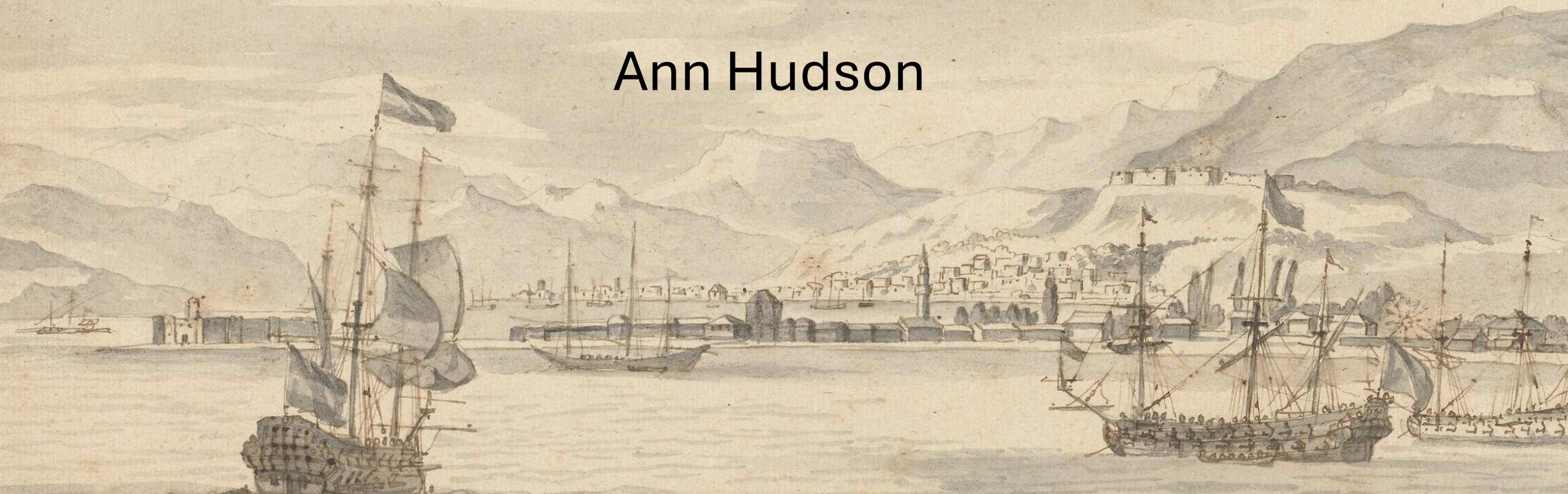


# Samuel Crawley 1705–62

## British Consul at Smyrna

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## Crawley, Samuel

(1705–1762)

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**Crawley, Samuel** (1705–1762), collector and consul in Smyrna, was born on 11 June 1705 and baptized on 19 June at St Benet's, Paul's Wharf, in the City of London. He was the second son of Richard Crawley (*bap.* 1666, *d.* 1713), deputy registrar of the high court of Admiralty and MP for Wendover in 1701–2 and 1702–5, and his wife, Sarah, *née* Dashwood (c.1670–1758). Sarah was the daughter of Sir Samuel Dashwood (c.1643–1705), a prosperous London silk merchant who sat as MP for the City of London in 1685–7 and 1690–95, and served as lord mayor in 1702–3. Crawley was a great-grandson of the judge [Sir Francis Crawley](#), and the cousin of [Sir Francis Dashwood, later eleventh Baron Le Despencer](#).

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THE HISTORY OF  
A BEDFORDSHIRE  
FAMILY

*Being a History of the Crawleys of Neith  
Crawley, Stockwood, Thurleigh, and Yelden  
in the County of Bedford*

