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Dear Mr Saiyadain

Mr Hampton queries two points in your article, which you may like to verify. On page 4, you class Dr Leitner as an Englishman, but Mr Hampton is not sure if this is the case. Up to the present he has only been able to discover that Dr Leitner was born in Budapest: possibly he may have been naturalized as a British subject, but he was certainly not English. On page 6, he queries your statement that the educational budget sanctioned in 1813 was not utilized for 10 years. In this connexion I am enclosing a copy of Appendix C to F.W.Thomas's The History and Prospects of British Education in India, published by Deighton Bell & Co. in 1891. The passage to which the Appendix refers is to be found on pages 24-25 and reads as follows:

'In spite of these official aspirations it was truly said by witnesses before the Committee on Indian affairs in 1832-3 that until 1823 no real steps were taken to carry out the orders of Parliament. Nay, it was stated by Sir C.E.Trevelyan in his work on Education in India (1838) and also before the Lords' Committee of 1852-3 that for the years 1814-23 a sum of £10,000 a year with compound interest up to the above respective dates was still due from the Company. With great diffidence I venture to suggest that the table given in the Appendix shews that that table and benevolent statesman was in error on this point.'

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Mr Hampton'.

Enc.

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