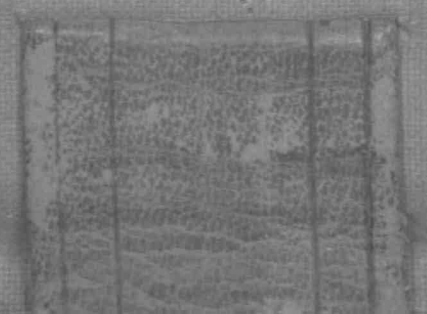


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Dear

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Read Letters / as entered in Mss. / 1804

from Lieutenant Capper at Chitumburum advising
of the Horse ^{having been} sent at Porto Novo

From the Jailkeeper at Poona:

enclosed with Account of Rice issued to that Garrison.

Dispatched the following letters—

To Major General Sir John Burgoyne Kt.
Sir

I am directed by the Right
Honble the President and Select Committee, to acknow-
ledge the receipt of your letter to them of the 18th
Instant, and to observe to you that after having
furnished you at your Request with the Substance
of the Charges to be brought against you, and having
consented also as far as depended upon them that
depositions taken here should be admitted, as if
the Evidence therein contained were given by Witnesses
present at the Court Martial nothing more
appears remaining to be done on their part either
for accelerating your Trial, or facilitating the
Means of your Defence.—

I am Sir

Yr.

(signed) John Huddleston

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To Governor Hatch

Sir

By your letter of the 25th
of—

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of last Month which I have Just now the honor
 of receiving. it appears that the Article of the Defi-
 nitive Treaty between the Courts of London and
 Versailles relative to the Restitutions to be made
 in India, had not been exactly communicated
 to you, as you suppose that such Article of restitu-
 tion on the part of France could relate only to
 such places taken from us as were still in the
 Actual possession of the Representatives of that
 Nation in India, But in Fact the Clause goes
 absolutely to the whole, and every part that was so
 taken without exception of any possession that might
 in the intermediate Interval have been delivered
 in to the hands of any other Power, and consequently
 the time during which your former Letter mentions
 such possession was to be held by you till His
 Most Christian Majesty's pleasure should be known
 or in the french expression *jusque a nouvel Ordre*
du Roi has expired by the Engagement of that
 Sovereign to restore to the English all that had been
 taken from them, including by necessary implica-
 tion, that part which after having been taken by
 the French was delivered to the Dutch, But as the
 Definitive Treaty between his Britannick
 Majesty and the States General is likely to take
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place soon; The occasion of any difference in opinion between this Government and yours will by such Treaty no doubt be effectually removed, The mistake on whichever Side it lies, will happily be of short and little consequence; The Moment I receive such Treaty with the necessary Instructions, that must accompany it, if it stipulates agreeably to the Preliminaries that Trincomalay is to be restored to your Nation I shall not avail myself of the Term of Six Months which may as in the French Treaty be allowed for such Restoration, but proceed immediately to restore it to you. But whatever might be the just interpretation of the words of the Preliminaries, I could not presume to alienate the possession of any Territory delivered to me for the use of the Company without Instructions from the Company for such Alienation; Tho' the Preliminaries with the States General were signed as soon as the Definitive Treaty with France; The Company's Instructions in consequence of such Treaty enjoining us to demand Trincomalay, and which Instructions had been communicated to the French Minister or any other Instructions hither to arrived make no mention of the Cession of that place -
from

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from us to you. Indeed I am not surprized that you should contend for the immediate possession of that place, as you suppose the words of the Preliminaries to be that the Restitution to us from France and to you from us was to be made at the same time, an expression plainly excluding any Interval between those Events, but in fact the word Time is not used either in the English or French Copy of the Preliminaries, but that of Epoch and Period which do not imply the same point of Time, but points of Time comparatively with what preceded, or times from whence new Comparisons were to begin: and applied to the present occasion are perfectly descriptive of an Agreement, that the Restitution by us is to take effect within as short a time after the ratification of Treaty with the States General, as it is to be made to us after the Ratification of our Treaty with France, with this Construction the omission of any orders to us to deliver Trincomalee to you before Definitive Treaty with your Nation is intrinsically consistent. But it is in the mean time my duty and my earnest inclination to renew and maintain with your Government and People that Harmony and

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and good understanding. which before the late rupture
had for so great a length of Time united our respec-
tive Nations, To these Sentiments are added those
of personal Consideration which your Character
commands, and with which I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient

Humble Servant

(Signed) J Macartney

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To Vice Admiral

Sir Edward Hughes Kt:

Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships
in India

Sir,

We have the honor to
acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated yesterday and
think it necessary to observe to you that we come to the
Determination of demanding Tancomalay from the
French because the Instructions of our Employers which
we have communicated to you have directed us to do so,
and that we have not determined to yield the Possession
of that Place, immediately on receiving it to the Dutch,
because we have received no Directions so to do, and the
positive injunction in the first Instance and the total
Concession in the Second, seem to leave no Alternation
but that of adopting the sense in which we suppose
it possible that the Preliminary Article with the
States

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States General was intended, But if the Intention were otherwise it cannot operate upon us until we shall receive Orders for carrying it into Execution, and it is upon this principle, and not merely upon any Interpretation of the Preliminaries that our Conduct is determined, With that Conduct it may be perfectly consistent to deliver over Trincomalay to the Dutch the Day after we shall be directed by our Employers to make that Restitution, for we request you to take notice that it has been our meaning that the English were to keep possession of Trincomalay for Six Months after the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty between Great Britain and the States General, and then, or as soon after as may be convenient to cede that Place to the Dutch, in which Sense our letter appears to have been understood by you: Our Letter mentions that the Words in the Preliminaries with the States General relative to the Restitution to them of Trincomalay were a description of an Intention to restore that Place within as short a time after a Definitive Treaty with them, as it was to be restored to the English after the Definitive Treaty with France, being within Six Months after such Treaties respectively, Such a Clause is declarative of the utmost Limit beyond which the Place is not to be retained after the ratification of the Definitive Treaty by
them

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those who are to restore it but does not prevent its Restoration immediately upon such ratification; our Letter refers to the Terms of the Definitive Treaty with France, in which so far from its being stipulated that the Place to be ceded are to be kept for Six Months after the Ratification, and to be ceded only then, or as soon after as may be convenient; That Definitive Treaty expressly provides for such Cessions taking Place within Six Months or sooner if possible. It may not however be absolutely impossible that in the Interval between the Date of the Preliminaries with the States General, of which we have had accounts some time since, and the Date of the Definitive Treaty with that Nation, of which as yet we have no account, new Arrangements may have been taken between the Contracting Parties that may make an alteration in the Proposed Restitution of Trincomalay by an absolute Cession of it to the English; The Possibility of such an Event may have induced our Employers to be so peremptory in their Instructions about demanding that Place from the French, and may have prevented them from authorising us to yield it over to the Dutch, But if the Definitive Treaty with the States General shall agreeably to the Preliminaries contain in regard to Trincomalay the

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the same Clause as is contained in the Treaty with France we shall not wait for the Expiration of Six Months to cede it to the Dutch, but shall proceed as far as may depend upon us to the Mutual Prestiditions with the same Dispatch with which we endeavored to execute the Treaty with France, the moment we received Instructions upon that Subject, and accordingly appointed before your Return from Bombay Commissioners on the Plan of what was done at the Conclusion of the preceding War and for the same Purpose. We found upon our Records relative to such former Occasions no authority or Precedent to warrant us in calling to our Councils any other Persons beside the Members of our Government, tho' in warlike operations we are warranted to advise and concert with the Commander of His Majesty's Fleet in these Seas and have accordingly often invited and have had the Pleasure of your Presence in our Councils. Our Instructions for receiving Possession of Trincomalay are directed to us only without any Clause or Expression authorizing a Joint Commission from you and us for the Purpose the Constitution of the Company's Government contains no Provision of that kind but we do not

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not mean to discuss the Expediency of such a measure
If our Employers had thought proper to adopt
it, we should have cheerfully conformed to it.

We shall avail ourselves of the
Consent you are pleased to give, as to the Transport
of 150. Men with their Officers to Trincornalay
on board one of His Majesty's line of Battle
Ships, now in this Road, provided Nothing shall
happen to alter a new, the Intention of the Marquis
De Bussy to execute the Treaty by restoring that
Place to us - As soon as the Account of Colonel
Dalrymple's sailing for Trincornalay from
Candicherry which may be hourly expected shall
arrive here It shall be communicated to you,
and the Troops abovementioned shall be immedi-
ately ready to embark —

We have &c

(Signed) Macartney &c

Select Committee

Received the following letter —

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney &c
President and Governor &c Select Committee
at Fort St George.

My Lord and Gentlemen

We last had the
honor

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17th honor of addressing you on the 10th Ultimo. since
when by advices received under the 3^d Instant
from General Macleod of the 16th and 17th Ultimo
we learn that the Detachments of his Majesty's
Troops as well British as Electoral, with the
remains of the Carnatic Battalion were actu-
ally embarked on board of the Squadron on the
13th and we hope they will meet with a safe and
Speedy passage to Madras.

We have approved of the General's
conduct in thus acting up to the Spirit of our
former Orders and fixed intentions without
waiting for our further instructions in answer to
the requisition of your Commissioners which
altho' they were dispatched on the evening of the
day on which Copy of the Treaty had reached us
could not then have arrived at Tellicherry.

We were compelled by an unavoid-
able necessity derived from our utter inability to
maintain them embodied to break up our army
whatever might prove the consequences and from
the same strong cause it is we have been forced
to proceed to an immediate reduction of the Troops
of this Presidency from sixteen Battalions of
Sepoys to nine and dismissing two Companies of
Orature

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Native Artillery and a Local corps doing duty at
Surat, even before we can foresee whether the peace so
lately concluded will be permanent and lasting —

The Intrepid with the Party
thousand Rupees we had sent down to enable the
General to discharge the arrears due to the ^{King's troops} ~~the King's troops~~ and
Commissioned Officers declining to accept of Trans-
fers on our Treasury in payment while at a
discount of between forty and 50 Cents General
Haddock was vindicated in the measures he pursued
by granting Certificates to your Government of the
arrears due and Subjoining Bills on the Honble
the Governor General and Council for the respective
Amounts, should it be inconvenient for your
Lordship &c to discharge the former —

We flatter ourselves that if the
exigencies of your own affairs will permit you to
have rendered us this essential assistance which
would afford us the highest Satisfaction, as
it is our most ardent wishes — every Justice
may be rendered to his Majesty's Troops with
whose gallantry and conduct We have every
reason to be satisfied, while serving under the
immediate orders of this Presidency —

Not anything but our
present situation, distressed beyond all description.
for

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17th for want of funds could have obliged us to allow the King's Troops to quit this Coast one day in arrears, as we imagine it may not be in the power of your Government to make the requisite advances, we have urged it in the most pressing manner to the Supreme Council that due honor should be paid to the Drafts of General Mackod on this occasion, and we flatter ourselves our hopes will not be disappointed, and that all the Bills will be discharged—

In our Presidents congratulatory Letter to Tippoo Saib on the Peace, wherein our firm intentions of preserving it inviolate are explicitly declared, purpointed instructions to our Chief and Factors at Fillicherry not on any pretence to act as intermediaries between the Nabob and the Malabar Princes, so expressly concluded in the Treaty as his allies, or to afford them, or their Families publick protection within the Company's limits, and above all in removing the Army from the Coast, the Nabob must have the most convincing proofs of the sincerity of the intentions of this Government and that we were resolved not to give him the shadow of a plea for any infraction of the Treaty on his part while we kept up to the spirit of it on ours—

We have no farther Intelligence
from.

