

Bengal Partition (1905): Archival Files and Documents

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	Mss/Eur/D709	Note on a "A Seditious Picture"	1905	CE	1 File	A confidential report sent by C.R. Cleveland of Central Provinces of Police on a picture of Goddess Durga (Picture included in the file) metaphorically representing 'Rashtriya Jagruti' (National Awakening'. Her each weapon, was similarly named. The Demons represented 'Desha Bhanga' (Partition of the Country), 'Foreign Goods' etc. The image of Goddess was surrounded by the images of Nationalist leaders and heroes of both moderate and extremist groups.	C.R. Cleveland, Tilak, Surendra Nath Baneerjee	Nagpur, Central Province
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	Mss/Eur/F111/323	Minutes of Curzon on Territorial Redistribution in India Part-I & II	1905	CE	1 file	Curzon argues, taking each region into consideration, the possibilities, pros and cons of separating that region from Bengal and ceding that area to a neighbouring province. He started by articulating the need of reducing the area of Bengal as it became a heavy burden to the administration to look after its huge population and revenue. The areas he particularly mentioned were, 'Chutia Nagpur', 'Orissa', 'The Uriya-speaking tracts', 'Assam', 'Chittagong', 'Dacca and Mymensingh'.	Curzon	Bengal, Dacca, Assam, Mymensingh, Assam
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	Mss/Eur/F111/434	Correspondence about the new capital at Delhi and the reversal of the partition of Bengal	1909	CE	Unspecified	A collection of letters written to Lord Carzon mostly regarding the decision to the reversal of the pration and shifting the capital of British India from Calcutta to Delhi. There is a minute of dessent by Sir Hugh Barnes . He protested against four propositions laid down by the Govt of India: 1. That it is desirable & necessary to modify the partition of Bengal 2. That this can only be done if a Governorship is created in Bengal 3. That it is impossible to create a Governorship unless the Government of India are removed from Calcutta 4. That therefore the Govt of India should be removed from calcutta.	Curzon, Sir Hugh Barnes	Delhi, Calcutta
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	Mss/Eur/F111/434/B	Correspondence about the new capital at Delhi and the reversal of the partition of Bengal Part B	26/03/1905	CE	Unspecified	Letters to the Governor of Madras from different Oriya organizations for redistribution of their provinces. For instance, <i>Uriya Samaj</i> , Ganjam pleaded for including Ganjam to Orissa from Madras. It also included a poem in English written on Swadeshi movement in 11/4/1912.	Curzon	Orissa, Calcutta, Madras, Delhi

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/726 , File 1845	Telegram from the Peoples' Association, Dacca, promising a memorial against the proposed partition of Bengal	26/06/1905	CE	1 file	A telegram sent to the Secretary for State for India, India Office on 26 June 1905 from the President, People's Association, Dacca, Bengal intimating arrangements for sending memorial opposing the proposed partition of Bengal with a prayer to suspend the decision. It is followed by a letter from St. John Brodrick to the Governor General of India stating his observations relating to the proposal for reconstruction of the province of Bengal and Assam. He broadly supported the idea of reconstruction of the provinces to lighten the administrative burden.	John Brodrick	Bengal, Assam
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/727 , File 1939	House of Commons question on the petition opposing the contemplated partition of Bengal	04/07/1905	CE	1 file	Mr. Herbert Robert, a member of the Parliament asked the Secretary of State for India 'whether he is aware that an influentially signed petition opposing the contemplated partition of Bengal is under submission from the inhabitants of East Bengal; and whether he will postpone passing Orders on the proposals of the Government until this memorial has been considered. The Government's answer was: 'The proposal of the Government of India on this subject reached me on the 18th of February, and I have already communicated to them the decision of the Secretary of State in Council accepting their proposal.'	Herbert Roberts	London, East Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/728 , File 2097	Telegram from Maharajah Sir Jotindra Mohan Tagore regarding the partition of Bengal	16/07/1905	CE	1 file	Prayer to keep in abayance the decision to partition Bengal	Sir Jyotindra Mohan Tagore	Calcutta
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/731 , File 2420	Home Department; Resolution on the partition of Bengal and the creation of the new province of Eastern Bengal and Assam	20/07/1905	CE	1 file	Resolutions adopted by the Home Dept, Govt. of India which lay out detailed plan for the partition of Bengal, and mention specifically, which parts of Bengal would be annexed to Assam, and Central Province.	H.A. Stuart	Bengal, Assam, Chutia Nagpur

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/729 , File 2179	Telegram from the Maharajah of Natore protesting against the partition of Bengal	22/07/1905	CE	1 file	Prayer to suspend the orders of partition. Moreover, no opportunity was given to Rajshahi to represent their opinion	Maharaja of Natore	Rajshahi, Natore
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/730 , File 2341	Memorials against the partition of Bengal	01/08/1905	CE	1 file	Memorandum submitted to William St. John Freemantle Brodrick, the Secretary of State, for India in Council praying not to implement the partition of Bengal as proposed by Mr. Risley in his letter of December, 1903. The memorialists were 'people of East Bengal in the province of Bengal, East Indies'. There is another memorandum, briefer in size to the same person with the same prayer.	William St. John Freemantle Brodrick, Risley	East Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/729 File 2260	House of Commons question on protests in Eastern Bengal against the partition of Bengal	01/08/1905	CE	1 file	Mr. Herbert Robert, a member of Parliament asked the Secretary of State for India 'whether he has received & considered a memorial signed by 60,000 of the inhabitants of Eastern Bengal, protesting against the proposals of the Govt of India in reference to the partition of Bengal...' In response, the Secretary replied '...the scheme of the Govt of India was not decided upon without the fullest deliberation...'	Herbert Robert	London
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/731 , File 2503	Protest against the partition of Bengal by elected Indian members, Bengal Council	15/08/1905	CE	1 file	A telegram was sent to the Secretary of State stating 'Elected Indian members Bengal council all opposed partition want governor council otherwise include presidency burdwan divisions new province keeping bengali speaking people together honourable basu, sircar mazumdar chaudhuri'		Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/732 File 2640	Protest against the Partition of Bengal	27/08/1905	CE	1 file	Telegram sent to the Secretary of State, India Office: 'great meeting inhabitants of dacca ten thousand people or more protested partition bengal praying governor executive council and suspension orders till further information before parliament authorities hurrying preliminaries here in view speedy introduction partition against united public opinion indian anglo indian bhair (s?)man Public meeting'		Decca