BY

WILLIAM AUSTIN

AUTHOR OF

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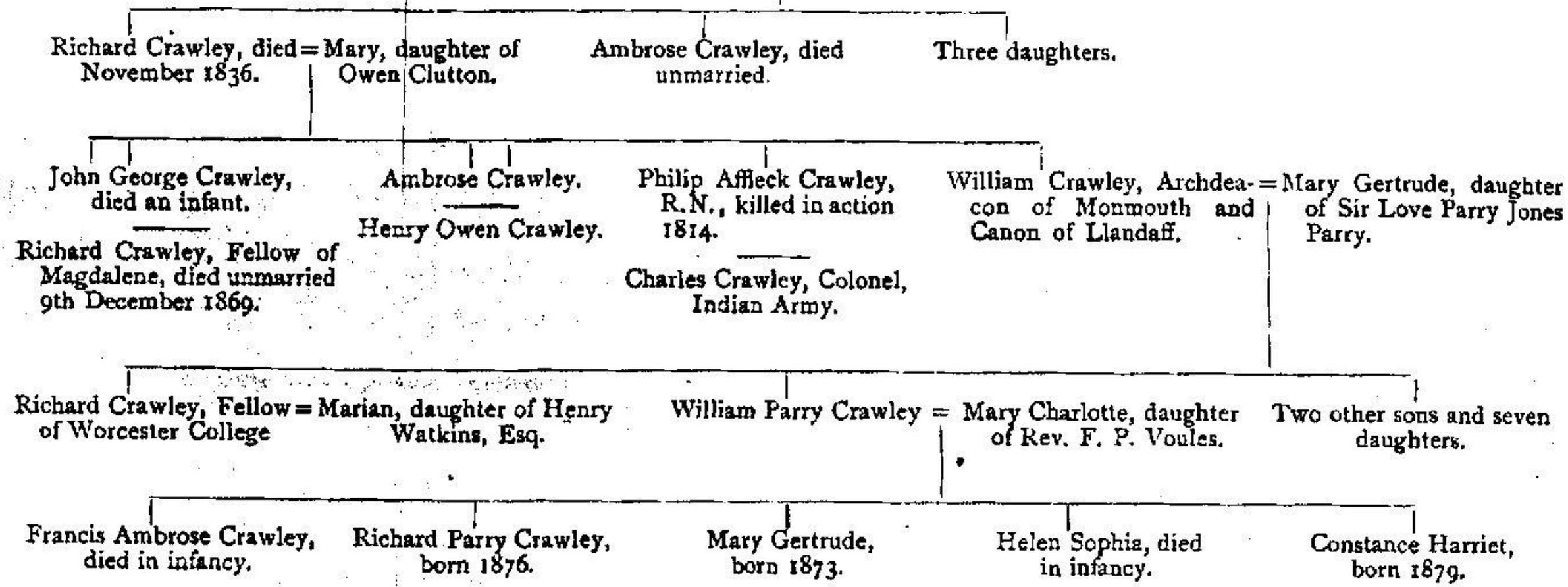
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PART II.—DESCENDANTS OF SAMUEL CRAWLEY, CONSUL AT SMYRNA.

Samuel Crawley, second son = Maria, daughter of  
of Richard Crawley and Sarah, daughter of Sir  
Samuel Dashwood, Knight, died 11th January 1762.

James Dunant. She married, secondly,  
Baron de Hoche-  
ped.



# Prayer Book from the British Consulate at Smyrna (Lambeth Palace Library)

[www.levantineheritage.com/reg2.htm](http://www.levantineheritage.com/reg2.htm)

Type equation here.



Sir Francis Crawley, Judge = Elizabeth, daughter of Sir John Rotherham  
(1574/5–1650) |

Francis Crawley, Cursitor Baron = Mary, daughter of Richard Clutterbuck,  
of the Exchequer (1611–83) | merchant of London

Richard Crawley, Registrar of Admiralty = Sarah, daughter of Sir Samuel Dashwood,  
(1666–1713) | Lord Mayor of London

Samuel Crawley, British Consul in Smyrna (1705–62)

Portrait of a young man of the  
Dashwood family, perhaps Sir  
Samuel Dashwood or his  
brother Sir Francis  
(Guildhall Art Gallery)



Stockwood Park, Luton:  
demolished Crawley mansion



From Edward Hatton,  
*The Merchant's Magazine  
 or Trades-man's Treasury* (1701)



*A Short way of Casting up all Sorts of Merchandise*

*The*  
**TABLE**

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			4— $\frac{1}{4}$	
			3 $\frac{1}{2}$ — $\frac{1}{8}$	

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# Samuel Crawley – merchant in Messina (Sicily)

Documented in Messina in May 1727 aged nearly 22

Junior partner of William Allen

Exporting 'orsoy' in 1734

In Messina until 1742



Messrs Frye & Mitford of London their Acct Curr<sup>t</sup>

6

1731  
 May 1<sup>st</sup> To Cash of Ball of Joy & Parthenopey 195. 2. 8  
 To Cash of Ball of Joy & Parthenopey 178. 10. 13 ✓  
 To Cash of Ball of Joy & Parthenopey 4. — — ✓  
 1734  
 Mar 15 To Balance for much lost by  
 Bad Debts & Payment Unrecoverable  
 As of Note. — — — — 165. 7. 18 ✓

1734  
 By Balance of last Acct Curr<sup>t</sup>  
 Sent them of this Date

542. 21. 9 ✓

7 542. 21. 9

7 542. 21. 9

Q. B. We sent them this Acct Curr<sup>t</sup> under  
 Date of 19 Feb 1732. but not having  
 been able to recover any part of it, our standing  
 Debt since, nor having any hopes of it  
 we now close y<sup>e</sup> Acct. in this manner

Bad Debts unrecoverable  
 Carlo & Gio: Batta Brevetti of Augusta  
 wrote off of my hands 50. — — ✓  
 D. Cos. & Greg. Brevetti of Augusta 127. 15. — ✓

177. 15. —

Q. B.

Messrs Frye & Mitford  
 15<sup>th</sup> March 1734. L. E.  
 Allen & Gawley.

This Account not to be put by, till have an Informati-  
 on from M<sup>r</sup> Miles Cook for how much the Sergi's  
 broke for



# The quarries of Syracuse

from John Breval, *Remarks on several parts of Europe* (1738 edition)



Tetradrachm of Syracuse, 5th century BC



Jacques Philippe d'Orville  
(1696–1751)  
In Messina May to July 1727



# Naples in the late 18th century



TNA, SP 105/117  
Letter from  
Levant Company  
to Samuel  
Crawley,  
26 March 1742

Signed as the foregoing of the same Date to y<sup>e</sup> Amb<sup>l</sup>?

