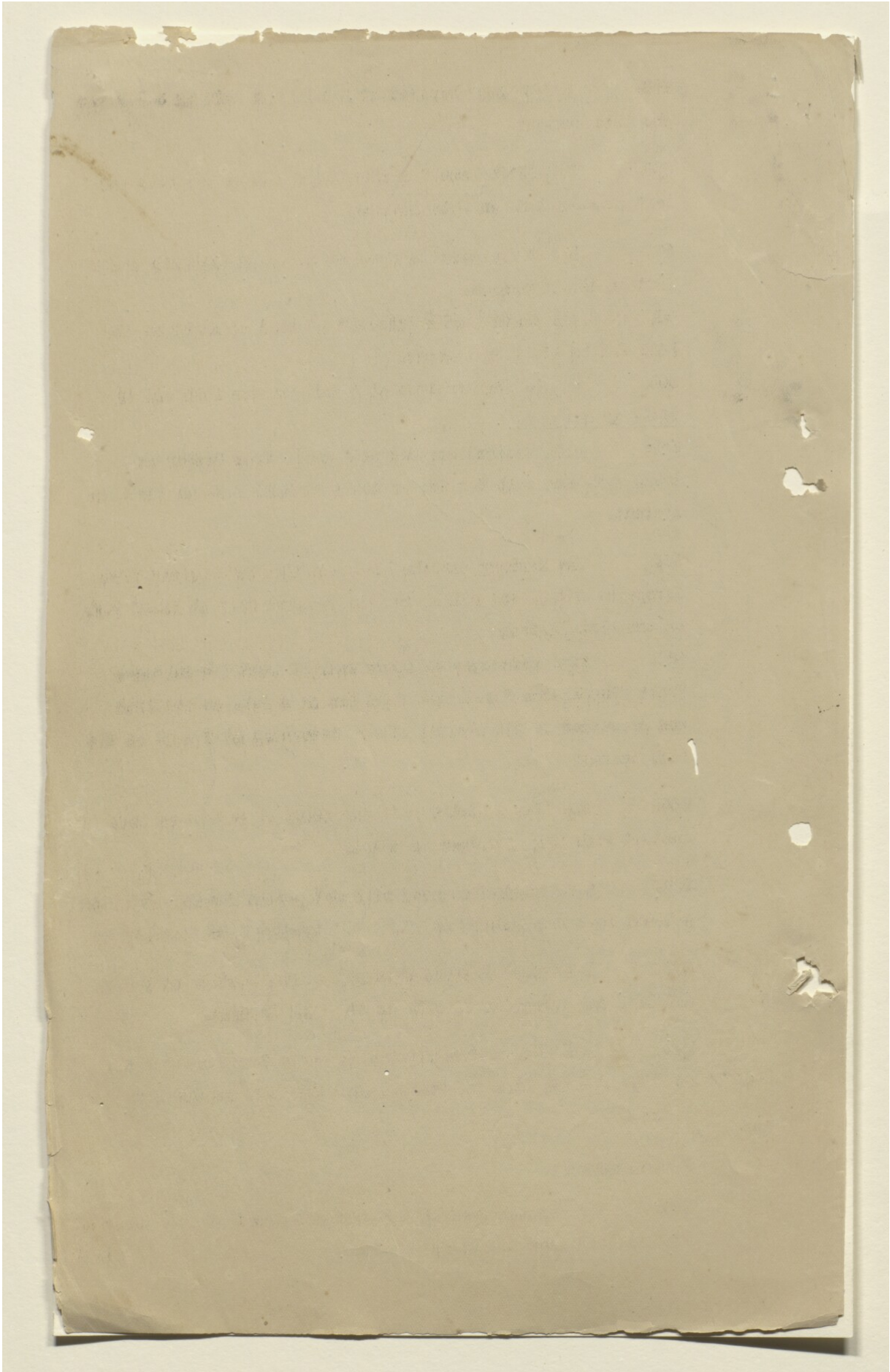
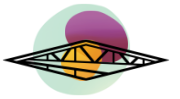
655. With reference to diary entry No.620 and 648 seven representatives of the Bani Mawili met His Highness the Sultan at Sib. The Sultan tried to effect a conciliation between them on one side and the Bani Jebir and people of Nakhil on the other but Shaikh Seif bin Sulaiman Al-Jabiri of Tau claimed cash compensation and therefore the negotiations fell through.

656. With reference to diary entry No.648 His Highness the Sultan who went to Sur from Sib called Amir Abdullah bin Salim bin Muhammed Al-Hamudah and Shaikh Senad to Sur with a view to settle some differences between them. The latter - it is said, arrived first with 300 followers and was received by His Highness at which the former was offended and refused to come. His Highness sent Shaikh Muhammed Al-Rejihi with a conciliatory letter, \$200/- cash, 7 rifles and 1,500 cartridges and some provisions. It is reported that the Sultan will again shortly go to Sur to see Amir Abdullah bin Salim bin Muhammed with whom he has left the above emissary.

657. It is reported from Khaburah that the Hawasinah tribe are discontented on account of the recent enhanced duties announced by His Highness the Sultan and want to create trouble there. His Highness the Sultan has written to three local Shaikhs to warn the people and to report their grievances to him. British subjects have also written to their friends in Muscat about this.

Arrivals and departures of ships.

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658. H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 6 A.M. and left at 3 P.M. on the 10th instant.

659. H.M.S. "Philomel" arrived at 8 A.M. on the 10th and left at 9.15 A.M. on 12th instant.

660. H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived at 6 A.M. on the 12th and left in the afternoon.

661. The Armed Launch "Sheikh" arrived at night on the 14th and is still in harbour.

662. H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at 6 A.M. on the 15th and is still in harbour.

663. S.S. "Warora" arrived with mails from Gwadur at 10.15 A.M. and left for Bunder Abbas at 3.30 P.M. on the 10th instant.

664. The Hamburg Amerika Line S.S. "Sparta" arrived from Europe at 6 A.M. and sailed for the Persian Gulf at 12-45 P.M. on the 11th instant.

665. With reference to diary entry No. 648 The Sultan's Yacht "Nur-ul-Behr" returned from Sur at 9 P.M. on the 12th and proceeded to Sib shortly after, returning at 7 A.M. on the 13th instant.

666. The "Nur-ul-Behr" left for Sohar at 8 A.M. on 15th instant with Saiyid Teimur on board.

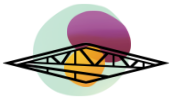
667. S.S. "Dwarke" arrived with mails from Karachi at 11.40 A.M. and left for Bushire at 12.30 P.M. on the 10th instant.

668. S.S. "Kole" arrived with mails from Bushire at 9 A.M. and left for Karachi at 10 A.M. on the 12th instant.

669. S.S. "Gosalpara" arrived with mails from Bunder Abbas at 1.10 P.M. and left for Charber at 10.30 P.M. on the 12th instant.

Miscellaneous.

670. Mir Din Muhammed Khan, a Deshtyari chief of the Mekran coast arrived from Bagdad by S.S. "Gosalpara" on the 12th instant.





671. Mir Din Muhammed Khan paid a visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 13th instant. (100)

672. Mir Din Muhammed Khan paid a visit to the Political Agent on the 13th instant.

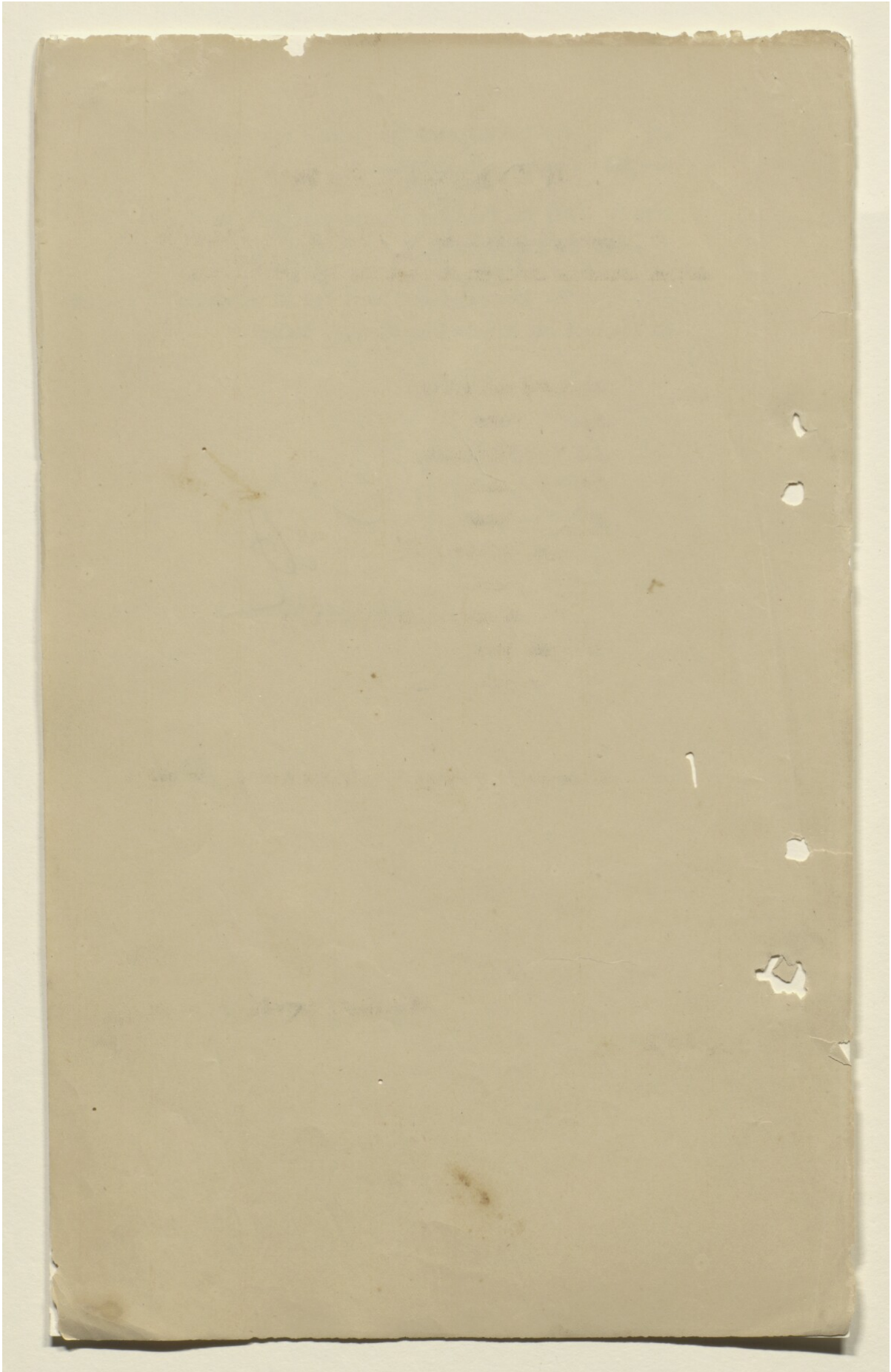
673. The American Consul went for an excursion to Wotaiyah on the 14th and returned on the 15th instant.

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Secret Commercial Intelligence.

The Hamburg Amerika Line S.S. "Sparta" landed here in the Customs House on the 11th instant the following goods.

145 cases ammunition
33 " arms
13 " furnitures
10 " Amber
100 " Sugar
1 case Hollow glass
1 " enamel
1 " Glass and metallic goods
12 cases beer
25 " Gin

No cargo was shipped by this steamer at this port.

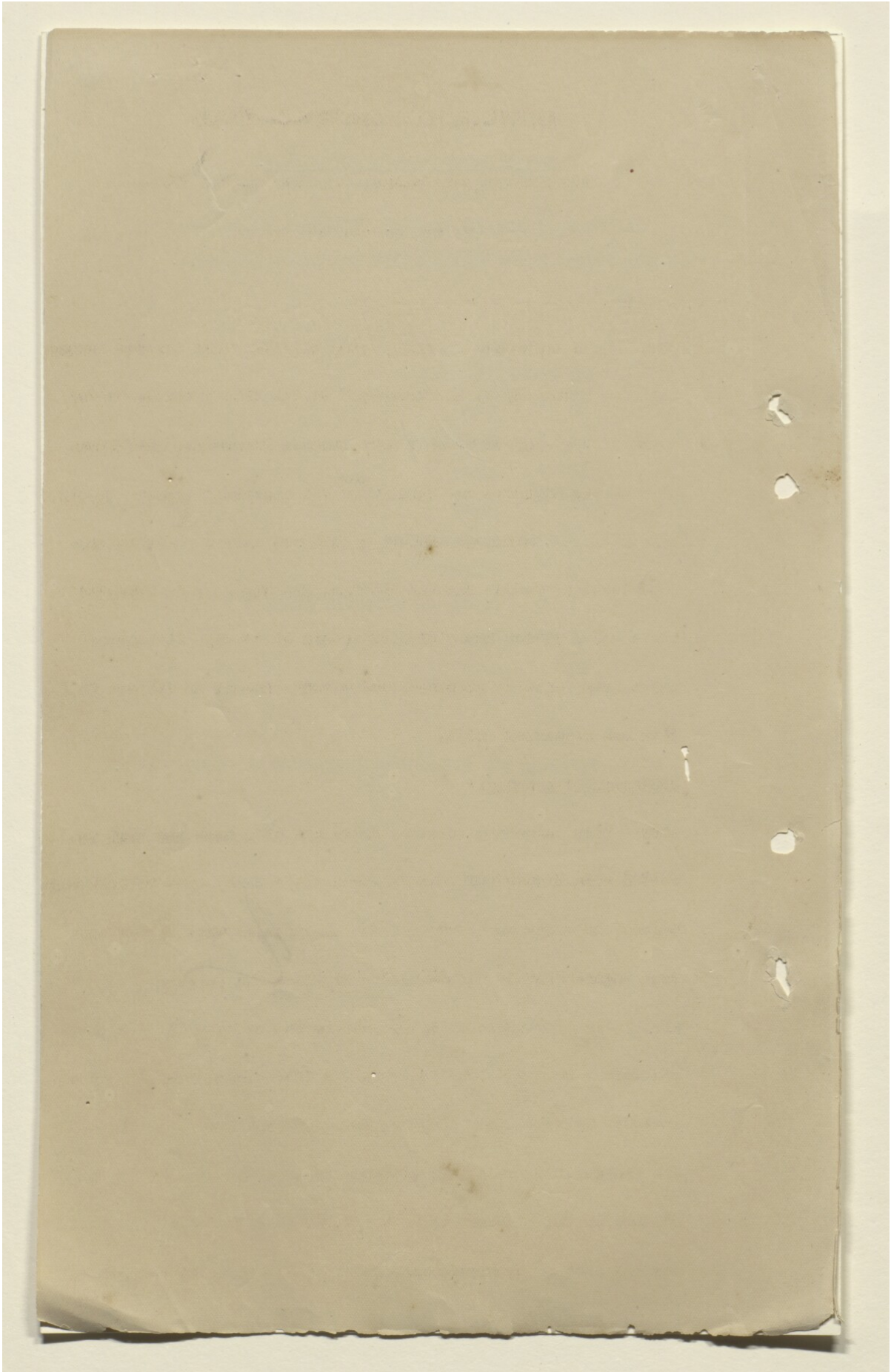
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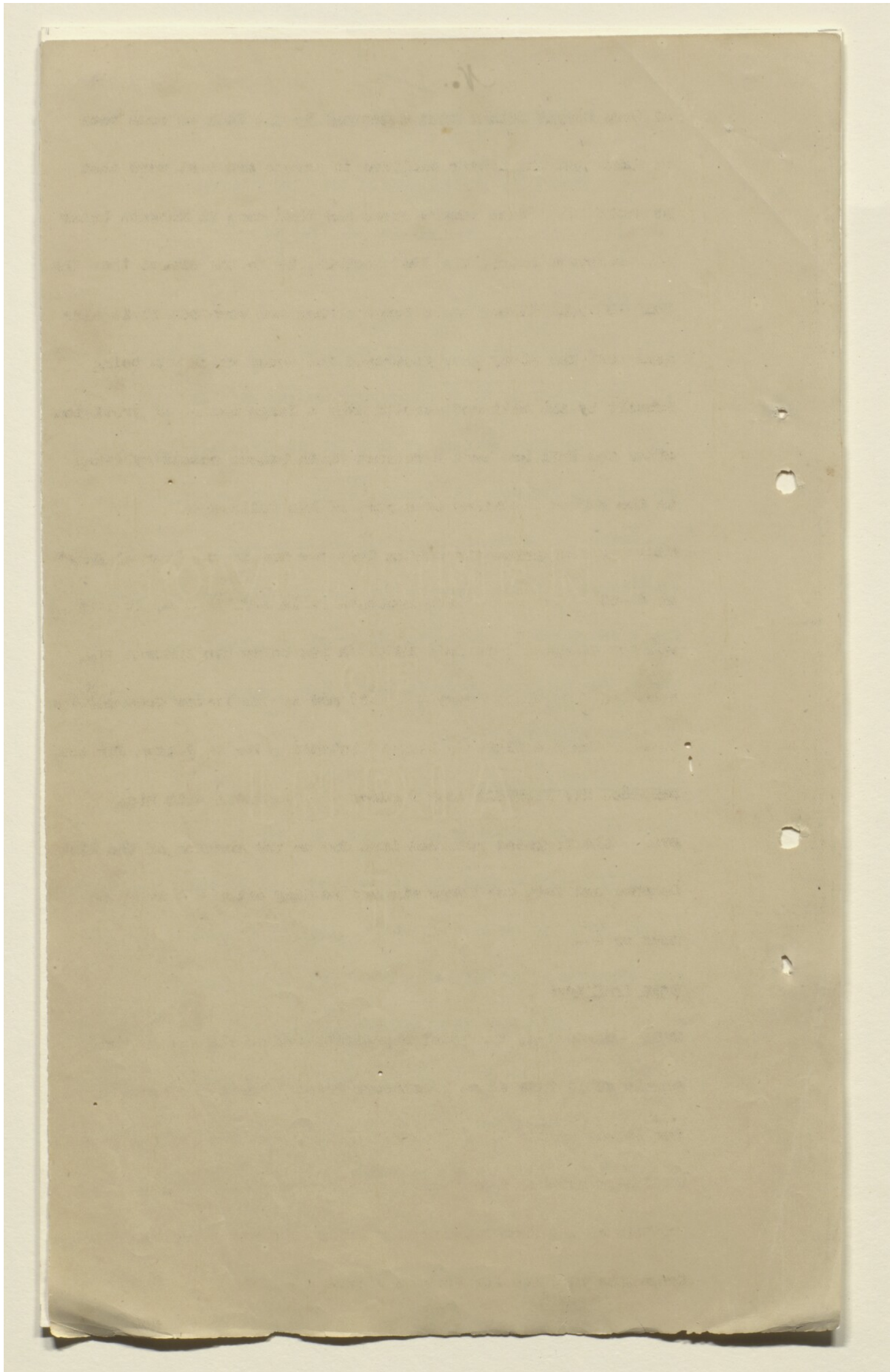
Customs:-

674. With reference to diary entry NO: 654 Khoja Mohomed Reimoo left for Gwador by S. S. "Waroonga" on the 19th instant. On account of the good offices of Seth Damodar Dharamsee, the financier of His Highness and Zubeir, ^{one} of His Highness' clerks, he has satisfied the Sultan in rendering accounts and is to enjoy another lease of Gwador Customs farming. His Highness has granted him a sanad giving him a plot of ground at Gwador, 200 square yards, for building purposes, and a cash present of dollars 50/ with one repeating rifle.

Condition of country:-

675. With reference to diary entry NO: 657, news has been received from Misnaa that the Yal Saad tribe have burnt several houses and shops on account of the feelings aroused by the recent ~~enhancement~~ enhancement of duties by His Highness the Sultan.

676. With reference to diary entries ending with NO: 666, Saiyid Taimur returned from Sohar in the "Nur-el-Bahr" on the 18th instant. He went there for the purpose of advising the Wali Salim bin Suleiman as to his attitude towards Sheikh Sultan bin Mohomed of the Al Naeem tribe but found that the Wali with 1500 men had left on an expedition against the said tribe towards Wadi Al Qur.





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Al Qur. Saiyid Taimur sent a message to the Wali to come back to Sohar but the latter declined to return and sent word that he would build some towers there and then come to Muscat. Later news received today, the 22nd instant, is to the effect that the Wali has lost 10 men and a large number are wounded. It is also said that the enemy have destroyed the tower which was being rebuilt by the Wali and carried away a large amount of provision after the Wali had beat a retreat which became necessary owing to the sudden desertion of a part of his followers.

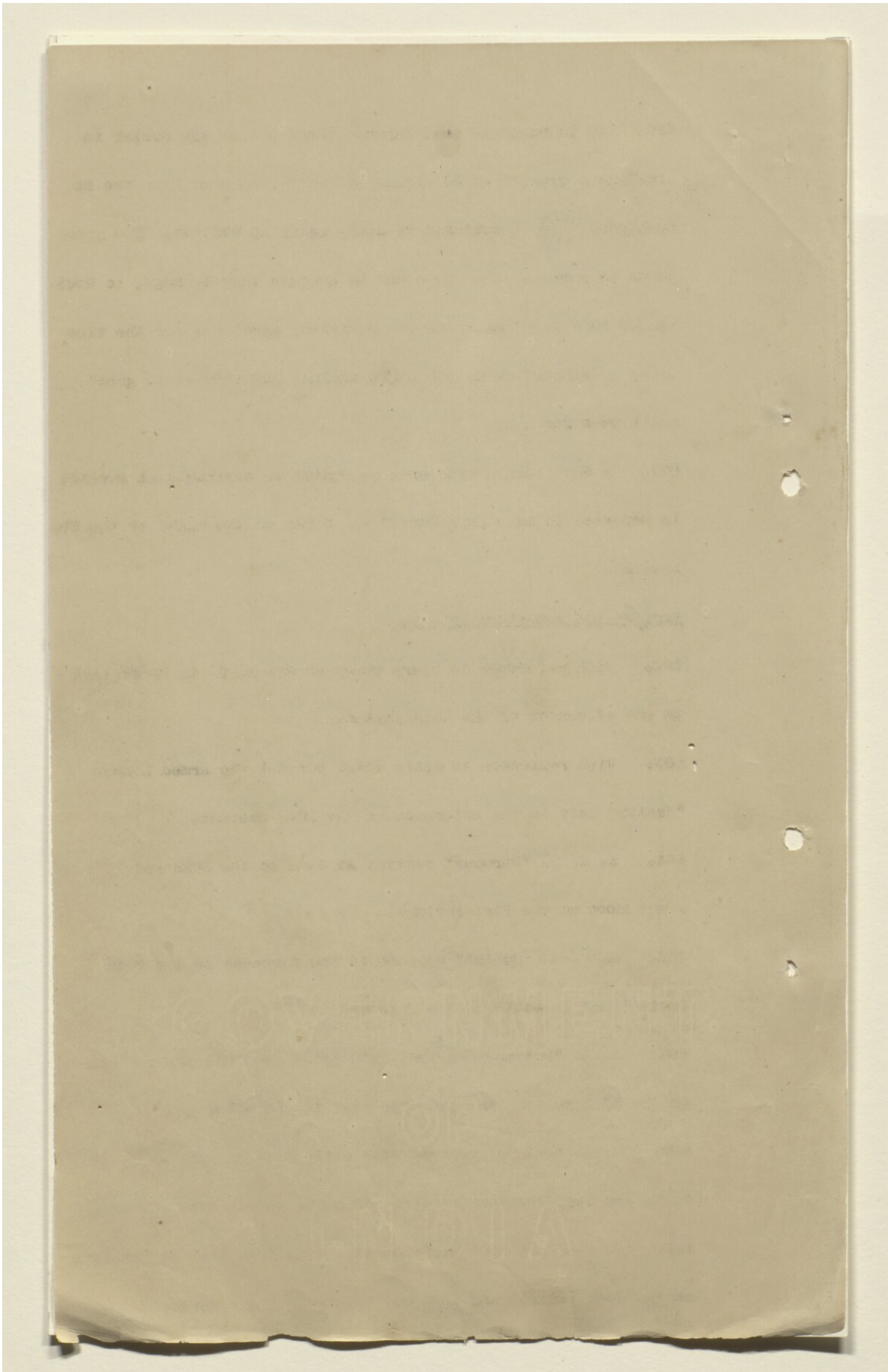
677. His Highness the Sultan left for Sur in the "Mur-el-Bahr" at 4--30 A. M. on the 20th instant. It is said that he is very anxious to conciliate Amir Abdullah bin Salim bin Mohamed Al-Hamudah, (Vide diary entry NO: 656) and if the latter does not come to Sur His Highness himself intends going to Jalaan for the purpose. His Highness took 8 cases of ammunition with him.