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/732 File 2695	Telegram from Calcutta regarding the partition of Bengal	30/08/1905	CE	1 file	Telegram sent to the Secretary of State from Calcutta: 'Rumour partition Bengal being pushed on and imminent opposition feeling intenser great excitement discontent beg postponement till parliament assemblies maharaja cossimbazar president bengal landholders association and townhall meeting'	Maharaja of Cossimbazar	Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/734 , File 3034	Partition of Bengal; Constitution of the Legislative Council of Eastern Bengal and Assam	14/09/1905	CE	1 file	The approval of the proposal sent by the Govt. of India regarding the constitution of Legislative Council of Eastern Bengal & Assam was minuted .		London, Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/733 , File 2861	Partition of Bengal; letter regarding the alleged boycott of English goods	14/09/1905	CE	1 file	A letter sent by the Thorton & Mawby, Stock & Hosiery Manufacturers, Duke Street, Leicester on 14 Sept 1905 to the Secretary for India. This forwarding letter submits an extract of a letter sent by a representative of the company carrying samples in the market. It suggests that the extract would be of interest 'with regard to what the "man in the street" thinks of the policy suggested by the Govt. We have considerable interest in India, and we should be sorry to think that a mistake in policy would transfer it to our already keen competitors the Germans, especially as we have been suffering from considerable depression during the last few years. We hope and confidently rely upon the decision not becoming abvsolute until the matter has been placed more before those interested.' The extract of the company representative's letter highlights the drop of sale of foreign goods in Calcutta and the dealers were cancelling shipment orders even when Pujah days were approaching which normally saw a boom of business in Bengal.	Curzon	Calcutta, Bengal, Leicester, London

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/734 , File 3034	Partition of Bengal; Constitution of the Legislative Council of Eastern Bengal and Assam	14/09/1905	CE	1 file	A proposal sent to St. John Brodrick, Secretary of State for India regarding constitution of the Council for Eastern Bengal & Assam by Curzon et.al. It would be of 15 members comprising 7 officials and 6 non-official members elected and recommended by various associations, bodies and Govt. agencies.	John Broadrick, Curzon	Assam, East Bengal, Chittagong
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/734 , File 2946	Partition of Bengal; protest by the Bombay Native Piece Goods Association	22/09/1905	CE	1 file	A telegram sent by the Secretary, Bombay Native Piece Goods Merchant Association to the Secretary of State communicating the resolution of the Association: the boycott movement as a consequence of the partition in Bengal had already affected the import trade of Bombay. A decision should be taken regarding partition to bring a speedy and satisfactory end to the crisis.		Bengal, Bombay
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/734 File 3007	Telegram regarding the partition of Bengal	29/09/1905	CE	1 file	A telegram sent to the Secretary for State for India, India Office on 29 Sept 1905: 'Yesterday I served secretary Bengal Government notice that clients mentioned therein will institute suit High Court Calcutta against you for declaration partition proclamation void Basu solicitor'. In response, it was minuted, 'It is not understood what is meant by this telegram'.		Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/739 , File 3532	Letter from J Bourdillon regarding his lecture on the partition of Bengal	13/11/1905	CE	1 file	A letter from J. Bourdillon accepting an invitation to read a paper on the partition of Bengal	J Bourdillon	London
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/748 , File 571	Home Department, India; correspondence regarding the present state of the agitation against the partition of Bengal	08/02/1906	CE	1 file	Confidential reports sent by R.W. Carlyle to the Secretary to the Govt. of India. Very detailed reports on partition agitations & boycott movements. It discusses & translates pamphlets, songs, and books which were written in support of anti-partition movements & swadeshi. Newspapers/Journals mentioned in this regard are, <i>Amritabazar Patrika</i> , <i>Charu Mihir</i> , <i>Pratinidhi</i> , <i>Jyoti</i> , <i>Sanjibani</i> , Leaflets: <i>Who is our King?</i> , <i>Sugar! Sugar! Sugar!</i> Translation of <i>Bande Mataram</i> , and some part of <i>Anandamath</i> .	Surendra Nath Banerji, Bhupendra Nath Bose, Satish Chandra Chatterji	East Bengal, India

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/750 , File 715	Letter stating that an influential deputation is coming to England to protest against the Partition of Bengal	07/03/1906	CE	1 file	A letter written to Arthur Godley by a merchant having business interest in Calcutta regarding the partition of Bengal.	Arthur Godley	Bengal, Calcutta
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/754 & 755 File 1027	Memorials against the partition of Bengal	01/05/1906	CE	1 file	Memorial for a reconsideration of the Partition of Bengal signed by thousands of the inhabitants of East Bengal, namely of the districts like Mymensingh, Barisal, Noakhali, Decca, Jessore etc. The majority of the memorialists were Hindus. This is an interesting list giving ideas about demography and socio-cultural aspects of the populace as the signature lists included items like addresses, professions, and illiteracy. There were quite a number of thumb impressions of those who could not sign. Most of the signatures were done in Bengali followed by English and Urdu. All the signatories were male. A notable signatory was Upendra KISSORE Raychowdhury described as the Zaminder of Mymensingh. The content of the memorial was identical with one in IOR/L/PJ/6/802 File 847.	Upendra KISSORE Raychowdhury, bhupendranath Basu	East Bengal, Maymansingh,
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/767 File 1915	Paper on the partition of Bengal	18/05/1906	CE	1 file	Written in a pamphlet style by Debendro Nath Chuckerbutty in 18 May 1906 , this document supports the partition of Bengal either by citing arguments of Lord Curzon or bringing instances from history. He takes on different arguments posed by the anti-partition movements and tries to put on counter-arguments.	Debendro Nath Chuckerbutty	East Bengal