London March 26<sup>th</sup> 1742

By the Delawarr?  
Mr Samuel Crawley  
at Mespina,

Recd vide L<sup>r</sup> of 21.  
May 1742. from Mespina

I having been represented to Us, that you desired to enter into our Service and would undertake to act as one of our Consuls, upon the Recommendation of your Friends and Assurances from them of your good Character, on the 19<sup>th</sup> inst. We unanimously made choice of you to be our Consul at Smyrna, and this is chiefly to inform you thereof, and that according to what has been intimated to your Friends We would have you repair to that place by first good Occasion to enter upon your Office. The Allowance from Us will be as to your predecessor Consul Williams deceased. We shall write to the Ambassador to procure and send you the usual Commands from the Porte; and We shall send by the Delawarr our Articles of Agreement with you which you are to execute before Witnesses and return to Us, keeping the Counter-part, under our Seal, by you. We shall also send you our Instructions for your Government. The Security for your Obeying of your Articles in £5000 has been offered to our Satisfaction; so wishing you a safe arrival at Smyrna and good Success We remain

Your Loving

# Samuel Crawley is appointed Consul in Smyrna, March 1742

October 1742: plans to leave Messina for Smyrna

December 1742: still in Messina

February 1743: has gone to England

September 1743: finally arrives in Smyrna

# Smyrna in 1779 (N. Knop)



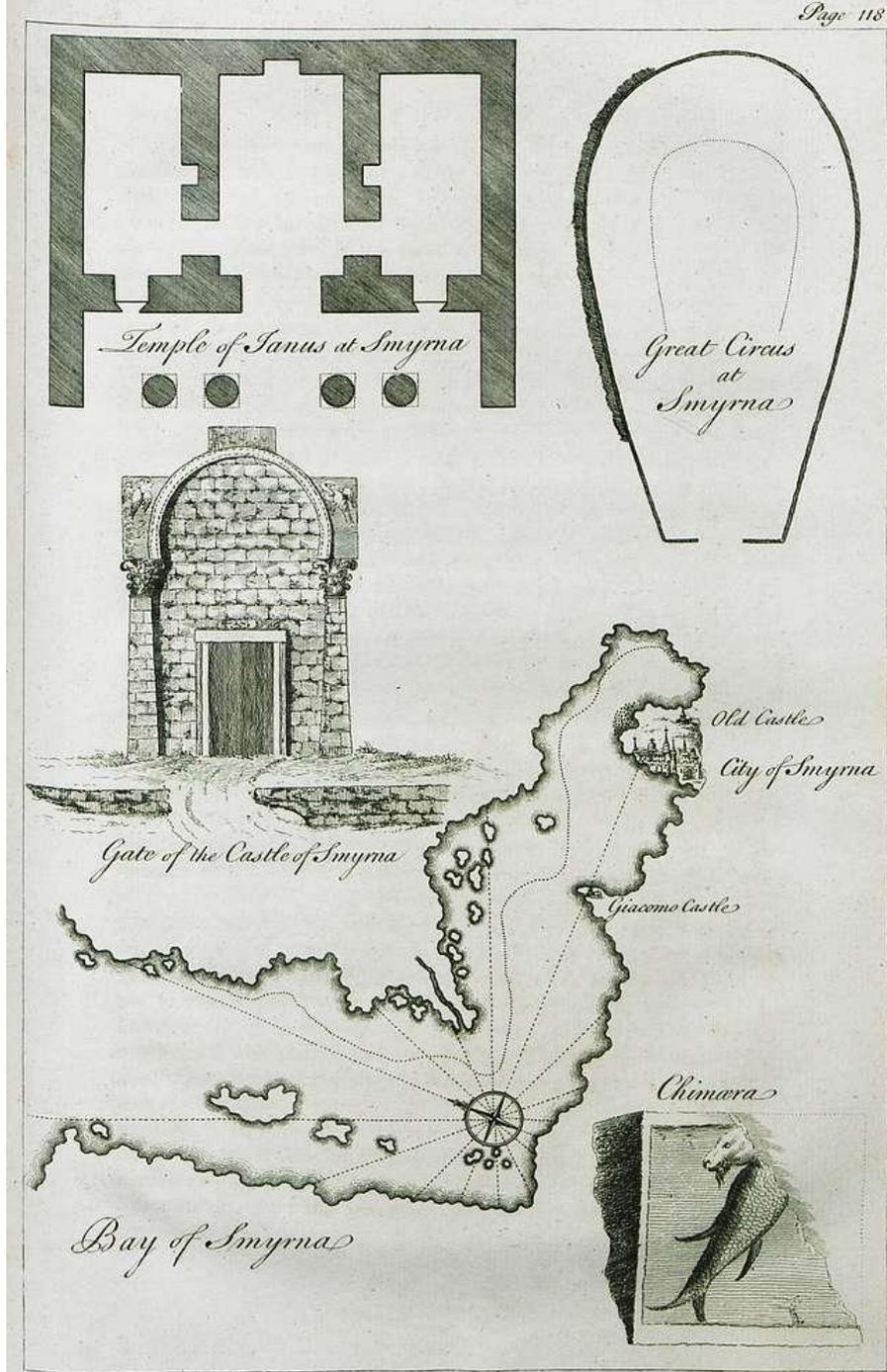


Smyrna: Roman aqueduct

Ephesus



From Alexander Drummond,  
*Travels through different cities of  
Germany, Italy, Greece, and  
several parts of Asia* (1754)