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17th from Europe since the arrival of the Bombay
 Grah from Busorah, or any occurrence of
 importance to acquaint you with, we shall partic-
 cularly observe any communications you may
 make to us respecting the carrying the Definitive
 Treaty between Great Britain and France into
 final execution, agreeable to the instructions
 we have been honored with by the Supreme Council
 on this Subject —

We have the honor to remain

My Lord and Gentlemen
 Your humble and most
 Obedient Servants —

Rth Hth Boddam

John Foster
 Robt. Sparks

Bombay Castle

2nd May 17th

/ Signed /

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Received letter / as entered in M^{ss} / N^o 14, 13,

From the Storekeeper at Boomamala

enclosing a Return of Military Stores in that Garrison
 for the month of May last —

From Col: Pearce at Rajahmugur

acquainting that the Detachment under his Command
 having resumed their March —

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From P^{riest} Sheen renewing

his application to go to Bombay —

Dispatched letter / as entered in M^{ss} / N^o /

to Sir Edward Hughes enclosing a Copy of a Note
 received from the Chief Engineer to the Town Major
 respecting the building of a Naval Hospital on
 the Island —

& At

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At a Select Committee present
The Right Honble George Lord. Macartney K^t
Anthony Sadler Esq. Lieutenant General Lang
Alexander Davidson Esq. Robert Mounsell Esq.
The Minutes of last Committee read and approved

The President delivers in the following Minute on the
Letter from the Nabob read at the meeting of the 12th
Instant

Observations on the Nabob Wallajah's
Letter of the 7th June 1784

While the Nabob continues to address his
Letters to this Government in English, I conceive we can
scarcely with propriety make any Answers to them, since
it is altogether impossible for us to know whether even a
Single Syllable or Sentiment is dictated by the Nabob
himself. We have every reason indeed to suppose the
contrary, and with this impression upon our minds it
would not only be imprudent but highly inconsistent
with our Character and trust to furnish by our
Answers the means of upholding the pernicious Vice
of Faction and Intrigue —

The writer of the Present Letter from
the Nabob Contented himself with repeating &
(over)

President's Minute
The Nabob's letter
written by an English
Language difficulty
of knowing whether
the Contents are
his own Sentiments

the most
commendable part of
our management viz.
retrenching of charges
Propriety of checking
the Nabob's designs
of establishing a
Military force, he
must have been paid
nearly the sixth
of His Reverence

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over and over again what has been over and over again answered the former Claims of His Highness upon the Company however ^{well} founded have been amply repaid by the inviolable and powerful protection he has received from Us — The Merit he derives from the Assignment of his Revenues is entirely done away by the opposition and Intrigue which he raised against it, after it was granted while the Benefit arising to the Carnatic from this Assignment remains and incontestable proof of its necessity and of the Shameful Mismanagement of the Revenues when under the controul of His Highness —

The Nabob in the usual Spirit of all his Complaints blames those Regulations in the Conduct of the Assignment by which alone it could be made productive in any degree. The Reduction of useless Expences was the only means of obtaining any Revenue, yet this reduction is mentioned as an intolerable grievance The Nabob had rather see his Revenue squandered in useless parade than applied to the essential Service of the Country, All that he says upon this topic betrays a weakness and incapacity too palpable to need any Comment —

This the Writer of the Nabob Letter would wish to have it believed that His Highness labors

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labors under the most poignant distress for want of Money. yet it is very well known that he has no Just Cause for such a Representation, It would be very difficult indeed for His Highness to show how it is possible for him to have spent in his Honourable Charges the sums he has already received on Account of his Sixth part of the Revenue. But if the Nabob Chose to apply a considerable part of this Fund to the maintenance and Increase of a Military Force under the command of his Second Son, and to other purposes totally foreign to his own wants, and inconsistent with the Security of the Company and himself, would it be prudent to appropriate any further part of the Revenue to make up deficiencies so incurred, and can ~~the~~ the Nabob with Justice complain of distress while he misapplies the money that would not only relief but support him at least as amply and as honorably as the present exigencies will permit. or as he, knowing the public distresses & occasioned by the War, ought to require —

Whether the Nabob has received exactly the Sixth part of what has been collected from the Country to this day cannot be ascertained until the Accounts are made up

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up. The deficiency however if any must be small and at the end of the present year of the Collection or 12th July next this Account will be cleared, In the mean time the advances made to the Nabob for his Sixth, keep pace with the probable Collections, and at the close of the last year amounted to more than his assumed Share — It was my wish to have furnished the Nabob regularly with an Account of the Receipts, but in the Confusion of the War and the difficulty of communication with any part of the Country this was found totally impracticable, Such an Account may now be made out with a degree of accuracy and to a very late period, and I would, and I would propose that the Committee of Assigned Revenue be directed to prepare one to be laid before the Nabob as soon as possible —

The Committee entirely concur with the President in the foregoing Observations and are clearly of opinion that while the Nabob continues to give his Sanction to such Letters they should be entered upon the records without any Comment or remark whatsoever —

Read the following Letter from General Campbell —

The —

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The Right Honble the President & Select Comm^{rs}
of Fort St. George

My Lord and Gentlemen

From General Campbell
respecting Country
Money, cannot
authorise the Pay^{rs}
of Corps to draw
upon the Regimental
Agents who have
more no money
to answer such
Demands

I have had the honor to receive
a Letter from your Secretary of the 15th Instant, convey-
ing your Answer to the Requisition of the Discharged
men of His Majesty's Troops.

It being a Subject not only
of the most serious importance to his Majesty's Service
but necessarily involving the Commanding Officer
in a certain degree of responsibility, I have lost no
time in Communicating to your Lordships & my
further Sentiments on it.

Your Lordships &c must be sufficiently
Appraised that it is totally out of my power, to avail
myself of the advice you are pleased to give, that I should
direct the Paymasters of the ^{different} Regiments to draw on the
respective Agents for the Sum so required. The Agents
have long since signified to the several Paymasters
that they can in future answer no Bills drawn from
hence on any Regimental Account, no
Money on such Account now passing thro
their hands; The Regiments serving in India
being no longer included in the usual estimates
and consequently not provided for by parliament.

It is my Duty to add that
He

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His Majesty's Service being considered at home, to have ^{no} other resource than the Treasury of the Company in India, and having in Effect no other, if this is with held. the Service must proportionably Suffer and the intentions of His Majesty Conveyed thro' His Secretaries of State and War. be unavoidably defeated.

His Majesty's 70th Regiment in particular, which by the last Arrangement is ordered to remain in India will by this measure become immediately non Effectives, as the men, unless induced to enlist by an advance of the usual Bounty, must in Compliance with His Majesty's orders be Discharged and consequently sent to Europe.

I have the honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most Obedient humble Servant

(Signed) Allan Campbell

Major Genl Comd^g His Majesty's Forces in India for the time being

Madras
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The distress under which we labor for want of money tho' it must be apparent to every man in this Community, who observes and reflects upon the objects and Incidents before his Eyes, seems not to enter into the consideration of any Individual

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Individual who has ^{either} occasion or opportunity to make a pecuniary demand upon the Company. —

The demand is made with as much confidence as if the complying with it depended solely on the Inclination of Government; and if not complied with, the failure is attributed to want of that

Inclination. — Agreed that the President at Tanjore be directed to use his Endeavors to procure, for Colonel Stuart and the other Officers commanding the King's Regiments, which are to remain here, such Sums of Money for Bills to be granted here upon the Company at the usual Exchange as may be necessary to enable them to enlist such of the non Commissioned Officers and privates of the Regiments / ^{the the the} 90th 100th 101st & 102^d which are to go home as ^{they} may prefer staying in this Country. — the money to be paid to the person acting to the Southward as the Deputy of Mr Burke, his Majesty's Paymaster General in India, whose receipt for the Sums must be transmitted to us with the Names of the persons in whose favor the Bills are to be drawn and to whom they are to be delivered. —

Resolved that the following

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following answer he returned by the Secretary to
the above Letter from General Campbell—

To Major General Campbell

Commanding his Majesty's Troops
in India

Sir

I am directed by the Right Hon^{ble}

the President and Select Committee to acknowledge your
Letter of yesterday's date, and to assure you in answer,
that no assistance shall be withheld that is in their
power to afford, for the object in question, or any other
that regards his Majesty's Troops. but such is the state
of the Company's finances at this Settlement that
the Select Committee can only offer his Majesty's
Officers to the Southward, Bills on the Company
at the usual exchange for whatever Summs they may
be able to procure for the purpose of reenlisting the
discharged men of His Majesty's Troops. Orders will be
accordingly be sent to the Resident at Tanjore, who
will also be directed to endeavor himself to obtain money
for the King's Troops, for Bills which will be granted
here on the Company—

The Select Committee are
willing to adopt the same mode to furnish you with
Money for reenlisting the discharged men that are
here, and they direct me to signify to you their
Opinion that it is necessary that the men who may
choose—

To Gen^l Campbell,
The Committee to
give Bills on the
Company in place
of enlisting money,
the men of the 73^d
who refuse to enlist
to proceed on the
Barrington a part
of the 53^d ordered
to the Presidency

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chuse to stay in India should enlist in the Infantry Regiments, because the Company have not horses to mount the 23^d Regiment of Dragoons with horses to N^o wanting, nor is there a prospect of their being able to purchase any for some time, and the permitting that Regiment to be completed would therefore occasion a useless expence.

The Select Committee request you will be pleased to issue orders for the men of his Majesty's 73^d Regiment, who intend to proceed to Europe, to embark for that purpose on the Company's Ship *Berrington*, which sails for Bengal on Tuesday next, that they may be proceeded by the earliest Ships, from thence for England.

I am also directed to request that you will be pleased to give orders for as many men of his Majesty's 52^d Regiment, as with the 50 embarked on the *swallow*, will amount to 3 complete Companies, to be in readiness to proceed to the Presidency at a short notice in order to embark for *Tornicomaller*.

I have the honor to be

Sir Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Hudleston
Surgeon

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The President deliver in the following

Minutes

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Minutes on Mr Invern's reports on the Accounts
of Mr Proctor and Mr Light

Minute in Committee June 19th 1784

Altho it is a considerable time
Since the papers, relative to Mr Proctor and Mr
Light, have been received from the Southward, yet
such have been the Weight and Variety of other
business, pressing upon the Government, that it
was impossible for me to examine into the Charges
against these Gentlemen till within these few days,
since the Dispatch of the Tortoise —

I have carefully perused the Papers,
and beg leave to Submit to the consideration of the
Committee the remarks which I have made and
the Opinions which I have formed upon them —

The Charges exhibited against Mr
Proctor are —

- 1st That he obliged the Printer to take receipts for
the Revenue paid into his hands at 1½ Gold Fanams
for each Pagoda, more than the Current Exchange.
- 2^d That he did, in the Month of July 1782,
alter the established measure for Grain — that he
had served the Sepoys with that altered measure
and offered Mr Light Grain for Garrison Store
at a measurement 1½ measures less than he
received it.
- 3^d That he Secretly communicated to the Printer
Sutapa

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Extract. Moodely the Contents of a Letter from the Select Committee, addressed to Mess^{rs} Right Broctor and Bilecliffe / directing them to Sequester the Effects of the former Printer / by which means the Object of that Letter was supposed to have been frustrated

In support of the 1st Charge, an attested Statement is produced from the Puckers Records - stating the difference between Mr Broctor's Receipts and the Bazar Rates of Exchange, by which it appears that from October 1784. to the end of February 1789. the difference or Loss on the Cash paid into his hands, is 6⁰⁰ N^o Bag^{ts} 11 1782 and a Fraction. - That from November 1784 to the end of July 1782. the difference on the Grain delivered by the Printer, appears by the same Account to be 6⁰⁰ N^o Bagodas 29 1/2. and a fraction and the difference on the Grain sent into the Garrison of Calamcottah for the use of the Troops, appears to be Chuchrams 10. 6 1/2. 1/2.