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/763 , File 1591	House of Commons question regarding agitation against the partition of Bengal and the boycott of Manchester goods	30/05/1906	CE	1 file	Mr. Byles,-To ask the Secretary of State for India whether having regard to the statements of responsible Indian authorities that the agitation against the partition of Bengal is rapidly growing & that the boycott of Manchester goods is serious and threatening, he can make any statement to reassure the Manchester trading public.' In answer, it was said that the Govt of India as a responsible govt is keeping watch of the events with all possible attention.	Byles	London, Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/770 , File 2239	House of Commons question regarding protests against the partition of Bengal	19/07/1906	CE	1 file	Mr. O'Grady, -To ask the Secretary of State for India, whether having regard to the protests throughout British India respecting the partition of Bengal, calling for the restitution of status quo, or a modification of the partition, and in view of the dissatisfaction generally with the actions of the Lieutenant-Governor of Eastern Bengal and Assam in respect to the orders issued by him, and his neglect or refusal to carry out in full the directions of the Secretary of State, steps will be taken to insure that compliance is accorded to the pledges given to the House'.	O'Grady	Eastern Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/770 , File 2252	House of Commons question on the publication of a black book in Bengal containing the names of Bengalis and prominent Indians who have identified themselves with the anti-Swadeshi and have opposed the anti-partition movement	19/07/1906	CE	1 file	Mr. Rees asked the Govt. whether they were aware of the publication of a black book containg names of those persons who opposed anti-partition movement. The answer was that the Govt came to know it from <i>Amrita Bazar Patrika</i> , and would act if required to protect the public servants.	Rees	

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/771 , File 2355	House of Commons question to ask the Prime Minister to consider grievances over the partition of the Lower Provinces of Bengal	26/07/1906	CE	1 file	Mr. CJ O'Donnell asked the Prime Minister, 'whether, in view of of the closure of the debate on the Indian Budget last Friday, he will give an opportunity to this House to consider the grievance of 45,000,000 of the King-Emperor's subjects due to the partition of the Lower Provinces of Bengal'. The answer was that some discussions on the same subject had already taken place, so any further discussion would not serve any useful purpose and be in the public interest.	CJ O'Donnell	Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/775 , File 2821	Pamphlets relating to the 'Partition' of Bengal	07/08/1906	CE	1 file	Two pamphlets entitled <i>The Partition Riddle</i> and <i>The Partition Agitation Explained</i> both published in Calcutta bear no author's name. However both these pamphlets were sent to the Asst. Under Secretary of State of India by their author Chundernath Basu, Fellow of the Calcutta University. <i>The Partition Riddle</i> is of 19 pages and the latter one is 7 pages long. Both pamphlets argue very strongly that the Partition was unnecessary by 'dismissing' all the reasons cited in favour of it by the authority.	Chundernath Basu	Calcutta

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/780 , File 3381	Progress of anti-partition agitation in Bengal and Eastern Bengal and Assam	19/09/1906	CE	1 file	Along with regular reports of meetings, there are reports about foreign goods faked as Swadeshi goods. 'Surendra Nath Banerji a short time ago visited the Marwari bazar in Calcutta where it was proved to him that everything he was wearing was of European manufacture. The Marwaris then hooted him out of their bazar. With reference to what was stated in my last report regarding Manchester clothes being sold as swadeshi goods, attention is invited to the enclosed report'. There is an extract from the <i>Bengalee</i> , dated Wednesday, 22 August 1906: 'At the Calcutta Police Court... process against one Pannalal for cheating the complainant firm by selling Manchester clothes as 'Swadshi' goods. ...the accused who dealt largely in cloths, was importing cloths from Manchester with the proper descriptive mark but after receiving them, he obliterated these marks by stamping on them with the indigo & putting the name of a 'Swadeshi Mill'. Lately, he was importing cloths without any stamp on them & under special instructions the cloths were sent with a paper ticket, which was used to be taken off & replaced by a 'Swadeshi' stamp put on them.	Surendra Nath Banerji, Narendra nath Sen, Bhupendra Nath Bose, Abdul Gafur	Calcutta, Shantipur
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/781 , File 3505	Visit to the US by Amar and Gopal Singh, two Indian merchants connected with the Swadeshi movement	16/10/1906	CE	1 file	The British consulate General, New York, reported the visit of two indian Merchants connected to Swadeshi movement, to the United States to study the industrial & manufacturing situation with the view of freeing India from 'English Commercial oppression'. They also gave an interview in "the Evening World" on the 2 Oct 1906.	Amar Singh, Gopal Singh	United States, New York