678. His Highness returned from Sur on the morning of the 21st October and left for Sohar without landing after a stay of an hour or so.

Arms traffic:-

679. M. Coulon, the local representative of the French "Compagnie de l' Inde et de l' extreme Orient" (arms merchants) left for Bombay by the S. S. "Dwarka". M. Lapicque who has relieved M. Coulon arrived from France the previous week. He is an ex-captain of the French Mercantile Marine and has represented the Compagnie in China for several years.

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680. It is reported that Harun, a local Baluch gun dealer is offering a present of 30 rifles to Mir Din Mohomed Khan the Da Dashtyari chief (mentioned in diary entry NO 670) who also proposes to purchase some more and to smuggle them by Bugla to Gwetar or some point near it. The Political Agent has for the time being in connection with a claim against him refused to grant him a pass for arms.

681. A dhow loaded with arms belonging to merchants at Bushire is reported to have left Mutrah for Sohar on the night of the 23rd instant.

Arrival and departure of ships:-

682. With reference to diary entry NO 662 H. M. S. "Fox" left on the afternoon of the 18th instant.

683. With reference to diary entry NO: 661 the Armed Launch "Shaikh" left in the afternoon on the 18th instant.

684. H. M. S. "Perseus" arrived at dawn on the 20th and left about noon on the 21st instant.

685. H. M. S. "Sphinx" arrived in the forenoon of the 20th instant and is still in the harbour.

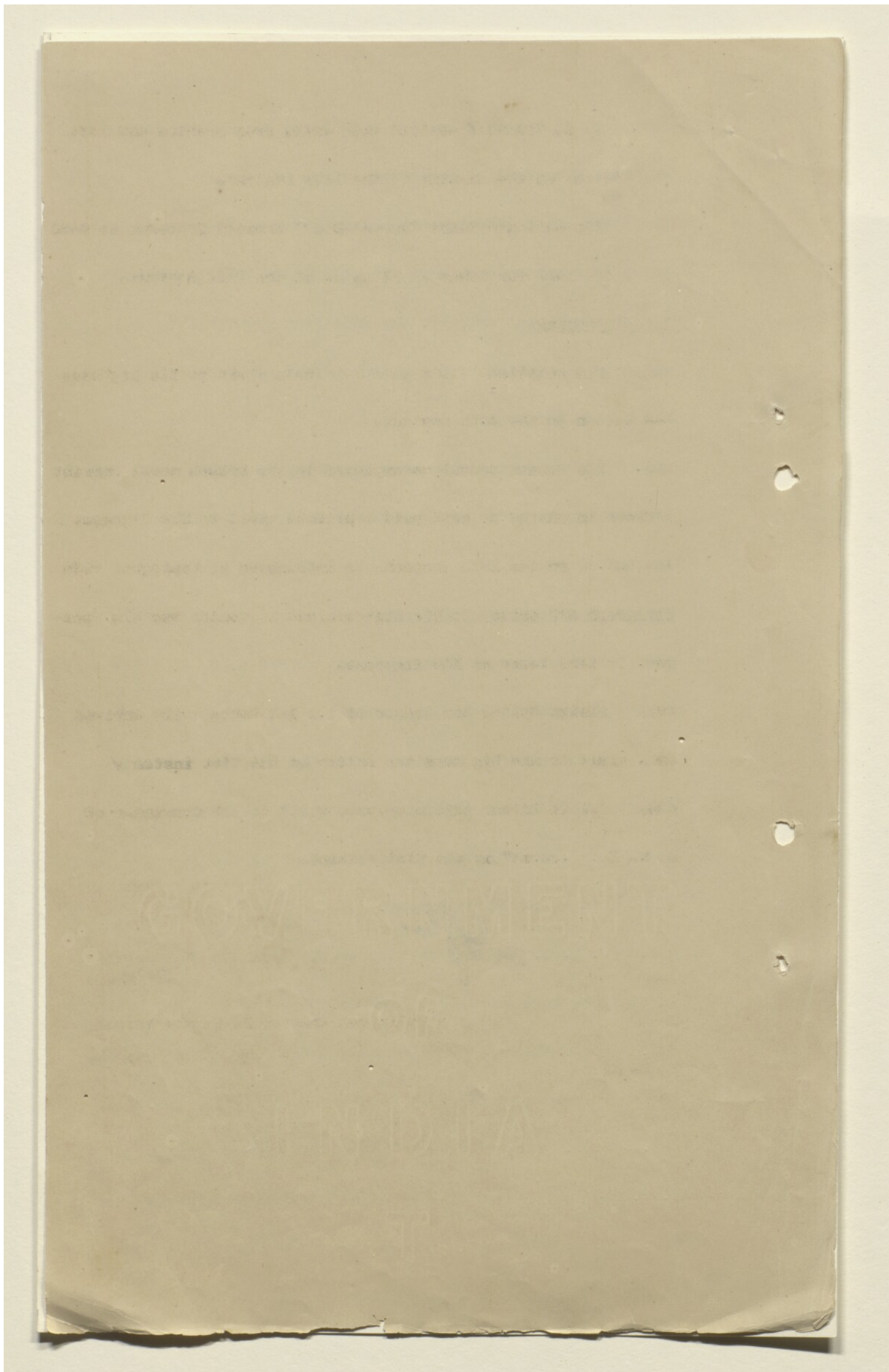
686. S. S. "Bulimba" arrived with mails from Charbar at dawn on the 17th instant and left for Jask in the afternoon.

687. S. S. "Kasara" arrived with mails from Karachi at 2--40 P. M. and left for Bushire at 3--30 P. M. on the 17th instant.

688. S. S. "Waroonga" arrived with mails from Jask at daylight on the 19th instant and left for Gwadur in the afternoon.

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689. S. S. "Dwarka" arrived with mails from Bushire and left for Karachi on the morning of the 19th instant.

690. The Sultan's Yacht "Nur-el-Bahr" arrived from Sur at 9-30 A. M. and left for Sohar at 11 A. M. on the 21st instant.

Miscellaneous:-

691. The Political Agent paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 18th instant.

692. The French Consul accompanied by the French naval warrant officer in charge of coal paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 18th instant. He introduced M. Lapicque (vide paragraph 679 above) to His Highness and M. Coulon was also present to take leave of His Highness.

693. Sheikh Sultan bin Mansur of the Yal Wehba tribe arrived on a visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 21st instant.

694. Saïid Taimur paid a private visit to the Commander of H. M. S. "Perseus" on the 21st instant.

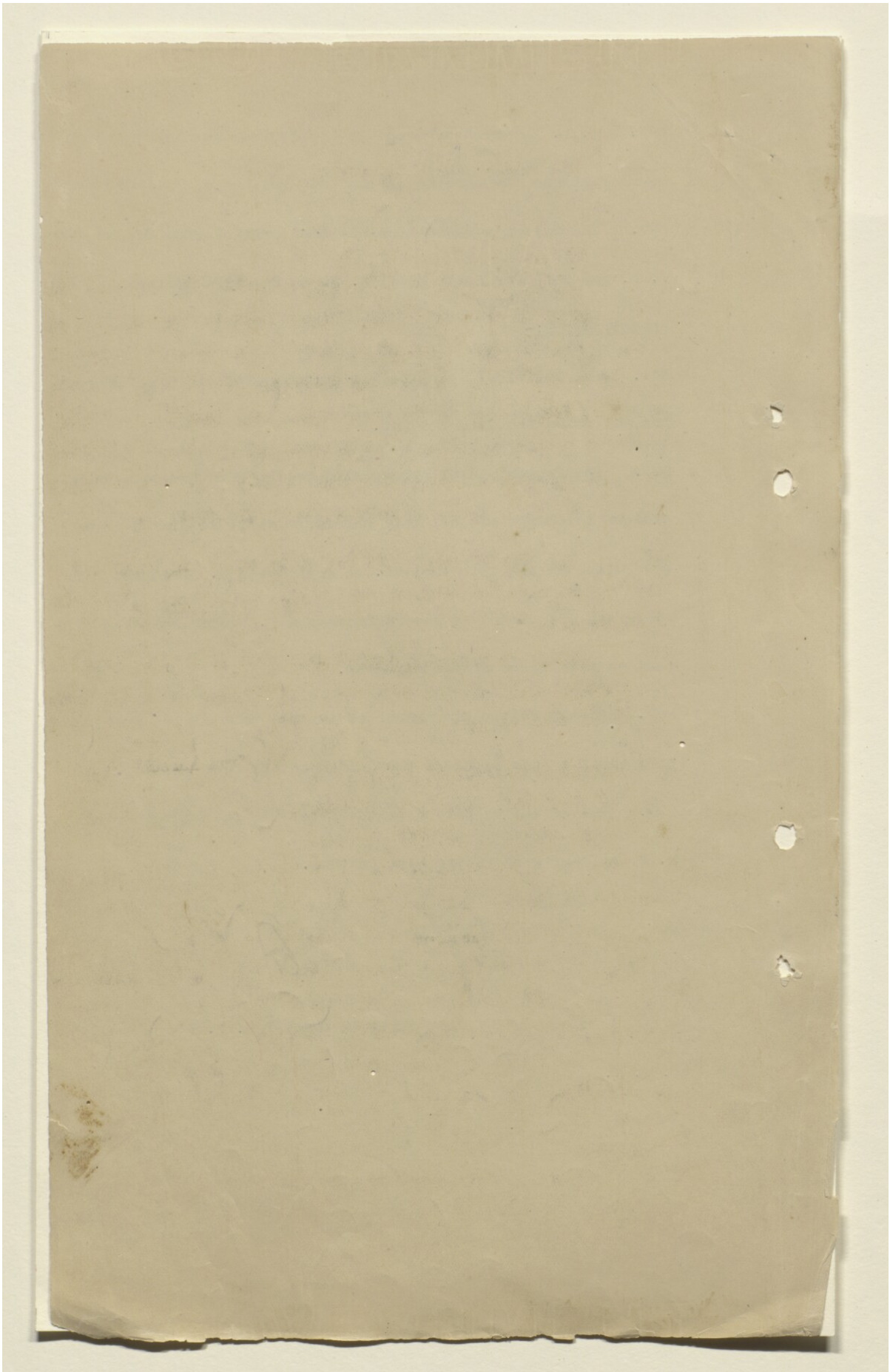
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Major,

Political Agent & H. B. M's Consul,

Muscat.

K. K. M.





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BRITISH AGENCY & CONSULATE, MUSCAT.

News for the week ending 29th October 1910.

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Condition of Country:-

695. With reference to diary entry No.678, His Highness the Sultan sent back the "Nur-ul-Bahr" from Sohar for the purpose of bringing reinforcements and provisions. It is reported in Muscat that after the Wali's retreat, the tribesmen followed up to Sohar and burnt some houses in the outskirts of the town and captured 150 Sohar people, including males females and children. This however, from what Saiyid Yusuf who went to Sohar with His Highness told the Political Agent, appears to be an exaggeration.

696. The "Nur-ul-Behr" left for Sohar on the night of the 24th instant with 200 askaris, 40,000 ball cartridges and 100 bags of provisions.

697. There is total absence of news from Sohar since the "Nur-ul-Bahr" left here on 24th and Saiyid Taimur expressed some anxiety on this account.

Arrivals and Departures of Ships.

698. With reference to diary entry No.685, H.M.S. "Sphinx" left in the afternoon on 24th instant.

699. The Sultan's Yacht "Nur-ul-Bahr" returned from Sohar at dawn on 24th instant and left for the same place at night.

700. S.S. "Madura" arrived with mails from Gwadar at daybreak and left for Bunder Abbas in the afternoon on the 24th instant.

701. S.S. Kola arrived with mails from Karachi in the afternoon and left for Bushire on the 24th instant

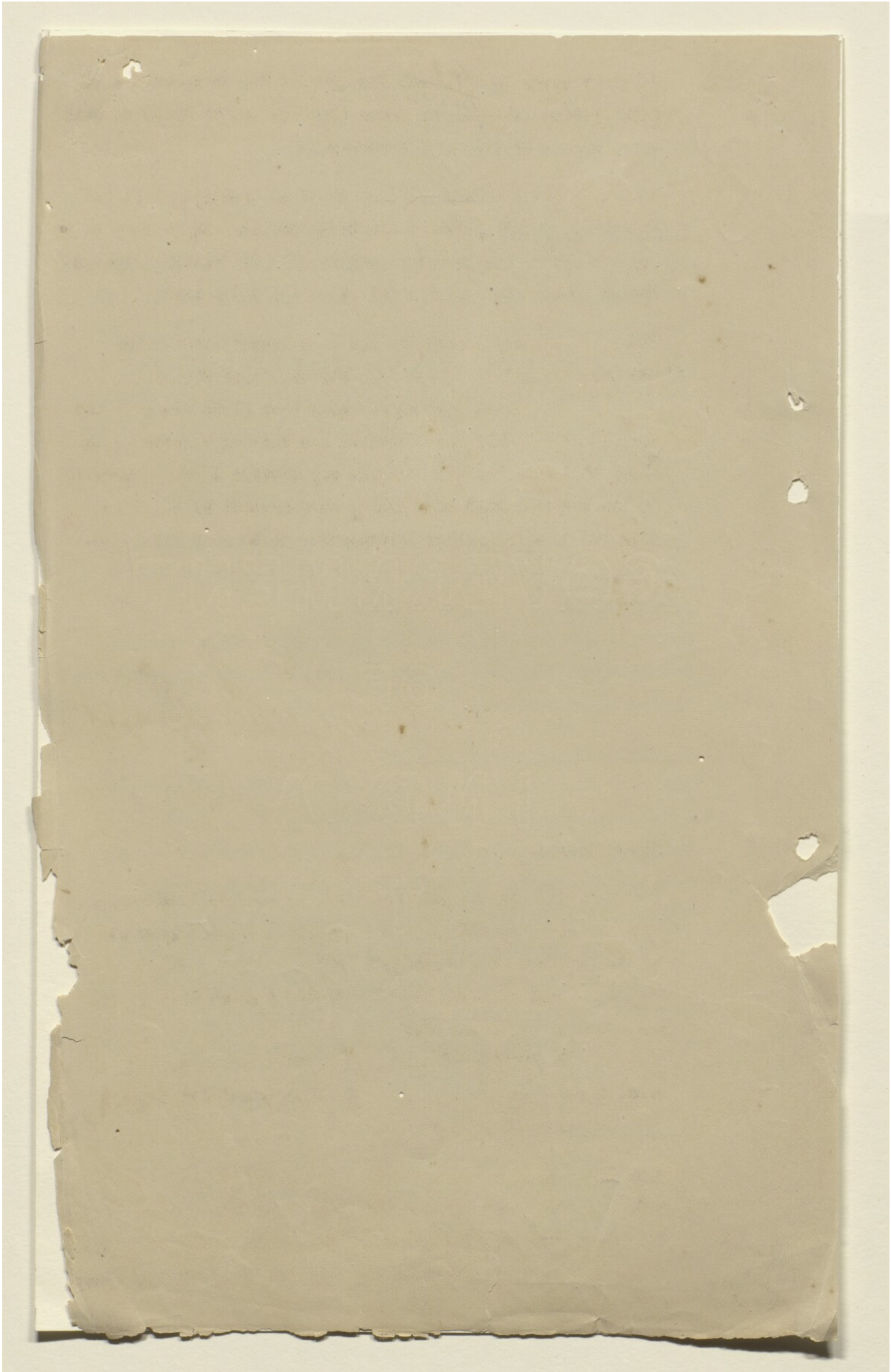
702. S.S. Kesara arrived with mails from Bushire and left for Karachi at noon on 26th instant.

Miscellaneous.

703. Saiyid Taimur sent 2 camels, and 10 martini-Henry rifles ten pistols and 9,000 cartridges as a present to Sheikh Isa bin Ali Al-Khalifah of Bahrein.

704. The American Consul and Monsieur Lapique (mentioned

in diary





in diary entry No.679) left for Simaili for an excursion on 26th instant, with half a dozen servants and 15 askaries sent as an escort by the local Government.

705. Mir Din Muhammad Khan, Chief of Deshtyari, left for Karachi by S.S. "Kasara" on the 26th instant. He intends to pay a visit to the Director, Persian Gulf, in Political charge Mekran Coast. Some of his followers are still here.

706. The dispensary has now been transferred to the new Hospital building, and work has now begun there.

No formal opening ceremony took place owing to the absence of the Sultan, the cholera and various causes. It is hoped that later on His Highness may convene a public meeting in the Hospital, both as a public announcement of its being open, and to make further arrangements as to ways and means.

*ofc
Lt Major
Political Agent*

Miscellaneous.

707. The Rev Dr. and Mrs. Zwemer of the American Mission with two children, and a nursery governess arrived from America in the S.S. "Madura" on the 24th instant.

Dr. Zwemer and Dr. Bennett made a short trip to the hot springs during the week.

Dr. Zwemer and party, Dr. and Mrs. Cantine, & Dr. Bennett all leave to-day by the S.S. "Goolpara" for Behrein for the annual mission conference.

Arms Traffic.

708. Monsieur Legesse, the local representative of Messrs Brijeot & Coy. left for Bombay by S.S. Kasara on the 26th instt. He stated that he was going to Bombay to put money

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in the bank, and said that while there he wished to
arrange for a passage to Europe in December 28th,
1910 by which time he hopes to have sold off his
stock and closed his business.

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which was sent for approval contained the
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BRITISH AGENCY AND CONSULATE, MUSCAT.

News for the week ending 5th November 1910.

Customs.

709. With reference to Diary entry No.674, it is said that Ali bin Musa, the local gun-merchant, is endeavouring to secure a share in the Gwador Customs in conjunction with Khoja Muhammad Reimoo. As he has recently given His Highness a large loan (said to be \$15,000) it is possible His Highness may get Muhammad Reimoo to accept Ali Musa as a partner.

Condition of Country.

710. With reference to Diary entry No.697, after waiting for arrival of news from Sohar, Saiyid Taimur despatched a 'Tarish' (messenger) for the purpose on the 30th October.

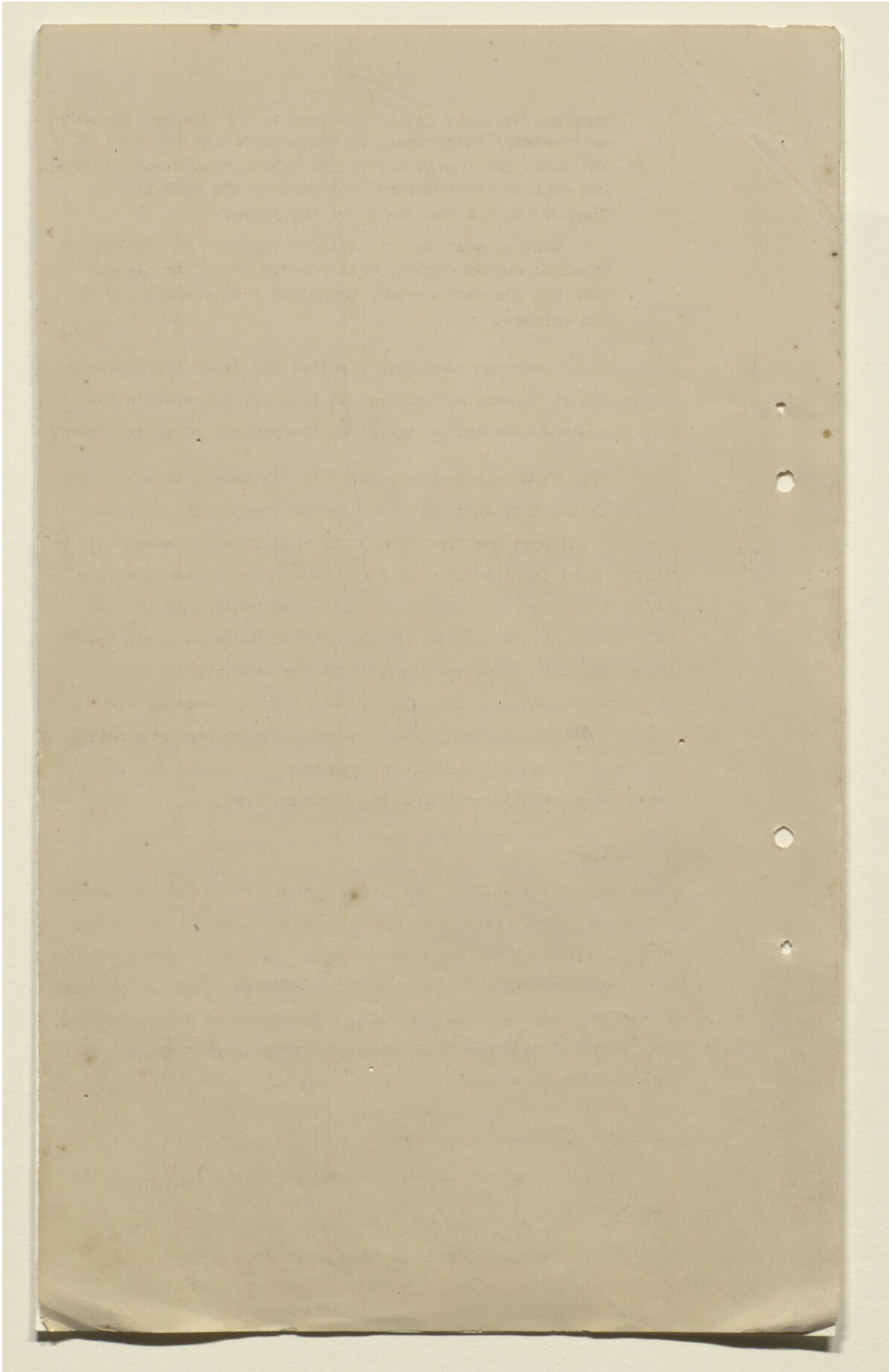
711. With reference to Diary entry No.695, a report was current in Muscat on the 31st October that attempts on His Highness' part to bring about peace have so far failed and that two deputations consisting of the Walis of Rustaq and Masnaa and Saiyid Nadir and Shaikh Muhammad Al-Rajihi have been unsuccessful. Further that a party of 20 men who were coming from Hoseifin to Sohar to join His Highness' ranks were intercepted by the tribesmen and killed to a man.