# Antiquarian travellers to Smyrna

1744: Alexander Drummond (d. 1769)

1747: Dr Anthony Askew (1722–74)

1750: Robert Wood (1717–71) and companions

1753, 1754: James 'Athenian' Stuart (1713–88)

and Nicholas Revett (1720–1804)

1764: Richard Chandler (c. 1737–1810)



Robert Wood

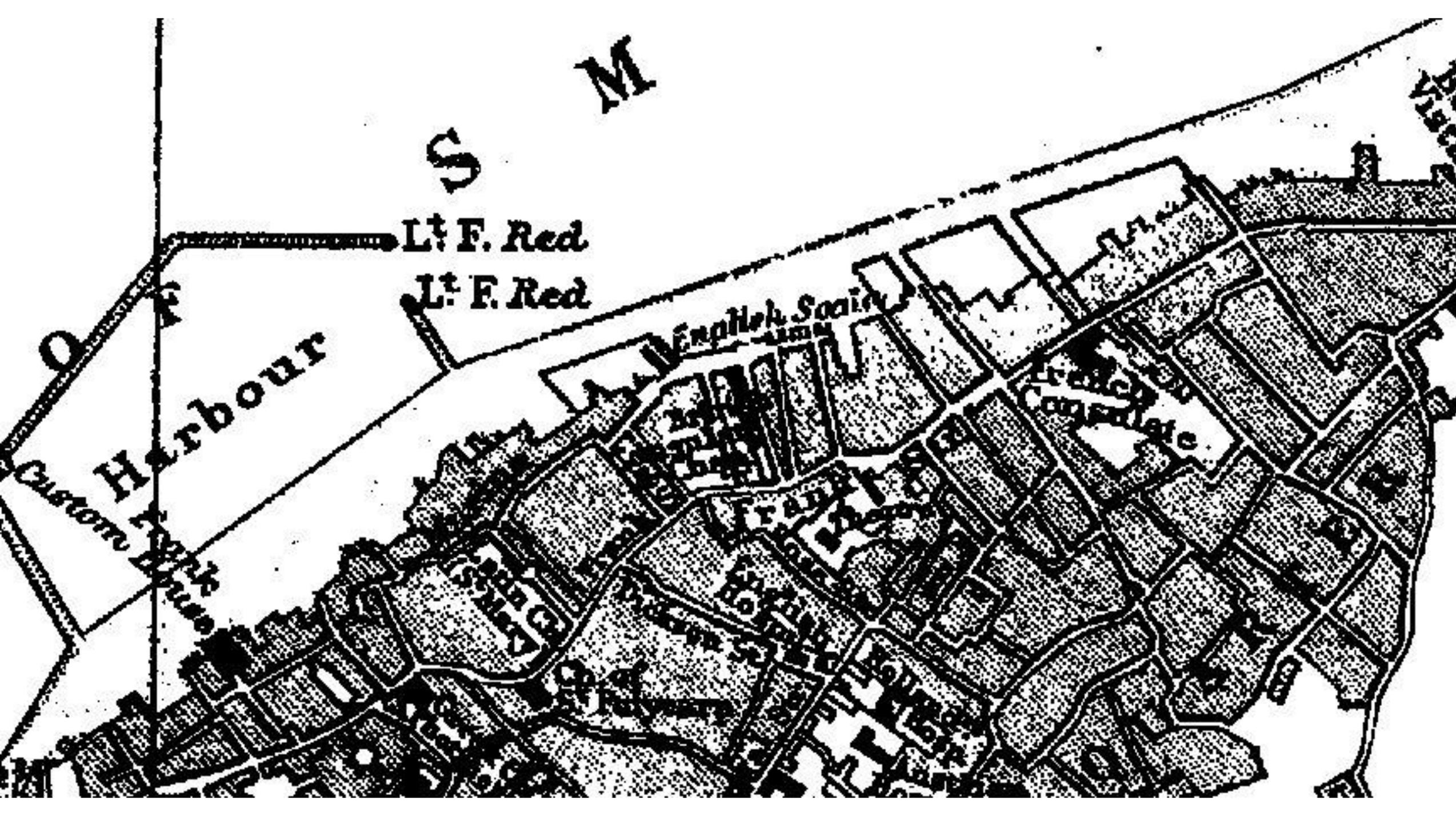
Daniel Alexander, Comte de Hochepped (1689–1759)  
Dutch Consul in Smyrna







ENTRÉE À SMIRNE DE M<sup>GR</sup> LE PRINCE DE TRESTENOIS, LIEUTENANT-GÉNÉRAL DES ARMÉES NAVALES, COMMANDANT L'ESCADRE DU ROY DANS LA MÉDITERRANÉE, LE 29<sup>bre</sup> 1766, À 5 HEURES DU SOIR.