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/788 , File 4024	Papers by the Director of Criminal Intelligence regarding anti-partition agitation in Bengal and E Bengal & Assam during the second half of September 1906	14/11/1906	CE	1 files	Details of the meeting of leaders like Surendra Nath Banerji held at different places like Bally, Hooghly, Bhagalpur, Berhampore. It assured that the general masses of Howrah district were not seriously influenced in favour of the swedeshi movement but it was the students & school-boys, influenced by their professors and masters kept the movement alive. In Bakarganj about 2000 Muhammadans made a procession in support of the partition. They announced that they were 'in sympathy with any well-considered & peaceful measures for the advancement of indigenous arts and industries, but they severely condemned the steps taken by a certain section of the community under its name, as ruinous to the country & the public peace, because they interfere with free trade & personal safety. It was further reported that the 'Swadeshi partisans had started to use Jeddah salt & thus the sale of Liverpool salt had decreased.	Sourendra Nath Banerji, Krishna Kumar Mitter	East Bengal, Dacca

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/788 , File 4020	Papers on the resignation of Sir Bampfylde Fuller and the partition of Bengal	15/11/1906	CE	1 file	A number of memorials sent by different Muslim leaders belonging mostly to the organization Anjuman-i-Islamia of different places like Faridpur, Madaripur, Serajganj, Mymensingh urging the Govt not to deviate from the partition as it would be beneficial to the Muslims. Apart from several Mohammedan memorials there was one memorial in support of the partition went from the Namasudras of the Hindu community. This memorial was sent by one Rajendra Nath Mandal of Orakandi. This memorial stated that the Namasudras were 'greatly indebted to the Secretary of State for India for declaring the partition of Bengal as a settled fact and admissible of no amendment. That the meeting [of Namasudras] brings to the kind notice of Government that the Namasudras are the most loyal and humble subjects of His Majesty the King-Emperor & are under a special debt of gratitude to the benevolent Government for enjoying the peace & prosperity they could never dream of before the British rule. That the Namasudras pray to God with all heart that the British rule in India may be everlasting. That this meeting prays most earnestly that the Hon'ble mr. Hare will bestow the same rights & privileges upon the Namasudras as have been done upon the MMahomedans[sic], in as much as the Namasudras and the Mahomedans are the predominating communities of Eastern bengal, and the latter unlike the other Hindus possess a good deal of sympathy for the Namasudras.'	Rajendra Nath Mandal, Syed Mohamed Obaidullah, Lancelot Hare	East Bengal

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/786 , File 3831 & 3832	House of Commons questions regarding position of Muslims and the partition of Bengal	15/11/1906	CE	2 file	Mr. O'Grady, -To ask the Secretary of State for India, whether his attention has been called to a letter of Mr. Abdul Rasul, a prominent Mahomedan, read at a meeting in Calcutta on 15th October, in which the partition of Bengal was described as a curse to the entire Mahomedan population of Bengal, also asserting that the Mahomedans forming the greatest portion of population of Bengal will have to pay the largest amount of taxes to keep up the dignity of an alien bureaucracy; whether his attention has been called to the fact that at Sirajganj a notice was served upon a well-known Mahomedan preacher to show cause why he should not be bound down from appealing to his co-religionists not to take part in the meetings organized to rejoice at the act of partition; and, if so, whether the Secretary of State, on behalf of His Majesty's Govt, is prepared to give consideration to the opinion expressed by adherents to both the Hindu and Mahomedan religions regarding the partition.'	O'Grady	Sirajganj
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/788 , File 4097	Copy of a memorial protesting against the partition of Bengal	22/11/1906	CE	1 files	Memorials for a reconsideration of the orders regarding the partition of Bengal with a cover letter from John Morley to the Governor General of India Council.	John Morley, Surendranath Banerjee	Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/767 , File 1938	Copies of circulars of Messrs Carlyle and Lyon regarding the partition of Bengal	25/11/1906	CE	1 file	This is the opinion of Mr. L.P. Pugh, Late Officiating Advocate General of Bengal on three extraordinary circulars of Carlyle and Lyon (IOR/L/PJ/6/910 File 741). It was opined that these three circulars 'go beyond the limits of [some existing laws like Section 124A relating to offences against the Public Tranquillity & Criminal Intimidation, Insult & Annoyance & sections 30 to 34 of the Police Act] ..., and in so far as they do so they are in my opinion unconstitutional and in that sense illegal'.	L.P.Pugh	Bengal

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/793 , File 138	Resignation of Sir B Fuller and partition of Bengal; resolutions of Muhammedan meetings	17/12/1906	CE	1 file	Resolutions adopted by different Muslim organizations in support of the Partition. The resolutions also condemned the decision to accept the resignation letter of Sir Bamfylde Fuller. Organizations like Anjuman-i-Islamia of Mymensingh, Mahomedan Association, Rangpur warned the Government not to make any change under any pressure of the decided plan for the partition. Anjuman-i-Islamia's one such resolution was 'That this meeting emphatically protests against the systematic misrepresentation of the Bengali press that Mahomedans are also opposed to partition. They also disavow all connections with the Hindu agitation and express satisfaction at Mr. Morley's declaration that partition is a settled fact.'	Sir Bamfylde Fuller, Abdul Majid Chowdhury habib-Uddin Ahmed	Mymensingh, Rangpur, Manikgunge
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/803	Memorial praying for a reconsideration of the partition of Bengal	31/12/1906	CE	1 file	A memorial sent to John Morley, Secretary of State for India in Council by Khaja Atikulla of Dacca bearing signatures of thousands of inhabitants of Bengal. Illustrious signatories, as mentioned by Atikulla in his forwarding letter, were Raja Surya Kant Acharja of Mymensingh, Maharaja Bahadur Jagadindra Nath Roy of Natore, Raja Peary Mohan Mukherjee, Raja Srinath Ray, Dr. Rash Behari Ghose, Khan Bahadur Mohamed Yusoof. The content of the Memorial was identical with one in IOR/L/PJ/6/802 File 847. Each signature sheet is divided in columns of 'Name', 'Residence', and 'Occupation'. Most of the signatories were the inhabitants of Midnapore & Dacca districts.	Khaja Atikulla, John Morley, Surja Kanta Acharja, Jagindra Nath Roy, Peary Mohan Mukherjee	Midnapore, Dacca

