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DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENCE.

[Via la Confederacion Argentina.]

Buenos Ayres December 1st 1851—

The Minister of Foreign Relations of the Government of Buenos Ayres, charged with those that belong to the Argentine Confederation,

To the Honourable Robert Gore, appointed by Her Britannic Majesty's Charge d'Affaires near the Argentine Confederation.

The undersigned has had the honor of submitting to the knowledge of H. E. the Governor, Supreme Chief of the Argentine Confederation, the Royal Decree of His Majesty, of the 21st November last, whose tenor is as follows—

"I have the honor of informing Y. E. of my arrival in this City on the 21st instant; Her Britannic Majesty having designed to appoint her Charge d'Affaires near the Argentine Confederation—

I have the honor of acquainting Y. E. that I am the bearer of a letter from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, addressed to "His Excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Argentine Confederation" accrediting me Her Majesty's Charge d'Affaires near the Argentine Confederation. I have to request that Y. E. will have the goodness to appoint me a day and an hour, when I may have the honor of presenting to Your Honor, of which I here present a copy, in which I inform Y. E. of all I will myself of the assurance of my highest consideration—

In view of the aforesaid note and copy of the Decree, H. E. the Governor, is pleased to say to Your Honor, that the undersigned will have the welcome satisfaction of being the bearer of the Decree of His Majesty on Monday first at 1 o'clock, p.m. in the presence of the authorities of the Calle de Representantes No. 153—

H. E. the Governor presents his sincere congratulations to Your Honor on your safe arrival in this City, and has the satisfaction of offering you the sentiments of his consideration and esteem.

God preserve Your Honour many years—
FELIPE ARANA.

Foreign Office,
London August 29th 1851.

To His Excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Argentine Confederation—

The Queen my August Sovereign being desirous of fortifying and improving, by every means in her power, the relations of friendship and good understanding that happily subsist between Great Britain and the Argentine Confederation, has been graciously pleased to appoint the Honourable Captain Robert Gore of Her Majesty's Navy, to be Her Majesty's Charge d'Affaires in said Confederation.

The Queen trusts that the appointment of Captain Gore will meet with the approval of the Captain General of the Province of Buenos Ayres, charged with the Relations of the Argentine Confederation, as also to Y. E. and to the other members of the Government; and that Her Majesty's Charge d'Affaires, to give entire credit to all Captain Gore may communicate to you on the part of Her Majesty, most earnestly to assure Y. E. and your Government of the lively interest Her Majesty takes in the welfare and prosperity of the Argentine Confederation.

Captain Gore has also been provided with a Royal Commission, constituting and appointing him in Her Majesty's confidence in the Argentine Confederation.

I have the pleasure of offering to Y. E. the assurance of my distinguished consideration, whereat I will have the honor to be &c.

[Signed] PALMERSTON.

On presenting his Letter aforesaid the Honourable Captain Gore addressed our Minister of Foreign Affairs in the following terms—

"I the Queen my August Sovereign having designed to appoint Captain Gore Charge d'Affaires in the Argentine Confederation, I have the honor of presenting to Y. E. the letter that accredits him to your confidence, by which Y. E. will be acquainted of the lively interest which Her Majesty takes in the welfare and prosperity of the Argentine Confederation, Her Majesty trusting that the Relations of Friendship and Good Understanding that happily subsist between Great

Britain and the Argentine Confederation may be strengthened and improved to the mutual benefit and advantage of both nations.

To my part I can assure Y. E. that I will not omit my effort in carrying into effect the commands of my Sovereign and of the Government, to have the honor to present; which duty I will endeavor to fulfil in a manner that I trust may merit the approbation of Y. E. General Rosas and his Government—

To which Doctor Arana, our Minister of Foreign Affairs, the following reply—

"Mr. Arana, of Affairs—

I receive with the greatest pleasure the letter that so obligingly Your Honor Her Britannic Majesty's Charge d'Affaires in the Argentine Confederation. I will hasten to submit it to the high knowledge of H. E. the Governor, Supreme Chief of the Confederation, Brigadier Don Juan Manuel de Rosas, to assure Your Honor anticipatively, that H. E. will be well in this appointment, a new testimony, which Her Britannic Majesty's Government gives him, of the noble interest it takes in the prosperity and welfare of the Republic. Your Honour may acquire your August Sovereign that the Supreme Chief of the Argentine Confederation will worthily correspond to said noble interest, and I am assured that the strengthening and preserving unaltered, the cordial relations of friendship and good understanding that happily subsist between the two Countries—

H. E. will be greatly rejoiced to find in Your Honour a faithful interpreter and sincere friend of the Argentine Confederation; and will feel great satisfaction in honoring you with the discharge of that obligation in becoming and honourable manner for Her Majesty, and satisfactory to Y. E.—

[Via la Confederacion Argentina.]
Buenos Ayres, 11th December 1st 1851—
&c. &c.

