

approve of my intimating our willingness to meet the Tibetans' claims and of my addressing the Chinese Resident with a proposal for a joint enquiry into them? If there are existing grievances that are capable of being removed I hope an impetus will be given to trade.

*From the Secretary of State for India to the Viceroy, dated
2nd March, 1896.*

(Telegraphic)

Your telegram of 15th February. Your proposal is approved by Her Majesty's Government, but the completion of the demarcation (*vide* your letter of 3rd September) must be made a condition of the surrender of any territory to Tibet.