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From,
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of

The Secretary to the Board
of Administration for the affairs of
the Punjab.

Lahore, 7th February 1850

Sir,

In reply to your letter No
1449, of 21st December, on the subject of the
History of the Mohi Noor, I have the honor
to submit such information, as I have been
able to obtain.

It does not clearly appear, from
whom the Delhi Emperors got the Mohi
Noor, but its history, from the time that it
passed out of their hands, is, according to
the Shahjahanah, as follows.—

Mahomed Shah, Emperor of Delhi,
used to wear it in his Turban, and Sir Shah
insisted on giving a quart of his affection
to

by changing Turbans with the Emperor, &
with the Turban changed the Kohi-Noor,
after the death of Nader, his son Shah-
Rooh Shah presented it, as a Muzzeen to -
Ahmed Shah Durrani, from Ahmed Shah,
it descended to his son Timoor Shah, and
from the latter to Shah Juman. —

When Shah Juman was
tormented by Mahmood Shah, he took refuge
in a place called Fort Ashac. The power
Ashac made him a prisoner, but he hid
the Kohi-Noor with 12 other diamonds
in a hole in the wall. Subsequently on
Shah Shoojah's coming into power Shah
Juman, now blinded, pointed out the
treachery. Shah Shoojah took possession,
and ~~the~~ Ashac away from Agra. On
Shah Shoojah being compelled to fly
by the Parathes, he was made a
prisoner in Cashmere, and his family
took refuge in Lahore, with the Kohi-Noor.
Ranjit Singh begged of Shah Shoojah's
wife, Soafa Begum, to give up the Kohi-
Noor. Soafa Begum said that Ranjit
must come himself, and when he

Came

Came abused him well, and holding a hammer
 in her hand, declared, that if he attempted
 to take it by force, she would break it on the
 spot, but added, that it was entrusted to
 her by Shah Shoojah, and if he liberated
 the Shah, the latter might give it if he
 chose. Pimpert Singh sent Dewan Mo-
 hamed Chund, who Conquered Cashmere,
 and brought away Shah Shoojah. —

— Pimpert Singh asked Shah
 Shoojah to name the price of the Koh-i-Noor
 Shah Shoojah replied, that its price was
 the sword, and gave it up.

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