

To begin, I would say, that I addressed you with a letter per "Genl. Pease", in which it was hinted that in attempting - which attempt succeeded - to respect the claims and rights of British subjects against palpable and actual wrongs committed on their property by a citizen of this Commonwealth, measures were taken to thwart and contravene the course of law, which in justice to the future position and prospects of our State, I felt it to be my duty to take. - Things from that date up to the period of the outbreak, were rather of a goading and harrowing character. - The disaffected, aided by the leaders of the County Association party of fanatics, were even and anon attempting to dislocate the routine policy of my government, and however plausible matters were conducted, their issue was ~~had~~ received with loud exclamations of disrespect and abuse. -

The troubles existing between this government and the Poth river or Nepal people of which you have been informed through copies of my several communications addressed to the Legislature, and which had their beginning while I was absent in the States, have been so great a drawback upon the commercial advantage of our community, by blockading the avenues of trade from the interior, that it has been a subject of secondary importance to none other, however momentous, to have these difficulties settled and removed. - In recalling the attention ~~the attention~~ of the Legislature, in my last address, to the necessity and importance of taking some action on the subject of this matter, I had in view the vital interests of the State; and as the high representative of the people, it would be  
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II. Correspondence Received  
A. Letter Books

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