712. With reference to Diary entry No.696, His Highness the Sultan returned in the "Nur-ul-Bahar" on the night of 1st Instant. It is reported that His Highness has acceded to the demands of the tribesmen and consequently hostilities have ceased. The terms are said to be the following:-

That His Highness will recall the present Wali (Salim bin Suleiman bin Suweylim) within six months;

That the tower which was being rebuilt by the Wali in Wadi Qur should be demolished, and the part already built to be razed to the ground;

That





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That His Highness should continue to pay \$2,000 annually as 'Farizah' (allowance) to Shaikh Khalifah bin Zaid of Abu Dhabi and Shaikh Sultan bin Muhammad Al-Naimi jointly. The last year's 'Farizah' was paid on the spot by His Highness on the conclusion of the terms.

Lastly, that Shaikh Khalifah bin Zaid and Sultan bin Muhammad should occasionally come to Muscat to discuss with His Highness matters connected with those parts of the country.

713. It is reported that Amir Abdullah bin Salim bin Muhammad Al-Hamudah of Jaalan, has arrived at Sur. It is possible His Highness the Sultan may go there for the purpose of an interview.

714. With reference to Diary entry No. 712 above, in conversation with the Political Agent on the 3rd Instant His Highness informed him that the tower which the Wali of Sohar wanted to build was no doubt a hardship for ~~camels~~^{caravans} coming into Sohar and was on tribal ground, so he had decided to order Wali not to build it. He said Sultan bin Muhammad Al-Naimi is a hot headed young man, but he has now become friendly and intends to come to Muscat sometimes. His Highness did not say anything about Shaikh Khalifah bin Zaid, beyond saying that he had been helping the Naimi tribe, and that he had remained in Baraimi the whole time and was still there when His Highness left.

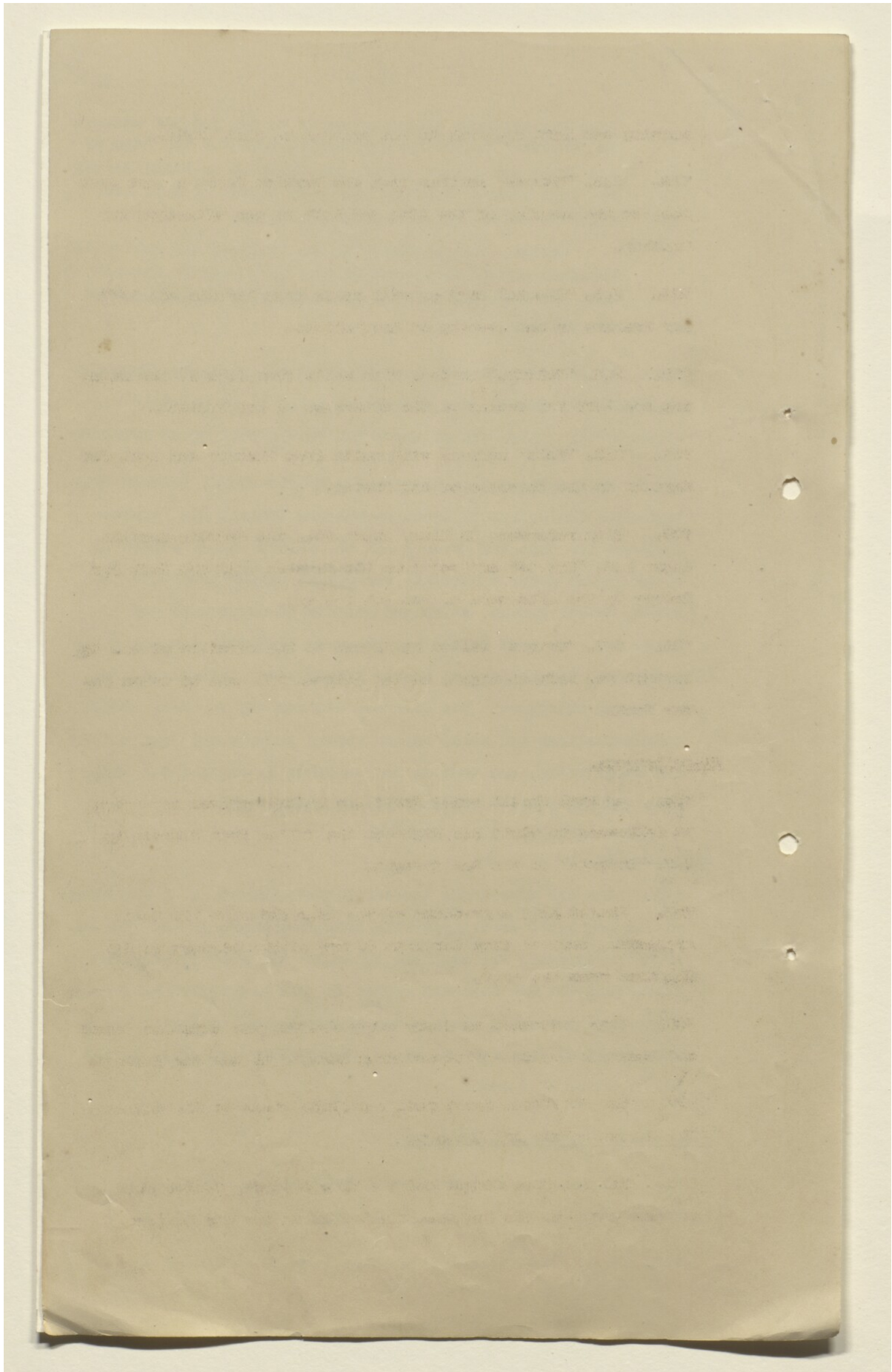
Arms Traffic.

715. Ali bin Musa Khan, the local gun-merchant, sent 120 Mauser rifles and 1,200 cartridges with his Sohar agent in the "Mur-ul-Bahar" requesting His Highness to accept the same if required. It is reported His Highness wanted to give the rifles as present to some of the petty Shaikhs and prominent men at Sohar, but as they disliked that kind of rifle, the rifles were added to Ali Musa's stock at Sohar.

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

716. H.M.S. "Sphinx" arrived at noon and left at night on the 21st ultimo.

717. S.S. "Goalpara" arrived with mails from Chahbar in the morning





morning and left for Jask in the evening on 31st ultimo. (40)

718. S.S. "Warora" arrived from the Persian Gulf, 4 days over due, on the morning of the 30th and left in the afternoon for Chahbar.

719. S.S. "Dwarka" arrived with mails from Karachi and left for Bushire in the evening of 31st ultimo.

720. S.S. "Bulimba" arrived with mails from Jask in the morning and left for Gwadur in the afternoon of 2nd Instant.

721. S.S. "Kola" arrived with mails from Bushire and left for Karachi in the forenoon of 2nd Instant.

722. With reference to Diary entry 664, the Hamburg-America Liner S.S. "Sparta" arrived from the Persian Gulf and left for Europe in the afternoon of the 4th Instant.

723. S.S. "Griqua" called at Mitrah in the forenoon of the 4th instant and left at night, having shipped 200 tons of dates for New York.

Miscellaneous.

724. An Arab Shaikh named Tarid bin Rashid arrived here with 10 followers to visit His Highness the Sultan from Bahrein by S.S. "Bulimba" on the 2nd Instant.

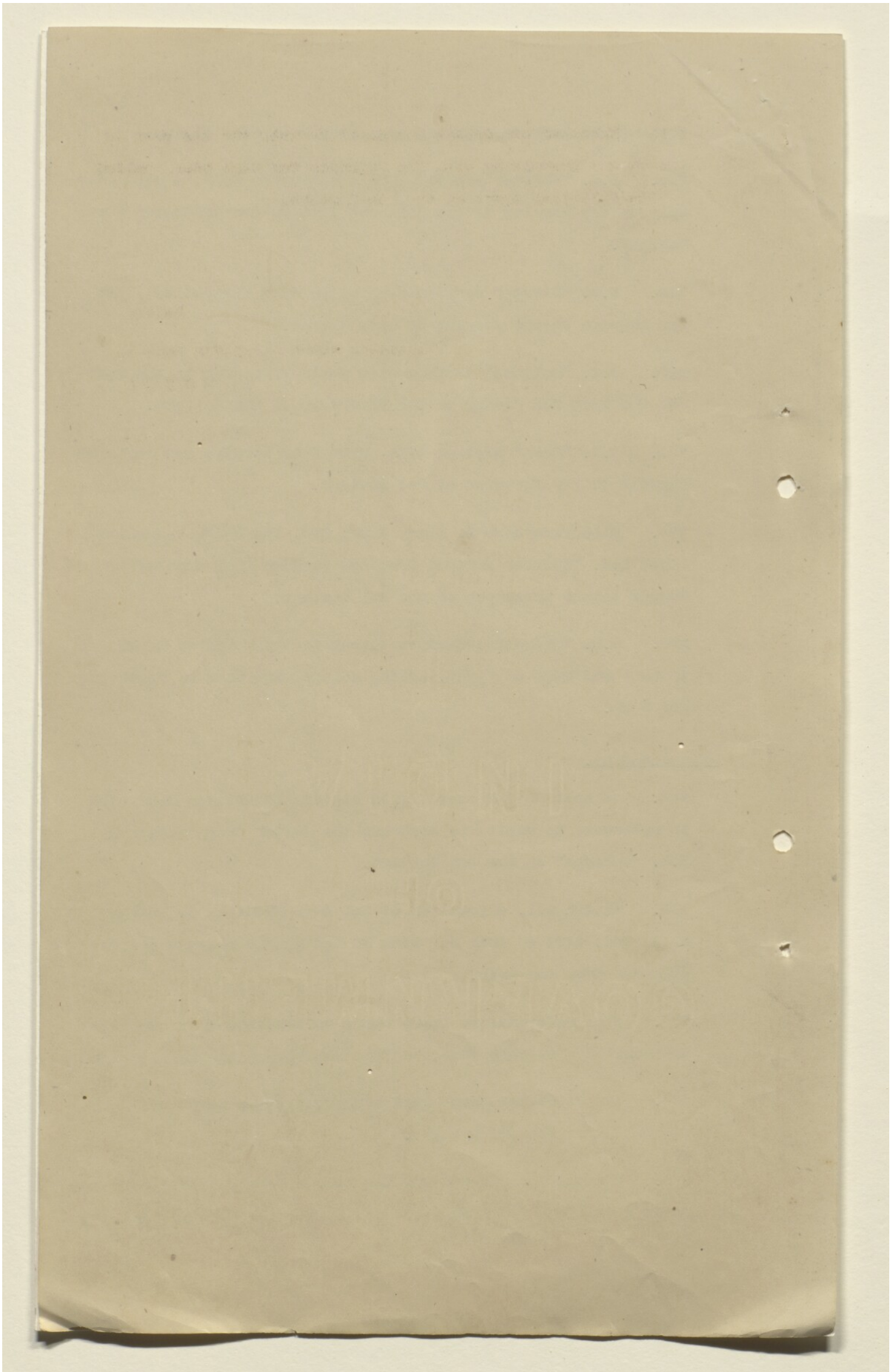
725. Shaikh Ali, a grandson of the Amir Abdullah bin Salim of Jaalan, arrived from Sur with 60 men with a message to His Highness from the Amir.

726. With reference to Diary entry No. 704, the American Consul and Monsieur Lopicque returned from Semayil on the 2nd Instant.

727. The Political Agent paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 3rd Instant.

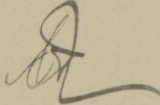
728. The American Consul and the Vice & Deputy Consul paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 3rd Instant.

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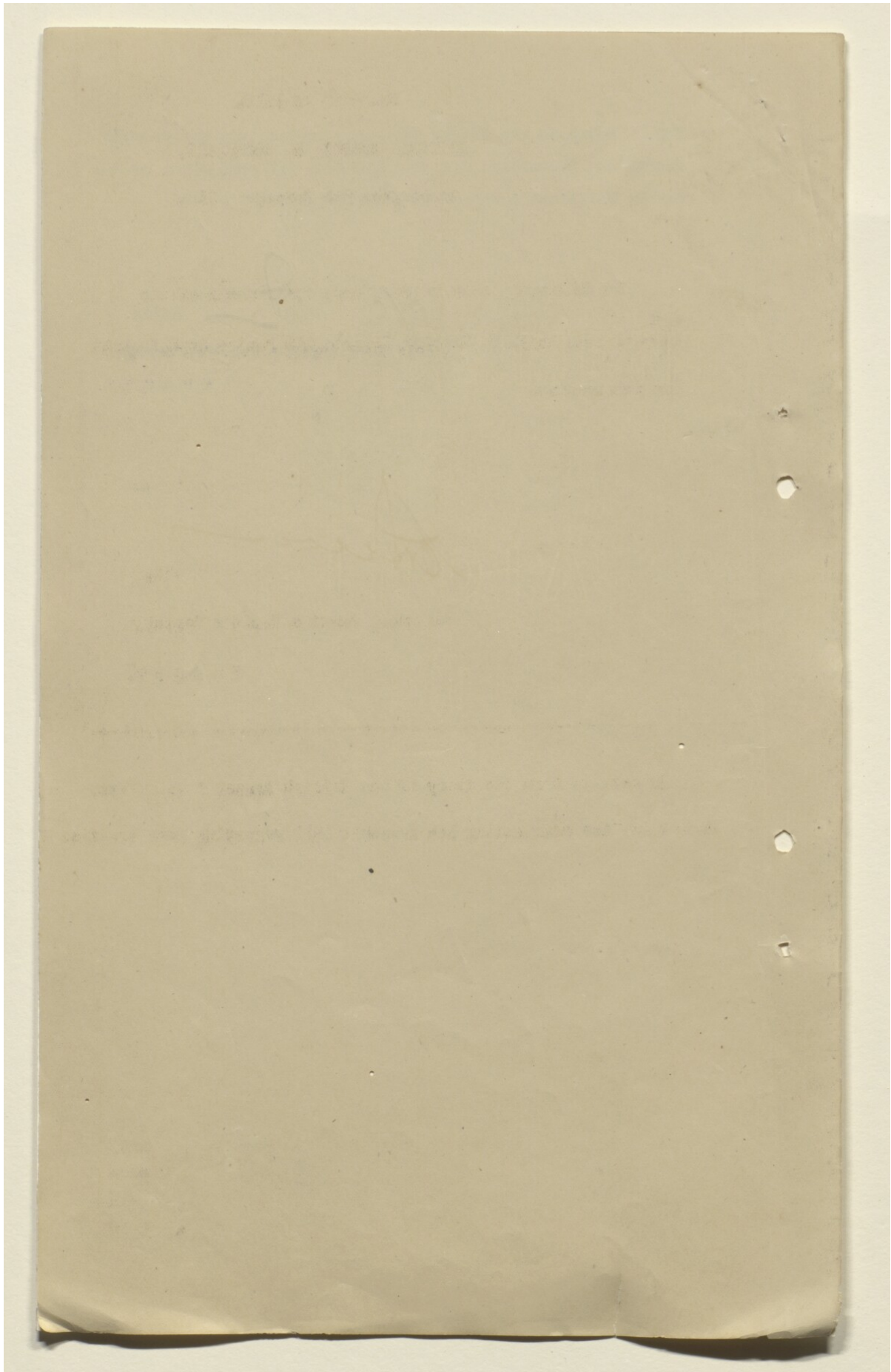




729. Muhammad bin Salim, Shaikh of Merbat, who has been in Muscat and travelling with His Highness for some time, called on the Political Agent on the 4th Instant.

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Political Agent & H.E.M's Consul,
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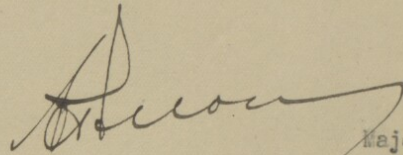


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Muscat, the 8th November 1910.

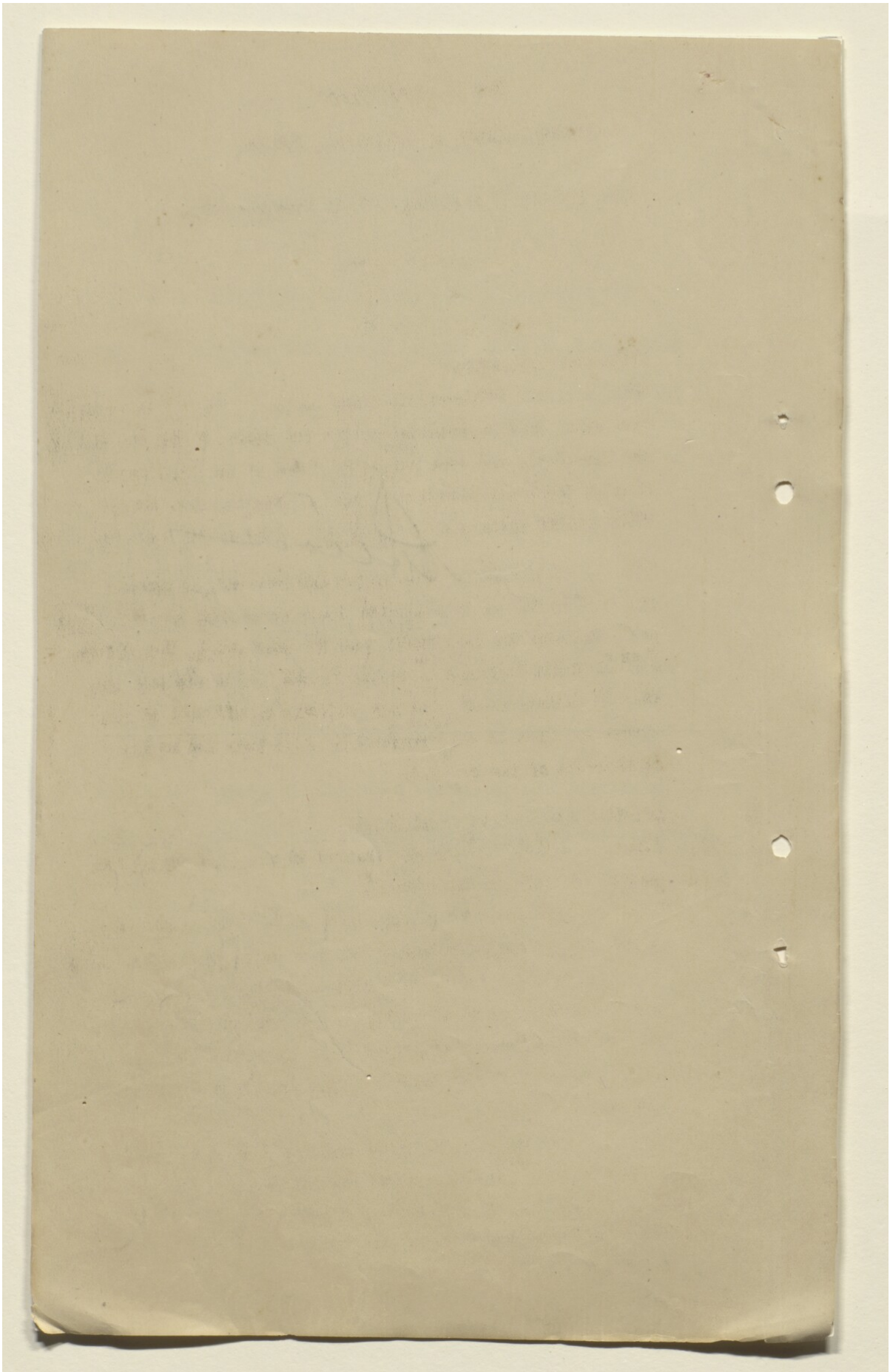
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Political Agent & H.B.M.'s Consul,

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An extract from the diary of the British Agency & Consulate, Muscat for the week ending 5th November 1910, regarding arms traffic.





No. ⁴⁵
1480 of 1910.

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BRITISH AGENCY & CONSULATE, MUSCAT.

News for the week ending 12th of November 1910.

Condition of Country.

730. With reference to diary entry No. 655. It is reported from Nakhl that in retaliation for the death of the two men of the Bani Jabir who were killed by 7 men of the Bani Muawil when on their way from Sib to Wadi Al-Muawil, some men of Nakhl killed three men of the Muawil tribe on 7th instant.

731. His Highness the Sultan has received an earnest letter from Sheikh Sulaiman bin Nasir requesting him to effect peace between the Bani Muawil and the Bani Jabir. The Shaikh has asked His Highness to depute Shaikh Rashid bin Aziz Al-Khasebi without delay, but His Highness is offended at his former failures in this connection which were due to the stubbornness of the parties.

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

732. H.M.S. "Proserpine" arrived in the forenoon on 7th instant and left in the evening.

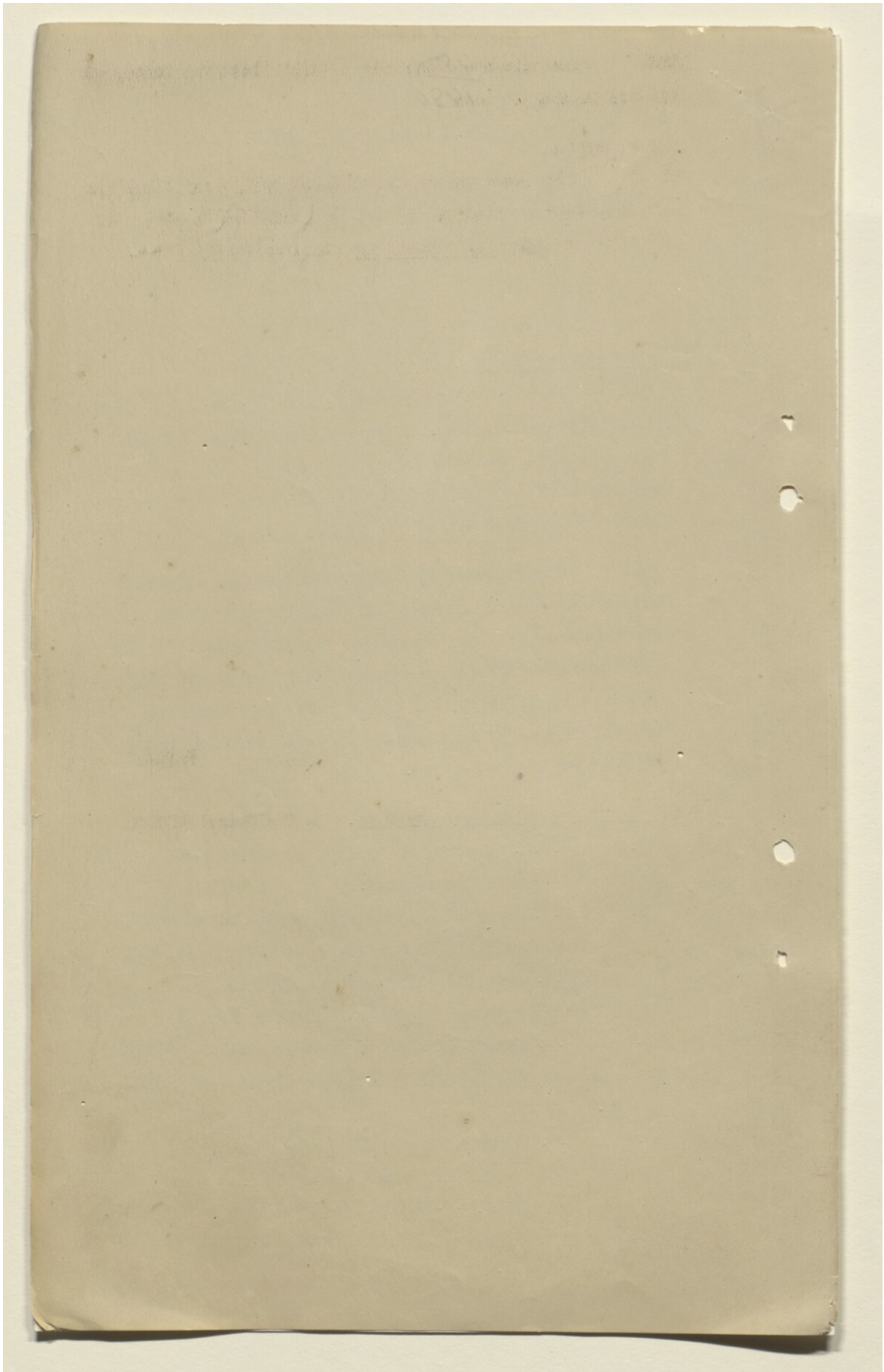
733. S.S. "Nerbudda" arrived with mails from Gwadur at noon on the 7th and left for Bander Abbas at night on the 8th instt.

