

his gratitude for the prompt
 issue of the Firman authorizing
 the construction of his house,
 to be laid before the Sultan,
 and I beg to state that I
 have not failed to inform
 the Bishop accordingly.

I have the honour to be,
 With the highest respect,
 Sir
 Your Excellency's most obedient
 Humble Servant
 John Dickson

Jerusalem,
 May 4. 1894

N: 30.

Sir,

I have the honour to report
 to Your Excellency that Rear
 Admiral Bourgeois, commanding
 part of the French Squadron in
 the Mediterranean, arrived here with
 twenty-five officers, on a visit to
 this city, on the 2nd instant, having
 come to Jaffa the same day from
 Beyrout, in the gunboat "Cosmos".

His Excellency
 The Right Hon^{ble}
 Sir Philip Currie, G.C.B.
 Captain

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Captain Ponti, 4 guns, 192 men.

Admiral Bourgeois leaves again on the 6th instant for Beyrout where it is stated there are three war vessels under his command. On his return to Beyrout the "Comas" will be again despatched to Jaffa with a number of French Officers and men, belonging to the ships, to enable them to visit the Holy City.

On Admiral Bourgeois' arrival at Jerusalem he was received at the Railway Station by the Colonel of Gendarmerie and the Governor's Secretary,
and

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and at the gate of the town a detachment of troops was drawn up who presented arms as the Admiral entered the City.

Shortly after his arrival Admiral Bourgeois proceeded in uniform to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre and then exchanged visits with the Governor of Jerusalem and the Commander of the troops.

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

Your Excellency's most obedient,
Humble servant

Hubert

Jerusalem
May 18. 1894.

No. 31.

Sir,

With reference to my
Despatch No. 10 of the 16th of February
and to Your Excellency's telegram of
the 1st of March last, I have the
honour to report that I again
urged His Excellency the Governor
of Jerusalem to settle with as little
delay as possible the claim advanced

by
His Excellency
The Right Hon^{ble}
Sir Philip Currie, G.C.B.
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Home May 18th

By Mr
Greek Admiral, staying
with me - to Jerusalem
No. 30
Cantonment