

Sydney 17<sup>th</sup> October  
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My dear Dr. Hill,

Mr. Hutchings,  
if you know him, will  
be able to explain to you  
the reason of my silence.  
Sgouta brought him  
to my house, and office  
while I was so very much  
occupied as not to be  
able to use the least  
attention to him. Sgouta  
is, however, also to blame,  
for not making known  
to me in due time

Mr. Butchings' standing.  
If you, therefore, excuse  
him, you will oblige  
me very much by apo-  
logizing for my in-  
voluntarily lack of civi-  
lity. - That day I thought  
I might pay off all my  
debts to my correspondents,  
but it proved to be so tortu-  
rous on account of the  
simultaneous presence  
of so many clients, that  
instead of helping me  
to extinguish my arrears,  
it only made them more  
numerous.

But I must leave the rest "at his own interdictio-  
nes", for I ought to dwell  
longer on the most sur-  
prising - nay shocking  
dismissal of ~~the~~ Governor  
Mr. Thayer. The only  
man that knew how  
to govern the place, and  
exercised such a salutary  
influence, on dissident  
parties - that man, one  
of the most honorable  
nay the few honorable  
we have - has been  
dismissed for no apparent  
reason, whatever,

and on the contrary with  
the highest eulogium  
that a Minister <sup>could</sup> write  
to a Functionary under  
him. What is then the  
non-apparent reason of  
such an extraordinary  
proceeding on the part  
of the Minister? Public  
opinion, which was  
so well dramatized in  
other times by the  
choruses of Sophocles  
would, if it possessed  
the same vehicle, give  
the proper answer - how  
it must humbly write

a petition to the  
Minister showing that  
the place expects that  
Magnum will be reap-  
portioned. One thing  
is to be remarked: i.e.  
that Lord Cairns' sentence  
"de non apparentibus  
et de non existentibus  
eadem est ratio" is  
not applicable in  
politics. If no reason  
existed in this case,  
the petition we send  
would easily be success-  
ful - but unfortunately

a reason, there is, and  
a weighty one, in the  
eyes of the minister,  
else, it would not re-  
main unapparent. But  
even such reasons are  
by indirection made ap-  
parent: at least we think  
we know why Thagous  
was <sup>been</sup> dismissed. People  
say - that man stands  
above common men,  
he has behaved admirably,  
he found the place split  
asunder, and by his con-  
ciliatory manners, and

his abstinence from  
all factious aims, he  
showed us that concord  
is neither impossible  
nor difficult, and obtain-  
ed the incredible result  
of the union of the two  
clubs, which was thought  
more difficult than the  
Union of the Ionian  
Islands with Greece -  
who is it then that  
wants him dismissed?  
No doubt those people -  
those very poor individuals  
who after having united  
themselves with the last and  
quibbling, thought it

worth their while to take  
the public affairs in  
their hands, and who were  
allowed to do so on account  
of circumstance - add  
to this that our foreign  
enemies are the natural  
friends and patrons of  
such vile beings, for  
only through them they  
may keep Greece troubled  
and unprosperous, and  
you will come to the  
conclusion that Theagenis  
is in the eyes of the  
Republic's Cunctivani  
Palaeologus and Bourboni  
(now Minister) is his

successfully patronized  
order and tranquillity,  
and dissipated that  
turmoil which infested  
the place, but which was  
systematically fomented  
by those gentlemen  
whose capitals are their  
moral & material,  
& professional bank-  
ruptcy, and who, there-  
fore, have no other  
refuge but public  
life. This is what  
people think and say,  
and I perfectly agree  
with them. The conspirators

of this place, are all  
a set of bankrupts  
in every point of  
view. In the lower  
classes you may find  
very few exceptions.  
in the higher hardly  
any, for Mr. Linnor-  
phopoulos and his friends  
were not ~~accepted~~  
among the brotherhood;  
it is, therefore, evident  
that such men will  
move every stone to  
obtain a factious  
Rouarch, and one

Two birds of their  
feather might easily  
flock together. Now,  
as the danger is not  
their man, he must  
be removed before the  
bird comes - and he  
accordingly has been re-  
moved!

Cairn the Calligrapher  
at last has given us the  
seven copies of our  
thanksgiving, and to-  
morrow or the day after  
they will be handed to Mr  
Hayd to be forwarded  
to their destination.

no news from the Span  
Klands. We are anxious  
to know that the £10000  
which will be added to  
the King's civil list,  
do not presuppose  
a confederation <sup>of 2 states</sup> instead  
of the perfect annexation.  
Richard's is still  
noisy and troublesome.

My best regards to  
Mrs Hill

Very sincerely yours  
A. Cassin