This Charge is farther supported by the Evidence of Mameacaul Birmall Cilly and Steamowas raw Cicherry Servants Soubiraw, and Captain Bilecliffe the Commandant of Calamcottah -

Mr Broctor in vindication
of

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of himself upon this charge, says, that in respect of
 " Money from the Revenues of this Country, it
 " has always been usual for the Rentier to settle
 " for the Exchange, at a rate above that fixed by
 " him in the Bazar / which is regulated for
 " retail and small dealings only / from the diffi-
 " culty of exchanging any considerable quantity of
 " Tanams for Pagodas the risk of Loss by the
 " Fluctuation of Exchange. - Bankruptcies and
 " Frauds of Shroffs. besides the Brokerage &
 " which is allowed them. He then mentions the
 difficulties of procuring Pagodas in the Country,
 and observes, that the Rentier was sensible of this
 and pleaded it in excuse for not paying his Rent
 in Pagodas which he / Mr Crocker / had repea-
 tedly desired him to do and had even sent Tanams
 to him in the Cutcherry to be returned in Pagodas.
 That the Exchange for the money received on
 Account of the Company was settled and agreed
 to at the Cutcherry after full Examination and
 Enquiry thereon at the rate that appeared most
 equitable and necessary in the presence of the
 Rentier and Principal Servants, and the
 Whasool Issued or Certificate signed with
 their

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their respective Names was given agreeably thereto. He also produces the Evidence of some Witnesses to prove that his Dubash Verderauza had carried Tamams to the Cutcherry and desired Trimalappa the Printer to take them on terrie and pay the Money in Pagodas.

After the most attentive perusal of the whole Evidence for and against this Charge I have no doubt in my own mind of the truth of the Facts alledged in support of it. The Cutcherry Accounts prove the difference of Exchange. The Evidence and the repeated Complaints made by the Printer himself confirm it. Mr Croctor in his defence does not deny the Charge. He does not deny that he acquired an advantage by the difference. His sending Tamams two or three times to the Printer to be returned in Pagodas is no proof that he gave his Receipts at the Current Exchange and the whasol Turned or Certificate which he obtained from the Printer will weigh but little against the attested Accounts of the Cutcherry and the Evidence of support of them, or against the repeated Complaints made by the Printer himself concerning Mr Croctors receipts both in his Letters to the Government and

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in his Conversations with Captain Bilcliffe and M^r Light - The difficulty of procuring Pagodas which M^r Broctor mentions as a reason for the Exchange being Commonly fixt at a higher rate than in the Bugar, can never be admitted, unless M^r Broctor had proved that the difference between the Exchange specified in his receipts and the Bugar Exchange was actually expended in the purchase of Pagodas which he has not attempted to do in his defence, or in any of his Accounts with the district -

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their respective names was given agreeably thereto. He also produces the Evidence of some Witnesses to prove that his Dubash Verderauza had carried Tamams to the Cutcherry and desired Tinnialappa the Printer to take them on time and pay the Money in Bagodas.

After the most attentive perusal of the whole Evidence for and against this Charge I have no doubt in my own mind of the truth of the Facts alledged in support of it. The Cutcherry Accounts prove the difference of Exchange. The Evidence and the repeated Complaints made by the Printer himself confirm it. Mr Crocker in his defence does not deny the Charge. He does not deny that he acquired an advantage by the difference. His sending Tamams two or three times to the Printer to be returned in Bagodas is no proof that he gave his Receipts at the Current Exchange and the Whasob Turn or Certificate which he obtained from the Printer will weigh but little against the attested Accounts of the Cutcherry and the Evidence of support of them, or against the repeated Complaints made by the Printer himself concerning Mr Crocker's receipts both in his Letters to the Government and

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House, this. Mercat was examined in presence of
 Captain Bilecliffe, Captain Halcott, and Mr. Butler
 who all gave it as their opinion that this Mercat
 had not been altered; but Captain Halcott, in
 answer to a Letter written him by Mr. Light, on
 the Subject of this Examination, says, this
 opinion went only to Mr. Proctor's own Mercat
 and not to clear him of having altered the Mercat
 formerly used at Ballamcottah. — He then says
 "I think it therefore incumbent on me as well
 "in Justice to the Seapoy's I then Commanded,
 "as because I think my opinion, then given,
 "has been misapplied, to declare that, upon a trial
 "of Mr. Proctor's Mercat by Mr. Butler and myself
 "suff. a day or two after the meeting at Captain
 "Bilecliffe's House before mentioned we found his
 "Mr. Proctor's Mercat smaller than the old
 "established Measure of Ballamcottah by a
 "Mercat in a Cottah of 24. Mercat's Consequence
 "by the Troops were losers of near 5 Per Cent
 "in all their payments issued in Grain" — Old
 Letter from Captain Halcott 19th January
 Appendix —

This Evidence is very strong
 yet it may be proper to take notice of two
 Circumstances

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Circumstances, which, if they do not vindicate Mr Proctor, make Mr Light and Captain Bidecliffe partakers in the blame due to this transaction. The Mereal used by Mr Proctor, was chopped with the initial Letters of Captain Bidecliffe. ^{namely} ~~this must have been done with Capt Bidecliffe's knowledge.~~ If it were short measure, why was this sanction given to it and why was Mr Proctor suffered to use it so long? Again, Mr Light's Storekeeper, was the proper person to receive the Grain from Mr Proctor, and issue it to the Troops. If the Measures used by Mr Proctor were deficient why did not Mr Light object at the time of receiving the Grain? why did he grant Receipts for it and why was it issued to the Sepoys at this short Measure? It was not Mr Proctor's but Mr Light's Duty to ^{therefore Mr Proctor measured the Grain by a short Mereal, why did not Mr Light} ~~correct it if he was issuing it to the Sepoys~~ deliver the Grain to the Sepoys protesting against Mr Proctor for the difference, which might have easily been adjusted? The doubts expressed in the above Questions seem not to have been sufficiently cleared up in the Examination taken by Mr Town.

The Statement of Grain received from the Renter and sent to the Garrison by Mr Proctor / as taken from the Cutcherry Records / seems to prove that it was delivered by -

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by Mr. Proctor at a shorter measure than that at which he received it vizt

Grain sent to the Garrison	Grain as Mr. Proctor's Collection, more
by Mr. Proctor from the Collection, m. m.	Receipts to the Renter. 22755. 25.
Dubash - - - - - 27567. 1. 6	which at 24 th 1/16. After Coll. 10614. 3. 1/2
Bullock him. - - - - - 2062. 13. 6 1/2	is - - - - - Difference - - - - - 19614. 3. 1/2
29.225. 15. 1 1/2	Chuchums
@ 20 1/2. V. Coll. is 63114. 1 1/2.	63114. 1. 1/2

With regard to the 3^d Charge against Mr. Proctor, it rests chiefly on the Evidence of one Saubiah, who says, he was informed by Tetrapa Moodely that Mr. Proctor had communicated to him / Tetrapa / the Receipt of a Letter from the Governor, directing that his Person, Servants, and Effects should be seized. - and that Mr. Proctor and his Dubash, together with one Nellascere Mooditier, were present: but this Evidence is overturned by that of the Dubash and of Nellascere, who declare that such a Transaction never passed in their presence. - Upon the whole therefore I think this 3^d Charge is unsupported and falls to the ground.

Having in the foregoing remarks touched on the principal parts of the Evidence against Mr. Proctor, and given my opinion upon the several Charges, I shall proceed to observe that as Mr. Proctor was appointed to an

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an Officer of great Trust, with adequate Allowances for his trouble in the Execution of it, he ought to have benefited himself, in any shape whatever, beyond those Allowances. — That the advantage made by him in the Exchange of Fanams was unwarrantable, as the Loss by the difference, tho' sustained in the first Instance by the Rentor, has fallen ultimately upon the Company: to whom both the late Timolappa & Moodely and his Successor, or Tetrapa Moodely, are considerably indebted. — That Mr. Broctor had not the plea even of Custom or Usage for any such perquisites, being himself the first person that was appointed to the Office he held in the Tinnevelly Country. — indeed the very Idea of such an advantage, by way of perquisite, must appear extravagant when it is observed, that, by a Statement entered in the Proceedings of the Enquiry, the difference between the Exchange at which Mr. Broctor gave his Receipts, and the Current Exchange would have amounted to 20,000. Chackrams upon the yearly Amount of the Revenues of the Tinnevelly Country. — I consider therefore the Sums Acquired by Mr. Broctor under this head —

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head, to be altogether unjustifiable, and am of opinion that the whole ought to be instantly refunded to the Company.

In regard to the advantage, said to have been acquired by Mr. Broctor's alteration of the Mercall, as there is strong ground in the Evidence, to conclude that the Mercall used by him, had the Chop of the Commanding Officer affixed to it in Testimony of its being of the proper standard, and that it was not altered if it was so chopped. the guilt or Innocence of Mr. Broctor seems to turn upon this point, whether he himself made any advantage or not by the Measurement of the Grain? Captain Bidcliff's Chop affixed to the Mercall after a fair Trial of it, might be esteemed a sufficient authority to Mr. Broctor for using it, were not the Declaration of Captain Halcut, extracted from his Letter to Mr. Pight, so very positive that the Mercall, notwithstanding Captain Bidcliff's Chop, was smaller than the established measure by a Mercall, in Ballah of 24. Mercalls - or near 5 grs Cent as appeared on a trial made by Mr. Butler and himself. If Mr. Broctor will declare upon Oath that

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that he used the same Measure in delivering the Grain to Mr. Light, that was employed in receiving it from the Printer, or that he made no advantage himself by the Measurement of the Grain. I shall consider the Charge as altogether groundless. If not, the declaration of Captain Flacott, must be admitted in proof that the Measure used by Mr. Broctor was not of the proper Standard.

This is all I have to say or propose at present, regarding Mr. Broctor, and if the other Gentlemen of the Select Committee should agree in the remarks and opinions I have entered on the Subject of the Enquiry, I would recommend that the whole be sent to Mr. Broctor, in the form of Minutes and Resolutions of the Committee with an Account to be prepared by the Accountant of the Committee of Assigned Revenue, from the Proceedings of the Enquiry of the Sums to be refunded by Mr. Broctor to the Company.

As Mr. Broctor left the Tinnevely Country without discharging the Balance established against him, upon the Examination of his Accounts, with the Districts of Madurai and Tinnevely. I would also recommend that the

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the immediate payment of this Balance to demand
 of him; agreeably to the Account Transmitted
 to Mr. Irwin.

