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From
C. K. Atcheson
Govt. of India

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Forwards copy of
Correspondence re-
garding the remain-
-ed ^{of} at Candahar
of the Rebel leader
"Feroze Shah" - in
an interview of Lord
Clive 1783. of June 1860

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From

W. H. Davies, Esquire

Secretary to the Govt of the Punjab &c.

To

The Secretary to the Govt of India

Foreign Department.

Lahore the 25th of July 1860.

(Political)

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No 450 of 22nd June, I am directed to forward copies of the letters noted on the margin, from the Commissioner of Peshawar, regarding the rumoured arrival at Candahar of the rebel Geroze Shah.

* No 59 of 25th June
No 56 of 10th July

The Lieut. Governor has requested Captain James to inspect on the Vahel at Cabul to make continued enquiries about Geroze Shah.

I have the honor to be Sir

(Sd) W. H. Davies

Secretary to the Govt of the Punjab

(No 59 of 1860)

From the Commr. & Supdt Peshawar Division

To The Secretary to the Govt of the Punjab

Peshawar the 25th of June 1860

(Political)

Sir,

With reference to your No 755 of 22nd instant,

3 I have the honor to state that I have addressed the Cabul Vakeel on the subject of the rebel Feroz Shah, and will communicate his reply.

2 The Circumstance cannot have been known (if true) at Cabul, unless to the Ammir himself, or it would have been reported. Secret information from Candahar will always be more readily obtainable by our Officers at Kabul who are so immediately in the neighbourhood, than by our Agent at Cabul.

(True Copy)
Wm R. H. Davies
Secy to the Govt of Punjab

I have the honor to be &
(Sd) H. R. James
Comms. & Supd.

(N^o 66 of 1860)

From the Comms. & Supd. Peshawar Div.
To The Secretary to the Govt of the Punjab
at Abbottabad the 10th of July 1860.

Sir,

(Political)

In continuation of my letter N^o 59 of 25th Ult^o, I have the honor to report that the Vakeel has instituted enquiries regarding the rebel Feroz Shah. He had not himself heard any thing of him, and was under the impression that he had been killed in Hindostan.

2 When my letter on the subject reached him a force had just arrived from Candahar and he made enquiries from the Officers and from Merchants, all of whom declared they knew nothing about it. He

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then spoke to the Chief Secretary, who solemnly assured him that it was not true, and that had the circumstance occurred, he would most certainly have communicated it. (5)

3 One man only, Jubbhar Khan, a Merchant from Candahar told the Vakeel that six months ago he saw a Fakir in one of the Serais of Candahar, and a guard of the Sindars in the same place. On enquiring about ^{it} from one of the Officers he was informed that the man had come through Sindh and Kelat from Hindostan, and had called himself one of the Delhi Shahjodas on his way to Mecca; on this the Sidar had placed a guard over him, and ordered him to be turned out of the Country. Jubbhar Khan had heard that he was so turned out subsequently.

4 The Vakeel, on the representation of the Chief Secretary, does not believe that this was Feroze Shah, but the account given by Jubbhar Khan is clearly detailed, and if the Govt have reason to believe that the rebel had proceeded in that direction, it seems highly probable that he was the Fakir alluded to. On this case it must have been known to the Sindar, and it was not a friendly act to conceal it from our Govt.

I have no doubt this is the man alluded to by Major Green's informant; but I do not think that any blame

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blame can be attached to the Khat in the matter. -
It was certainly not known at Calcutta, and by very few at Candahar; the natural medium through which such an item of information would reach the Govt is that of the officer at Khat. Ghulam Harpur Khan has proved himself a very accurate observer and careful reporter of all that occurs within his reach.

(True copy)
Wm R. H. Davies
Secy to Govt of Punjab

I have the honor to be &c
Wm R. James
Commr & Supdt.

Wm R. James

No 5557

Copy forwarded for the information of the Agent Govt
Genl. Central India, in continuation of letter from
this Department dated 7th June last, No 1783.

By order of His Excellency the Governor General
of India in Council.

Foreign Dept
the 10th of November 1860

W. R. James
Under Secretary to the Govt of India.

W. R. James