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/795 , File 231	Bengal and E Bengal & Assam; General reports on anti-partition agitation and boycott movement	03/01/1907	CE	1 file	Fortnightly reports on partition agitation & Swadeshi sent to the Secretary to the Govt of India from the Chief Secretary to the Govt of Bengal. Dates of the reports are 15 Nov, 1907, 25 Oct 1907 (It contains a translation of a leaflet entitled <i>Aryabhumi</i> [Aryan Land or Fatherland] of editor Jadu Gopal Dhar), 25 Sept 1907, 3 Oct 1907, 12 Sept 1907, 27 Aug 1907, 12 Aug 1907, 1 Aug 1907, 9 Aug 1907, 21 July 1907, 8 July 1907, 29 June 1907, 16 June 1907, 12 June 1907,		Eastern Bengal & Assam
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/796 File275	Resolution supporting the partition of Bengal	10/01/1907	CE	1 file	A telegram forwarded on 10 January 1907 to Sir Arthur Godley, the Under Secretary of State by the Private Secretary to the Viceroy. The telegram had the following content: 'Kindly inform His Excellency the Viceroy that representative Mussalmans from all parts of India having met to-day under my presidency to form themselves into an all India Muslim league for the protection of the rights and the interests of their communit, the league was declared duly opened and among others the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the league: -that this meeting in the view of the clear interests of the Muhammadan of Eastern Bengal considers that the partition is sure to prove beneficial to the Muhammadan community...'	Sir Arthur Godley	Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/802 File 847	Memorials against the partition of Bengal	03/05/1907	CE	1 file	Memorials for a reconsideration of the orders regarding the partition of Bengal with a cover letter from John Morley to the Governor General of India Council.	John Morley	

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/866 , File 1576	Bengal; fortnightly report on the partition agitation and boycott movement, dated 7th April, 1908	16/04/1908	CE	1 file	Report sent by E.A Gait, Chief Secretary, Govt of Bengal to Arthur Godley, Secretary to the Govt of India. 'The Collector of Custom reports that prices of piece-goods continue to decline & there is no diminution in stocks. Scarcity of money & famine and the decline in the price of raw material have combined to depress the market'. On the 28th March a meeting was organized by the students to present a purse to Bepin Chandra Pal.	E.A. Gait, Bepin Chandra Pal, Arthur Godley	Calcutta
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/901 File 3993	Bengal; report on partition agitation and the boycott movement	08/10/1908	CE	1 file	A fortnightly report sent from F.W. Duke, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Bengal to the Secretary to the Govt. of India, Home Dept. It is reported that active boycotting of foreign cigarettes has ceased, and that classes of natives seldom seen smoking them previously are now to be seen doing so. Two leaders- Bidhu Bhushan Banerjee and Romesh Chandra Mazumdar of the <i>swadeshi</i> party at Lohagara in Jessore-have recently been charged & convicted under section 506 of the IPC, with criminality intimidating one Abdul kader Fakir in order to coerce him into not importing foreign salt into Lohagara bazar. In respect to Calcutta it is reported that the <i>swarajis</i> advocate social & religious boycott of those of their countrymen who are not with them. Students have not been in evidence during the past fortnight, out a few lads continue to visit Beadon & College Squares. They form processions and march along neighbouring streets singing national songs.	F.W. Duke, Bidhu Bhushan Banerjee, Romesh Chandra Mazumdar	Jessore, Calcutta

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/P/8153 No. 4 of 1908	Returns showing the prosecutions for seditious speeches and writings instituted in India since the 1st January 1907	22/10/1908	CE	1 file	A return forwarded to the Secretary of States for India from Lord Minto et al showing the prosecutions for seditious speeches and writings. It has tables having columns covering the following headings: Names and descriptions of the persons charged, Courts by which the persons were tried, Character of charge, Result of prosecution, Remarks. Persons who appeared on this chart include Bhupendra Nath Dutt, Abinash Chandra Bhattacharji of <i>Yugantar</i> , Arabinda Ghosh, Hemendra Nath Bagchi, Apurba Kristo Bose of <i>Bande Mataram</i> , Pandit Brahmo Bandhab Upadhyay, Sarada Charan Sen, Hari Charan Das, Mahendra Nath Chatterji of Sandhya, Durga Mohan Sen, Ashutosh Bagchi of Barisal Hitaishi, A.C. Banerjee for organizing strike, Joy Chandra Sirkar, Pratap Chandra Majumder of <i>Rungpur Vartabaha</i> , Baikanto Chandra Acharjya, Phanindra Nath Mitter of <i>Yugantar</i> , Bistopodo Sen of <i>Yugantar</i> , Kali Charan Bose and Hiralal Sen Gupta for leaflet <i>Hunkar</i> .	Bhupendra Nath Dutt, Abinash Chandra Bhattacharji, Arabinda Ghosh, Hemendra Nath Bagchi, Apurba Kristo Bose of Bande Mataram, Pandit Brahmo Bandhab Upadhyay, Sarada Charan Sen, Hari Charan Das, Mahendra Nath Chatterji	Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/905 File 4355	Fortnightly report on partition agitation, Bengal dated 21st October, 1908	05/11/1908	CE	1 file	A fortnightly report sent from the Home Department, Simla on 5 November 1908 to Arthur Godley, Under Secretary of State for India on the partition agitation & the boycott movement. 'Sales on "Lucky day" were better than was anticipated, but they were not up to those of previous years, only about 10,000 bales being sold. The demand for English boots and shoes during the <i>Pujah</i> was very limited. The partition day demonstration in Calcutta passed off quietly. The meetings were largely attended but perfectly orderly & broke up within the hour prescribed. On the recommendation of the Commissioner of Police, The Lieutenant-Governor has extended for a period of six months the orders forbidding political meetings to be held in the squares of Calcutta and its suburbs, after half an hour before sunset.'	F.W Duke, Arthur Godley	Calcutta, Bengal