(Signed) Macartney

Minute in Committee June 19th 1702

Mr. Broctor's Charges against
 Mr. Light, consist of various representations made
 in his Letters to the Governor, while he was employed
 in collecting the Revenues, of which he produces
 as the ground work of the Enquiry to be made by
 Mr. Irwin.

These Representations, as will
 appear on reference to them, are in General loose and
 seem to rest much more on the Information of
 others, than on his own personal Knowledge.
 He does not charge Mr. Light specifically with
 having done so and so, but grounds his accusation
 chiefly upon Hearsay. The Information he
 communicates, tends to shew.

1st that Mr. Light erected a Shop at Tinnivelly
 for the purpose of transacting a
 Country business and negotiating a Permittance of
 50,000 Pagodas to Madras, for the Printer Tri-
 moleppa. Moodely. 2^d He says he was informed
 that the Moodelyar had paid Mr. Light or
 means to pay him a considerable sum of
 Money

Mr. Broctor's Letter
 to the Governor 19th
 July 1702.

Ditto Ditto 24 July 1702

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Money on account of Beshcash, that he recovered from different Polygars. Altho he paid no part of the said Beshcash to him / Mr. Procter / on account of the Company.

Letter to the Governor
8th July 1782.

3^{dly} He says the Prenter continually pressed him, to let Tunkaw's issue on the Crop for the pay of the Sibbendy Sepoy's, in order as he / the Prenter frequently told him / to serve. Mr. Pight by getting the Sepoy's to give up part of their Tunkaw's in that case on the Crop to Mr. Pight. and to take out Balances of his, on the Country, in lieu thereof. 4^{thly} He says he was informed that Tinnoleppa. Moodely was giving Securities to Mr. Pight on all the Circar Balances for the payment of his outstanding Concerns on account as he / Mr. Procter / understands of Mr. Pight's having promised the said Tinnoleppa Billa or money in part of 50,000 Porto Novo Bagadas, which he the said Tinnoleppa had engaged to pay to the Company within One. Month after he was confirmed in his Prentership.

Letter to the Governor
8th July 1782 -
to the Select Committee
20th August 1782 -

Mr. Procter's Letter
20th August 1784

5^{thly} He says, Mr. Pight, as he is informed, received from or by means of the Prenter since his Appointment the Sum of 15,000 Chuchrunas in

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in ready Money and Barawah Chitts, or promissory
Notes, to the same Amount, for the Payment of
whereof, Securities or Engagements are, as he
/ Mr. Proctor / understands given as the Revenue
of the Country

Such is the Substance of the
particular charges against ^{Mr. Light} ~~Mr. Light~~ taken
from the Extracts, produced by Mr. Proctor, and
his own Letters: to which he adds in general
the prejudice occasioned by Mr. Light's Outstand-
-ing Concerns in the Tinnevely Country, and his
own want of power to check them.

In regard to ^{the} 1st Charge, it seems
supported in general, by Hearsay and supposition
Evidence, and to be disproved by the Testimony of
all or most of the Gentlemen, residing at Balasore
cottah, and several of the Natives, who declare
they never knew nor heard of the Circumstances
alleged in the Charge. — With respect to the
2^d Charge, the only Witness I can find
examined upon it, is Nalla Berrah Chetty Coor
Shroff, who being asked if he paid any money
to Mr. Light or Buseush, received from the Ballygan
by order of Innellappa. Modely, Answered, that
he

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he never paid, from the Polygar Bircush, any money. but he paid 3200 Chuckrooms at Mr. Light's Garden house, - from the Country. Mr. Light in his defence upon this Article, says, "it may be excepted here to explain the Account given by Mella: Submalle Chetty. Timmalappa. Moodely's Gomastah and Servants at the Presidency, had been so much distressed as repeatedly to apply to my Attorney Mr. Mitford for small Sums of money for their immediate Subsistence. I had myself likewise drawn on him for trifling Sums in favor of Gopaul Row to the Amount together of 800 Bagodas, as Timmalappa Moodely's people wanted Monthly Subsistence. he had at different times placed to the Amount of 3000 Chuckrooms in my hands for that purpose upon Receipt of the Board's Letter of the 13th September. I returned 1350 Chuckrooms on that Account to Tetappa Moodely and took his Receipt." This Receipt is entered on the Proceedings -

In regard to the 3^d Charge it appears by the Evidence produced, that an order was given on Mr. Light's Balances of 1770. for the Sum of 10,000 Chuckrooms on Account

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Account of the pay of the Sibbendy - in consideration of which, Mr Light was to receive the Amount in Money. but it also appears by the Deposition of Commaradeen, Commandant of the Sibbendy, that Mr Broctor was present when the Printer said he would give the Order on Mr Light's Balances. Another witness deposes to the same Effect. and from the whole of the Evidence brought upon this Subject, it is pretty clear that this Measure, so much complained of by Mr Broctor, in his representations to the Presidency, had the Satisfaction of his Concurrence at the time it happened.

On the 4th and 5th Charges the principal Evidence is given by Mr Broctor's Dubash Vella Seva, Moodely, head Amicopoly to the Company, Comara Saumy Vackeell to Mr Broctor, and Comara Saumy, who declare, that they heard from the Printer that he was negotiating with Mr Light for a Remittance to Madras and other Accounts. ^{And the said witnesses deposed that the said Securities} had given him Securities by the Printer's own Account amounted to upwards of 30,000 ⁴ Chukrams. Mr Broctor after producing a variety of Evidence upon this Subject, delivers an Account of Money, stated as having been paid to or on

Account

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Account of . Mr. Light, from the Government
Share of the Revenue of the Tinnevely Country
from the Beahnum Crop of the year 1783. amounting
to Chackrams 57,459. 5¹/₁₆ - The particulars
of this Account he explains in a Minute entered
on the Proceedings -

. Mr. Crocker then Produces
Evidence to prove the Authenticity of the Account
and the Items charged in it -

. Mr. Light in his defence brings
Witnesses to prove that he declined giving Tinnor
leppa. Moodily any Bills upon Madras, unless
he could procure the Governor's leave for that
purpose - He also produces a Letter from Tri:
malappa to him to shew that no one had
promised Bills when that Letter was written
^{in his defence he says} [the 12th July 1782.] "Tho I have called on
" Tinnoleppa. Moodily's principal and confidential
" Servants to prove I never promised him a Bill
" for 50,000 Pagodas without the Consent of
" Government, yet I place my dependence on the
" Letter wrote to the Right Honble President
" by Tinnoleppa. Moodilari, giving an Account
" of my Refusal - that of Mr. Dott's and
" other Saucars without a Topplef or Order from
" Government, and in the exact Sum of 30,000
Chackrams

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"Chuckrams. Mr. Broctor has attempted to prove
"was received by me, being paid to himself, or his
"assistant. Mr. Capen on account of 50,000
"Pagodas" —

In regard to the Charge of Mr. Light's having received a large Sum on account of his private Concerns from the Beshanum Crop of 1784, which was assigned to the Company. Mr. Light in his defence, goes so far back as the year 1780, to account for the nature of his Concerns in that Country. He says that "he raised 25,000 Pagodas that year to relieve the distresses of Government, and raised Orders upon the Finnevelly Country, under the sanction of Government, that every small sum was collected upon these Orders till January 1781. From that time untill the Month of July he collected Chuckrams 21,000, 5. 42, when his Account was adjusted and for the Balance, he took a Circar Bond. He declares that no part of the Beshanum Crop of 1784, was received by him, and produces a Certificate, signed by the President and his Secretary, to that Effect: and making themselves Answerable for any part of the Money found to be collected from that Crop. — Mr. Light also produces an Order given him by Mr. Broctor's Dubash

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Dubash Vindapah directed to two of the Company's
Tasildars. desiring them to assist him all in their
power to collect any Balances he might have on the
Country for the years 1778 & 1779. and not to stop any
Money that might be due to him from Securities on
the Car Crop of 1780. This Order is acknowledged
by Vindapah and it appears that he gave similar
Orders to Mr. Dott and others to collect their
Balances. Mr. Light also produces Evidence to
prove that while Mr. Crocker was Complaining
of the prejudice occasioned by the Interference of a
private Concerns he had Authority, amply sufficient
to have put a Stop to those Concerns, and to have
received the full Revenues of the Country. In his
Defence too he takes Notice of the Extraordinary
Omission of Mr. Crocker in not calling upon the
Sheristadars for the year 1780. to prove the Authen-
ticity of the Account he had delivered in; and observes
that this he / Mr. Crocker / had demanded that
his / Mr. Light's / Accounts should be made out
from the Public Records, yet he neither examined
the Sheristadars or called upon Mr. Javari for the
Accounts he at first required —

Such appears in my mind to be
the Chief Substance of the Enquiry concerning
Mr.

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Mr Right; upon which I have to remark. 1st
That in the Representations made by Mr Crocker,
in his Letters to the Governor and Select Committee,
he has charged some things and insinuated others
^{Mr Right} against which are far from being proved by the Evidence
produced on the Enquiry —

2. That altho the private Concerns of Mr Right
might and no doubt, did operate to the prejudice of
the Company's Interest, yet it does not appear that
Mr Crocker exerted the means which he possessed
to prevent and discourage such Transactions; on
the Contrary the Letters given to Mr Right by
Verdapah / (Mr Crocker's Dubash) addressed
to the different Taspildars, ordering them to assist
him in the Recovery of his old Balances, and the
Sanction given by Mr Crocker to the Transfer of
Mr Right's Balances to the Sibbendy for pay
entirely over turn all the Representations on
this head. Mr Crocker complains that he
wanted power sufficient to Check the evil
tendency of Mr Right's Concerns at the very time
that he was employing his Authority to Counter-
mand and assist them —

3^{dly} Tho Mr Crocker has failed in bringing
Sufficient proof of what he has Specifically
(charged)

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charged against. Mr. Right, yet enough is produced to shew that Mr. Right has been every culpable in carrying on any dealings whatever, in the Country &c. without the Sanction of this Government and contrary to express orders of the Company, publicly and repeatedly notified to all their Servants. There is but too much reason to believe, notwithstanding the frequent admonitions of Government, that similar practices have prevailed in many other places and that several of the Company's Servants have been deeply concerned in them, but the case of Mr. Right is the only one in which the matter has come fairly before us and I submit to the Consideration of the Committee, what Steps it may be proper to take upon this occasion, with regard to Mr. Right's Conduct. He certainly merits some strong mark of displeasure. In the mean time I am clearly of opinion that a proclamation in different languages in the ^{the} Tinnevelly Country, and also in the other provinces that the Company's Servants having any money Transactions with the Native are contrary to the Orders of the Company, and consequently totally void and of no Effect.

(Signed) C. Maistrey

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Agreed that the above Minutes be sent in Circulation together with Mr. Inwards reports for the Consideration of the Members of the Committee.

