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Genl Thos  
Hampshire  
29 April 1857

My dear Parker

You may be certain I will  
advise you when - if I  
receive any certificate from Genl.

I should gather how many  
symptoms & indications that  
he would be dead if I could  
a man towards him - which  
I certainly shall not do - but

I am quite prepared to tell  
him what is our line of action

in the settlement of the local  
the locality question

Yours truly  
D Parker

question - but the local  
question only

I have little doubt  
of the fact that there are two  
parties at Peking - one half  
awake - the other wholly blind.

I hope our proceedings will  
use the political cartoon  
which takes away the power  
of seeing from so many eyes  
and I doubt it not

The Sampson has  
done good service at Aiyey  
having destroyed 32 practical  
bunkers which have so long  
defended



disturbed the head of the  
port & neighborhood. I am  
sorry to say the Portuguese  
worthies (bearing the flag)  
were found afterwards delight  
engaged

We have another steamer  
"The Fury" & a gunboat  
arrived this morning

Ever truly yours  
John Bennett