734. S.S. "Kassra" arrived with mails from Karachi and left for Bushire in the forenoon of the 7th instant.

735. S.S. "Madura" arrived with mails from Bander Abbas in the morning and left Charber in the afternoon on the 9th instant.

736. S.S. "Dwerka" arrived with mails from Bushire in the forenoon and left ^{for} Karachi on the 9th instant.

737. The German S.S. "Albano" arrived from Europe in the afternoon on 8th and left for the Persian Gulf in the evening on the 9th instant.





738. The Sultan's Yacht "Nur-ul-Bahr" left for Bombay on the 9th instant at noon .

Miscellaneous.

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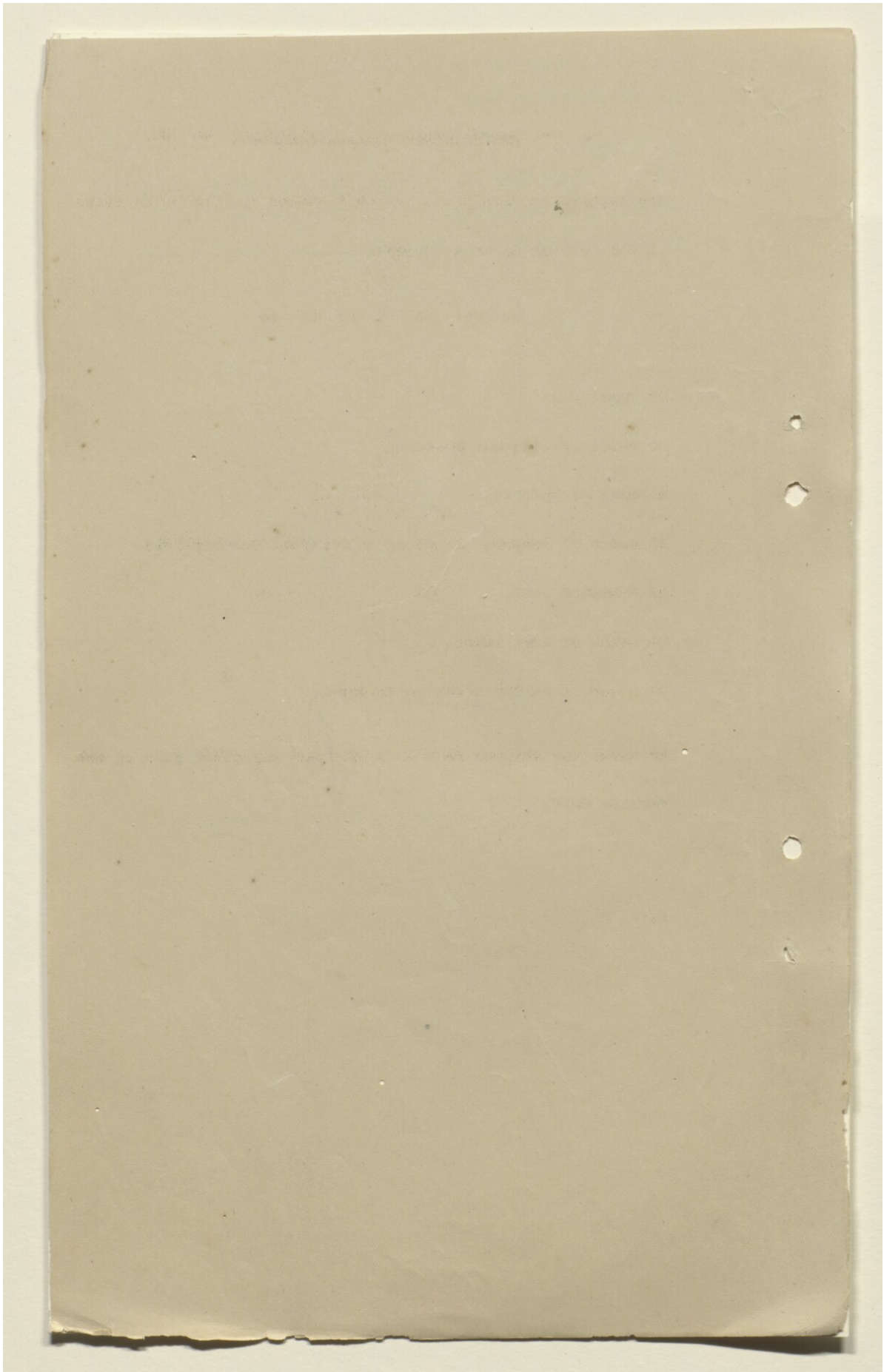
739. Major Knox the Political Agent designate of Bahrein with Mrs. Knox arrived in the S.S. "Nerbudda" and stayed with the Political Agent till their departure on the 8th idem.

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Political Agent & H. B. M's Consul, MUSCAT.





** ** Secret Commercial Intelligence ** **

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The Hamburg-Amerika S. S. "Albano" landed the following cargo
in the Customs House at Muscat.

** ** : ** ** ** **

50 Cases Gin.

40 bales of American sheeting.

4 Casks of Spirits.

10 cases of Weapons (according to manifest description).

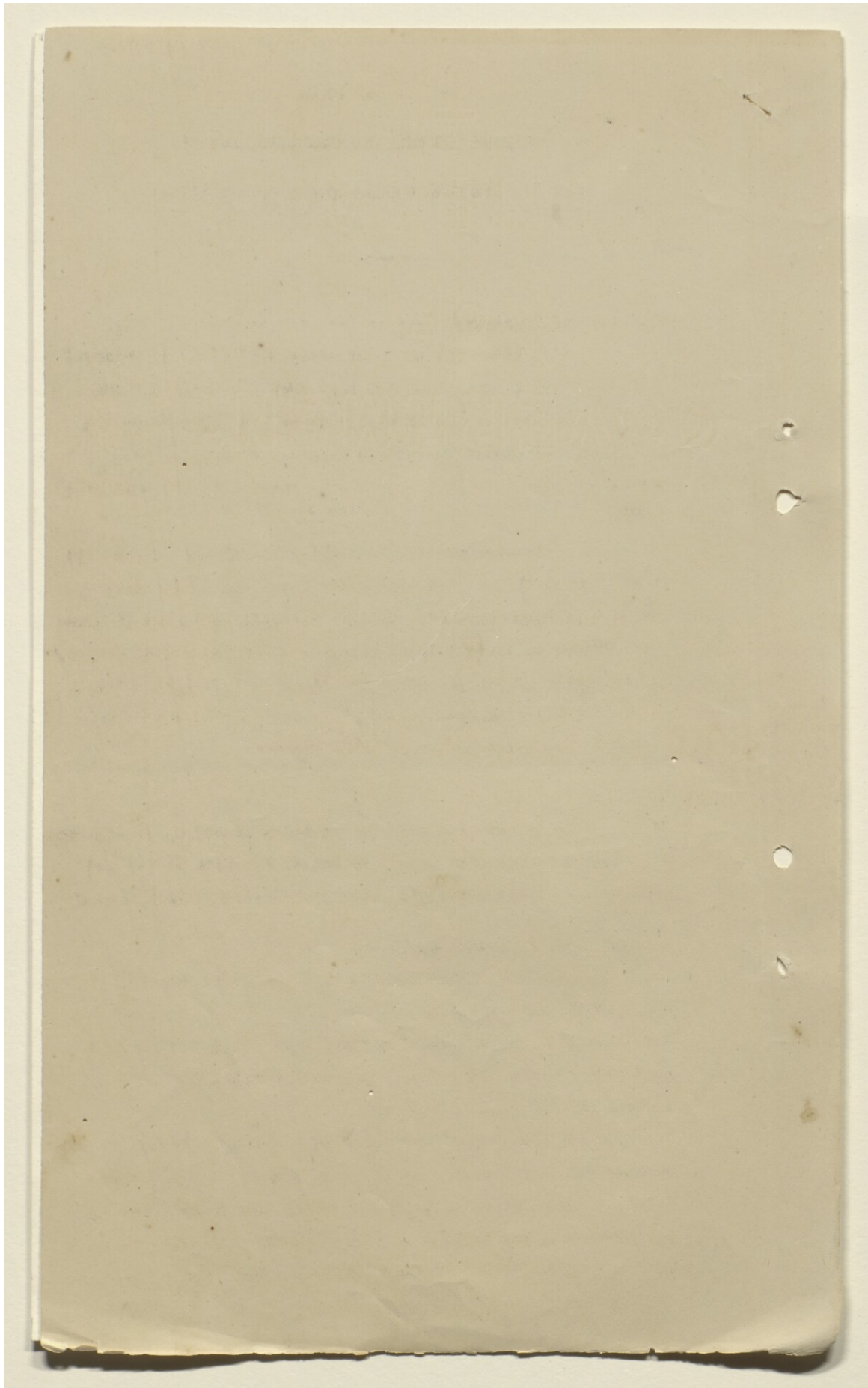
18 cases of arms. -do- -do-

30 cases of cartridges.

25 cases of safety metal cartridges.

No cargo was shipped from this port for any other port in the
Persian Gulf.

K. K. M.





No. ⁴⁶/₁₅₀₉ of 1910.

BRITISH AGENCY & CONSULATE, Muscat. (116)

News for the week ending 19th November 1910.

Condition of Country.

740. With reference to diary entry No. 714. It is rumoured in Muscat that a section of the Beni Kaab are again showing hostility to the Wali Salim bin Suleiman bin Suweylim on the instigation of Shaikh Sultan bin Muhammed Al-Naimi. Their object is said to be to secure speedy removal of the Wali from Sohar.

741. With reference to diary entry No. 657. It is reported from Khaburah that a fire took place there and 17 dwelling houses have been consumed. British subjects living at Khaburah have written to their friends here, that 7 of the houses destroyed were their property. It is not known whether this is an act of incendiarism, but some of the Hawasinah tribe are suspected to be at the bottom of ~~this~~ *it* ~~this~~ *them*

Arms Traffic.

742. It is rumoured here that a baden belonging to Suleiman bin Habsh a Baluch arms dealer of Mutrah has been seized and sunk by one of His Majesty's Ships near Charbar, Mekran Coast.

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

743. E.I.M.S. "Minto" arrived in the morning and left at night on the 14th instant.

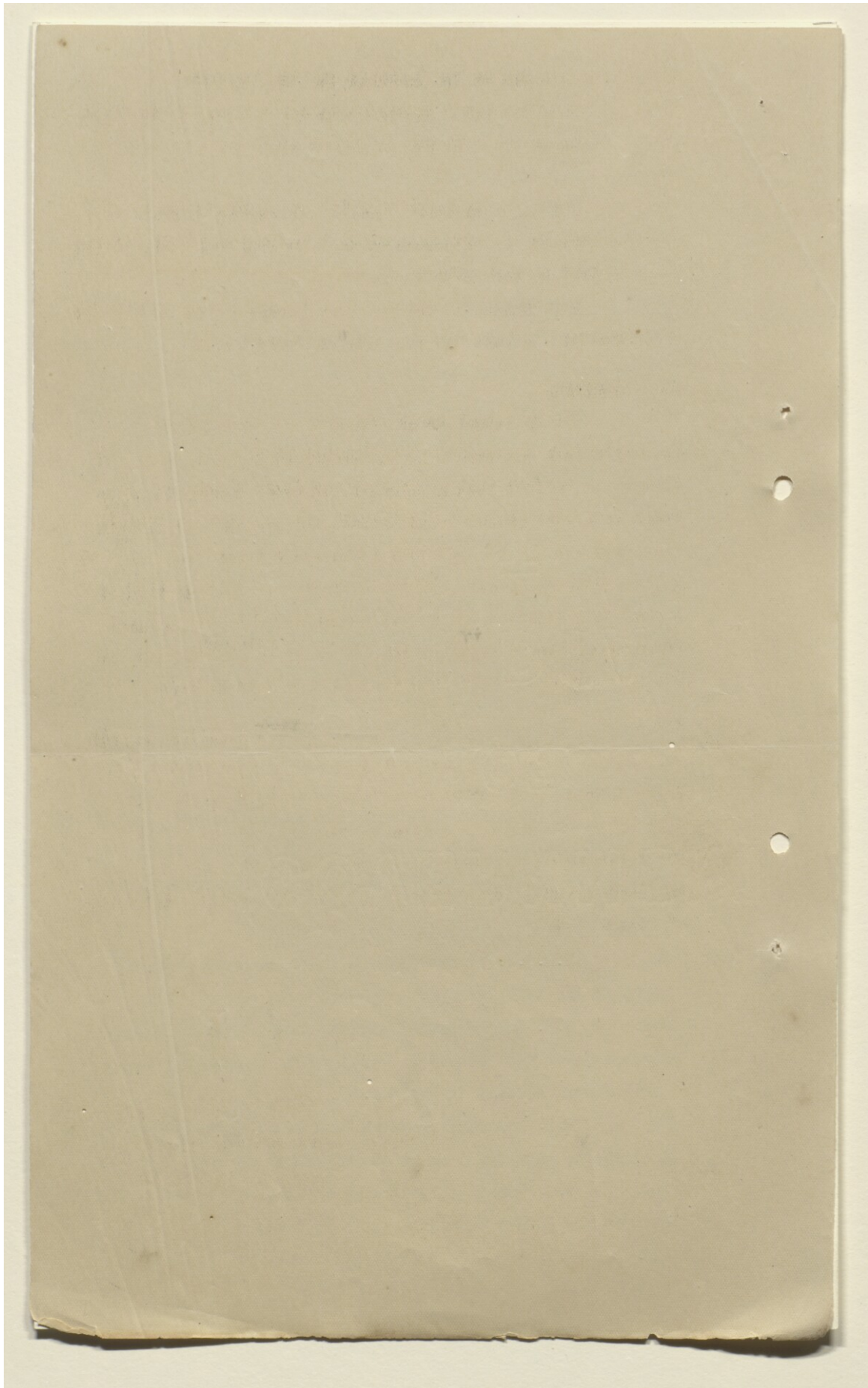
744. S.S. "Susquehannah" arrived from Lingah with Government coal for the local Coal Depot, on the morning of 14th instant and is still in harbour.

745. S.S. "Waroonga" arrived with mails from Charbar in the morning and left for Jask in the afternoon on 14th instant.

746. S.S. "Dumra" arrived with mails from Karachi and left for Bushire in the morning on 14th instant.

747. S.S. "Kasara" arrived with mails from Bushire and

sealed





sailed for Karachi in the forenoon on 16th instant.

748. S.S. "Goalpare" arrived with mails from Bunder Abbas ⁽¹¹⁷⁾ in the forenoon and left for Gwadur at night fall on 16th instant.

749. The American Yacht "Alcedo" belonging to Mr. Drexel arrived here in the afternoon on 16th instant and left for the Persian Gulf an hour afterwards, *without communicating with the shore.*

750. S.S. "Anatolia" arrived from Europe in the morning of 19th instant and left for the Persian Gulf at noon.

Miscellaneous.

751. The Political Agent received a telegram from Mr. Gumbley, the Assistant Superintendent of Telegraphs on the line to the effect that a Beluch named Jamal kidnapped three women from Bint. (Mekran) and intends selling them at Muscat. Also, that one Lel Mohamed took 3 men and 4 women from Puzim in a boat, Nakhoda Gundan with the intention of selling them at Berka. His Highness the Sultan was informed of these facts and ordered his Walis of Wutrah and Berka to keep a look out for the people and send them over to Muscat if secured.

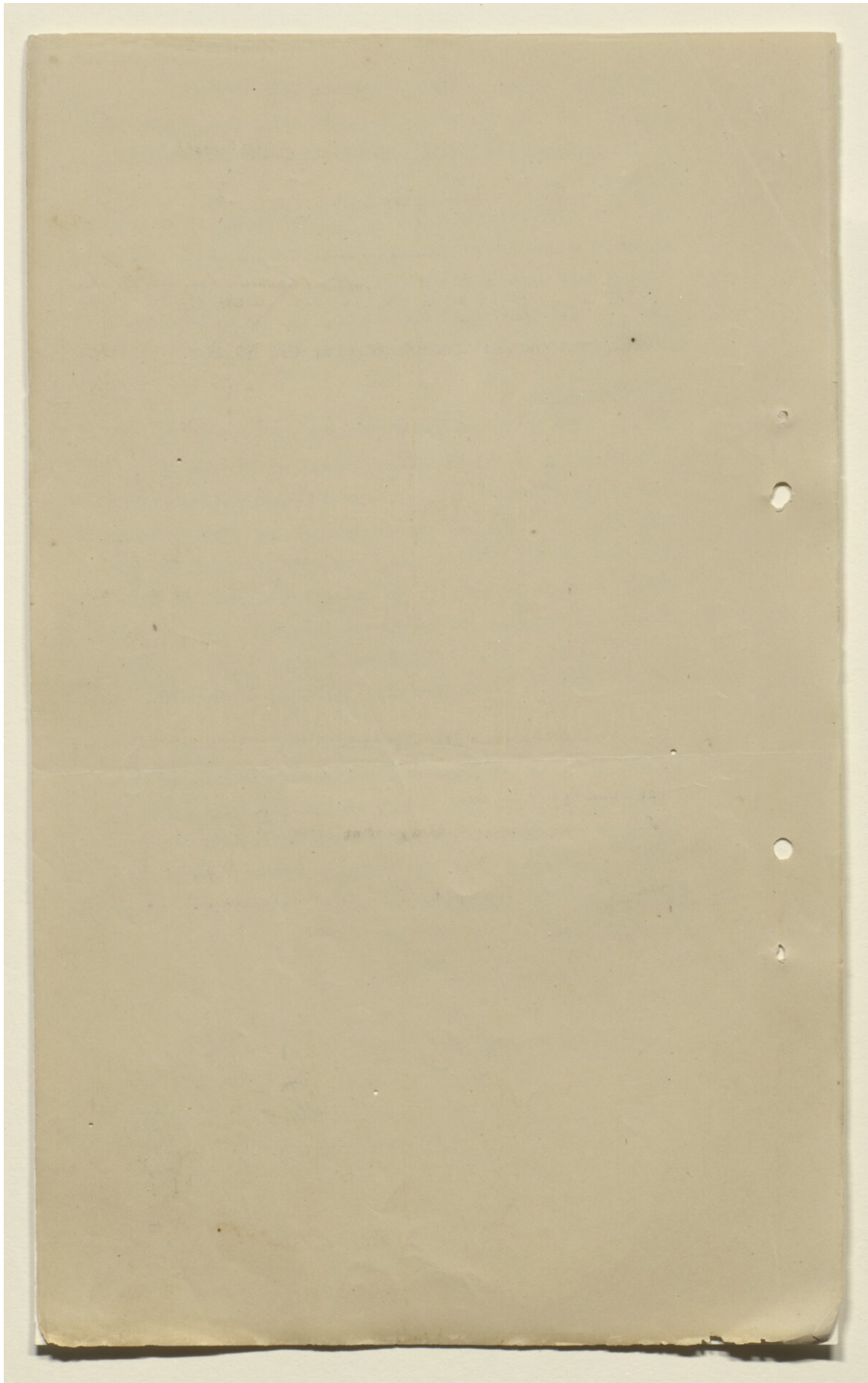
752. His Highness the Sultan received a telegram on 16th instant from his Wali, Ghali of Gwadur reporting that Mir Jalal Khan, Chief of Bahoo has seized two boats belonging to Arab subjects and that negotiations of the Wali to secure their return have failed. His Highness does not seem to be inclined to refer the matter to British authorities, but speaks of retaliation.

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Major,

Political Agent & H.B.M.'s Consul,
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No. 1513 of 1910.

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BRITISH AGENCY & CONSULATE,

Muscat, the 20th November 1910.

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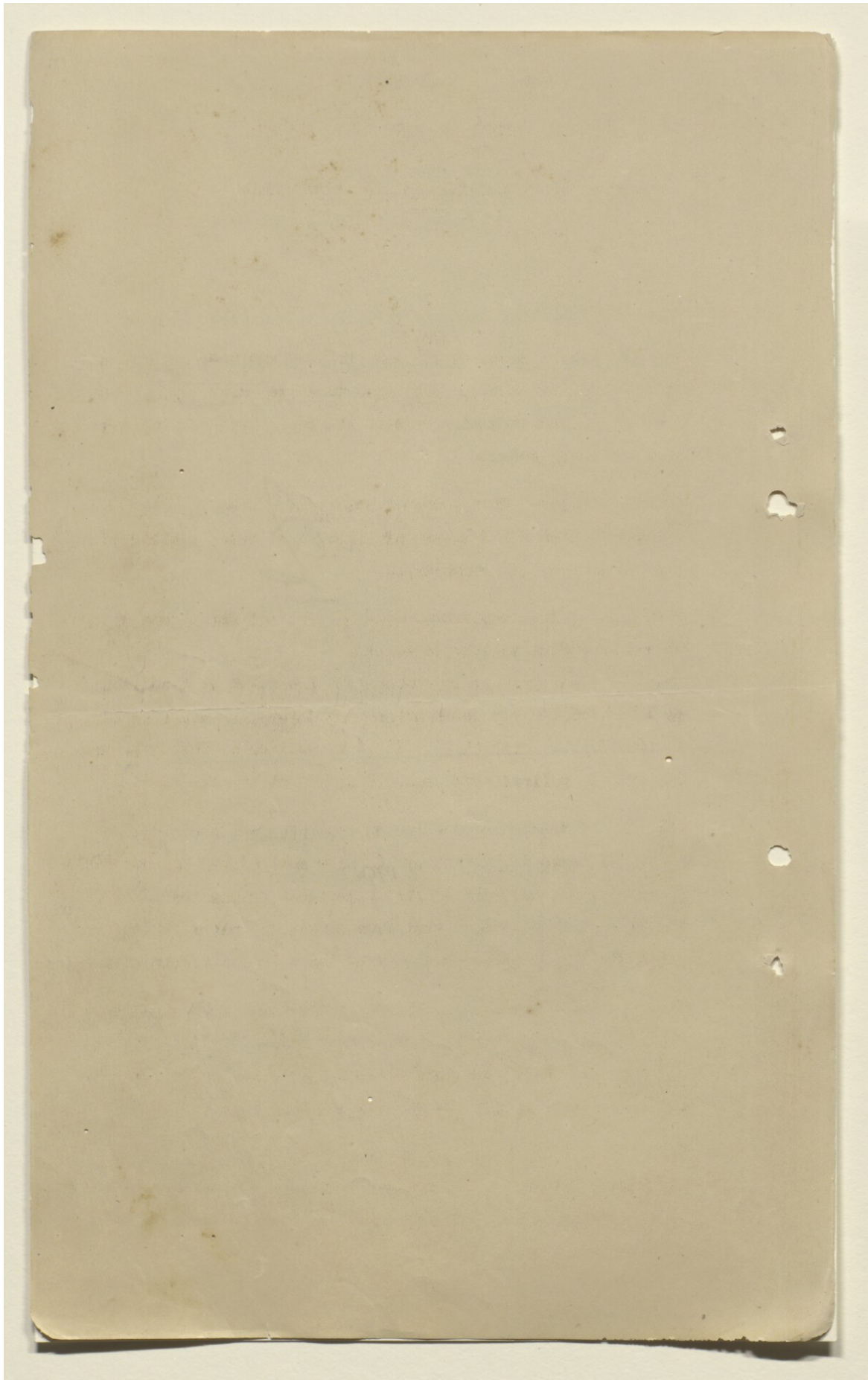
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Major,
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An extract from the diary of the British Agency & Consulate, Muscat for the week ending 19th November 1910, relating to arms traffic.