Read the following Letter —

To the Right Hon^{ble} Lord. Macartney K^t. B.
President and Governor &c Council
of Fort St. George

My Lord and Gentlemen

From Masulipatam
upon the Seizure of
Opparaw —

We have the honor ^{been} to forward
to your Lordship &c. Copy of a letter which we have
just received from the Chief, and having twice
addressed you under date the 30th Ultimo and
9th Instant on this very Subject, we shall only
inform you that we coincide entirely with Mr.
Daniell in opinion, and if the Subah will not
Secure the Person of Opparaw or your Lordships
&c. permit us to send the Company's Sepoys in
pursuit of him or his adherents into the Nizam's
dominions, there is every reason to apprehend
that the Inhabitants will quit the Zemindary
of Noozee and that there will be no Cultivation
& of course no Revenue to be collected from it the
ensuing Year —

We have the honor to be
Yr

/ Signed / James Hodges
John Peter Bailaw
Sam^l Statham

Masulipatam
11th June 04

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James Hodges Esq^r

8th Council, Masulipatam
Gentlemen

I have received, Mr Secretary
Scotts Letter of the 1st Instant, with its enclosures.
If any measures are now taken with the Cumda-
mahars Baupiah and Soubah, I am apprehensive
it will create disgust and that they will at this time
alienate the inclinations of the Beoms, from the
Service in which they are engaged: but if you can
adopt any Method by which to rectify one &
evil, without incurring the other. I beg you will
adopt it as soon as possible; the family dispute
between Baupiah and Soubah is another Evil
which cannot be well remedied and tends to add
to the distresses of the Zemindary of Noogud; the
Beoms are moreover, I understand, entering all
the Burgunnahs of that Zemindary, and if a
Zemindar is not soon appointed, or if the Soubah
will not secure the person of Apparow, or that
the Superior Council will not allow us to
pursue him in any part of the Soubahs or
dominions, the Inhabitants cannot remain
in that Zemindary nor can any Revenue
be collected from it — I am
Gentlemen

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Gentlemen

Your most obedient Servant

/signed/ James Daniell

A true Copy, A^u Scott Secy

Samulcotah

21th June 1784

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney Esq

President &c. Members of the Select Committee

Fort St. George

My Lord and Gentlemen

From Mr Johnston

Hydrabad proceeds to
the Nizam's Camp

Negotiations between
the Mahrattas and
the South

I had last the honor to address

you under date 10th ultimo

I have now the pleasure to inform your
Lordship &c. that I arrived here the 29th ulto.

The Nabob Nizam is encamped at the N. W.
extremity of his Dominions, the place is called
Eagheer upon the Eastern banks of the Pennore
a little above its junction with the Krishna,

Within two Cofs of his Highness upon the
Opposite banks lay the Mahrattah troops
80,000 strong, under the command of Nana
pennoreas, Hurry punt perkhah and Tukkojee

Walker. Visits have been interchanged between
the Nabob and the two first named Chiefs, of
whom, Nana pennoreas, is intrusted with the
General Management of Affairs —

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I have not yet obtained sufficient intelligence, to make me master of the whole of the Mahatta claims upon the Nizam, but one of them is said to be adjusted by an inconsiderable payment, & to be by the Soubah, and received in liquidation of the arrears of Chout for the lands occupied by the late Ibrahim beg Dhowrah, what other Arrangements have taken place are not yet come to my Knowledge. But it is understood that the Mahatta Camp will shortly break up. It is much credited that they will heartily join with the Nabob, after the Disputah, in opposing the invasion of the Soubah Ship of Vizapoor, threatened by the Nabob Tippoo, as their immediate Interests are concerned therein.

I have halted here to refresh my Cattle, before I could undertake the Journey to the Soubah's Camp, but as it is reported that his Highness will be here within these few days it is probable that he may arrive before I am ready to set out to meet him.

I have the honor to be with Respect

to My Lord and Gentlemen

Your most Obedient
Humble Servant

/Signed/ P. Johnson
Res^t Hydr.

Near Hyderabad
3rd June 1784

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The President is requested to write to M^r Johnson on the Subject of Apparao to request of his Highness to allow the Company's Troops to pursue him into his Country—

The President lays before the Committee the following Letter from M^r Floyer—

To the Right Hon^{ble} Lord Macartney, K^to.
 G^o G^o G^o

My Lord

Immediately after the Receipt

From M^r Floyer
 Proceedings respecting
 the Prestiditions on
 both Sides to restore
 the different places—

of the Public Letter yesterday morning from your Lordship & the Committee of date the 12th we communicated, by letter, to the French Commissioners the result of your deliberations upon the proposals of M^r De Bussey and desired a conference with them.— In the Course of Yesterday Forenoon, we met accordingly, when we proposed to them the carrying into immediate execution the several Articles which had been mutually agreed upon. That is, that they should give us the written Order for the Surrender of Trincomalay &c to Colonel Dalrymple, who we informed them should be the person appointed to receive the same, for and in the Name of your Lordship &c Select Committee, as Representatives of the British Nation and we desired that the Colonel's Name

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Monsieur should in consequence be inscribed in the Order from Mr De Bussy. They in return, required from us a written Order at the same time, to be delivered to them for the restitution of Pondicherry. To this was replied that the giving a written order, since it could only be given from us to ourselves would be ridiculous. That we were on the spot to make the restitution of Pondicherry at the period, and under the Circumstances which had been mutually agreed between us: but that we could give them a written declaration and Engagement, at the same time that we received their Orders for the delivery of Trincomalay, to deliver up to them Pondicherry at the Period settled - vizt immediately after the arrival of Authentic Accounts from Trincomalay of the Surrender of that place &c and of the departure of the French Troops from thence to the Isle of France. — I saw Mr Moneron this Morning, who told me he was preparing the necessary Instruments on their part for Mr Bussy's signature, and that he hoped they would be prepared by tomorrow Morning — We have prepared our written declaration and Engagement so that I am not without hopes that they will be ready to meet us Tomorrow for the mutual

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mutual Exchange of these Papers— That effected,
we shall immediately ~~cause~~ our Detachment /
which is in readiness for the purpose / to be embars-
ked on the Swallow, and shall at the same time
return the Detachment of Sepoys to Permacoit.
There will then be nothing wanting. but our dispatch-
es to the Colonel, which are preparing, to enable
us to dispatch the Swallow immediately to
Trincornalay—

I have the honor to write a
very respectfully—

My Lord

Your Lordship's Faithfull &
very Obliged humble Servant

Signed / Charles Floyer

Candicherry
15th June 1704

Read the following Letter from the Admiral
The Right Honble George Lord. Macartney. K^t.
President & Governor &c. Select Committee of
Madras

My Lord and Gentlemen

I have had the honor to
receive your Letter of yesterday, and have Ordered
two of His Majesty's Ships to be held in readiness
to Transport the Troops to Trincornalay—

I am

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most Obedient hum^{ble} Serv^t

(Signed) Edward Hughes

Sultana in Madras Road
the 10th June 1704

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Agreed that an Officer and 50 Sepoys be Ordered
in readiness to embark for Trincomallee, in addition
to the Troops already under orders —

Read the following Letter from Mr.
Forester Prose administrator to the Estate of Mr.
Baime, late Baymaster at Tanjore —

To the Right Hon^{ble} George Lord Macartney Pitt
President and Governor &c Select Committee
of Fort St. George

My Lord and Gentlemen

From Mr. Prose
requesting a settlement
of account between
the late Mr. Baime
President & Company

I beg leave to acquaint your
Lordship &c that, in consequence of an Order from
Council, for Mr. Holland to examine the Accounts
of the late Mr. Duncan Andrew Baime, as
Baymaster of Tanjore, they have accordingly been
audited and are now ready for the Inspection
of your Lordship &c —

As the Creditors are
extremely urgent for Payment of their Claims,
and that an Interest of twelve Per Cent must be
incurred upon the Debts due by the Estate, in
while they remain undischarged, I have to request
that, as the sums borrowed by Mr. Baime, and
were applied on the Company's Account, your
Lordship &c will be pleased to give Orders that
the Balance, with Interest be liquidated as
soon as possible —

(I.)

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I earnestly request your Lordship &c.
will be pleased to favor me with an answer that I
may communicate it to Mr. Baine's Relations by
the present Dispatch

I have the honor to be
My Lord and Gentlemen
Your most Obedient
humble Servant

Fort St. George
21st May 1704

/ Signed /

Forrester Rose

Acting Attorney to the
Administrator

Agreed that Mr. Rose be informed that for
whatever Ballance may be due to the Estate of
Mr. Baine, a Bond will be granted, but
that as Commissioners of Accounts have been lately
appointed, whose enquiries are to go back as far
as April 1700, it will be proper that Mr.
Baine's Accounts from that period, should be
first examined by them & that they shall be
directed to give their earliest attention to those
Accounts

Read the following Petition
Just received from the Sauthey and
To

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To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney
President of Select Committee of
Fort St. George.

My Lord and Gentlemen

From Colonel Malcolm
Has left at Negapatam
and proceeds for England
next day

I think it my duty to
acquaint you of my being at Negapatam, with
your Dispatches for the Honble the Court of Directors.
it having been found necessary for the Fortoise to
put in to Port on Account of some damage
Sustained in one of the Trussel trees of the Foremast.
She is understood to proceed on her Voyage to-
morrow

tomorrow

I have the honor to be
My Lord and Gentlemen
with high respect
Your very Obedient and
Most humble Servant

Negapatam
14th June 1704

(Signed) Henry. Malcolm
Adj. Gen. to the Army

The Right Honble Lord. Macartney Esq.
Esq. Esq. Esq.

My Lord

I have the honor to acquaint
you of the arrival of the Precieuse this Morning. She
left Toulon the 22^d. December and has brought
large Packets for the Marquis De Pusy and
Monsieur de Bymer. The Contents have not
yet

From Mr. Hoifard
advising of the
arrival of dispatches
from France

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yet transferred another Frigate called the Venus
was to leave Port 15 Days after the Breconish
with Money for this Place, the Baskets received by
the Marquis De Bussy of which I advised you
in my last, were from the Cape—

I have the honor to be

My Lord

Your most obedient humble Servant

Geo: Is: Hoysard

Pondicherry
16th June 1704

Read Letter from the Surgeon, Major
with the Army in Cantonment has entered in M.B. 17
representing that he has not been supplied with the quota
of Surgeon's Assistants agreeably to a resolution
of the Select Committee some time since—

Agreed that Mr Kincaid Surgeon's
Assistant, lately belonging to the Garrison of
Tripaspan, be ordered to join the Troops at Arcot
and do duty there—

Read the following Letter from
Mr. Robert Douglas—

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney Kt.
Esq. Esq.
And Select Committee

Fort St. George
My Lord & Gentlemen

I had the honor some time
a—

From Mr Robert
Douglas requesting the

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the appointment
of Lieutenant &
Fireworker —

ago of presenting an Address to your Honorable Board, requesting You might favor with your consideration, some circumstances respecting my having been appointed, by your Commander in Chief, a Volunteer and afterward Lieutenant Fire Worker to the Artillery of the Bengal Establishment. — Also requesting leave to inform you how that Government, on finding an impropriety in the mode of my appointment, had thought proper to annul it. In consequence of which, and of my having had the honor of serving as an Officer with the Troops of this Presidency, in the Cuddalore Expedition to the Satisfaction of the Different Officers under whose command I acted. I was emboldened to solicit You might be so good to confirm my appointment to your Establishment.