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Lt. F. Red

Harbour

Customs House

All English Society

St. George

St. George

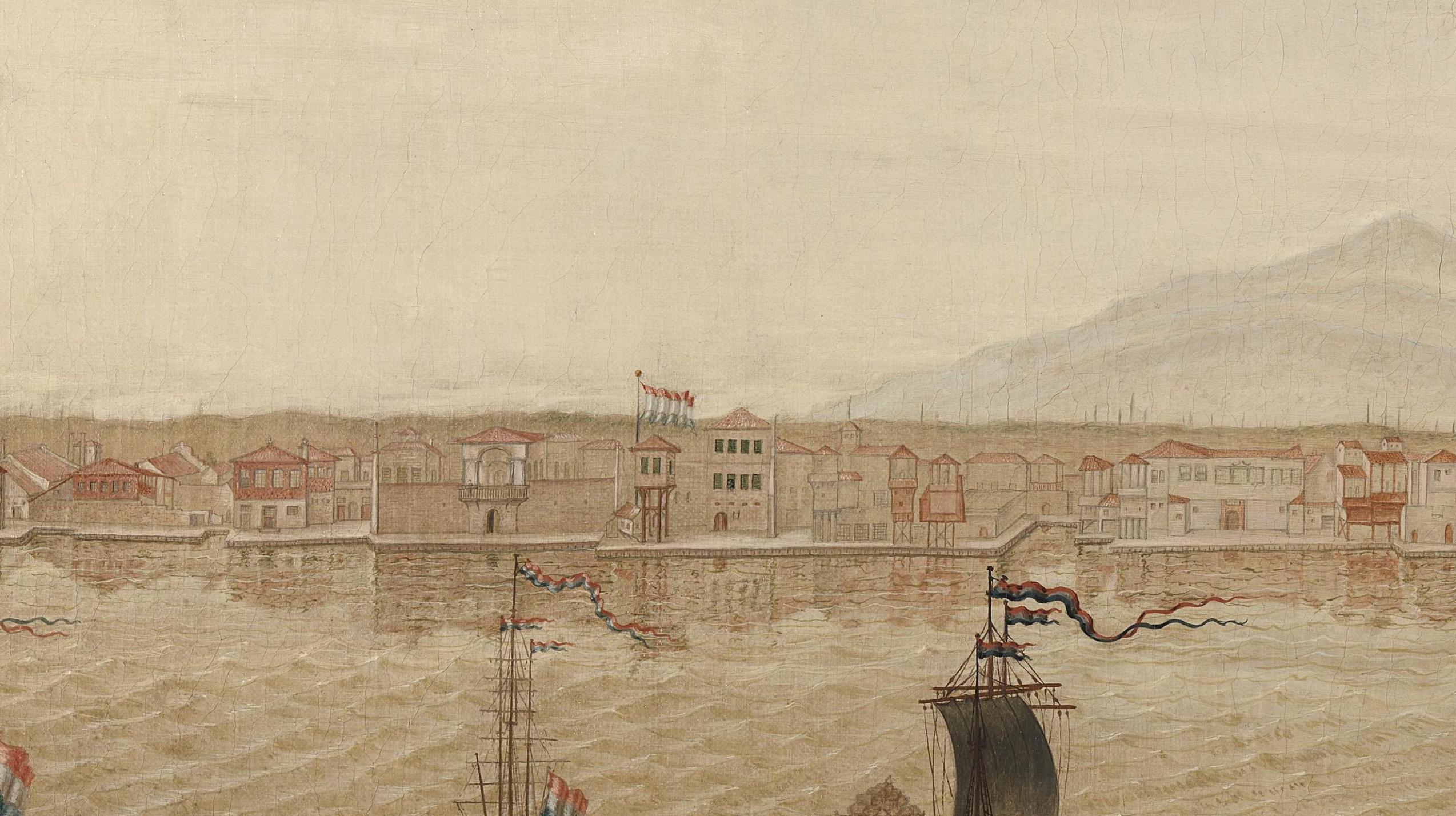
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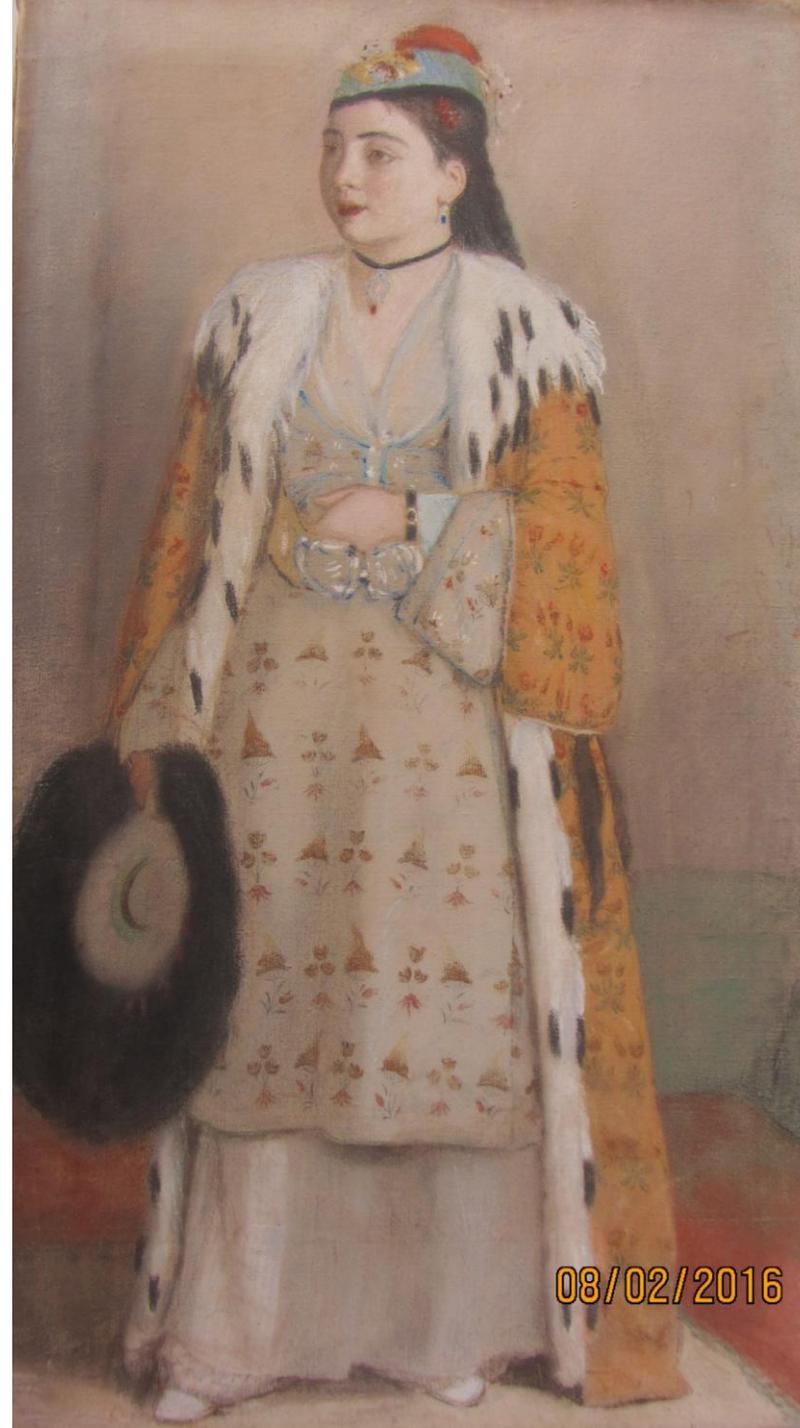
# Gaziemir (formerly Sediköy)