The Minister of Foreign Relations of the Government of Buenos Ayres, charged with those that belong to the Argentine Confederation,

To the Charge d'Affaires of Her Britannic Majesty, the Honourable Robert Gore,

The undersigned by order of H. E. the Governor, Supreme Chief of the Argentine Confederation, General Don Juan Manuel de Rosas, addresses himself to Your Honour, enclosing to you a certified copy of the Decree, issued in virtue of the letter that accredits you Charge d'Affaires and Consul General of Her Britannic Majesty in the Argentine Confederation, Your Honour being recognized in said Decree—

H. E. the Governor feels happy in congratulating Your Honour, on the honorable confidence which you have merited from your August Sovereign, and in expressing the confident hope that Your Honour will contribute to cultivate the relations of perfect friendship that happily exist between the Government of Her Britannic Majesty and that of the Argentine Confederation.

God preserve Your Honour many years—
FELIPE ARANA.

[Via la Confederacion Argentina.]
Palermo de San Benito Dec. 1st 1851—
Department of—

The Governor of Buenos Ayres, Supreme Chief of the Argentine Confederation, Enclosed to Your Honor the Royal Letters, in virtue of the Letter presented by the Honourable Robert Gore, in which he is appointed by Her Majesty the Queen Victoria, of Great Britain and Ireland, her Charge d'Affaires and Consul General in the Argentine Confederation.

Art. 1st.—The Honourable Robert Gore is appointed by Her Majesty the Queen Victoria, General of Her Britannic Majesty—

2d.—Let his letter credential and commission be registered in the Department of the Ministry of Foreign Relations, let this Decree be published, communicated to whom it may concern, and given to the Official Register—
ROSAS.

FELIPE ARANA.

[Via la Confederacion Argentina.]
Buenos Ayres Nov. 28th 1851—

The Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Government of Buenos Ayres, Enclosed with those that belong to the Argentine Confederation,

To H. E. the Minister Plenipotentiary of Her Britannic Majesty, the Honourable Robert Gore, in which he is appointed by Her Majesty the Queen Victoria, of Great Britain and Ireland, her Charge d'Affaires and Consul General in the Argentine Confederation.

AND

BUENOS AYRES, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1851.

the estimable note of Y. E. of date the 21st instant, whose tenor is as follows—

"The Queen my August Sovereign having designed to retire me from the Post of Her Minister Plenipotentiary near the Argentine Confederation, I have the honor of requesting Y. E. will deign to ascertain the will of H. E. the Governor, Supreme Chief of the Confederation, as to the day and hour when I may suit H. E. to receive him, in order that I may place in the hands of H. E. Her Majesty's letter of withdrawal—

I have the honor of enclosing a copy of said Royal letter for the information of H. E.—

H. E. the Governor, in view of the transmitted note of Y. E., has ordered the undersigned to acquaint you in reply, that he will receive from Y. E. the respected Letter of Her Majesty, on Tuesday the 21st of the ensuing December at five o'clock, noon—
God preserve Y. E. many years

FELIPE ARANA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. &c. To the Argentine Confederation, Sendeth Greeting—
Our Good Friends, Having occasion elsewhere for the Services of our Trusty and Well Beloved Henry Southern, Esquire, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, who has for some time resided with You in the Character of our Minister Plenipotentiary, we are pleased to request him to take leave of You—Having Ourself had ample reason to be satisfied with his Ability and Fidelity in the discharge of his Southern has executed Our Orders on all Occasions during his Mission; We trust that You will acquit him of the same with the God preserve Y. E. many years

And in the Fifth Year of Our Reign.

VICTORIA R. PALMERSTON.

The Honourable Henry Southern on presenting the Letter addressed His Excellency the Governor, in the following terms—

"Sir,
I have the honor to place in the hands of Your Excellency the Royal Letter of my August Sovereign Queen Victoria, in which Her Majesty announces to Your Excellency that it has pleased Her Majesty to direct me to take leave of Your Excellency, having occasion elsewhere for my humble services.