In an answer which I was honored with to the foregoing particulars, you were pleased to point out a mode by which you thought I might succeed with the Government of Bengal, namely, that of having my Case recommended by the Officers of the Detachment under whom I had been employed I
therefore

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Therefore request your permission to Assure you that the warmest and most strenuous application has been made use of by Colonel Barge, who Commanded the Detachment, also by Major General Stibbert in an Address to the Board but without Success. As that Government are firmly resolved, by their Steadings in this Instance, to discountenance for the future, any such interference in the Command of their Troops as that by which I was appointed —

If I now might, without being thought guilty of Vanity or presumption, I should on such an occasion as this, and on such only, beg leave to point out to you that I do, from the consideration of the Appointment already mentioned and from my natural love of the Military Service and honor of my Country, then most particularly at Stake, act as a Volunteer with the European Grenadiers on the forenoon of the 13th June, untill such time as an Officer was Obliged to retire from the Field when I had the honor of commanding a Brigade of Guns, attached to that Corps. I was also so happy to act as an Officer in the Trenches on the morning of the

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the 25th, when the Enemy sallied and were repulsed, and have been honored with a public testimonial in my favor, from Lieutenant Colonel Elliot to General Stibbert on that occasion. Thus situated, you, My Lord and Gentlemen, will I hope pardon my again addressing you on this Subject, and by an Instance of your Candour and Generosity, permit me to lay that claim to your favor, which I might have enjoyed. had I been so fortunate, on entering the Service, to have been appointed to your Establishment.

I have the honor to be

(Signed) Robert Douglas

The Committee are sensible that the circumstances set forth by Mr Douglas, his having been appointed by the Commander in Chief to act as a Lieutenant Fireworker in the Company's Service, and in consequence of that appointment, done duty with the European Grenadiers at the Storm of the French Lines the 13th June last year and afterwards in the Trenches, when the Enemy sallied and were repulsed the 25th of the same Month, together with the recommendations of his Superior Officers, are justly deserving of attention, but the Establishment being already complete with Officers and the orders of the humble Court of Directors

Very

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June 12th 1784

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very positive against appointing any in this Country. the Committee can only recommend Mr Douglas's case to their favorable consideration, and recommend the appointing him a Lieutenant Fireworker with rank from the time he was appointed to act as such by the late Commander in Chief. agreed accordingly, that Mr. Douglas be so recommended in the next despatch and that this resolution be signified to him in answer to his Letter —

Read Letter from Doctor William Raine as entered in. / M. to. / enclosing two Bills due to him and the late Doctor George Campbell for Hospital Charges for the use of the Detachment. under the command of the late Lieutenant Colonel Baillie —

Ordered that the Amount of the above mentioned accounts, which are due to Mr. Raine and the late Mr. Campbell, being Pagodas. 684. 7. be discharged by Bills on the Honble Governor General & Council at the Exchange of 375 Rupees off the Star Pagodas — The Amount to be carried to the Head of, Second War with Hyderally —

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Dispatched the following Letters as
entered in Miscellany Book N^o 50. 49. 51. 53. 54

To Lieutenant Bowler, informing
him that His Contract Bills have been
referred to the Resident of Tanjore, who has
been desired to report to the Select Committee
his Opinion of the Charges they contain.

To the Army Commissary, Advising
him that all Officers Commanding Garri-
sons are allowed full Batta; that Captain
Spidiman is to deliver over the Grain
Department to the Paymaster; that Mr.
Barter must either resign his Appoint-
ment in the King's or Company's Service.

To Doctor White informing him
that his Accounts have been referred to the
Resident of Tanjore & that he has been
Authorized to discharge their Amount as
soon as the State of his Cash will admit.

To the Captain of the Middlesex
Indiaman desiring him to reply to two
Accusations alledged against him for ill
treating Sergeant Lindsay & several others.

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To Mr. Harrington appointed
an Assistant in the Select Committee
Office.

Dispatched the following Letter
to the Resident of Tanjore.

To John Sullivan Esq.

Resident at Tanjore

Sir

I am Directed by the Right
Honble the President and Select Committee
to desire you will use your endeavours
to procure for Colonel Stuart, and the
other Officers commanding the King's
Regiment which are to remain here, such
sums of Money for Bills to be granted
here upon the Company at the usual
exchange, as may be necessary to enable
them to enlist such of the non-
Commissioned Officers and men of the
Regiments (98th 100th 101st & 102nd) which are
at the House as may prefer staying in the

To the Resident
of Tanjore to pro-
cure if possible,
money for the
of recruiting
such of his Ma-
jesty's Troops pre-
sently in the
Country.

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20th this Country - This money you are to pay to the person acting to the Southward as the Deputy of Mr. Burke his Majesty's paymaster General in India and transmit his receipt for the same to the Select Committee mentioning at the same time the person in whose favor the Bills are to be Drawn and to whom they are to be delivered -

I have the honor to be

(Signed) John Huddleston
Sur.

21st Dispatched the following Letter to Bengal -

To the Honble Warren Hastings Esq^r
Governor General & Council of Bengal

Honble Sir and Sirs

We have the honor to inform you

that having no opportunities of sending directly from this place to Europe the men of his Majesty's Regiments here who are entitled to return home we are under the necessity

To Bengal leaving no conveyance bound to Europe from this Presidency, are obliged to send such of his Majesty's Troops who do not choose to enlist, on board the India men bound to Bengal. The most serious consequences to be apprehended for want of money.

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2^d necessity of embarking ^{them} on the ships —
bound to your Presidency in order that they
may be sent from thence to England —
120 men of the 73^d Regiment, who have
claim their Discharge from that corps by
the King's orders of which we enclose you
a Copy, & who have not chosen to resist
are embarked on board the Berrington.

We have lately received a Letter
from the Select Committee at Bombay in
which they approve the Certificates granted
by General Macleod, and Authorize the
payment of the Bills drawn by that Officer
your Board, for the Arrears due to his Maje-
sty's Troops which had ^{served} on the Malabar
Coast and returned here in the Squadron —
With the utmost Difficulty we discharged
the whole of the Arrears of Subsistence to
the Day of their arrival here, and the Bat-
toe as the end of December last. Some
time must elapse before it will be possi-
ble for us to discharge the remainder of the

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21st the Batts, but we will endeavor to effect it
for the other charges consisting of Tent
Money and Staff Allowances, we shall
grant Bills on you and take up those
which had been given by General Macleod

It is our indispensable duty to
inform you that our distress for money
increases every Day, and if not shortly
relieved by a supply from you in specie,
may produce very serious consequences, as
without such supply we see not the
possibility of paying much longer, even
the subsistence of his Majesty's Troops.
we have upon us nearly the whole of the
national forces. Two Armies and all our
Garrisons ten or twelve months in Arre-
ars, a numerous Body of prisoners, inclu-
ding 200 Officers with demands of 2 or 3
some of 2 Years Arrears. Your Detach-
ment was furnished with the whole sum
in the treasury at the time of its Depar-
ture Amounting to 39,000 pagodas and is
now

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now exhausting our scanty resources to the Northward, while the greatest part of Bills of which you ordered the Amount to be exclusively appropriated to your own Troops, remain to this day unpaid. This short statement, without mentioning our Civil establishment will shew you that our Distresses are such as cannot without extreme danger continue to be unattended to.

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11th June 1774

We have the honor to be Sir
(Signed) M. V. S. C.

22nd Received the following Letter

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney K. B.
President & Governor & Council of Madras

From the Admirals Secretary
requesting a Receipt
for military Stores
delivered in to
the Company's
Arsenal in the
Years 1772 & 1773
by Order of Sir
Edward Hughes

My Lord & Gentlemen

By the Orders of Vice Admiral
Sir Edward Hughes K. B. Commander in
Chief of His Majesty's Squadron in the East
Indies. I delivered into the Company's
Arsenal at this place in the Years 1772 & 1773

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22 a quantity of Serviceable Military Stores, as specified in the accompanying List Captured in several of the Enemy's Ships for which I request you will be pleased to direct the proper Officers to grant me a Receipt. I have the honor to be with greatest Respect &c.

(Signed) Arthur Cuthbert
General Agent for Captain

Madras the
22 June 1784

From the Resident My Lord

at Tanjore prepared
res to proceed
to Ramanad, has
requested Col
Fullarton to
order a Detachment
thither & sub-
mits the propriety
of Col. Fullarton
being furnished
with orders re-
pecting the
Nabob's Officers
who are to be
reduced.

I have the honor to acknowledge
the Receipt of your Lordship's Commands
of the 10 inst. and shall in consequence of
them, proceed this evening for Tanjore on
my way to Ramanadaperam. The un-
usual Disposition lately manifested by
the Troops at that ^{part} and the temper of the
factions which prevail in the Government
have made me think it necessary to
request of Colonel Fullarton to send a
Detachment of the Company's Troops into
the Country of Ramanad, to prevent Distur-
bance upon the reduction of the Nabob's bat-
taries, and to support the other reforms
directed

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22 directed by your Lordships I have the fullest Confidence in the aid & Cooperation of Colonel Fullarton in this & on every occasion for Carrying your Lordships instructions into execution and tho' he were to have no other intimations of your Lordships wishes, than the Copy of those instructions to me I have no doubt but that he would immediately take measures for the reduction of the nabob's battalions, but as yet I think it necessary to submit to your Lordship whether as the reduction falls immediately within the province of the officer Commanding to the Southward, it would not be proper that Colonel Fullarton should be furnished with Specific orders for that purpose together with such general Regulations as may be thought necessary relative to the European Officers who are now attached to the nabob's battalions.

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19th June 1774

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Respect V^a

I have the honor to be greatest
(Signed) J. Fullarton

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To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

Governor V.^o V.^o V.^o

Madras

From Mr. Daniel
enclosing Copies
of a Letter to him
from the Board
of Masulipatam
with his Account.

My Lord

Herewith I enclose for your perusal,
copy of a letter from the Board of Masu-
lipatam, and my reply to it, of to day. In ho-
pes of letters from Madras on this subject,
I delayed the advance to the last moment,
but in consequence of the letter from Masu-
lipatam the repeated representations of
Colonel Basso (the last, Accompanying
Copies of representations from all of the
Commandants of Corps) and no letter
from the Presidency; nothing was left
to me but a Compliance, or becoming solely
responsible for consequences which might
have ensued - I hope therefore you will
approve my conduct, and if necessary, lay
this letter before the Board - as soon as the
material

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22 Material part of the Correspondence can
be copied I will forward it to Your Lord-
ship for the above purpose if you should
find it necessary.

The Detachment I understand
will proceed to the M^o ward tomorrow or
next day.

Samsuleotah
18th June 1774

I have the honor to be G^d
(Signed) J. Daniell

To James Daniell Esq^r
Chief of Masulipatam
in the Circars
Sir

We herewith transmit your Copy
of a letter which we have just received
from Colonel Basso by which you will
perceive that the lack of Rupees for
which the select Committee drew on it
in favour of Mr. Tyler, Paymaster to
the Bengall Detachment, falls much
short of the supply of Cash he expected
to receive and as he has represented the
consequences which he apprehends may
happen from the discontent of the Sepoys

Copy

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I hereby throw the Responsibility in a great measure on us, we leave it to you to comply with his request if it should be in your power, at the same time we are ready to share any Responsibility with you which may arise from such a measure. We shall likewise forward a copy of his letter to the Select Committee and inform Colonel Bearer of our having written to you in consequence of our being unable to comply with his application.

We are &c.

(Signed) James Hodges
John Peter Boileau
Saml. Matham

James Hodges Esq.

V. Council Masulipatam

Gentlemen

I have received your letter of the 28th ultimo Accompanying copy of one from Colonel Bearer of the 26th of the same Month. I have likewise received two more representations from Colonel Bearer

Masulipatam
28th May 1781

Copy

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22^o Pearse on the same Subject, the last Accompanying Copies of Representations to him from all the Commandants of Corps in his Detachment, in consequence of all which, and particularly of Your Letter of the 28th Ultimus above mentioned, I have Advanced the Paymaster nearly one Month's pay to Officers and Men amounting to thirty thousand Madras Pagodas.