Sediköy :  
de Hoche pied house



Marie Dunant (1726/8–1801)  
wife of Samuel Crawley  
by Jean-Etienne Liotard





I was born 11 June 1705. O. S.

The 29 November 1729 I was married in the Chapel at Stuyvesant  
by The Rev. Mr Charles Beudet To Miss Mary Dumant who was  
born at Constantinople 3 March 1729. Old Style.

1750 @ 27 August at half an hour past one in the afternoon, a son born who  
was christend 12 September & named Richard.  
My Brother John Cravely of Archwood & His Godfather  
& George Madley of Harbore  
My Mother Sarah Cravely of London His God Mother  
the Dyed at the Village of Seidecum The  
17 July 1752. of the same sex

1751 @ 23 August at half an hour past eleven in the forenoon  
a Daughter born who was christend 16 September  
by The Dutch Chaplain Stephen Isaac Vanders Veerdt  
& named Susanna  
My Brother's Wife Susanna God Mother  
& Sister Anne Cravely  
My Mother's Sister Alexander Rimmerini of Naples Godfather  
the first had the small Pox in the year 1767 & de Meade's wife in the year 1767

1752 @ 30 August at half an hour past three in the morning  
a Daughter born who was christend 3 September  
by The Rev. Mr Phillip Bignon our Chaplain  
& named Henrietta Anne  
Lady Henrietta Lebright Godmother  
& M<sup>rs</sup> Anne Dumant  
Samuel Phillips Esq: of Gasconne Godfather.  
the first had the small Pox in the year 1767 & de Meade's wife in the year 1767

N.S. 1753 @ 23 September at half an hour past 12 at night  
a Daughter born who was christend 10 October  
by The Rev. Mr Phillip Bignon our Chaplain  
& named Sarah  
Sister Sarah Cravely Godmother  
& M<sup>rs</sup> Anne Dumant  
Arthur Pollard Esq: of Greenwich  
near London Godfather  
the first had the small Pox in the year 1767 & de Meade's wife in the year 1767

1754 @ 13 December at half an hour past three in the afternoon  
a Daughter born who was christend 10 ditto

# Godparents of Samuel Crawley's children

Marchese Alessandro Rinuccini (1686–1758), banker and scholar,  
Naples

Sir Stanier Porten (c. 1716–89), diplomat

Arthur Pollard (d. 1754), former British Consul at Aleppo

Revd Thomas Payne (1689–1759), former Chaplain at the British  
Embassy at Constantinople

# Death of Samuel Crawley from hypoxia, 11 January 1762

‘I have received your letter of the 20th January, with the very to me sensible & affecting news of the death of that very worthy, that very honest, and deserving man Mr Crawley ... He was one of the best men I have known, and the more to be regretted both in private and publick life, in this degenerate age.’

