

1931/13.1.47

43. Charlton Road

Manchester. Octr 8th 1869.

My Dear Sir Brother.

I am obliged with your favor.
The Prince yesterday placed in my
hands a very proper letter from
Captain Shortt of Finsbury, who he
informed me had great influence
with the Professors. This he requested
me to post myself, so that no blame
might rest upon him should it
occur, I have done. On the
receipt of a reply he will communicate
with you.

I think you ought to have been
told, the result of Michael A.'s
enquiries,

Years before the elder branch of the
family thought of opening a commercial
house here, I knew the wealthy

Prins of Rhodocanakis Sons for &
(represented by M. Ro. of London) x D.E.

Rodocanchi, reported in Mandate
by my acquaintance Edwin Gregory,
both were near relatives & we also
& I am now informed distant relatives
of the elder branch. The firm of
D. S. Rodocanchi came to grief
through the failure of a London house
on whom they had paid for £80,000,
besides Gregory I also knew an
Englishman from Antwerp also
a very intimate friend of Dr. R.
I have now instituted inquiries
respecting M. R. & am informed that
~~many years ago he wrote to D. S.~~
~~in papers found in Gregory's hand~~
including inquiries respecting his
relative Dr. Constantine & my
friend Gregory's letter has this
day been placed in my hands

with ^{English} annotations of Michael P. — Need I say that those annotations though incomplete are in strict accordance with the information furnished me by Prince Demetrios from a totally different source, viz: — a private Memoir in their possession. A man like the Prince whose purse is always open for anything valuable that may relate to Studies in which he is interested is no doubt liable to profligate Spending at times, and I may inform you in confidence that the notorious Smonides got £200 out of him for a pretended M.S. & of Dr Constantine's & turned out to be a copy of some work worth £
a few little pax, — the title was torn out ^{the Prince} when it is — It is right you should know the truth of M. R.'s researches, & my statement will no doubt ease your mind

as the inquiry has gone.

Yesterday Mr. Papworth F.R.S.B.A.
wrote me (author of 'History of
British Armours') wrote me for some
information about the families of
& I refer him to the forthcoming
work by Howard, who I hope
will do full justice to the subject.
He gives a long commissio I understand
with Nicophorus Orca relative of
the Emperor Constantine, whose descendant
became Prince of Alodes. Whether
the Prince in this ascension was
assumed & the original title of Prince.
The Name is a late corruption after
the building of the Castle at Chios, &
I suppose Amaki has relation to
the latter portion or title of Prince.

Fraternally, Mr

John Parker
Ad. West Esqre