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/P/8153 pro. No. 105	Proceedings of the Home Department	19/11/1908	CE	1 file	A confidential report sent by H. LeMesurier, Officiating Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Eastern Bengal and Assam on the organization, numbers and armaments of the 'National Volunteer' organization in the province. The report comprises three appendices. The Appendix-I 'Gives approximate numbers of known enrolled volunteers, 1907. It shows that the approximate number of enrolled volunteers upto June 1907 was 8450. Appendix II lists the Societies of a 'Volunteer' character district wise, and it counts the a total of 19 such societies where students and young men were employed as 'volunteers'. These societies had branches across the province. Appendix III enlists incidents perpetrated by the volunteers mentioning dates and places of their occurrences. The Index of Appendix III groups cases under seven classes:- (A) Interfering with sale of English goods or enforcing sale of country goods excluding C, (B) Boycotting persons or shows and incendiaryism, (C) Melas and Fairs, (D) Looting- Thefts. Dacoity, (E) Attacks on Europeans, Government officials and other individuals. (F) Disturbances on steamers. (G) Miscellaneous including other incidents of misconduct of volunteers.	Battenburg, Mahendra Kumar Bose, Jagdish Sen	Bengal, Assam
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/909 , File 4628	Bengal; fortnightly report on partition agitation and the boycott movement for the period ending 31st October, 1908	26/11/1908	CE	1 file	The 'most important ' report was about 'new gang of conspirators whose procedure to raise funds by the commission of dacoities. ...operating in Dacca & Mymansingh...Kartic Dutt & Kiran Mukherji are the most conspicuous members of this gang...'	F.W.Duke	East Bengal, India

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/910 , File 4749	Report on partition agitation in Bengal for the first half of November	03/12/1908	CE	1 file	Report sent by F.W.Duke, Officiating Chief Secretary, Govt of Bengal to Arthur Godley, Secretary to the Govt of India. The market was quiet. The settlement of the Lancashire trouble caused a fall in the prices of piece goods. 'The most important events of the fortnight were, the attempt to assassinate the Lieutenant-Governor on the afternoon of the 7th instant, & the murder of Sub-Inspector Nando Lal Banerjee on the 9th idem. The perpetrators of the latter outrage still remain undiscovered. This subinspector was the officer who traced Profulla Chaki and was attempting to arrest him when he committed suicide. The Govt of India have received separate reports on these matters. A separate report has also been submitted on the incidents which took place at the funeral of Kanai Lal Dutt, who was sentenced to death for the murder of the approver Norendra Nath Gossain.'	F.W. Duke, Arthur Godley, Kanai Lal Dutt, Prafulla Chaki, Norendra Nath Gosain	Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/P/8153 pro. No. 138	Proposal to place under restraint	09/12/1908	CE	1 file	A confidential report sent by F.W. Duke, Officiating Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Eastern Bengal and Assam to the Secretary to the Govt. of India, Home Dept a proposal to place under restraint the following persons:- Subodh Chandra Mullick, Monoranjan Guha Thakurta, Gispati Ray Kabyatirtha, Krishto Kumar Mitra, Sachindra Prasad Bose, Shamsundar Chakravarti, Bhupendra Nath Dutta, Arabinda Ghose, Abinash Chandra Bhattacharjya, Sailendra Kumar Bose	Subodh Chandra Mullick, Monoranjan Guha Thakurta, Gispati Ray Kabyatirtha, Krishto Kumar Mitra, Sachindra Prasad Bose, Shamsundar Chakravarti, Bhupendra Nath Dutta, Arabinda Ghose, Abinash Chandra Bhattacharjya, Sailendra Kumar Bose	Bengal, Assam

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/P/8153 pro. No. 142	Proposal for placing under confinement	10/12/1908	CE	1 file	A proposal sent by H. LeMesurier, Officiating Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Eastern Bengal and Assam to the Secretary to the Govt. of India, Home Dept to place Aswini Kumar Dutta in confinement as State prisoner. The proposal contains detailed narratives about activities of academic institutions in protest agitations and Swadeshi. The institutions were Braja Mohan College, Barisal; Braja Mohan School, Braja Mohan Institution	Aswini Kumar Dutta	Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/910 File 4736	House of Commons question to ask opinions of retired members of Bengal CS regarding partition of Bengal	21/12/1908	CE	1 file	Two questions were asked by Mr. C.J. O'Donnell to the Under Secretary of State for India in the Parliament in regard to the partition of Bengal: if he could table in the Parliament the opinions of all retired members of the Bengal civil service now resident of the UK, and the opinions and advices of the maharajas, and rajas of Bengal proper. The Secretary's reply was, 'The Secretary of States does not propose to take action as suggested in this and the following question'.	C.J. O'Donnell	London
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/912 , File 4776	House of Commons question on the partition of Bengal	21/12/1908	CE	1 file	Mr. Smeaton, -To ask the Under Secretary of State for India, whether in consideration of the probability that the maintenance of the partition of Bengal in its present form may imperil the success of thye reforms announced by His Majesty's Government, the Secretary of State can see his way to re-open the question and, after consultation with leaders of the moderate opinion in the dismembered province, to modify the partition in such a way as to meet the wishes of the great majority of the people of Bengal. The suggested answer was 'The great majority of the population of Eastern Bengal are Muhammedans, & it is quite certain that [they] would be in favour of the maintenance of the partition'. The official answer was, 'The Secretary of State does not propose to re-open the question of the administrative subdivision of Bengal, nor has he any good reason to suppose that the maintenance of the status quo in this respect will imperil the success of the constitutional reforms about to be introduced.	Smeaton	East Bengal