James Porter, Ambassador at Constantinople, to the merchants at Smyrna (TNA, SP 105/337, f. 15)

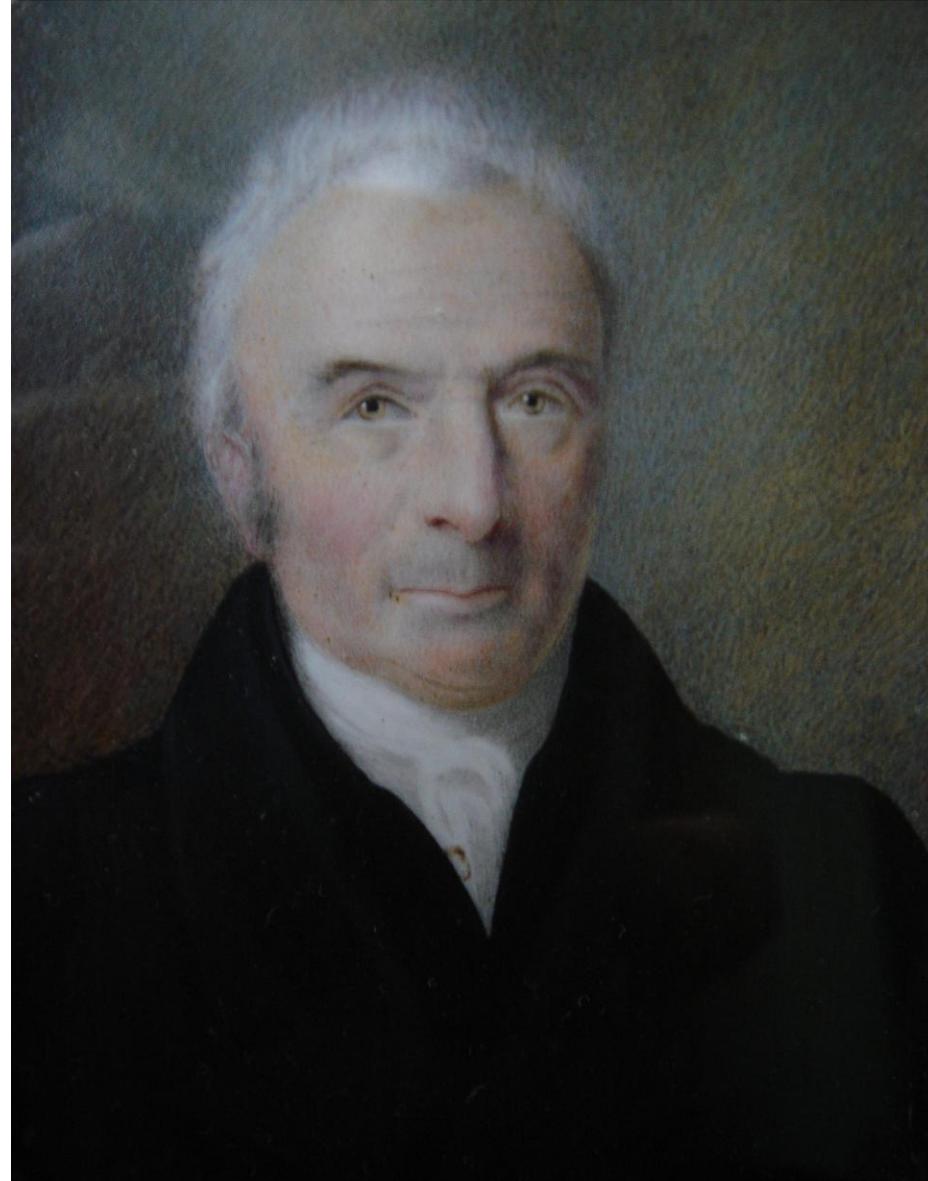
# In the Name of

I Samuel Crawley British Consul in Smyrna being in perfect health  
God to take me out of this world do now make and declare this my last will and  
in full hope of pardon and remission of all my sins through the merits of Jesus  
goods it was pleased God to bless me with I dispose of them as follows I give and  
the sum of four thousand dollars at her own disposal forever as expressed  
Cantellaria which sum I desire may be paid to her thirty days after my  
death I give and bequeath to my said dear wife Mary Crawley the annuity  
natural life which sum shall be placed at interest by my Executors & hereafter  
manner possible and with her knowledge and consent after her death  
Children vizt one quarter to my son Ambrose one quarter to my son Richard  
Susan Henrietta and Sarah in equal shares in case of the death of my son  
the same to be observed in case of the death of any of my said three Daughters  
Crawley the entire furniture of our Crimson Damask bed Chamber  
of her dressing room over the Cantellaria with the two Carpets which below

