

the Streights; and it is a pleasing duty I have to perform, in assuring their Lordships that the good opinion I had already formed of this Officer, when formerly under my orders in China, has, through his great zeal and activity, been fully maintained on the present occasion; and that it is my intention to make a similar communication to the Governor-General of India.

I may not close this dispatch without conveying to Mr. Brooke, through its medium, my best thanks for the solicitude he has manifested for the success of the expedition, and the kind and important assistance I have received from him towards securing its favourable result; and I feel persuaded I shall not be disappointed in my expectation, that he will cheerfully permit me to draw still further upon his services.

I have the honour, &c.  
**THOMAS COCHRANE,**  
 Rear-Admiral and Commander-in-Chief.

*Rear-Admiral and Commander-in-Chief, compliments, &c.*

THIS letter is from Sultan Omar Ali Saffudee, who is sitting upon the throne of the kingdom of Borneo and its dependencies, together with the under-mentioned Nobilities belonging to the said kingdom, viz., Pangeran Muda Mahomed, Pangeran Moumein, Pangeran Tuzzoodim, Pangeran Hassim, Pangeran Mat Sallay, Pangeran Khahar, Pangeran Bahar and all his sons, Pangeran Sora, Pangeran Sariam, Pangeran Bedurudeen, Pangeran Hassim, and all the Rajahs under them.

We are happy to learn that our friend has arrived, and in consequence we send a small boat to meet our friend James Brooke, Esq., Pangeran Muda Mahomed sends many compliments, and wishes to state some particulars about a ship which lately came to Borneo. When the news arrived in the city, within four or five hours afterwards the Sultan ordered a boat with two Pangerans, the chief of whom was Pangeran Sora, and Pangeran Hashim. On arriving at the ship they met the captain, and on finishing their conversation with him they requested leave to return, and the captain remarked—"at eight o'clock to-morrow I shall come up and meet the Sultan."

The Sultan was pleased to learn this, and waited two days without the captain coming, therefore he sent a boat with two Pangerans with a present of a bullock and fowls, and the provisions of the place. On arriving at the ship the captain would not receive them, and ordered them to return, not allowing them to approach.

On her returning to the city the Sultan required the news, and was very sorry, as was likewise the Pangeran Muda Mahomed, that the boats and presents of the Sultan had not been received. A follower of the Pangeran Bedurudeen, by name Si Japper, whom the Pangeran Muda Mahomed wished to detain, fled to the ship, and it was in consequence of this the captain did not receive the boat, because he was very angry. The Pangeran

Muda Mahomed, with many compliments, requests our friend not to believe any thing Si Japper may have stated. Even the Sultan himself our friend cannot believe, without being certain of the facts from the other Rajahs, the Ministers and Nacodahs, and the people in general.

With our compliments we state our friend can consider the facts.

(L. S.) of Sultan.  
 (L. S.) of Pangeran Moumein.  
 (L. S.) of Muda Mahomed.

*Agincourt, off Bruné River,  
 5th July 1846.*

MEMORANDUM.

THE following arrangements are intended for carrying out the service on which the squadron is about to be employed, viz., the landing party to comprise the marines and small arm men of Her Majesty's squadron:—

Marines—officers included, 200.  
 Agincourt—seamen, 186.  
 Iris—seamen, 64.  
 Hazard—seamen, 50.  
 Ringdove—seamen, 40.  
 Royalist—seamen, 20.  
 Spiteful—seamen, 40.  
 Total number of bayonets, 600.

List of the boats of the squadron that are to land the marines and small arm men:—

Spiteful's paddle box boats, 2 boats, 8 boat keepers, 130 marines and small arm men.  
 Agincourt's pinnace, 1 boat, 2 boat keepers, 46 marines and small arm men.  
 Agincourt's cutters, 2 boats, 4 boat keepers, 48 marines and small arm men.  
 Iris's cutters, 2 boats, 4 boat keepers, 48 marines and small arm men.  
 Ringdove's cutter, 1 boat, 2 boat keepers, 20 marines and small arm men.  
 Hazard's cutter, 1 boat, 2 boat keepers, 20 marines and small arm men.  
 Phlegethon's cutters, 4 boats, 4 boat keepers, 74 marines and small arm men.  
 Total—13 boats, 26 boat keepers, 386 marines and small arm men.

As the boats cannot land all the force at one landing, it is to be disembarked in the following order:—

1st. All the marines.  
 2d. Agincourt's seamen.  
 3d. Iris, Ringdove, Hazard, and Royalist's.  
 The boats, after landing the first party, will return with all expedition for the remainder.  
 Field Pieces, Mortar and Rocket Battery.  
 Field Pieces.—Agincourt, 1 six-pounder, 10 men.  
 Iris, 1 six-pounder, 10 men. Spiteful, 1 twelve-pounder howitzer, 10 men. Phlegethon (N.B.), these field pieces to be manned by the Agincourt's men, 2 six-pounders, 20 men.  
 Total—5 six-pounders, 50 men.