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BRITISH AGENCY & CONSULATE, MUSCAT. (119)

News for the week ending 26th November 1910.

Arms Traffic.

753. Three Beluches of Bint (Mokran) who came here in a baden belonging to Abdul Nabi last week are reported to have carried 30 guns to Bander Galab. The baden left here on the night of 23rd instant.

754. Mohomed Khan, a Beluch has arrived here in a boat, Nakhode Dilwash bin Shahswar of Galak, with the intention of purchasing arms and ammunition.

755. An Arab named Nasir bin Sulaiman of Beremi has purchased 30 rifles to take to Beremi.

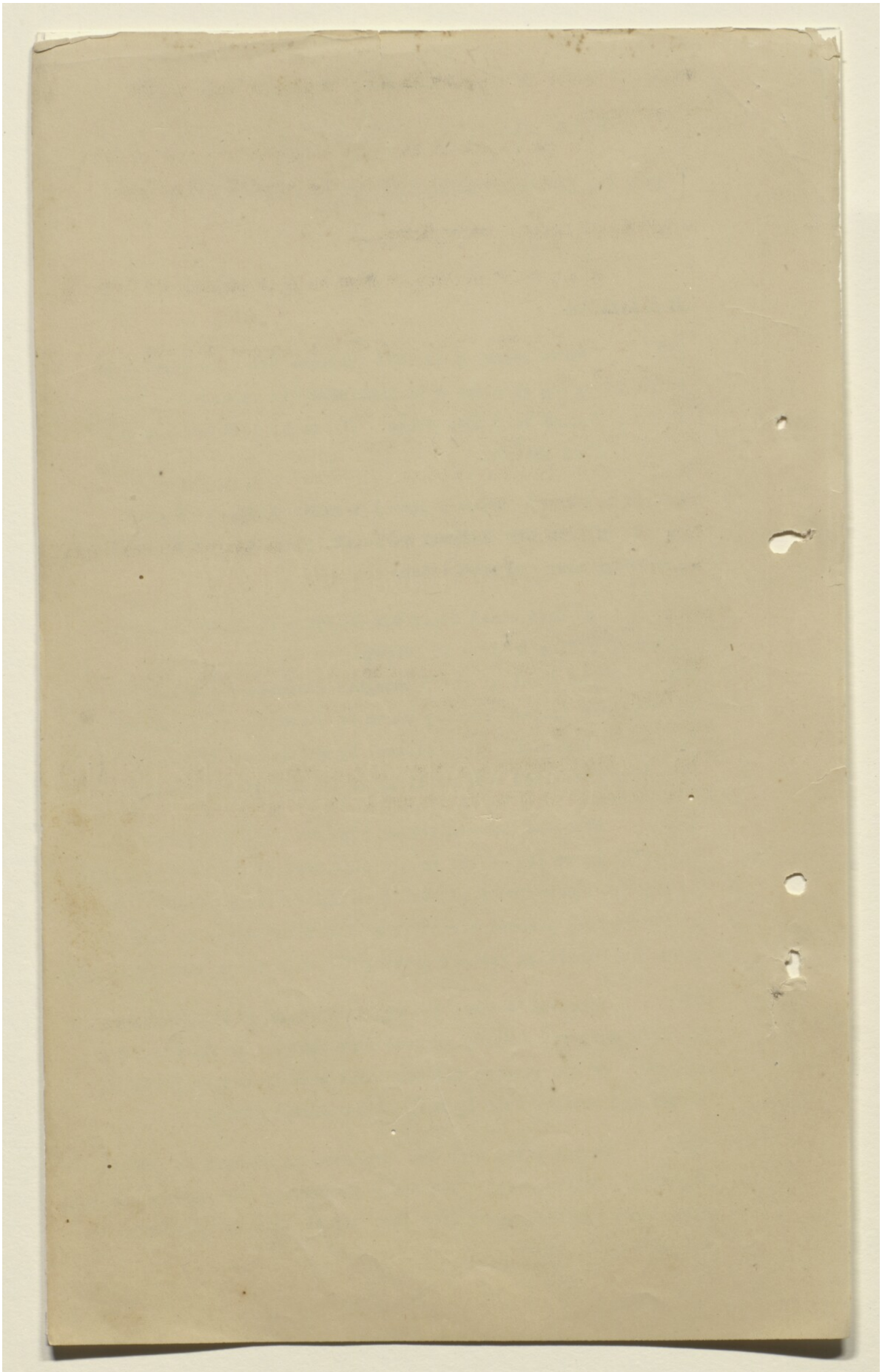
756. The Agent of the "Compagnie Francaise de l'Inde et de l'Extreme Orient" locally known as Caracalla sold off the balance of his stock (1100 rifles) by auction on 26th November. The prices realized were small 12 or 13 dollars for Martinis.

757. Monsieur Lagesse having concluded all his business here will leave for Koweit by the slow mail of 5th December 1910 to try and recover some of the firms outstandings there. He states he will proceed direct from Koweit to Bombay in time to catch the Rubattino steamer leaving there in the middle of January.

758. Monsieur Noruber the representative of the creditors of M. M. Goguyer and Company arrived from Europe by the Russian steamer. As the steamer did not touch here he had to go on to Busreh and arrived here by mail on the 23rd instant.

759. He has taken over the arms etc. which were on the boon "Muzeffa", detained for a few hours in January last by the Flagship. These arms had been lying from that day to this at Mokalla where the dhow still is:-

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760. There is a rumour that he intends to sell up the firms' stock. (120)

The son-in-law of the late M. Goguyer has also arrived here recently in connection with the division of the estate.

Arrivals and departures of Ships.

761. H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at dawn on 21st instant and left in the evening.

762. R.L.M.S. "Minto" arrived at dawn on the 23rd and left in the evening.

763. S.S. "Kola" arrived with mails from Karachi and left for Bushire in the forenoon on 21st instant.

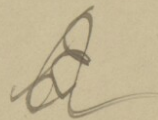
764. S.S. "Bulimba" arrived with mails from Gwadar at dawn and left for Bunder Abbas in the afternoon on 21st instant.

765. S.S. "Dumra" arrived with mails from Bushire in the forenoon and left for Karachi on 23rd instant.

Miscellaneous.

766. His Highness the Sultan hears from Burka, Sib, Sirur and Sur that cholera has broken out at those places. This disease is reported to be very severe at Sur.

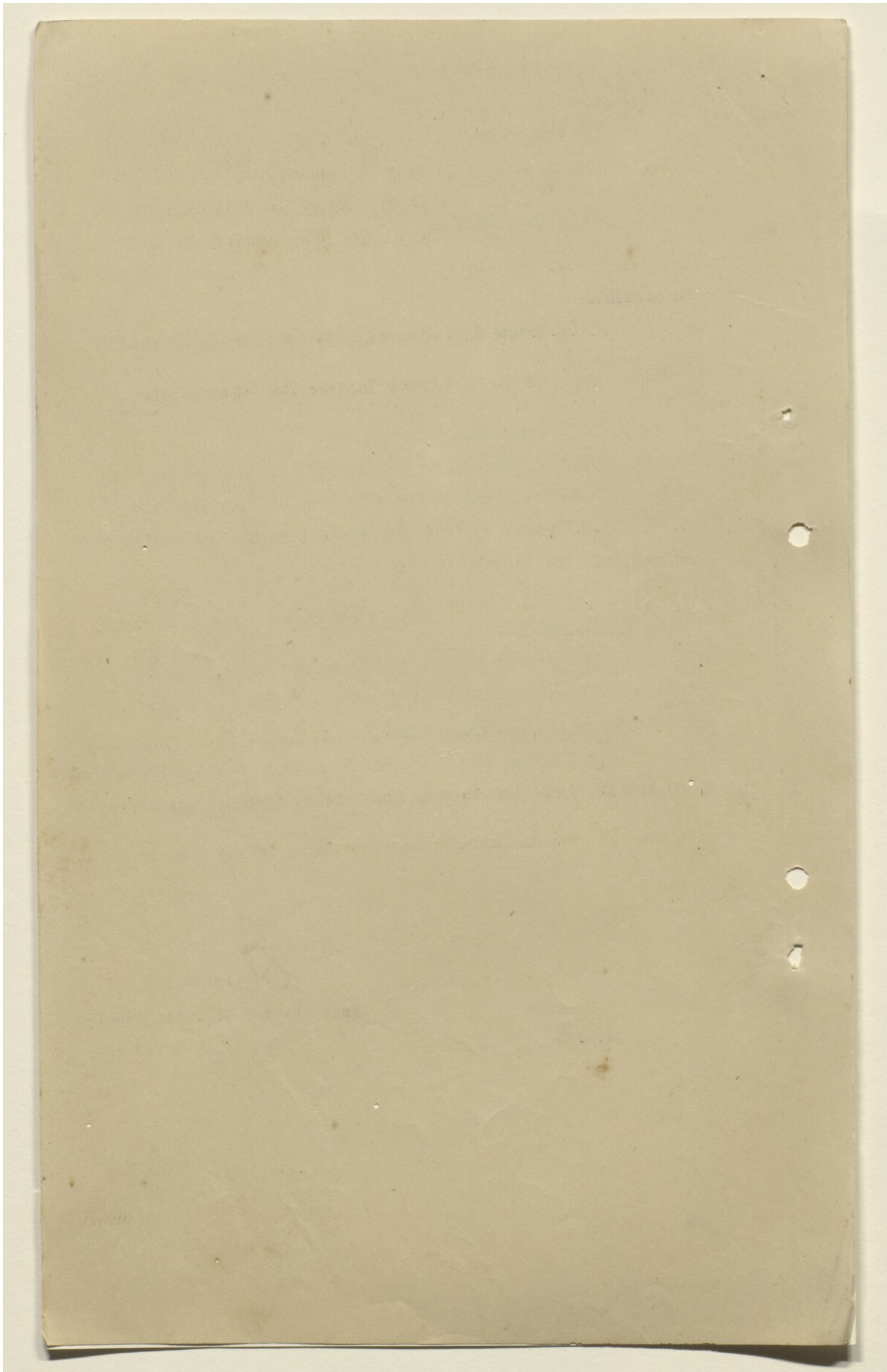
767. His Highness has repeated his orders to his Walis not to allow people to come to Muscat until the epidemic disappears.

 Major,

Political Agent & H.B.M.'s Consul,

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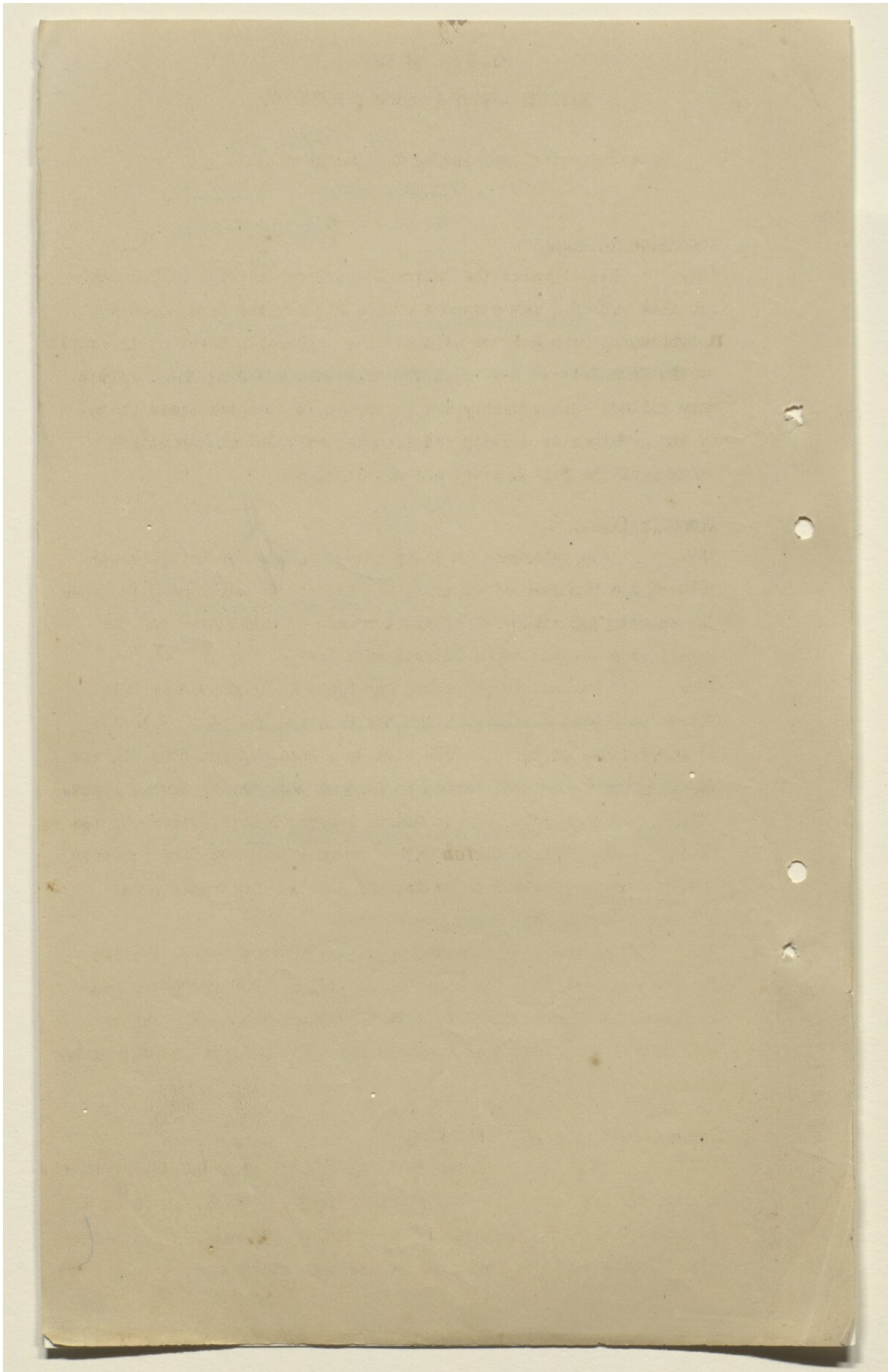
BRITISH AGENCY & CONSULATE,
Muscat, the 28th November 1910.

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arrival here.*

Major,
Political Agent & H.B.M.'s Consul,
MUSCAT.

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Muscat for the week ending 26th November 1910, relating to arms
traffic.





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No. 588 of 1910.

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BRITISH AGENCY & CONSULATE, MUSCAT.

News for the week ending 3rd December 1910.

Condition of Country.

768. His Highness the Sultan hears from Al-Iraqi in the Zahirah that some 200 men composed of the Abriqin, the Yasqih and a neighbouring Beluch tribe attacked His Highness's tower at Al-Iraqi on the 28th Ultimo. Twelve of the tribesmen and 2 of the garrison were killed. Subsequently, the tribesmen invited the Aqeed (head) of the garrison to a party and treacherously seized him with 2 other men. The fort however was not captured.

Armst Traffic.

769. With reference to diary entry No. 754. The boat, Nakhoda Dilwash bin Shahswar of Galak, left here on the night of 27th Ultimo. She carried 245 rifles with 24,500 rounds of ammunition and the destination is said to be Karatti near Galak.

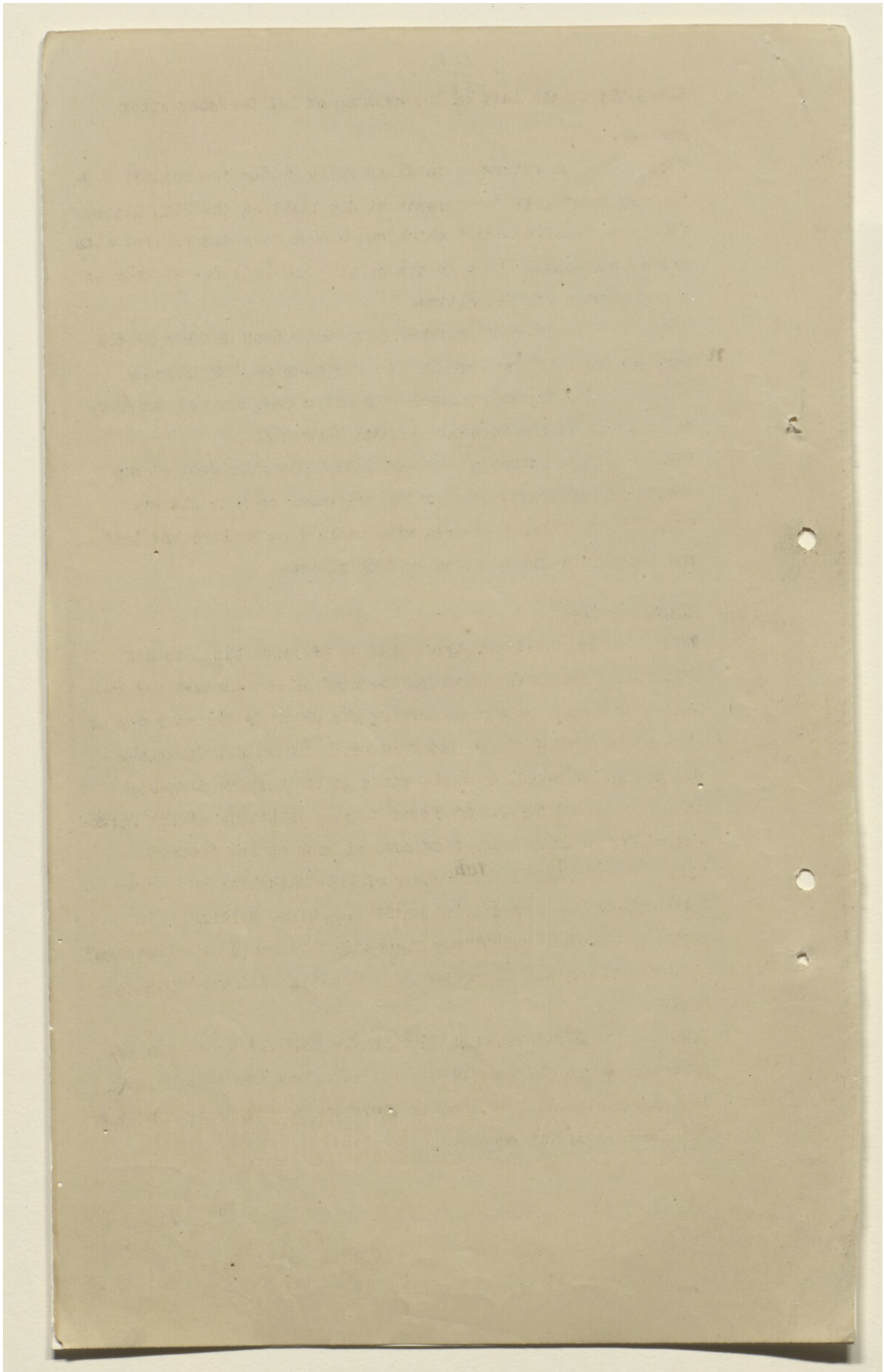
770. A Mekrani Beluch named Dur Muhammad left here on 29th Ultimo in a boat for Burka with 33 rifles and the usual quantity of ammunition. He is to be met with by a boat, Nakhoda Sher Ali and the arms are to be transported to Kunarak near Galak, Mekran Coast.

771. A dhow belonging to Messers Goguyer & Coy., presumably the "Patch el Khair" left Mutrah with a cargo of arms on 23rd November. Destination is reported to be Ketr or Koweit. The Senior Naval Officer is having her movements watched.

772. The Second dhow owned by Messers Goguyer & Coy. arrived from Koweit some days ago with wheat. After discharging she went to Mutrah on the 2nd instant, it is not known whether the vessel will take a cargo of arms any where but a watch is being kept on her movements.

Arrivals and departures of Ships

773. The Flagship of the East Indies Station, H.M.S. "Hyacinth" flying the flag of H.E. Rear Admiral E. Slade, Commander-in-Chief arrived here on the evening of 30th November and saluted the port with 21 guns. His Highness the Sultan's saluting battery duly





H.M.S. "Hyacinth" left on the evening of 1st December after ⁽²³⁾coaling.

774. With reference to diary entry No. 744, the collier S.S. "Susquehanna" left for Karachi at day light on the 27th ultimo.

775. S.S. "Nerbudda" which was 5 days over due arrived with mails from Bander Abbas in the morning and left for Cherbar in the afternoon of 28th ultimo.

776. S.S. "Madura" arrived with mails from Cherbar in the morning and left for Jask in the afternoon on 28th ultimo.

777. S.S. "Dwarke" arrived with mails from Kerschi and left for Bushire in the forenoon on 28th November.

778. S.S. "Waroonga" arrived with mails from Jask at day break and left for Gwadur in the afternoon on 30th Ultimo.

779. S.S. "Kola" arrived with mails from Bushire and left for Karachi in the forenoon on 30th ultimo.

Miscellaneous.

780. The Political Agent paid an official visit to His Excellency the Naval Commander-in-Chief on 1st instant and received the usual salute on leaving the ship. As the port was in quarantine Admiral Slade interviewed the Political Agent, who did not go on board, from the stern gallery of the flagship.