George Medley (1720–96)



Revd Richard Crawley (1756–1836)



Bryngwyn Rectory,  
Monmouthshire,  
mid 19th century



Marie Dunant, widow  
of Samuel Crawley,  
married (2) Daniel  
Jean, Comte de  
Hoche pied



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# Children of Samuel Crawley and Marie Dunant

Richard (1750–52)

**Susanna (1751–78) m. ?? Chateauneuf**

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**\* Ambrose (1754–1811) m. Honor ??**

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Captain William Affleck  
(c. 1740–92)  
Husband of Samuel  
Crawley's daughter  
Harriet



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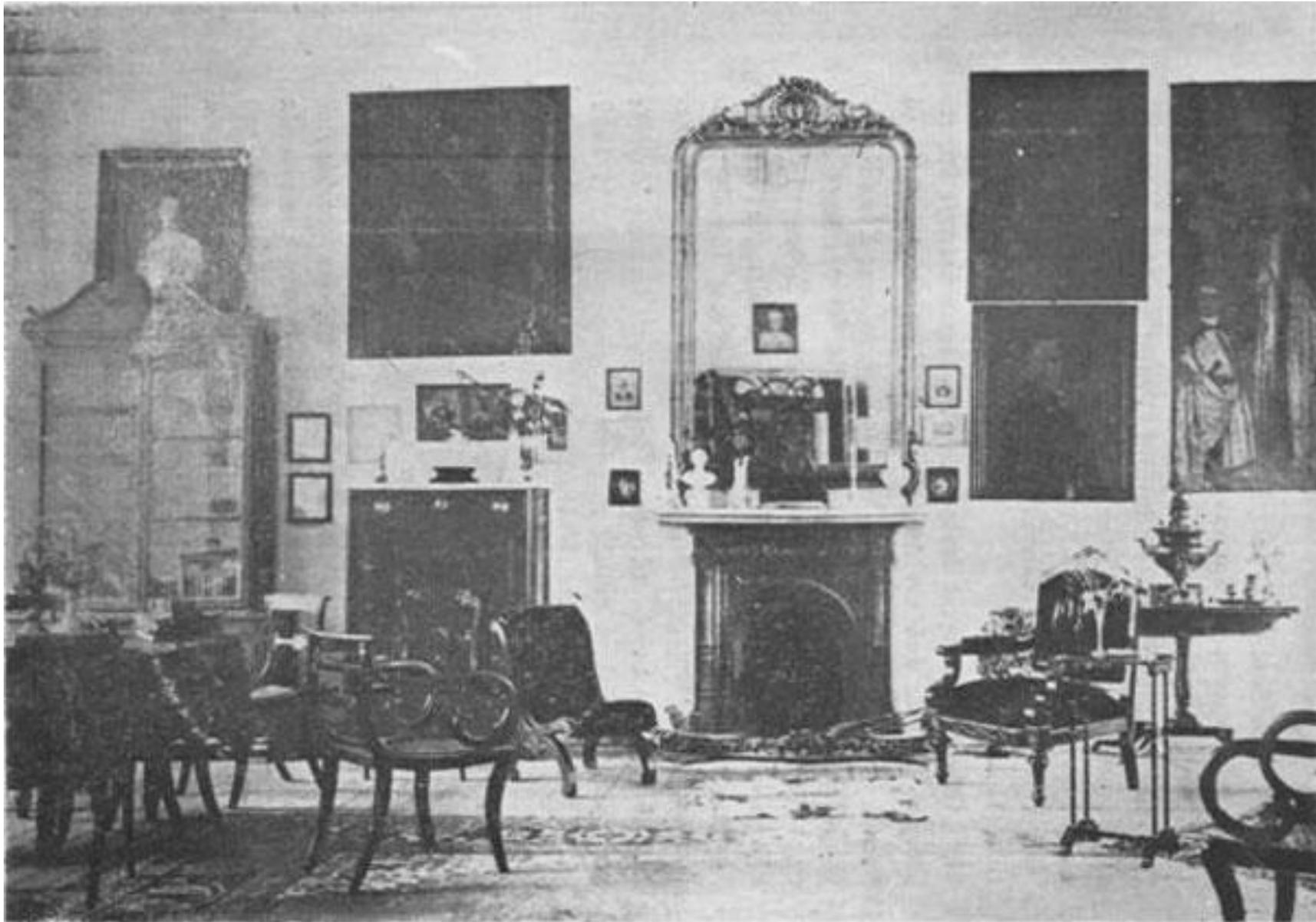
Izmir,  
old Dutch  
graveyard



Gravestone of  
Daniel Jean,  
Comte de  
Hochepped  
(1727–96),  
second  
husband of  
Marie Crawley  
née Dunant



# Sediköy : the de Hoche pied house (1922)



# THE END

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