Sammalcotah
17th June 1784

I am Yours &c.

(Signed) James Daniell

Despatched the following Letter as entered Miscellany Book 56. 59. 58.

To the Assistant to the Commissaries Deputed to the Marquis de Bussy. Acknowledging the receipt of their Dispatches of the 18th Instant. & that the President would have wrote to them had he not been prevented by a severe indisposition.

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To Mr. Leger Advising him that the President's Indisposition prevents a

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23 a meeting of the Select Committee

To Captain Mediman desiring
him to deliver over the Charge of the Grain
Department to the Paymaster

To the Paymaster in Camp desiring
him to take Charge of the Grain Depart-
ment

Received Letter from Paymaster of
Pernambuco as entered in Miscellaneous Book,
N. 57) with return of Stores in that Garri-
son

th
25 Dispatched the following Letters to the
Commanding Officer at Chillumbrum
and Pernambuco

To Lt. Casper
reprehending and
expressing of the
Garrison.

To Lieutenant Francis Casper
Commanding at Chillumbrum

Sir
I am Directed by the Right Honourable
the President & Select Committee to Acknow-
ledge the receipt of your Letter to them of
the 27th ultimo - enclosing an Abstract
of one Month's pay Watta & other Allow-
ances to the Troops forming the Garrison of

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25 of Chillumbrum together with a Return
of them, and in answer to inform you,
that the Select Committee have only for
the present, thought proper to retrench
from the Actual Disbursements of your
Garrison, the following Charges which are
to be discontinued from the 1st of next
Month - viz^t

- 1 Maistry Carpenter
- 1 Dr. Armourer
- 1 Subledar
- 1 Carpenter
- 1 Armourer & Cooley
- 1 Billows Boy
- 1 Head Conicopoly
- 2 Beens who were allowed the Command
- 1 Conicopoly for serving Rice to the
Black Troops
- 1 Dr. for serving Provisions to the
Europeans

You will be pleased to observe that
by the G. O. of the 29th April all Battal
& Staff Allowances except to the Com-
mandant were to cease from the 1st ultimo

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25 June 1784

Yours Obedt^y
(Signed) John Huddleston, Lt.

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25 To Captain Nathl Dawes

To Capt. Dawes
with Reductions
to be made in
the monthly
disbursements
of his Garrison

Commanding at
Permacoil

Sir

I have had the honor to receive
your Letter of the 29th Ultimo (enclosing a
Return of the Troops & public Followers in
the Garrison of Permacoil) which has been
laid before the Right Honble the President
& Select Committee, Who have directed
me to inform you that they have for the
present only resolved that the following
Reductions shall be made in the month-
ly Disbursements of your Garrison which
are to Commence from the 1st of next month;
Those reductions are as follow. vizt.

All Batta and Staff Allowances
to Officers as you will observe by the G.O.
issued on the 29th of April are to cease
from the 1st Ultimo, and the Select Com-
mittee direct, that all Charges for Bul-
locks & Banter Coolies together, with the
pay of the Irregulars which are immedi-
ately

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25 immediately to be Discharged — to
forthwith discontinued; — I am further
Directed to desire that You will specify
the particular Charges included under
the heads of Charges General & Charges
Extraordinary — that the Select Com-
mittee may be enabled to judge of the
propriety of Continuing or of retrenching
them.

I have the Honour to be Q.^d

(Signed) John Huddleston
Surf

Dispatched the following Letters to
the Paymasters of Ongole, Vellore, and
Mylapore.

To Paymaster at
Ongole with
Account of Alter-
ations & made
in different Regu-
lations.

To M^r Robert Gardner
Paymaster at
Ongole
Sir

I am directed to Acknowledge
the receipt of your Letter to the Right
Honble the President & Select Committee
of the 11th Instant enclosing a Statement
of the monthly Disbursements in the Gar-
rison of Ongole upon an Average &c
Yours

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25 By the G. O. of the 21st Instant you will observe that the independent Corps in your Garrison are to be drafted in to the 2^d & 14th Carnatic Battalions & that the Active Officers of those Corps are to be Allowed half pay & to be Admitted in to the Service according to their merit, & as Vacancies shall occur. The Detachment of the 11th Carnatic Battalion which by the G. O. of the 25th Instant has been Ordered for the present to do Duty in your Garrison, — will of Course receive the usual Subsistence, but agreeably to the G. O. of the 29th April all Batta & Staff Allowances (except to the Commandant) were to cease from the 1st of May last.

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signed) John Hudleston
Sur.

To Baymaster
of Vellore return
ing the monthly
Disbursements of
that Garrison

To Mr. Thomas Elliot Ogilvie

Paymaster

at
Vellore

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble
the

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th 25 the President & Select Committee to Acknowledge the receipt of your Letter to them of the th 29 Ultimo—enclosing an Account of the monthly Expences in the Garrison of Vellore.

In the Charge for Artificers, the Select Committee are of Opinion that—
10 Armourers, A Hammermen, A Bellows Boys, & A Chuckledars will suffice instead of the number stated in your Account & Accordingly Direct no more be allowed—
& they are pleased to direct that no Writer be in future allowed the Fort Major And that the Charge of a Powder Maltrey be discontinued as they conceive that the Contractor ought to employ proper persons for that purpose;—The foregoing Reductions are to Commence from the th 1 of July, as is likewise the discontinued of the whole of the Charge incurred in the Agents Department and for serving out Provisions—
Amounting to Bag^s 192. 6. 48 H. Month
All Batta & Staff Allowances in

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2^d in your Garrison have of Course ceased —
since the 1st of May last agreeably to the
O. O. of the 2^d of April.

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2^d June 1781

I have the honor to be O.
(Signed) John Huddleston
Secy

To Paymaster
at Vellore with
reductions to
be in the month
by disburse-
ments of that
Garrison to
allowance to
be drawn as
Paymaster

To M^r. Francis Lind
Paymaster at
Vellore

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble.
the President & Select Committee to acknow-
ledge the receipt of your Letter to them of the
2^d Ultimo, enclosing a Monthly Statement
of the Disbursements in the Garrison of
Vellore — from which the Committee —
have only for the present resolved upon
the following Reductions, which are to
take place from the 1st of next Month, Vizt.
all the Harebarrels employed by the Com-
mandant, except 2 together with half the num-
ber of the Sweepers & Porters in your Gar-
rison are to be immediately discharged —
and the Select Committee are of opinion
that

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th 25 the President & Select Committee to Acknowledge the receipt of your Letter to them of the th 29 Ultimo—enclosing an Account of the monthly Expenses in the Garrison of Vellore

In the Charge for Artificers, the Select Committee are of Opinion that—
10 Armourers,—A Hammermen, A Bellows
boys, & A Chuckledars will suffice instead
of the number stated in your Account &
Accordingly Direct no more be allowed—
& they are pleased to direct that no Writers
be in future allowed the Fort Major And
that the Charge of a Powder Mantry be
discontinued as they conceive that the Con-
tractor ought to employ proper persons for
that purpose:—The foregoing Reductions
are to Commence from the 1st of July, as is
likewise the discontinuance of the whole of
the Charge incurred in the Agents Depart-
ment and for serving out Provisions—
Amounting to Bag^{ts} 192. 6. 18 H. Month
All Batta & Staff Allowances
in

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th 25 in your Garrison have of Course ceased —
since the 1st of May last agreeably to the
O. O. of the 29th of April.

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25th June 1781

I have the honor to be Sir
(Signed) John Huddleston
Secy

To Paymaster
at Vellore with
reductions to
be in the month
by disburse-
ments of that
Garrison to
allowance to
be drawn as
Paymaster

To M^r. Francis Lind
Paymaster at
Vellore

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble.
the President & Select Committee to acknow-
ledge the receipt of your Letter to them of the
28th Ultimo, enclosing a Monthly Statement
of the Disbursements in the Garrison of
Vellore. — from which the Committee —
have only for the present resolved upon
the following Reductions, which are to
take place from the 1st of next Month, Vizt.
all the Harebarrels employed by the Com-
mandant, except 2 together with half the num-
ber of the Sweepers & Porters in your Gar-
rison are to be immediately discharged —
and the Select Committee are of opinion
that

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25th that 11 Buckallies instead of eight, and that half the Allowance of Lamp Oil, now Charged for the Use of your Garrison, will be sufficient.

The whole Charge for the Communities amounting to Bag^{rs} 400. 10⁰ 0⁰ Month, must be immediately discontinued, nor can the pay to the Writer of the Conicopoly, Charged near the close of your Accounts be Admitted.

The Select Committee conceive that it is the duty of the Renter to employ persons to collect Straw for the use of the Garrison of Nellore, & that the Committee of Assigned Revenue ought to discharge whatever Allowance it may be thought proper to make to Achar Rangiah, as Intelligence Writer.

By the G. O. of the 21st Inst^t. you will observe that the 11th Carnatic Battalion in your Garrison, is ordered to be Completed to the Establishment of 731 Men from the Independent Corps.

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25th & that the Native Officers are to be allowed half pay & to be Admitted in to the Service according to merit & as Vacancies shall occur.

With respect to the Grain Department at Nellore, I am directed to observe to you that the Comm^{ee} gave you no authority to draw an Allowance as Grain Keeper — separate from that as Paymaster — is therefore to be immediately discontinued. & all the Concochilles & Servants now employed in the Charge of the Grain, are to be dismissed, as soon as the Grain shall have been disposed of.

The Select Committee are pleased to direct that all the Draft & Slaughter Bullocks be immediately ordered to the Presidency, & that the Drivers be immediately Discharged, which will render unnecessary any further Expense for Grain, as there will be no Bullocks employed in your Garrison.

By the G. C. of the 29th April all Batta was ordered to cease, except to the Commandant. The Extra Allowances now enjoyed

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23 enjoyed by Ensigns Sheppard & Molloy
will therefore of course be discontinued, as
soon as the Garrisons of Caliva & Rampour
shall have been with Drawn.

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I am Yours &c.

(Signed) John Hiddlestone
Sey

Received Letter from General Campbell
as entered in M.B. N^o 63 requesting a Capt
From Gen. Campbell & a Lieutenant may be ordered from
Ponnammallee to sit at the Court Martial.
which is ordered to assemble the 30th Inst.

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Dispatched the following Letters
as entered in Miscellany Book N^o 62. 64.
67. 66. 65. 61 To the Commissary of Stores
with return of Ordinance delivered by
Colonel Bearce to the Store keeper at Elloro
and desiring him to comply with the
Indent from Masulipatam.

Col. Stanbury

To Colonel Stanbury desiring
him to furnish the Court Martial that
is to be assembled on the 30th Inst. with
a Captain and Lieutenant from his Garrison.
For

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To Genl. Campbell

To General Campbell advising him of
the above Orders being sent to Colonel
Shanbuzie ~

Lieut. Rolleston

To Lieutenant Rolleston, cannot
comply with his request of granting him
a Company's Bond for his Arrears due to
him by his Highness the Nabob.

Mr. Floyer

To Mr. Floyer, President too much
indisposed to attend to Business desiring
all negotiations may be at a stand till
the Select Committee communicate to the
Companies their resolutions in their
last Dispatches ~

From
Lieut. Crowley.