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/P/8153 pro. No. 137	Deportation of certain persons in Bengal and Assam	Feb-09	CE	1 file	A confidential report sent by H. LeMesurier, Officiating Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Eastern Bengal and Assam to the Secretary to the Govt. of India, Home Dept a proposal to place in confinement as State prisoners of the following persons:- Pulin Behari Das, Bhupesh Chandra Nag, Surendra Nath Sen, Satish Chandra Chatterjee. There was 'History Sheet' of each individual attached with the proposal.	Pulin Behari das, Bhupesh Chandra Nag, Surendra Nath Sen, Satish Chandra Chatterjee	Bengal, Assam
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/922 , File 645	Bengal; report on partition agitation and boycott movement for first half of January 1909	04/02/1909	CE	1 file	A confidential report sent by F.W. Duke, Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal A fortnightly report ending on the 15th January 1909. 'There has been no case of interference with the liberty of individuals arising out of the partition agitation. No political meeting has been held, and students have not been employed in any way in connection with politics. From enquiries made from large dealers in Calcutta it is reported that the trade in piece-goods and other imported articles in 1908 was dull owing to the preference given to articles of swadeshi manufacture. During the past two months, however, there has been an improvement in the demand for imported articles and there are indications that this improvement is being maintained. The Collector of Customs reports that deliveries of Liverpool salt have highly improved since the commencement of the year. The dissolution of samitis in the Khulna and Jessore districts, which was noticed in the last report, is said to continue.	F.W.Duke	East Bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/P/8153 No. 5003	Correspondence between H. LeMesurier, the Offg. Chief Secretary to the Govt. of India, and The Secretary to the Govt. of India	07/02/1909	CE	1 file	Report on the political situation of the province. Declaration of five samitis as dangerous. They are Bandhab Samity of Barisal, Anushilan Samity of Dacca, Surhid Samity, Brati Samity, Sadhona Samity of Mymensingh	Sarat Chandra Sharma	Bengal

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/925 File 886	Bengal report on partition agitation and boycott movement for fortnight ended 31 January 1909	18/02/1909	CE	1 file	A fortnightly report sent from the Home Department, Calcutta on 18 February 1909 to Arthur Godley, Under Secretary of State for India on the partition agitation and boycott movement in Bengal for the fortnight ending the 31 January 1909. 'Active boycotting of imported goods has almost ceased. The sale of country made articles however is said to be increasing rapidly. Two instances have been reported from Midnapore district in which shops selling foreign articles have been burned, it is suspected, by members of a <i>swadeshi</i> party. On the 28th January 1909, a <i>swadeshi</i> procession composed of about 15 youths from College Square paraded the streets singing songs. On the 30th idem a boycott meeting was held at Beadon Square. It was mainly attended by students and passed off quickly.'	Arthur Godley	Midnapore, Calcutta, bengal
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/929 , File 1207	House of Commons question on the disaffiliation of the Anglo-Bengali School because the headmaster protested against the partition of Bengal	01/04/1909	CE	1 file	Mr. O'Grady asked the Under secretary about the action of Sir John Hewett in asking the director of public instruction to disaffiliate the Anglo-Bengali School of which Nepal Chandra Roy was headmaster, on the ground that the said headmaster took part in a meeting to protest against the partition of Bengal. It also accompanied by a cutting from <i>Madras Weekly Mail</i> , dated March 11 which featured this news. The Under Secretary's answer was that he had no official information on the subject but he would enquire.	O'Grady, Nepal Chandra Roy	Bengal, Allahabad
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/933 , File 1401	Institute of Actuaries; requests information on the Swadeshi Life Assurance Co. of Bombay	07/04/1909	CE	1 file	The Asst Secretary of The Institute of Actuaries made an enquiry about the Swadeshi Life Assurance Company of Bombay to The Secretary, Judicial & Public Dept, India Office. The Dept replied that they had no information about the company.		Bombay

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/943 , File 2256	Alleged dismissal of Nepal Chandra Roy, Headmaster of the Anglo-Bengali School at Allahabad for taking part in a meeting protesting at the partition of Bengal	03/06/1909	CE	1 file	A copy of the report regarding the dismissal of the headmaster of Anglo Bengalee School of Allahabad Nepal Chandra Roy sent by H.A. Stuart, Secretary to the Govt of India to Arthur Godley, Under Secretary of State. . According to the report, the headmaster was previously warned by the secretary of the school. Yet he gave a fiery speech against the partition of Bengal in a political meeting held in Oct 1908. The Secretary under the instruction of the Director of Public Instructions relieved the headmaster from all duties at the end of the current session.	Nepal Chandra Roy, H.A.Stuart	Allhahabad
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/P/8153 pro. No. 10	Report on the National Schools in the Province of Eastern Bengal and Assam	10/08/1909	CE	1 file	A confidential report sent by P.C. Lyon, Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Eastern Bengal and Assam to the Secretary to the Govt. of India, Home Dept regarding the national schools in the Province.	Lyon, Sharp	Bengal