Her Majesty has designed to express Her Royal will in the manner in which I have endeavoured to execute Her Majesty's Orders, and trusts that my conduct has merited the approbation Your Excellency. During my residence in this beautiful Country the object of my Mission has been to cultivate and draw closer the Relations of Friendship between the Government of Great Britain and the Argentine Confederation presided over by Your Excellency; and I trust Sir, that they will be invariably maintained in a state as amicable as honorable for both Countries.

As regards myself, I have had the greatest satisfaction in residing in a Country in which I profess such a lively interest; and I cannot but express my deep gratitude for the distinguished personal consideration which Your Excellency has dispensed to me, and my sincere desire that the Argentine Confederation may arrive at the state of prosperity and happiness under the illustrious and enlightened direction of Your Excellency, and Defender of its National Independence &c. &c. These, Sir, are and ever shall be my ardent wishes—

His Excellency the Governor made the following eloquent and expressive reply—

"Mr. Minister—
If on the one hand I duly respect the determination of Her Majesty to congratulate myself in view of your very estimable and distinguished possession, on the other I much regret the separation—

It is natural, since with Y. E. I had the excellent opportunity of adjusting a treaty, as worthy of the two Nations of Great Britain and all parties concerned—A Convention chief in the direction of the great profusion and wisdom of Y. E.—

With Y. E. that has known to comprehend me, and to penetrate and understand my po-

litical principles, and who by your noble efforts in the discharge of the orders of Her Majesty, arranged by H. E. the Honourable Lord Palmerston, conciliating our real and reciprocal interests, has restored the relations of Friendship and good understanding to their previous state.

I will so communicate to Her Majesty, on requesting her to deign to allow me to recommend you to her high benevolence.

I hope you will be pleased to tell her, how profandy grateful I feel; and how deeply the Argentine Confederation, as also its Supreme Chief and General Rosas, are interested in the best and most happy relations of the Royal Family, of her People, and in that of the Prince her renowned Consort.

And you, a Minister who have done so much in favor of your countrymen, who have accorded a positive wish to see the peace and independence of the Argentine Confederation, Plate re-established with all security, and its amlerage in the Country, to my fellow-citizens and to General Rosas, that you leave engraved on my heart, consent the earnest prayers which we present to the Lord Our God, for your success, and for your eternal happiness—

In the following Recreational Mr. Southern bears with him a proud testimonial of the efficient and satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the important duties of his mission—

The Governor of Buenos Ayres, Supreme Chief of the Argentine Confederation, Charged with the Relations of the Argentine Confederation, To Her Majesty Victoria, First, Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. &c. GREETING!

Great and Good Friend—

The undersigned has the honor to inform you, that the arrival of Her Majesty, dated at Balmoral, on the twenty ninth August last, has informed me, that Your Majesty, requiring elsewhere the services of your faithful and well-beloved Henry Southern, Esquire, Companion of the Very Honourable Order of the Bath, has ordered him to take his leave of me.

In the witness whereof, which this Honourable Gentleman has accredited, during the time of his mission, in conciliating the interests of both Nations, his wisdom and great prudence wherever he has endeavored with efficacious interest to establish and draw closer the relations that happily subsist between Great Britain and the Argentine Confederation, could not fail to merit my entire approbation, to which I am justly entitled, and on the strength of said confidence, I request Your Majesty will allow me to recommend him to your high benevolence.

With very cordial satisfaction, I renew to your Majesty, the sincere sentiments that animate me for the happiness of your Majesty's Great Britain; imploring the Almighty God to bless the relations that happily subsist between Great Britain and the Argentine Confederation—

JUAN MANUEL DE ROSAS, FELIPE ARANA.

To these dignified and expressive documents we have little to add. Captain Gore starts on his important voyage with fair winds and a flowing sail; and if our good wishes, which are, as in all courses, he need be under no apprehensions; our constant desire, in the humble sphere allotted us in the great community of letters, is to aid and co-operate in strengthening and drawing closer the bonds of amity between the British and Argentine Confederation, as also to promote, by every honorable means within our reach, the mutual and reciprocal interests of the two communities; and in the confident hope that Mr. Gore is destined to be an honored instrument in forwarding these great objects, we bid him adieu, and wish him to the hospitable shores of Buenos Ayres.

In taking our leave of Mr. Southern, it is impossible to forget the altered position in which he leaves us as a community, from that in which he found us. The Convention that bears his name is an irrefragable voucher of his talent and success as a diplomatist.