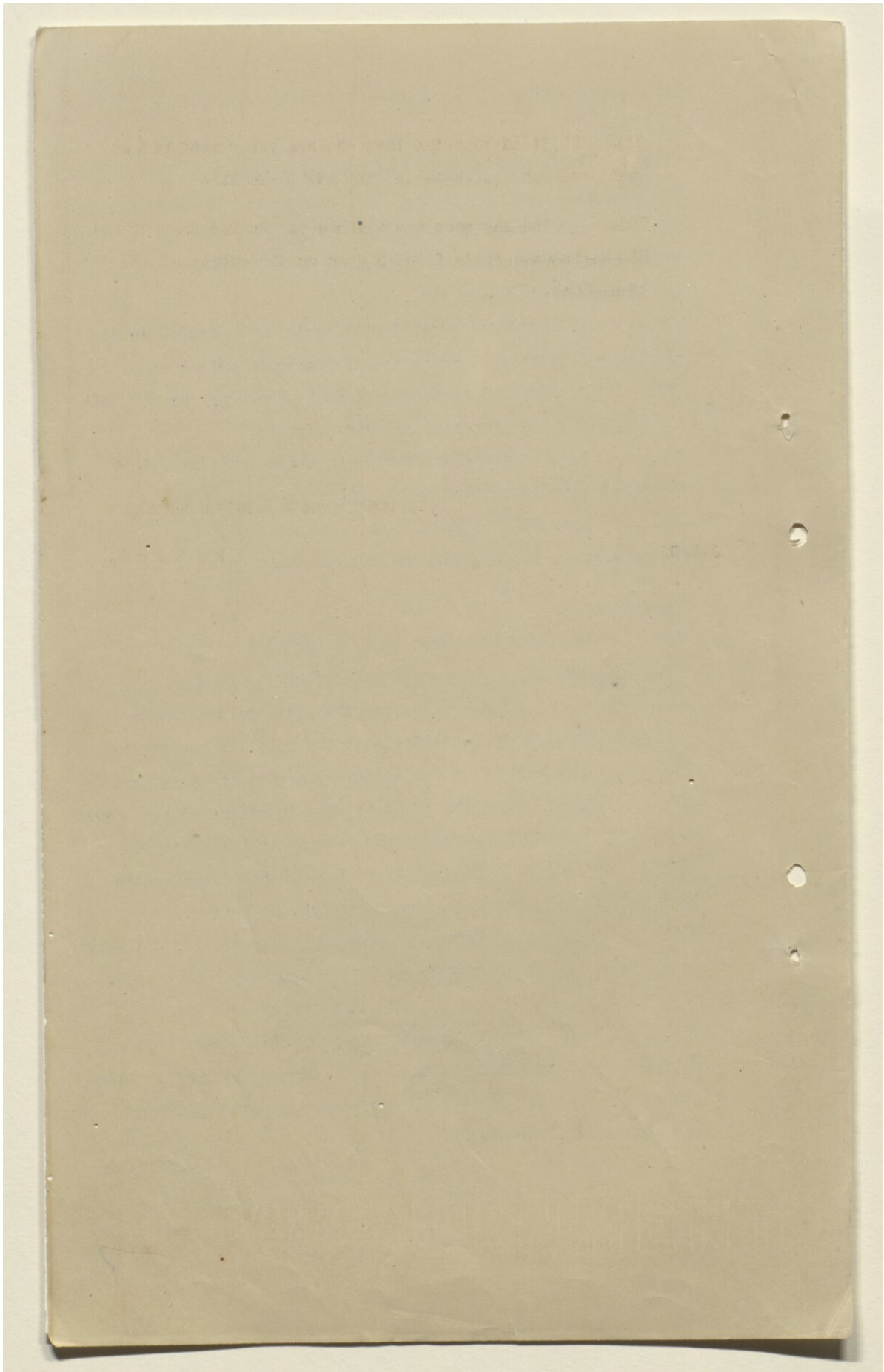
781. H.M.S. "Hyacinth" fired 31 guns in honour of the birthday of Her Majesty Queen Alexandra at noon on 1st instant.

782. Sheikh Said bin Mansur of Yal-Wahibeh tribe arrived here with 30 followers on a visit to H.H. the Sultan.

783. Mr. Gregson, who was a passenger on board S.S. "Waroonga" paid a visit to the Consulate on 30th ultimo and left by S.S. "Kola".

784. With reference to diary entry No. 766. Cholera is reported to be very severe at Sur still. There has been no news from other places. The disease continues to linger in Muscat, a few cases occurring weekly.

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785. It is reported that Cholera has broken out at Nekhl and some villages in the Wadi Al-Muewil.

786. The new moon was visible on the 3rd instant and His Highness's forts fired 5 guns on the advent of the Id-ul-Zuha.

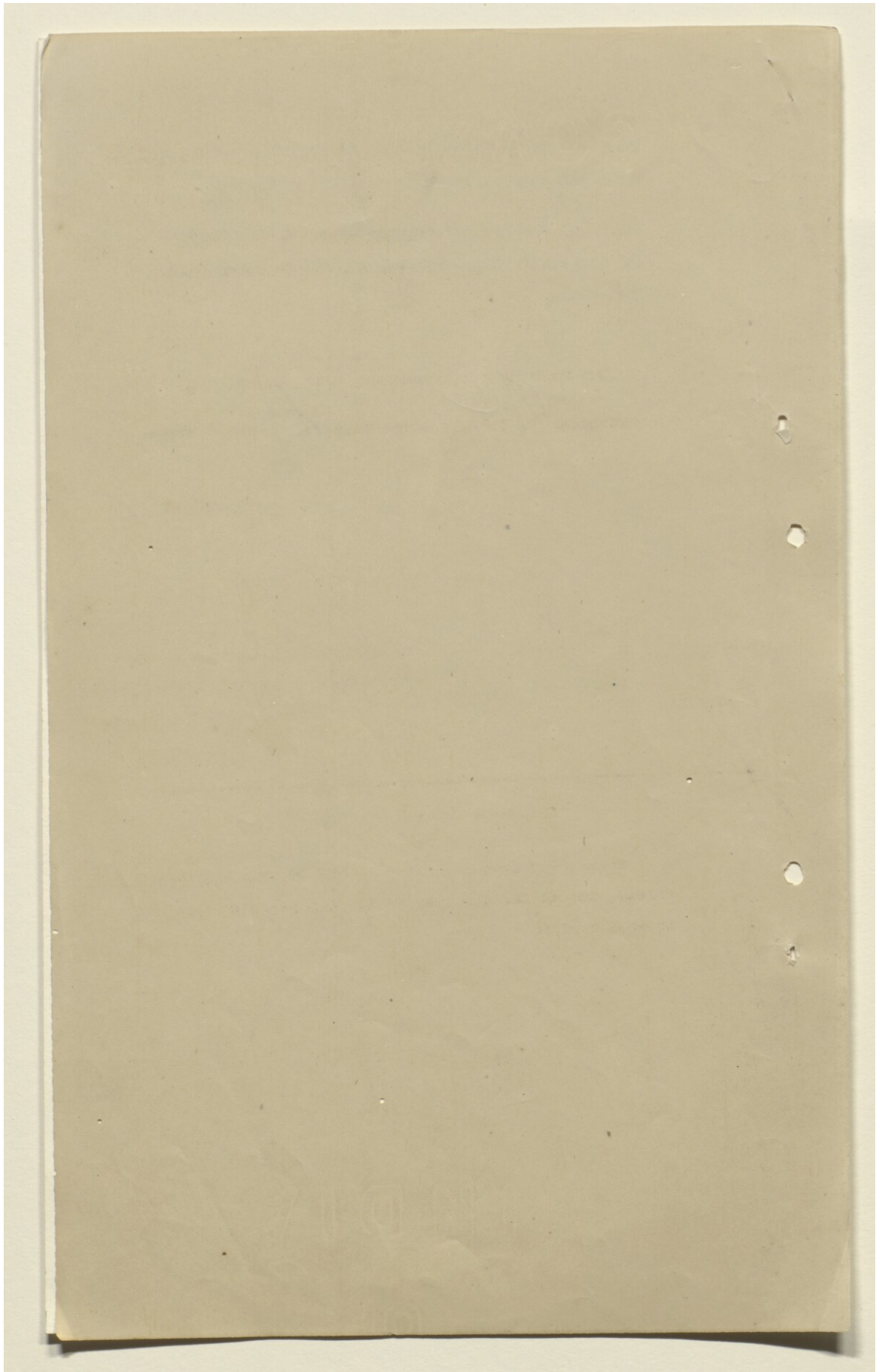
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Political Agent & H.B.'s Consul,

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BRITISH AGENCY & CONSULATE,
Muscat, the 5th December 1910.

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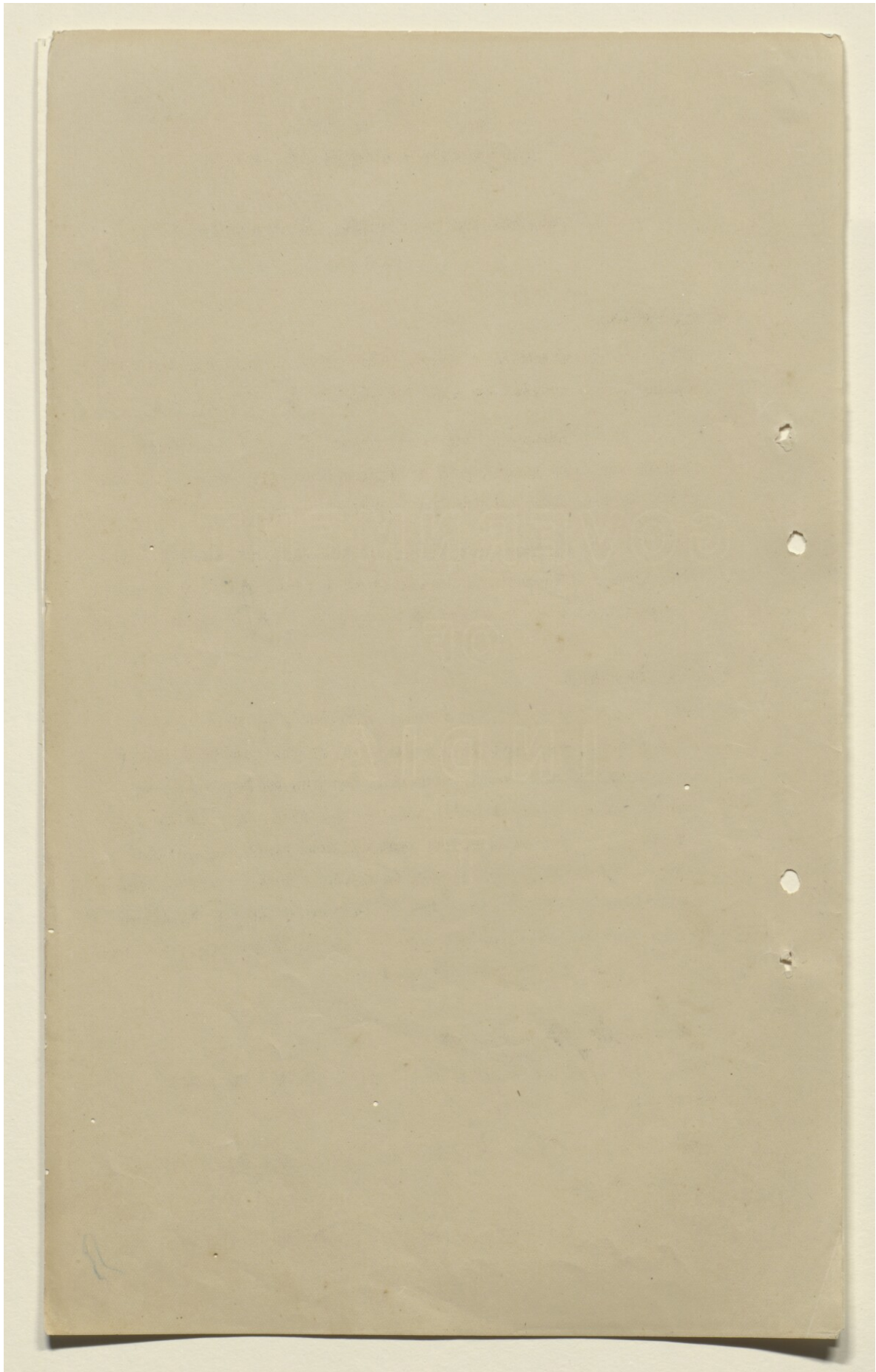
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Major,
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An extract from the diary of the British Agency & Con-
sulate, Muscat for the week ending 3rd December 1910, relating
to arms traffic.





No. ⁴⁹/₁₆₁₉ of 1910. (176)
BRITISH AGENCY & CONSULATE, MUSCAT.

News for the week ending 10th December 1910.

Arms Traffic.

787. With reference to Diary entry No. 586, Monsieur Wram the gun-merchant arrived by S.S. "Iwarka" on the 7th Instant.

788. It is reported that three dhows belonging to Koweit left Mutrah for that place, with a large quantity of arms and ammunition, on the night of the 3rd Instant.

789. A Mekran dhow left Muscat on the night of the 6th Instant with arms and ammunition concealed in a large quantity of cloth. The destination is supposed to be Chahbar or some point near it.

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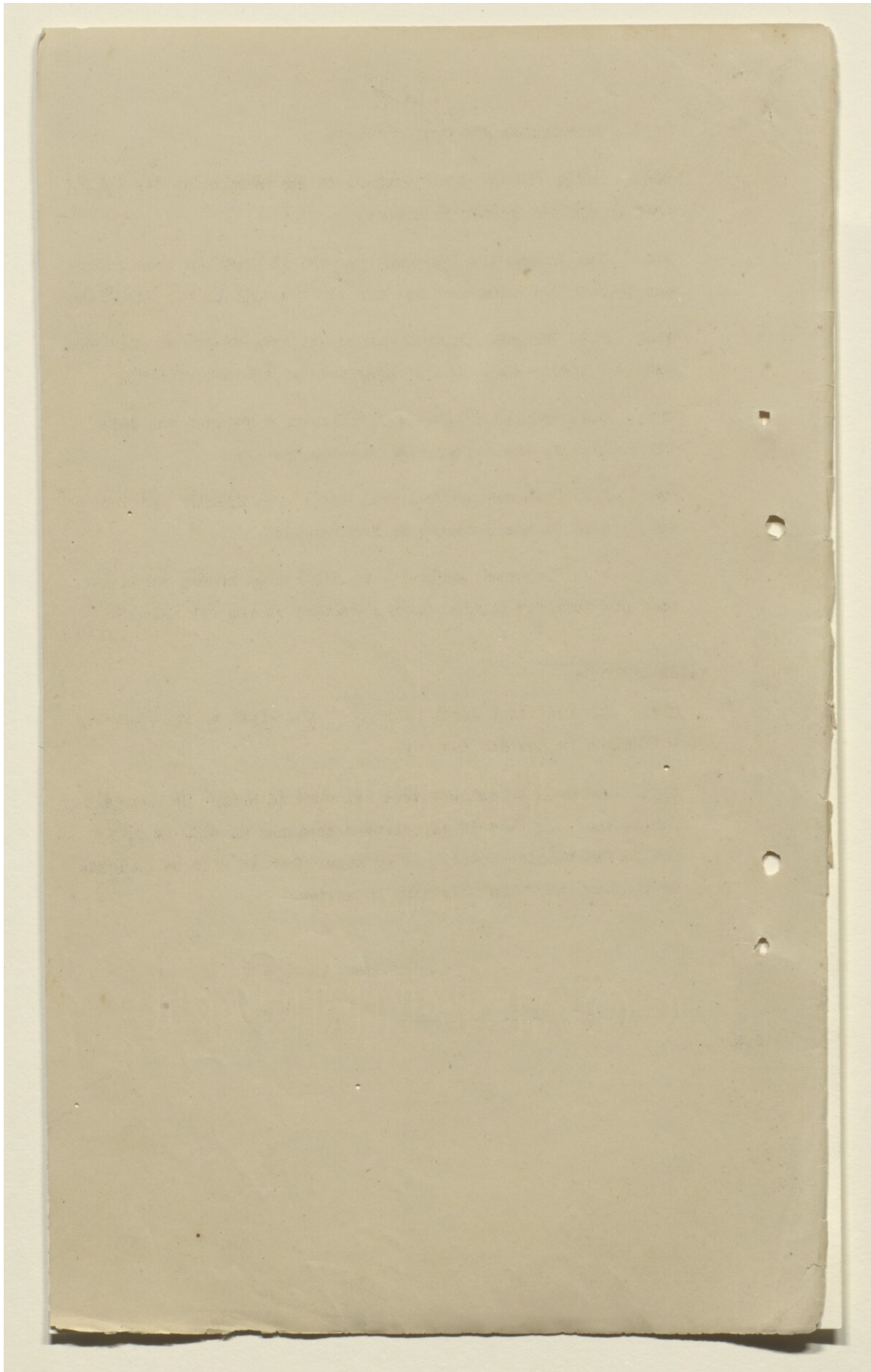
790. As a result of the recent conference at Bahrein some changes have been made in the personnel of the American Mission here. The Rev. Dr. Cantine and Mrs. Cantine will proceed to Basreh, having been relieved here by the Revd. Mr. Barney and Mrs. Barney. Dr. Bennett has left on long leave to America, being relieved at Mutrah by Dr. Harrison a young man who joined the Mission last spring and has since been at Omara learning Arabic. A lady missionary, Miss Sutton, an Australian, has been added to the establishment at Muscat.

Arrivals and Departures of Ships.

791. H.M.S. "Fox" arrived at night on 4th and left in the afternoon on the 6th Instant.

792. The Armed Launch "Shaikh" arrived in the morning on 8th and left at night.

793. H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived in the morning on 5th and left in





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in the forenoon on the 10th Instant.

794. H.M.S. "Proserpine" arrived in the evening on 7th and left on the 8th in the afternoon.

795. The German S.S. "Istria" arrived at daybreak from Europe and left in the afternoon for the Persian Gulf on the 5th Instant.

796. S.S. "Kasara" arrived with mails from Gwadar at dawn and left for Bunder Abbas in the afternoon on the 5th Instant.

797. S.S. "Dumra" arrived with mails from Karachi and left for Bushire in the forenoon on the 5th Instant.

798. S.S. "Dwarka" arrived with mails from Bushire and left for Karachi in the forenoon on 7th Instant.

799. S.S. "Eulimba" arrived with mails from Bunder Abbas at noon and left for Chahbar in the evening on the 7th Instant.

Miscellaneous.

800. The Political Agent paid a private visit to His Highness the Sultan on the 6th Instant.

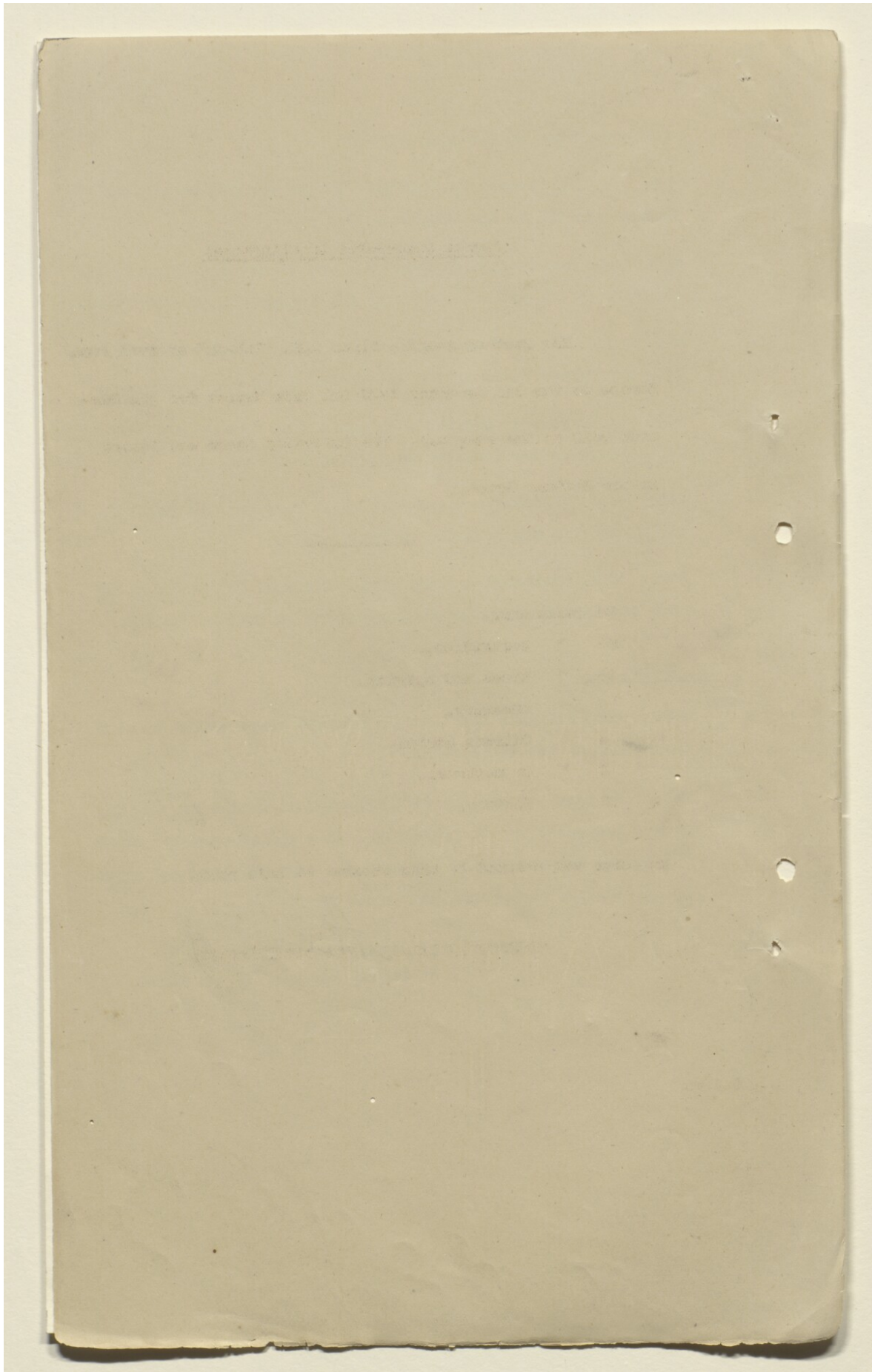
801. No cases of cholera were reported in Mutrah or Muscat during the week, and it is believed that the disease is dying out in the neighbourhood. It is hoped that it will be possible to declare the place free from infection.

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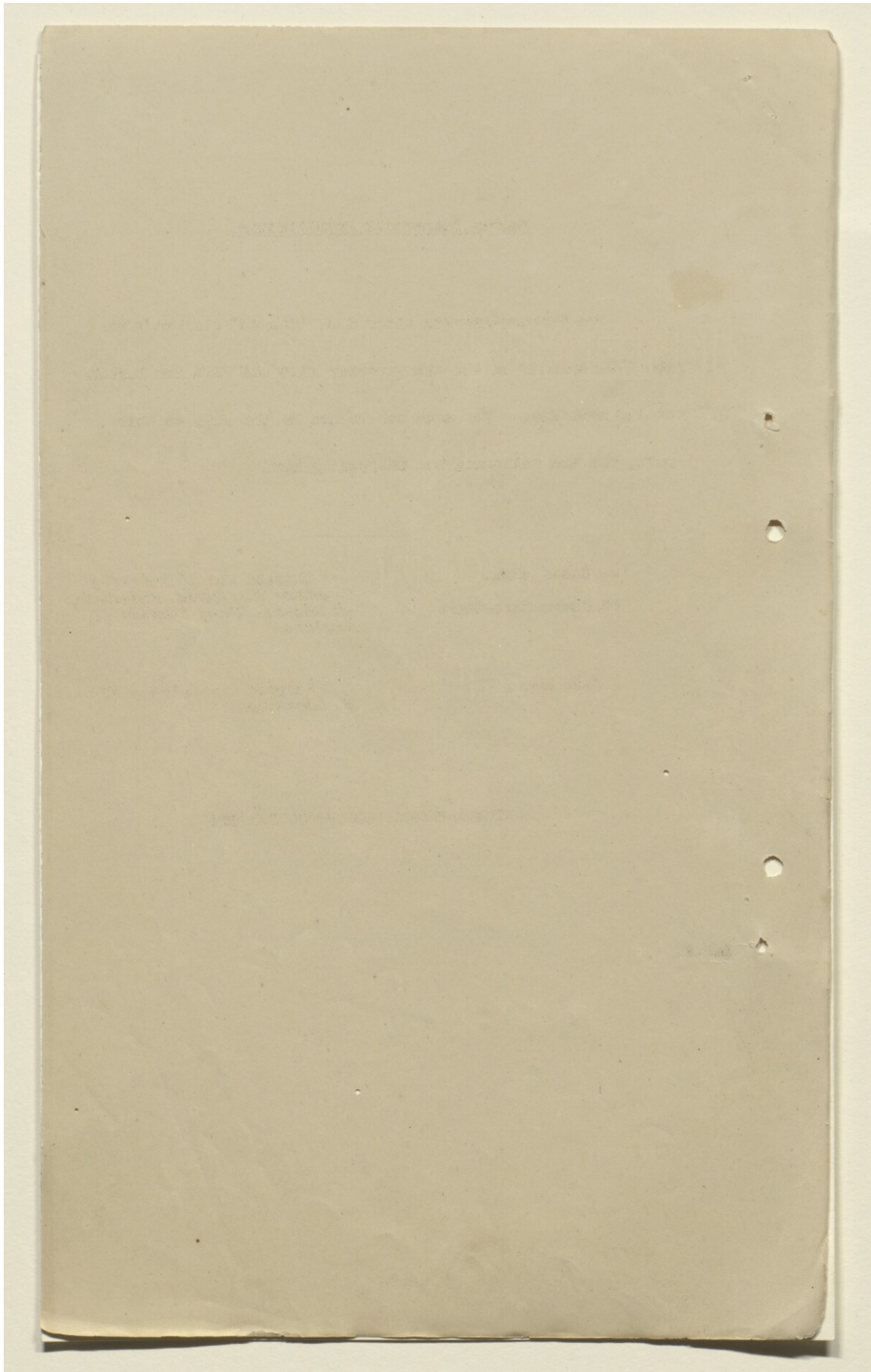
The Hamburg-Amerika Liner S.S. "Istria" arrived from Europe on the 5th December 1910 and left Muscat for the Persian Gulf on the same day. The following cargo was landed in the Customs House.

