



the demolition, but on learning from  
M<sup>r</sup>: Marling's second Despatch that  
the Minister of the Interior had  
given an assurance that at the  
expiration of the contract for the  
lease of the two shops which are to  
be pulled down, the Jerusalem Authorities  
will proceed to demolish them  
without hesitation and delay, I  
abstained from urging the matter  
further on the attention of His  
Excellency. As soon, however,  
as the contract for the lease of  
the two shops terminates I shall  
use my best efforts to bring about  
their

their demolition.

I would venture to report to Your  
Excellency that if Memdoub Pasha  
were to order that the whole series of  
shops which have been built in the  
Public Garden of Jerusalem should be  
pulled down, His Excellency would  
confer an inestimable boon on the  
poor and aged inhabitants of this  
City. The Public Garden which was  
laid out and planted about twelve  
years ago by Ibrahim Pasha, the  
then Mutewarif of Jerusalem, on a  
waste spot situated 3 minutes  
walk from the principal Gate  
of the town, is the only place where  
the dwellers in the unhealthy quarters  
of

of the city, within the walls, can resort to on Fridays, Saturdays, or Sundays, and enjoy a little fresh air. The garden has been planted with pine and other trees which are growing rapidly, and as buildings are spreading outside the city walls in every direction, it may be looked upon as the breathing place of Jerusalem. When the next two shops are pulled down there will practically remain only five shops that can be used, for there are still three which are far from being completed, and which will require a considerable outlay to

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to finish and render them fit for letting.

Under these circumstances, the Minister of the Interior would earn the lasting gratitude of the poor and infirm inhabitants of Jerusalem, dwelling in the interior of the city, if he were to give the strictest orders for the demolition of all the shops referred to, which, besides marring a place intended to give some elegance to the town, are a hindrance to the only spot available for use as one of public resort.

I have the honour to be,  
With the highest respect,  
Sir,

Your Excellency's most obedient,  
Humble Servant

Johann Dickson

Jerusalem  
July 19. 1905

No. 29  
Confidential

Sir,  
I have the honor to acknowledge  
the receipt of Your Excellency's despatch  
marked "Confidential" of the 24<sup>th</sup> ultimo,  
acquainting me with reference to the  
subject of the establishment of a  
British Post Office in Jerusalem,  
that His Majesty's Postmaster  
General has informed His Majesty's

Principal

His Excellency  
The Right Hon<sup>ble</sup>  
Sir N. R. O'Connor G.C.B.

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Jerusalem, July 15  
General Beckson

No. 28

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By P/L July 25

Mr. G. Ross. 9. 9. 11. 11. 11. 11.  
Lady Margaret Street.

acknowledged receipt of Despatch  
2 steps to be described, &  
making certain remarks in  
ref. to remaining existing mes.

Diagonals  
? make official explanation in  
handbook made in 20 sense of MS  
Sister's suggestion

See Post Administration Memo of  
August 9/05.

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