

Githuding Dec. 16/49

Dear old Man

Stuck in the mud
by all that's beautiful & I cannot
yet change my position, that nothing
but better will get us out of this.

Deewan has camped here, utterly
non-plussed. He has called the
Kajis & Subahdar to council, but they
won't, ^{to come here} - I am now trying to
get all the blame & responsibility upon
his shoulders. The Singtam, Subahdar
& Ganjohi Kajis' brother, who were
with me, I insisted to (camped) south
in as safe spots will not turn

up. Deewan says "why should I go
in alone who have done nothing!"

Subahdar has not understood
written to the Deewan asking what
he is concerned about, if so I think
somewhat that Deewan is non-plussed,
for my impression all along was
viz, that this fellow was coming

news
have
but the
it is
Solo hope

+ to submit to him as peace offerings.
Now he has involved himself
too much, & the said accomplices,
or rather dupes, are riding rest,
& if they do any thing will be
ready to show that the Dewan
plotted all this reciprocal
commitment ago -

The Peneys too trumpet Dewar
guiltily - Campbell stopped his
whole investment last year, when
he the Dewan would not produce
the Rajah, & he very naturally
expects a similar course to be even
pursued.

All hands are utterly at their
wit's end, on account of a new
conspiracy, ^{moving} coming up - They
expected to have to do with
Hing alone.

+ As to the Pres. & Councils' letter,
they don't give one de for it.

that & all similar threats gain
no credence whatever. The rumors
of soldiers paying them a great
deal, but they never will believe
that we can crop either Pongut
or Teenta till we do it.

As to sending us in, that the Dewan
saw us he will not do.

Such are my present impressions -
I should not be surprised if we were
taken on sent tomorrow to Dupleing
or to Trunlong. For such a deus
to hurry us this never breathes. The
deeper he gets involved the more
helplessly obstinate he becomes.

we were made very sorely this
morning by one of the Dutch chaprains
being taken suddenly & violently ill
during his meal, with what I sup-
pose are all the peculiar symptoms of
Milk poisoning. Dewar was sitting
in our tent when it happened (the
brute, however see lines out) I went with
me to the man. I had his stomach
we gave him smart emetics - all
the rejuvenants I also kept & took

salasun & the Dewan for a day
to get all up - He sent me at once,
but nothing happened the back
who was dead "Thankful for the report."
I thought this the best plan of
alleviating suspicions in the Dewan's
part. of our dreading fool play -
which would only complicate matters
which is the old best game me as
and in the Khuds. where we had
a man regularly knocked down
by it. - He is out of all sight the
most distant, meanest, most impractical
brute I ever came across - but when
he chooses very agreeable & has no
small store of the information I
want. The Lama does all he
can to put matters square, but the
two hate one another like cat & dog
& shows that there is no love lost
between them.

Very many thanks for your
goodness to Ten Thumen, we must
now bear up for Aley & Chittagong

via Jenkins & the Whopya. wish
you go that way? I cannot be ready
till I get all my collections sent
down to Calcutta & my character
cleared by Serkington. as a
land locker which is the natural
impression that we must adopt
who do not know the circumstances.

I am to stand Godfather to Campbell's
new child - as if I had not sins
enough of my own - I shall "renew
the Dewan & all his works" - I state it
very kind of the Campbell's to wish it.
I send you some of my Father's letters -
~~the~~ little chart won't do at all -
I expressly ordered him not to publish
it.

Don't for God's sake trouble yourself
about my misundertakings, I
thank you for the bottom of my soul
for your grand frankness & gentleness
Archie sends his love

Yours affectionate
J. H. H. H.

P.S. please show Thomas
my Father's letters

I have always fringed about
Nehal paper - my good fellow
I never dreamed what you were
about in taking the responsibility
as well as trouble of that -

If you can I should like that
6 loads be sent for; but I suppose

you can hardly get coolies! at
this junction.