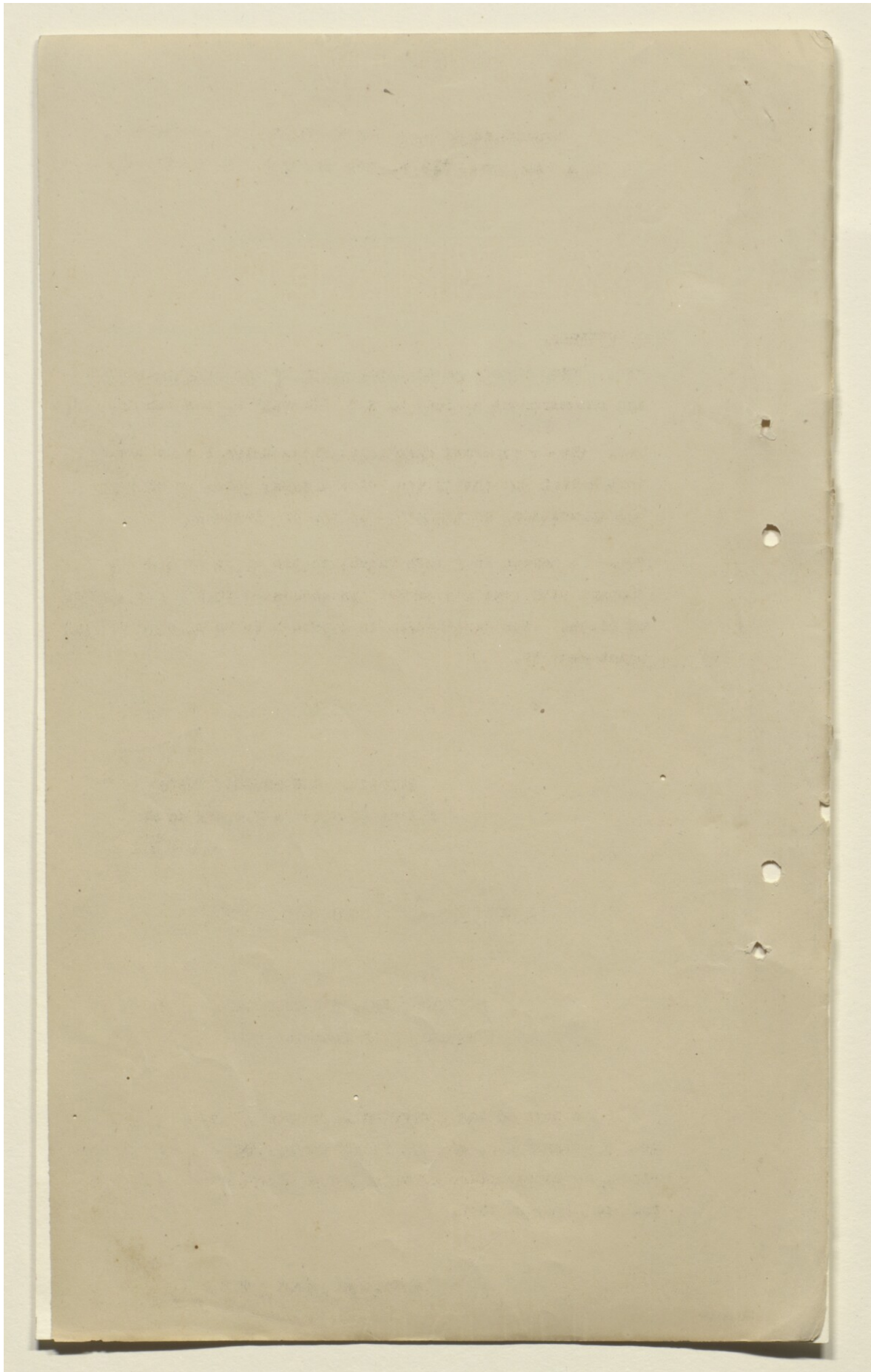
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- 24 Cases arms.
 - 231 " cartridges.
 - 25 " Wines and spirits.
 - 7 " crockery.
 - 4 " Oilmans stores.
 - 2 " Gramophones.
 - 2 " Tobacco.

No cargo was shipped by this steamer at this port.

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Extract from the Diary No.49/1619 of the British Agency & Consulate, Muscat, for the week ending 10th December 1910.

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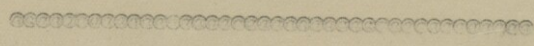
787. With reference to Diary entry No.586, Monsieur Wran the gun-merchant arrived by S.S. "Dwarka" on the 7th Instant.

788. It is reported that three dhows belonging to Koweit left Mutrah for that place, with a large quantity of arms and ammunition, on the night of the 3rd Instant.

789. A Mekran dhow left Muscat on the night of the 6th Instant with arms and ammunition concealed in a large quantity of cloth. The destination is supposed to be Chahbar or some point near it.

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(Signed). A.P.TREVOR. Major.
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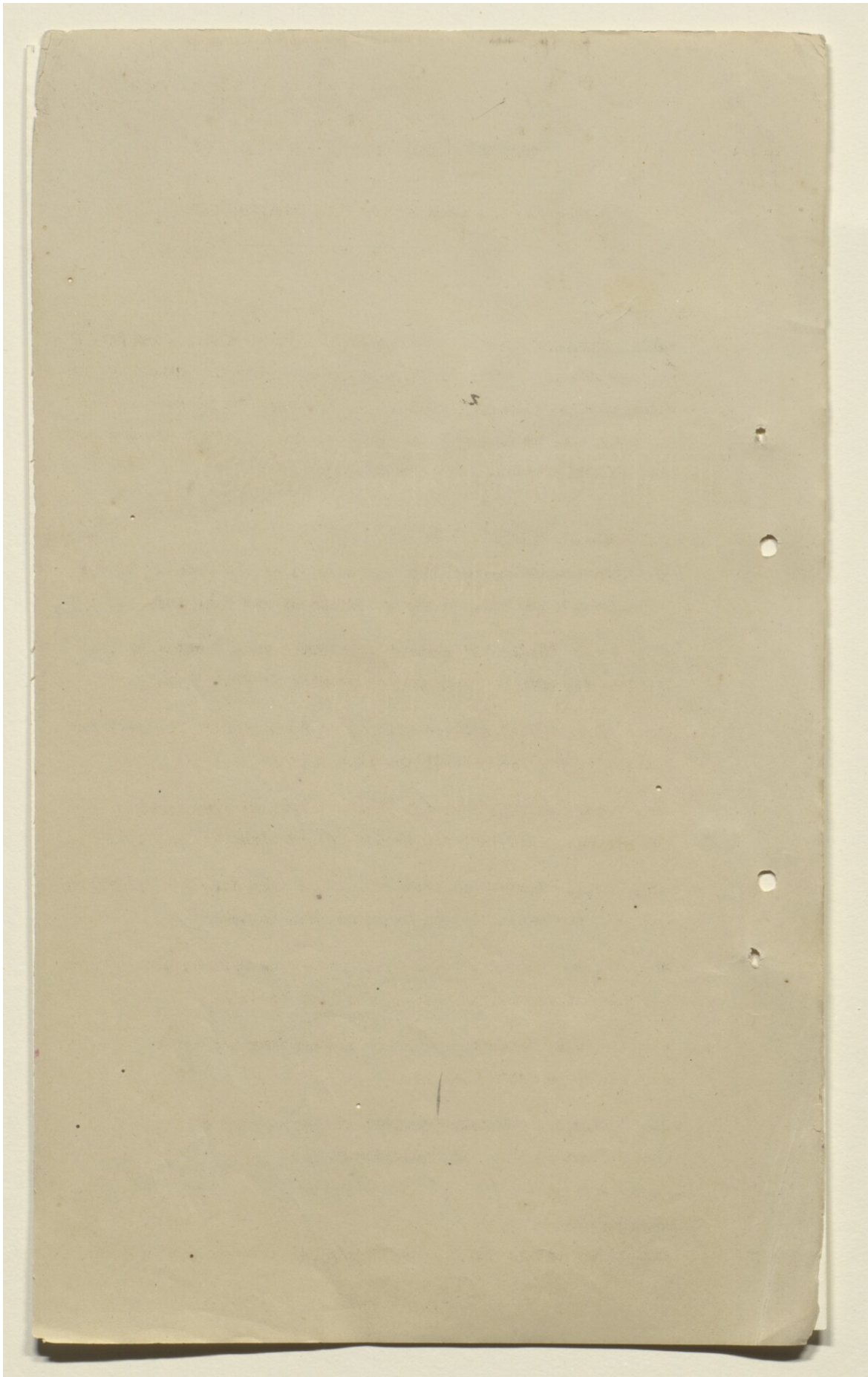
Muscat, 14th December 1910.

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BRITISH AGENCY AND CONSULATE, MUSCAT.

News for the week ending 17th December 1910.

Arms Traffic.

802. Monsieur Lagasse the representative of Messrs. Rajjeot & Co. has not yet left; he is apparently trying to dispose of his firms outstandings at Koweit at a discount. If he can succeed in doing this he proposes to go direct to India and after a short tour there, proceed to Europe on leave.

Arrivals and Departures of Ships.

803. The Armed Launch "Sheikh" arrived on the evening of the 11th Instant and left in the afternoon of the 12th Instant.

804. S.S. "Goalpara" arrived with mails from Chahbar in the morning and left for Jask in the evening of 12th Instant.

805. S.S. "Kola" arrived with mails from Karachi and left for Bushire in the forenoon of the 12th Instant.

806. The I.G.T.S. "Patrick Stewart" arrived from Chahbar in the afternoon and left for Gwador on the night of 14th Instant.

807. S.S. "Madura" arrived with mails from Jask in the morning and left for Gwador on the night of 14th Instant.

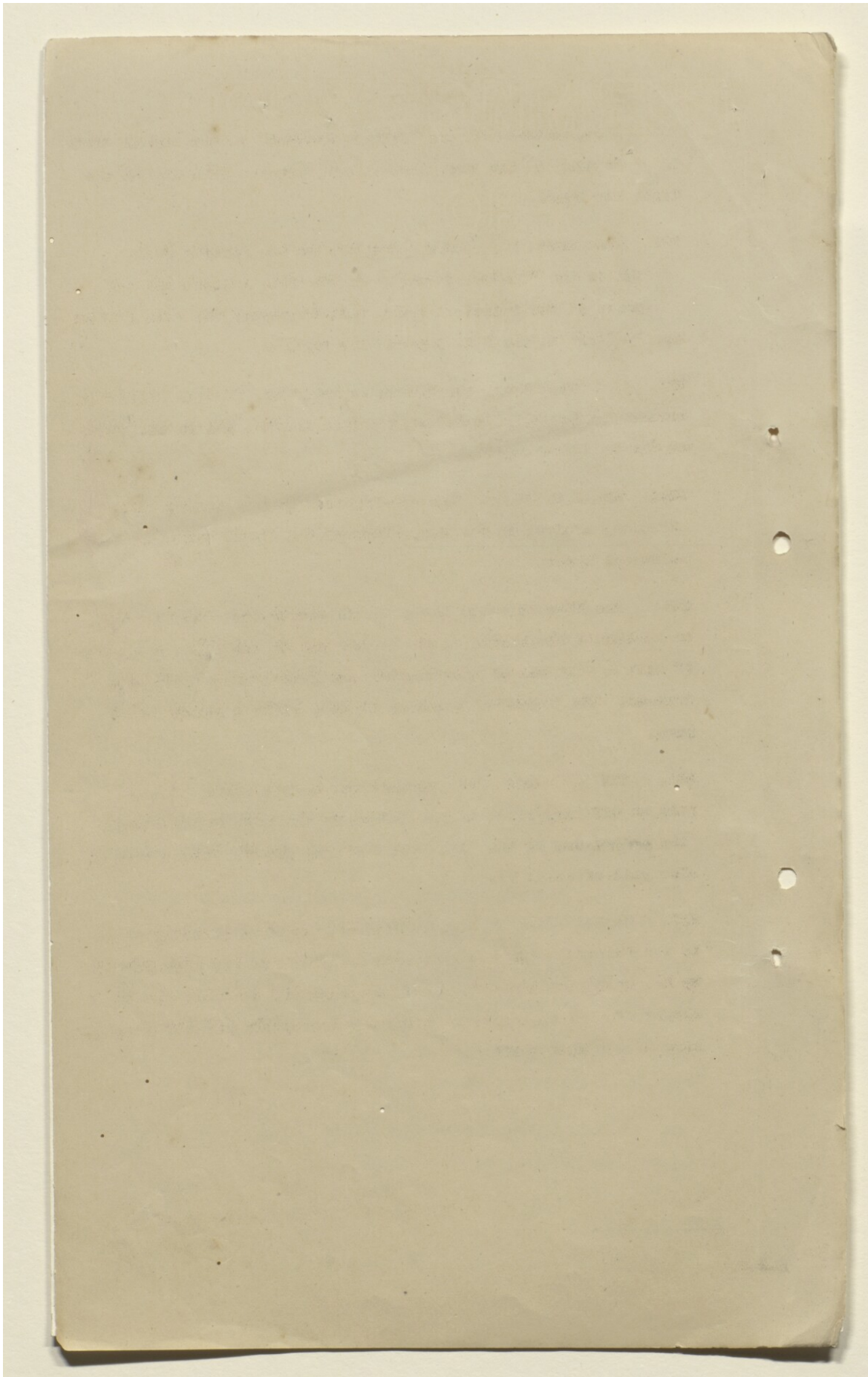
808. S.S. "Dumra" arrived with mails from Bushire and left for Karachi in the forenoon of the 14th Instant.

809. H.M.S. "Alert" arrived on the morning and left in the evening of the 15th Instant.

810. H.M.S. "Hyacinth" arrived in the morning of the 17th Instant and is still in the harbour.

Miscellaneous.

811. Mr. Whitby Smith, the Director of the Persian Gulf Telegraphs





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Telegraphs, arrived in the "Patrick Stewart" on the annual visit of inspection on the 12th Instant and left the same day in the night for Gwadar.

812. The Revd. Mr. Keymer, Chaplain of the Persian Gulf, arrived in the "Patrick Stewart" on the 12th Instant and was the guest of the Political Agent till Wednesday the 14th Instant when he left in the S.S. "Dumra" for Karachi.

813. Mr. Hugh Wray, the Executive Engineer, Karachi Buildings, arrived in the S.S. "Kola" on the 12th Instant and is the guest of the Political Agent.

814. Mr. J.W. Storrs, the sub-Engineer of the Persian Gulf Division, arrived in the S.S. "Madura" and is the guest of the Political Agent.

815. The 13th December being the Id Qurban day, His Highness, the Sultan's flagstaffs on the palace and on the forts and those of this Agency and of the American and French Consulates were dressed. His Highness' saluting battery fired a salute of 21 guns.

816. The Political Agent accompanied by the Agency Surgeon paid an official visit to the Sultan on the 14th Instant being the second day of the 'Id. The American and the French Consuls also paid official visits.

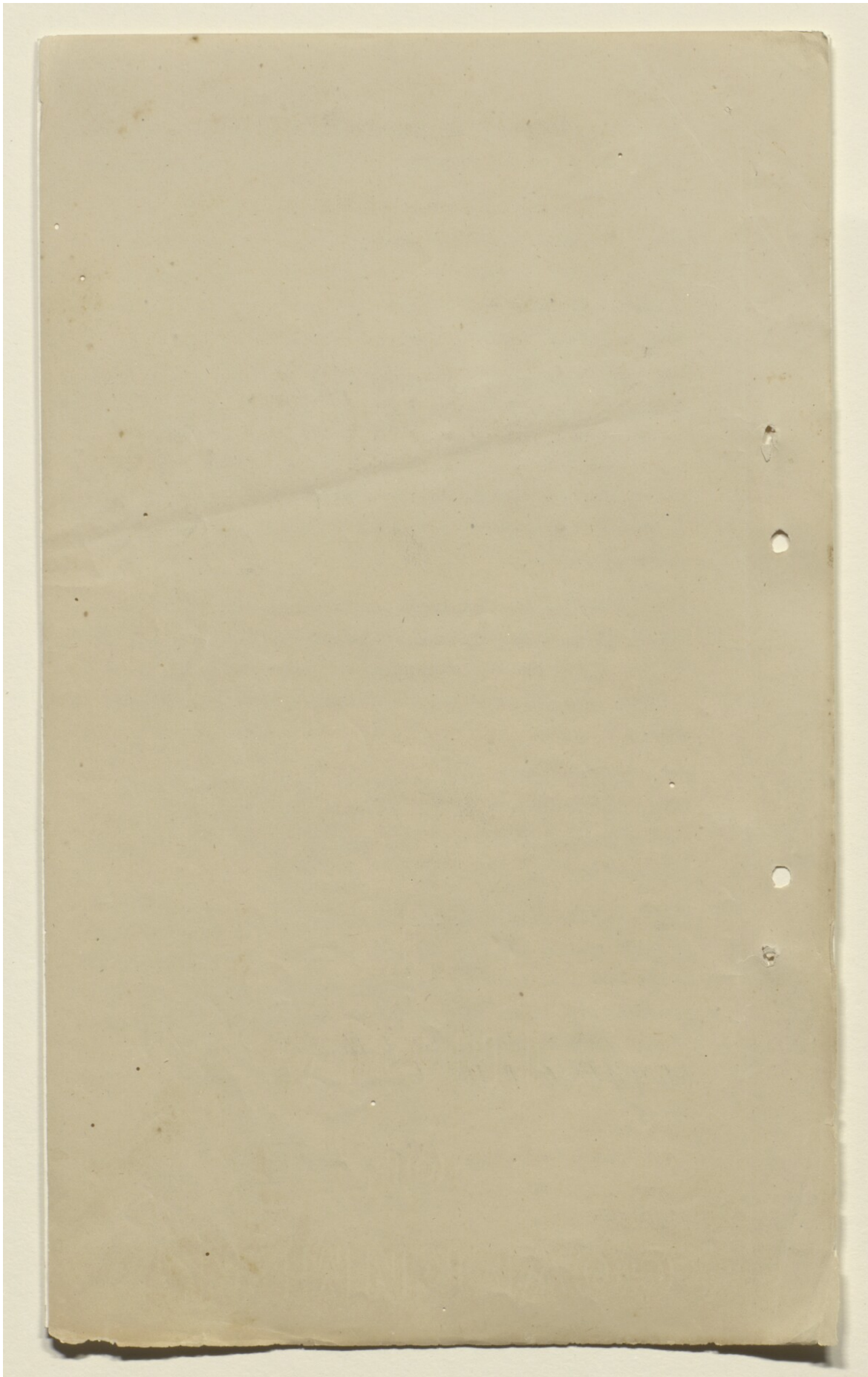
817. Captain Dick of H.M.S. "Hyacinth" paid an official visit to the Political Agent on the 17th Instant. He was accompanied by Mr. Graham of the firm which has taken the contract for the supply of coal to the Navy during the operations for the suppression of the arms traffic. *Mr. Graham has come up in behalf of the O. R. M. to enquire into the cooling arrangements.*

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News for the week ending 24th December 1910.

Condition of the Country.

818. Saif bin Hamed, the Wali of Mizwa has written to His Highness the Sultan that the Bani Riyam are preparing to give trouble and that he should therefore be supplied with provision and ammunition so as to be ready for the trouble. When the letter was read in the 'Durza' some of the audience said that this was not correct but simply a ruse on the part of the Wali to feather his own nest. His Highness has not yet sent any reply to the Wali.

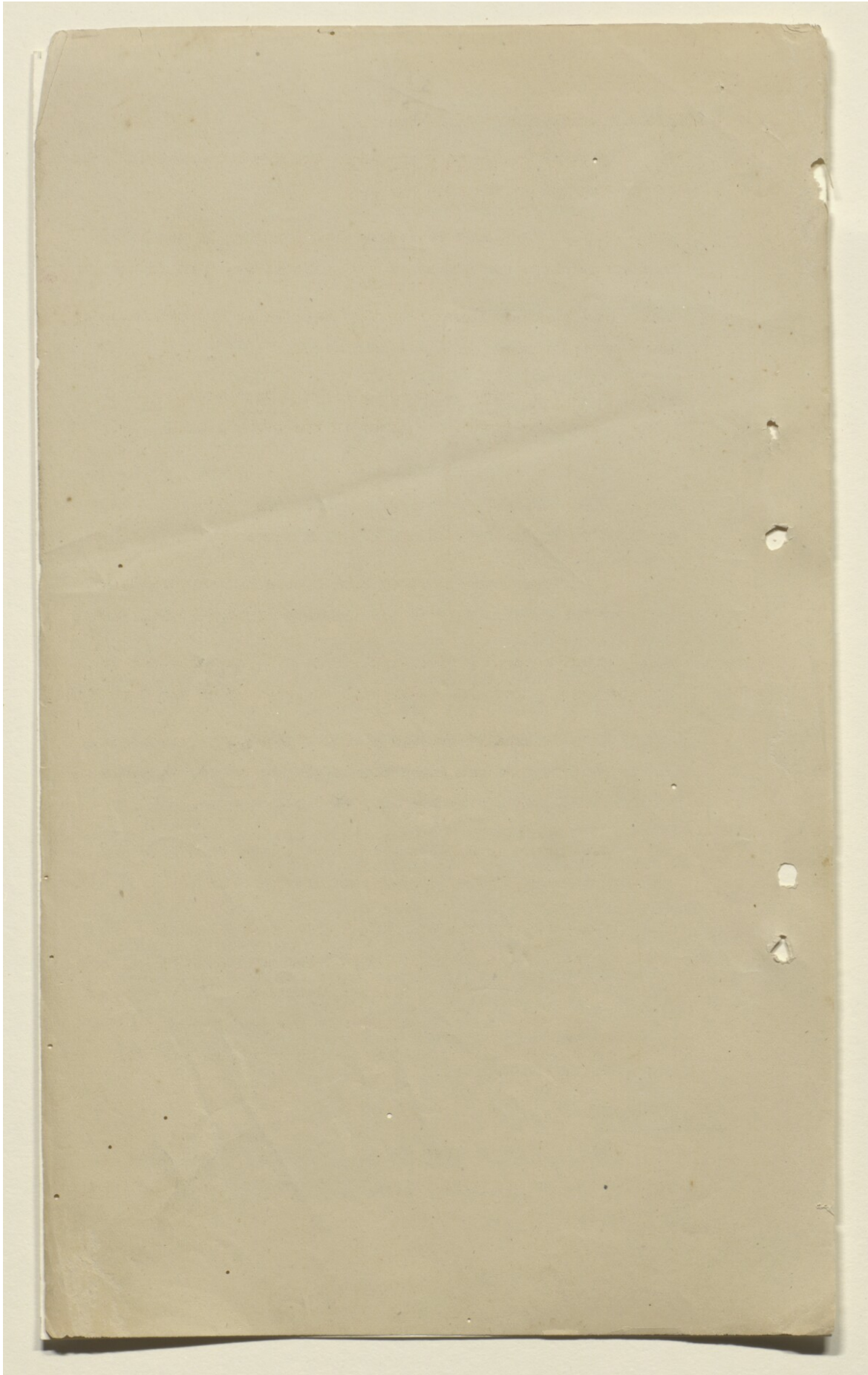
819. News has been received that two men of Nakhl while on their way to Muscat were ambuscaded and killed by some men of the Maawal at Seh. His Highness, who was at first averse to sending Shaikh Rashid bin Aziz Al-Khasebi to mediate between the tribes, was lately brought round to favour the idea, but as the proposed mediator is not a persona grata with Shaikh Saif bin Suleiman Al-Jabri of Tau, the idea has been dropped, and His Highness has written to the Bani Maawal to send representatives to Muscat when he will try to settle the matter.

