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LOCAL NEWS—*Cahul*—A correspondent of the *Delhi Gazette*, writing from Cabul under date the 29th March, says, that the small force ordered by the Amir Dost Muhammad Khan to punish the people of Pesh Bolak and Suiju Khail had returned to Jallalabad, after, as it appears, an engagement with Muhammad Shah Khan, in which nearly 30 of them were killed, and about the same number wounded. Although the Amir's soldiers took a great quantity of Muhammad Shah Khan's baggage, the Khan, to save his life, escaped to the forts in the country about Lumghan. The brother of Mirdad Khan had just arrived from Jallalabad, and informed the correspondent that the said Amir had marched in the direction of Tatmeg, but it was not known then whether he would celebrate the festival of the new year's day at Balla bagh or at Cabul. The brother of Mirdad Khan also mentioned that some English Newspapers published in India were read to the Amir, in which the mismanagement of Government was canvassed in advancing money to the Amir, who, the

papers said, was keeping up relations on both sides, and that on hearing this the Amir remarked, that when the English get into any difficulty they expended millions of pounds sterling, and that now when the Persians, instigated by the Russians, were planning the invasion of Afghanistan, with the ulterior design of disturbing the Government of India, the Governor General had, with wisdom and judgment, considered his, the Amir's alliance, worth having. The correspondent adds, that it is much discussed at Cabul that in consequence of the instigation and mischievous designs of Sultan Muhammad Khan, Inam Haji is exciting the inhabitants of the hill country, and that it is also currently reported that Sultan Jan has, with entreaty and supplication, applied to the Persian Commander-in-Chief at Herat for permission to invade Gurrishk affirming that the people of Gurrishk have agreed to assist him on the condition that the taxes be remitted for three years.