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/1076, File 1000	House of Commons question regarding the case of two students from the Maheshpur Higher education school, Jessore district, who were banished from school for two years for tying coloured threads round the wrists of four or five men during the last Rakhibandhan ceremony (i.e. disobeying the order prohibiting them from taking part in demonstrations against the partition of Bengal)	23/03/1911	CE	1 file	Mr. O'Grady asked the Under secretary about the the case of the case of two students from the Maheshpur Higher education school, Jessore district, who were banished from school for two years for tying coloured threads round the wrists of four or five men during the last Rakhibandhan ceremony. He wanted to know whether the action for which the boys were punished is a custom at these ceremonies, and if no violence or threats were used, the decree of punishment would be revoked. The Secretary answered that the school was a private institution aided by a grant from public funds. The secretary of the school issued a standing order for boys not to take part in movements & demonstration against the partition of Bengal. The managing committe of the school proposed 'only a trifling' fine of one rupee. The Inspector of Schools considered it inadequate & reported the matter to the Director of Public Instruction, who ordered the boys' promotion to be stopped for a year. So the news of the boys being banished for two years was incorrect.	O'Grady	Jessore

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/910 File 741	The Partition of Bengal; Three Extraordinary Government Circulars	10/10/2005	CE	1 file	Three circulars were issued by the Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal about the people's, and specifically the students' participation in the anti-partition and 'swadeshi' movement. Circular 1 was issued to the Magistrates to call and enroll the heads and teachers of academic institutions and enroll them as special constables who might 'recognise and 'identify' the boys who might offend'. Circular 2 was issued to the Director of Public Instructions, Eastern Bengal & Assam, and the Inspectors of Schools of Rajsahi, Dacca, and Chittagong Division. It empowered them to withdraw grant for the schools which would not take actions to prevent its students from participating any political protest against the partition and in favour of 'swadeshi' movement and also to identify disturbing students and debar them from all Govt. services. Circular 3 was issued to the Commissioner of Dacca Division, To make police arrangement along some roads to ensure that the English ladies driving were not insulted. It suggested no political meeting at public places, no sloganeering in processions to ensure no rudeness offered to Europeans and Musalmans.		Bengal, Chittagong

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/784 , File 3723	Progress of agitation against the partition of Bengal and the Swadeshi Movement	17/10/2006	CE	1 file	A fortnightly report sent from R.W. Carlyle, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Bengal to the Secretary to the Govt. of India, Home Dept. It was reported that trade had been slack independently of the Swadeshi Movement for the last 4/5 months. 'There have been attempts to prevent indenters placing orders for English goods and some shopkeepers in the New Market have abstained for a time; but they are now beginning to place orders for their Christmas stocks...Bengalis are buying clothes and other articles for the Pujas at Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Company and in shops selling European goods in Chandney Choke...There is a tendency, attributed to the leaflets about impurities in European sugar, towards the consumption of Indian refined sugar and others having resemblances to Indian refined, such as Java sugar, which ignorant consumers are unable to distinguish from Indian.'	R.W. Carlyle, Surendranath Banerjee, A.C. Banerjee	Calcutta, Bhagalpur, Asansol
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	Mss/Eur/C255 : 1911-1912	Sir John Jenkins Paper	1911-1912	CE	1 file	Collection of 13 letters to Sir John Jenkins from the Viceroy Lord Hardinge of Penshurst (11 letters) and Frank Lucas (2 letters) written between 10 June 1911 and 15 January 1912. Letter written on June 10, 1911 discusses clemency of political prisoners on the occasion of Durbar. Letter on 9 October 1911 says that the Viceroy is reluctant of taking any decision to acquit Bipin Chandra Pal from punishment: '...and it is as well that seditionists should be aware that Government does not forget, and that the arm of the law is long enough to reach them when they return to the country from which they have absconded'. Letter on 20 december is about the change of capital from Calcutta To New Delhi and the modification of the Partition: '...I am receiving shoals of telegrams from all parts of India, from the two Bengals and from Calcutta, containing resolutions passed at mass-meetings, some of them of Hindus and Mahomedans, expressing their warmest thanks for the administrative changes, and in particular for the modification of the partition and the transfer of the capital to Delhi'.	Lord Hardinge, John Jenkins, Bipin Chandra Pal, Frank Lucas	New Selhi, Calcutta, Bengal

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British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	Mss/Eur/F390/7	Copy of an extract from India Under Curzon on origin of proposal to partition Bengal and Government of India Secretariat proposals for re-drawing provincial boundaries (c1901-02), including Curzon's Round and round note criticising the Secretari	Unspecified	CE	1 file	The document is critical of the secretaries who allegedly kept the 'head of the Government' unaware of the developments pertaining to redistribution of different provinces. 'The movement which led to the partition of Bengal began in the most artless manner possible. When Sir Andrew Fraser sat down in February 1901 to write an innocent letter about a linguistic question, he could never have dreamed that he was setting in motion a sequence of events which was to lead...to a widespread agitation in the province of Bengal'. Carzon's famous statement: 'Round and round like the diurnal revolution of the earth went the file, stately, solemn, sure, and slow; and now, in due season, it has completed its orbit, and I have invited to register the concluding stage.'	Sir Andrew Fraser, Curzon	
British Library	India Office Records and Private Papers	IOR/L/PJ/6/709, File 413	Papers relating to the reconstitution of the provinces of Bengal and Assam	2 Feb 1905-9 Jan 1906	CE	1 file	The file contains two maps of Bengal one showing marking the redistributions of areas according to the initial proposal of the Partition, and the other one shows the same after the final proposal.		Bengal
British Library	Printed Collections	010803.de.37/4	Sir Henry Cotton. A Sketch of his life and his services to India [With a portrait]	1912	CE	1 book	Sir Henry Cotton, a British Parliamentarian, raised questions in the Parliament against the Partition, indirectly representing the views of the anti-partition activists. This made him popular among the Indians. This book, published from Madras, under the series 'Friends of India' was a tribute to him.	Sir Henry Cotton	Bengal, Madras