820. It is reported that three days ago a man of Tau killed one of the Bani Awamir at Sib on account of criminal intimacy between the latter and the former's sister. Shaikh Saif bin Suleiman the chief of Tau is highly incensed at his follower's act as to keep peace with the Bani Awamir he will have to pay about \$400 as blood money.

Arms Traffic.

821. Monsieur Lagasse left for India, where he will make a short tour before proceeding to Europe, by the S.S. "Kasara" on the 21st Instant.

Arrivals





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Arrivals and Departures of Ships.

822. With reference to Diary entry 810 H.M.S. "Hyacinth" left in the evening on the 20th Instant.

823. H.M.S. "Perseus" arrived on the forenoon of the 18th Instant and left for Bombay in the night on the 22nd Instant.

824. H.M.S. Armed Launch "Shaikh" arrived on the afternoon of the 24th Instant and is still in harbour.

825. S.S. "Warconga" arrived with mails from Gwadar in the morning and left for Bunder Abbas in the evening on the 19th Instant.

826. S.S. "Dwarka" arrived with mails from Karachi and left for Bushire in the forenoon on the 19th Instant.

827. S.S. "Baltistan" arrived from Europe in the morning and left for the Persian Gulf in the afternoon on the 19th Instant.

828. S.S. "Kasara" arrived with mails from Bunder Abbas in the morning and left for Chahbar in the evening on the 21st Instant.

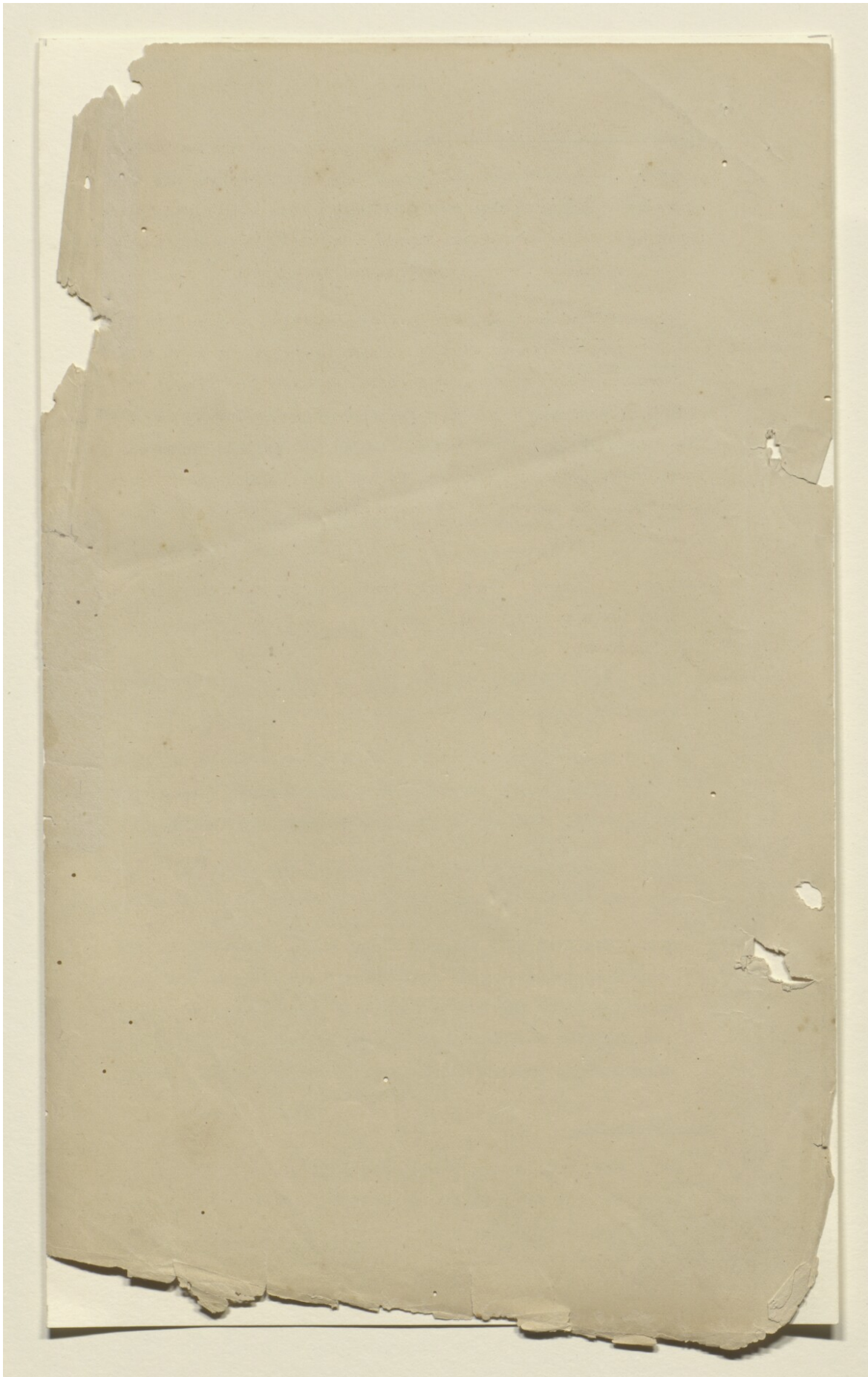
829. S.S. "Vauxhall" arrived from U.S.America in the morning on the 22nd Instant freighted with Kerosene oil and is still in the harbour. She has to land 12,000 cases for Muscat.

830. S.S. "Stanley Hall" arrived from Europe in the morning and left for the Persian Gulf in the afternoon on the 23rd Instant.

831. The fast mail steamer "Kola" which was due here from Bushire on Wednesday the 21st Instant has not yet come and consequently mails for Europe have been detained. It is reported that the fore part was much damaged by the gale which she met after leaving Bushire and she had to put into Jask disabled.

Miscellaneous.

832. Mr. H.G. Chick, Vice-Consul, Bushire, returning from leave and who was a passenger on board the "Baltistan", paid a visit to the Political Agent.





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833. Mr. Clark of the professorial staff of the La Martiniere College, Lucknow, returning from leave from England was also a passenger by the "Baltistan" and landed here staying with the representative of Messrs. Towell & Co. till Wednesday the 21st Instant when he left in the "Kasara" for India.

834. A Frenchman by name L. Martin arrived by the S.S. "Stanley Hall". He states he intends to stay a week or perhaps two in Muscat and then proceed to Persia. He wishes to travel in Persia if the roads are safe. The Political Agent informed him that to the best of his belief the *Mohamrah Khuy* - Ispahan route was the only safe route now but that he had better make enquiries at Bushire. He appears to be a traveller of an artistic temperament, *and is also an expert in geology.*

835. The Revd. Mr. and Mrs. Cantine whose departure was postponed for a fortnight will leave for Basrah by slow mail on 26th Instant.

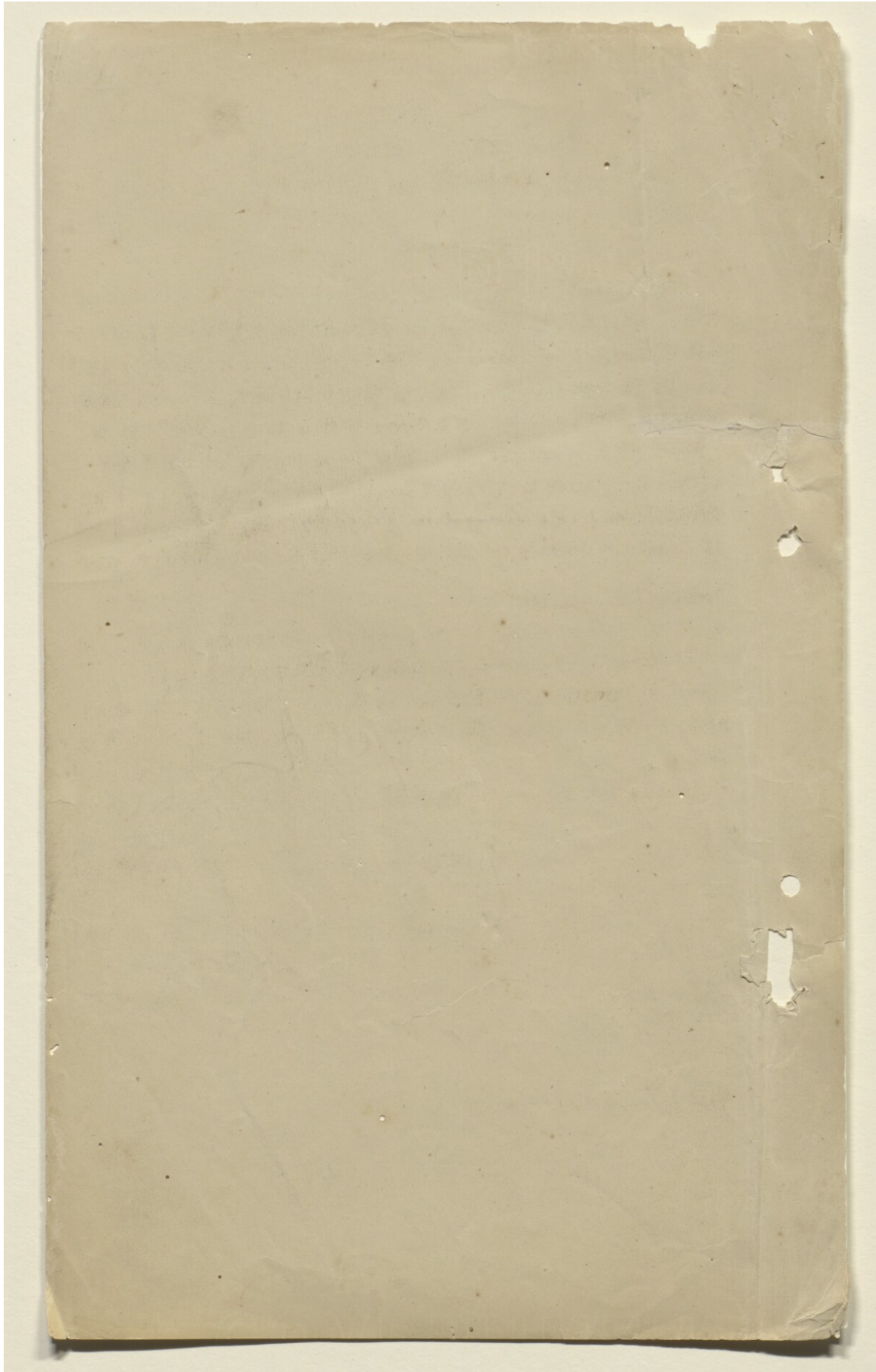
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BRITISH AGENCY & CONSULATE, MUSCAT.
News for the week ending 31st December 1910.

CUSTOMS.

836. It is reported that His Highness the Sultan has been offered 250,000 dollars by Ali Musa and Saiyid Yusuf Lavawi jointly for the Customs farming of Muscat, Mutrah and Kuriyat for the year 1329 A.H. (1911). A sum of \$25,000 is said to have been paid in advance and His Highness is believed to be willing to accept the offer on condition that the balance should be paid by regular equal monthly instalments irrespective of takings. Final arrangements are it is said to be made in the beginning of Moharram (January 11th)

Condition of Country.

837. With reference to diary entry No. 731 Shaikhs Sulaiman bin Nesir Al-Mawili and Hamed bin Thanyan Al-Jabiri of Nakhil have agreed to come to Sib to meet His Highness the Sultan for the purpose of making a peace. The Mawili Sheikh has been all along very refractory and it is said ^{he} has only been obliged to accept a reference to His Highness the Sultan by means of a boycott effected by the Jabiri Sheikh.

838. His Highness is likely to proceed to *Sib* for meeting the above Shaikhs.

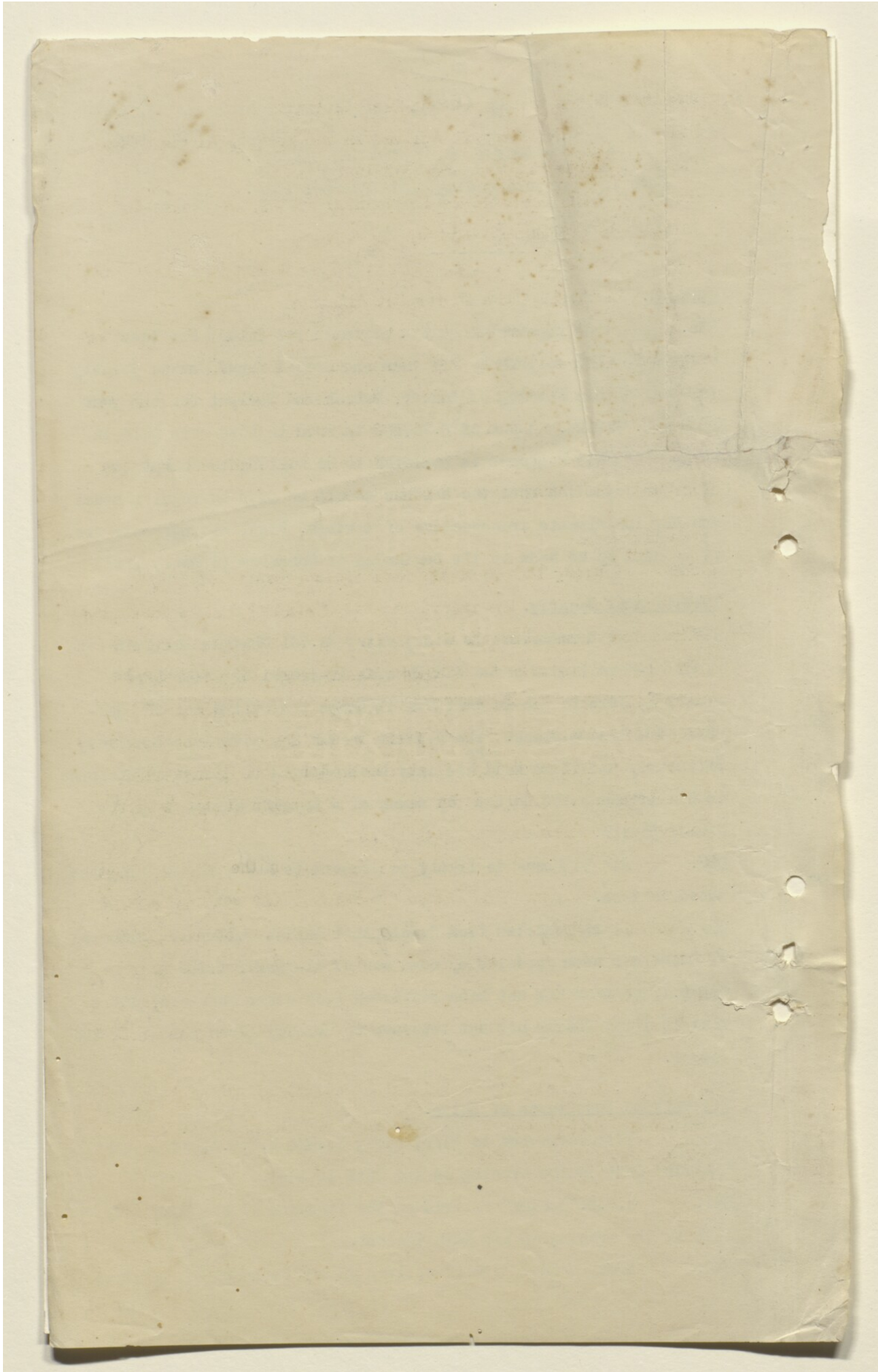
839. It is reported from Suveiq that Sheikh Sultan bin Muhammed Al-Naimi has been murdered by some men of Al-Awamir tribe near Bursah. The news has not been confirmed from other quarters, but the fact that the Shaikh has not returned to Bereimi gives colour to the rumour.

Arrivals and Departures of Ships.

840. With reference to Diary entry No. 824 H.M.S. Armed Launch "Shrikh" left in the evening on the 26th instant.

841. H.M.S. "Sphinx" arrived on the forenoon of the 25th and left in the evening on the 26th instant.

842. Armed Launch "Tamil" arrived on the forenoon of the 25th and





and left in the morning on the 28th instant. (137)

843. H.M.S. "Philomel" arrived in the morning on the 27th and left in the night on the 28th instant.

844. With reference to diary entry No. 829 S.S. "Vauxhall" left in the evening on the 26th instant.

845. S.S. Dams arrived with mail from Karachi and left for Bushire in the forenoon on the 26th instant.

846. S.S. Bulimba arrived with mail from Sharba in the morning and left for Jask in the evening on the 26th instant.

847. S.S. Dwarke arrived with mail from Bushire and left for Karachi in the forenoon on the 28th instant.

848. S.S. Gosalpara arrived with mail from Jask and left for Gwadar in the evening on the 28th instant.

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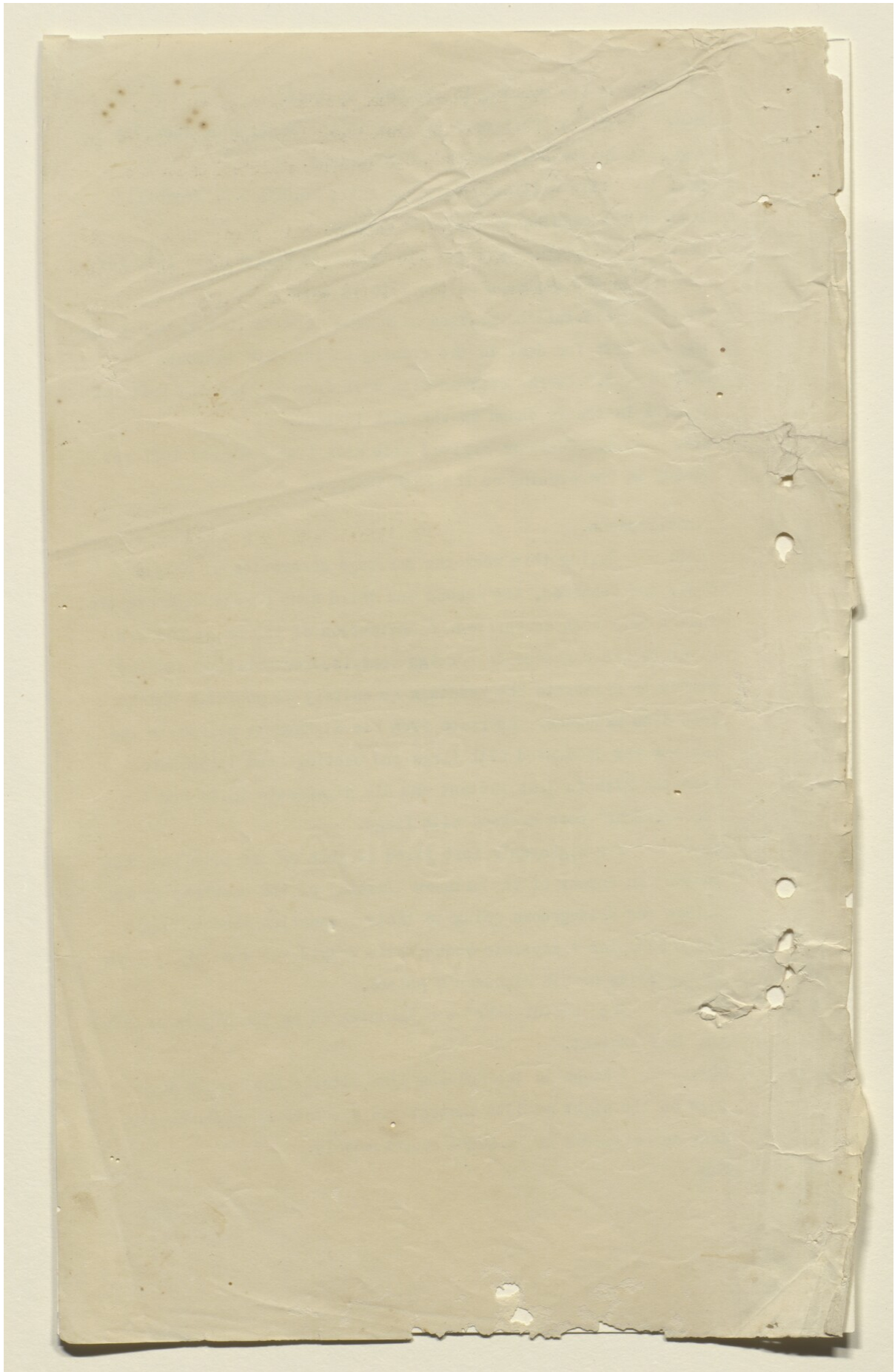
849. During this week the marriage ceremonies of Seiyid Nadir and Muhammad, the second and third sons of His Highness the Sultan have been celebrated. No intimation of the marriages was given by His Highness to Foreign Consuls, presumably because he wished to celebrate the weddings as quietly as possible and to keep down expenses. The route from His Highness's palace to the Customs was decorated with flags and bunting and illuminated from the 27th to 31st instant and His Highness's forts and the "Nur-ul-Behr" were dressed with flags.

850. His Highness's fort fired 11 guns on the 29th and 31st instant in honour of the princes "Dekhla" on the ceremony of the brides and bridegrooms going to their respective abodes. Seiyid Nadir occupies a separate house, while Seiyid Muhammed is to live in a portion of His Highness's palace.

851. The "Nur-ul-Behr" was illuminated on the nights of 28th and 31st instant.

852. A house in the Mohalla Ajem outside the Muscat took fire on the night of 30th instant and was totally consumed, the loss is estimated at Rs. 400/- approximately.

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853. The Political Agent paid a private visit to His Highness to deliver His Excellency the Viceroy's letter to His Highness the Sultan and to congratulate him on the marriage of his sons.

854. The French and American Consuls followed suit, the former calling immediately after the Political Agent and the latter arranging a visit for the morning of the 1st January.

Major,
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