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April 3rd. Mr. Richarz came out to us on board; I got him to certify my letter to the Minister, but without his consular seal, it being left in Baghdad. At 3 pm I went to the consulate, posted my letter to Böhm registered it via Bombay and Brindisi and paid 1 Rupees and 6 Annas

April 4th. Basreh to Baghdad. At 5.50 am got underway--- two English missionary ladies, a Miss Wilkes and Miss Phillips going to join English missionaries in Baghdad.

April 8th. At 5.5 pm landed above Gherrara walked in to town.

April 14th. Baghdad to Basreh At 4.45 am got underway.

April 15th. At 4.45 am left Coot. At 6 pm arrived at Amara.

Arebi the son of Wady has been given to him the Chahala Sultan's property for 20000 £ a year, he has been invested with the Sheikhship and sent there a few days ago- Osman the son of Yasser is imprisoned at Basreh for his father's debts.

April 16th. At 6 am landed 3 passengers at Kalat Saleh and took 4 (Balda the wife of Shiya and 3 with her going to see Osman at Basreh) After Shiya's death, his brother Yasser married her, and this one divorced her and his son Osman married her, Mehdi Pasha the Motserrif of Amara has gone to Messeyida in the Chala with 100 soldiers to keep order as the Arabs of Yasser would not leave the place to be given to Araby. At 4.30 am arrived at Basreh