Received Letter From Lieutenant
Crowley (as entered in M.B. enclosing
Papers marked A. B. C. D. E. F. G. H.
I. K. in vindication of the Charges alled-
ged against him ~

EA.

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At a Select Committee present
The Right honorable George Lord Macartney K.B.
President

Saturday

26th June 1784

Anthony Sadler Esq^r Lieut. Gen. Lang

Alexander Davidson Esq^r Robert Maunsell Esq^r

The Minutes of last Committee read & approved

The Commander in Chief delivers in
the following minute and Letter -

The Commander in Chief lays
before the Committee the following Minute

In Committee 26 June 1784
I have the honor to lay before you

General Lang's
Minute, includ-
ing Copy of a
Letter to him

from Gen. Horne; copy of a Letter I have this day received -
represents the
necessity of advancing pay to the
Company's Officers and stating

the hardships the Cavalry Officers must experience from
the reduction of the 1st 2nd & 3rd Regiments of Native Cavalry are
reduced and that the former 3rd Regiment
is now become the 1st Regiment of Native
Cavalry. - I have to request that Money to
pay the Bounty to such as may enlist
in the Company's Service may be imme-
diately dispatched to the Bagmaster at
Aret in order that they may be attested &
formally

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that what may
occur from their
necessities in
dancing them
to seek assistance
& support with
other Bowers
formally received into the Service - that such
standards as may be thought proper, be
made up and delivered to them on the Boun-
ty money being paid - I beg leave to repre-
sent to Your Lordships the situation of
the Native Officers who, by this reduction,
will be destitute of every means of support
in this Country & will from necessity be-
obliged to seek for Service with others. —
These my Lord & Gentlemen, are Men of
approved behaviour and whose courage has
been tried who have during the late War
with Hyder on every occasion, evinced a
most steady and firm attachment to the
Company's Service. — and from whose
abilities in the disciplining the Troops
of any other Bower, we may at some future
period have reason to wish, they had not
been discarded, as it is in Discipline —
alone that the Troops of the Company, &
more particularly the Cavalry, can claim
any superiority over the Soldiers of sur-
rounding

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surrounding Bowers; they are Men against whom not the smallest insinuation has been made of their being any degree concerned in the late Meeting, or has it even been supposed by the European Officers that they were in any shape acquainted with the intentions of the People, — until immediately prior to the putting their plans in execution — such being the case and sensible of the value of such Men for the purpose of bringing them whom it may be thought necessary to add to the two Regts. now remaining into a proper state of Discipline when other Corps of Cavalry may be formed, I would suggest to Your Lordship J.^d the propriety of still retaining the Native Officers of the reduced Regts. in the Service, that they be put upon Half pay until vacancies may happen in the present Corps which should be filled up from these Officers, or until Your Lordship

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Lordships V^{rs} may raise other Regiments to which they may be appointed, and to the forming of which, the Knowledge these Men possess, will be essentially serviceable.

In compliance with your Directions, I have inclosed the names of Four Men of the Native Cavalry, who have been pointed out by the Officers as having been principally concerned in the late Mutiny, and also the Names of two of my Body Guard whose conduct was similar to the other four. It is almost unnecessary for me to remark on the representation made by General Horne of the very great Distress of the Company's Officers at Arcot - it is too apparent and calls for the aid of Government and I hope and trust every exertion will be used to alleviate the Distress of so brave a set of Men as the Company's Officers.

(Signed) Ross Lang

Lieut General Lang

Commander in Chief.

From Genl Horne
to General Lang
on the above Sub
jects

Sir

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Sir

I had the honor of receiving the General Orders respecting the Cavalry, and also your letter of the 14th Inst. - On the 16th I had the four Regts drawn up under Arms dismounted, and had the orders fully explained to them, after which I ordered the three Regts to ground their Arms and Accoutrements, and to deliver over their Colours to a Guard ordered from the 3^d Regt to receive and take charge of them and then ordered that Regt to march with their own Colours flying and Trumpets sounding to the Right of the whole, and there named them the 1st Regt of Native Cavalry and the other three Regts I pronounced to be reduced, remarking to them the heinousness of the Crime they had been guilty of, that had justly induced Govt. to adopt so very severe a punishment - At the same time that in consideration of their good behaviour and Gallant service during the war - they had been induced to order a new Regt to be raised

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raised from among such men as the Officers should think proper to entertain, and also to complete the first Regt. The greatest part of Major Campbell's Regt. are entered again for his Regt. they and Stephenson's Regt. intended to have attested this morning - but Mr. Welch sent me word he had no money to pay their Bounty. - I have therefore postponed attesting them untill money arrives (I beg leave here also to inform you the Company's Officers are greatly distressed for want of pay. - which I earnestly recommend you to use your influence to have immediately sent up) Few men of the 2^d and 4th Regt. have yet given in their names to enlist. - I shall allow them a few days to determine - when those that decline shall have their discharge V.^a as ordered.

The whole of the Light Infantry and Artillery are quartered together without Arms. - I have Ordered Captain Murray and Cornet Burrows to take charge

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charge of them untill Orders arrive respecting them. Inclosed is a list of the Men of Your Guard confined here and also the Names of Four of the Prisoners from Arnic who the Officers have marked as the most deserving punishment in their Opinion.

I have the honor to be Sir
(Signed) M^{rs} Horne

Arnot
June the 18th 1784

A true copy
Joseph Garraw
Secy to the Com^{dr} in Chief

Agreed that Major Campbell be directed with the Assistance of the other Senior Officers of the native Cavalry, to select and recommend to the Commander in Chief such of the Native Officers of the reduced Regiments and of the light Infantry & Artillery as they judge worthy of holding Commissions in the Company's Service, that the Officers so recommended be admitted into the Service and Allowed half pay till employed and that the rest be dismissed. Agreed also that the light Infantry be incorporated in the Battalions of

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of Sepoys at Arcot and the Artillery in the Corps of Native Artillery, it appearing from General Hornes's Letter to the Commander in Chief, that few of the 2^d and 4th Regiments had given in their names to enlist, the Committee think it highly probable that they either are or will be invited to entertain in the Service of Ameer Al omrah, to prevent which, it is therefore Agreed that it be notified to them that having been all Guilty of Mutiny and liable to Capital Punishment. It is remitted only upon the Condition of their not entering in to any other Service, and that such of them as may be at any Time hereafter found in any other Service shall be secured as having broken the Condition of such remission, and shall be punished accordingly.

The Commander in Chief is requested to give the necessary Orders for executing the above resolutions, and in particular the last, respecting the men of the reduced Regiments of Cavalry, who have not enlisted in the Company's Service.

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The President lays before the Committee a Letter from General Howe which Accompanied the genuine Copy of the Letter from the late Mutineers to the Major, as entered in the Minutes of the 9th May, and which he mentions to have privately obtained.

The President
lays before the
Comm^{tee} a Letter
from Capt^r
R^t Scott

The President informs the Committee that Captain Richard Scott being disabled by the wounds he received in the late War, is driven to the necessity of asking permission to resign the Honble Company's Service and has signified the same to his Lordship in the following Letter -

My Lord

From Capt^r
Richard Scott
representing
his Health to
be so much im-
paired from
Wounds he has
received that he
requests permis-
sion to resign
the Company's
Service

I hope your Lordship will pardon the Liberty of my present Address. I can assure you, I would not dare take such Liberty if I had not Reliance on your Generosity.

I am sorry to say that every Attempt. I have made to overcome and get the better of the Wounds, Received in the Honble Company's Service, has not been
Attended

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attended with success, and instead of recovering - I am daily getting worse I have therefore to Request of Your Lordship, that I may have Permission to Resign the Honble Company's Service and be put upon the Pension -

I have my Lord served the Honble Company with zeal, and hope - Since I am Reduced to the Necessity of Retiring, that I may have Your Lordship's Interest to be Recommended to the Honble Court of Directors, for something more than the Pension of Captain -

I declare on my Honor, that I have not made one single Farthing in their Service, but have been Obligated to Mortgage some little Property I have in my own Country, the Annual Amount of which, is scarcely able to Pay the Interest of the Mortgage. But should my humble Request not meet Your Lordship's approbation, I must be

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be Content with the usual Allowance
of Captain

I request Pardon for the Liberty
I have taken, and will, untill your
Lordship, shall think Proper to Honor
me with an answer, to my Petition,
Remain here, which if I Receive will
immediately come to Fort St. George

To make a regular Application

I am with the greatest Respect

Your Lordships O^{rs}

Richard Scott

The Committee in Complying
with Captain Scott's request cannot but
lament the loss of so good an Officer,
and in consideration of the Services he
has rendered the Company, the Zeal
and gallantry he has displayed on
every Occasion, and the severe wounds
he has received in their Service, it is
Agreed that the Honble Court of Direc-
tors be earnestly requested to bestow

Sanjore
June the 16th 1782

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 for Life over and above the Pension
 on Captain Scott some provision to—
 which he is entitled from Lord Clives
 Bounty

Read Letter from the Veicotagerry
 Rajah stating in substance that he had
 sent Oquian Cawon Cherry to Messrs
 Kummer ud deen Cawon, who had settled
 the difference between them by agreeing
 to rent Canichigerry for four Years, & request-
 ing of the President to communicate the
 same to Tippoo Sultan Belauder: and
 that this proceeding will most probable
 adjust the Business, & delay the execu-
 tion of the Mischief which otherwise
 was likely to ensue, that from his Commu-
 nication with & submissive Obedient to the
 Company, he was in hopes of living
 tranquil & easy; but on the Contrary
 that he is likely to lose those districts
 which his forefathers possessed with
 great difficulty & trouble.

Direct
 V. S.

Read

Read

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Read also the following Letter from
Captain Mahab the Senior Officer at
Ouglee

My Lord

From Capt.
Mahab respect-
ing the proceed-
ings of Tippoo's
Troops against
the Rajah of
Vanketagerry.

On Captain Edmond's proceed-
ing to proceed to the Presidency, the
Command I devolved on me. Since
which period, hearing reports in
regard to Cawn Mordeen Cawn's (who
styles himself Cuddapaw Nabob)
attacking the Vanketagerry Rajah's Coun-
try & immediately that part called Cannig-
gerry, thro' the means of Getting Intel-
ligence it seems is taken off; imagining
a rumor of that nature might be Detri-
mental to the Service, I at my own
Expence, sent in search of the truth of
what was so strongly talked of by the
Country people; in consequence I have
to acquaint your Lordship that there
is a strong force lay near the Borders
of that Country with a sign of a hostile
intention

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intention - The 19th Instant a body of horse and foot getting nearer than usual to the Fort a skirmish ensued, but nothing of consequence happened, the Country people have left their houses & many have taken refuge in the Fort, this is the latest Acct.

From the Opinion of the Inhabitants, the place will fall on Cawn Wardeed Cawn's attacking it, and it seems they are likewise of Opinion he will attack the place in person.

There is a Fort of Venkatgerry Rajah's within one Course of this, and the Boundries comes within three hundred yards of this Village. Should bodies of the Enemy come to plunder this part of the Rajah's Country, I should be glad to get advice what part is to be taken by me, this Country joins the Rajah's at greater distances, in short a General Direction I should imagined would be of use, as after the fall of Cannagerry as

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as its only 15 Cows from hence, the Dooties
may make many Excursions.

I shall continue to give Your Lord-
ship every Advice that I can procure, and
may I hope that the means of getting it
may be restored While we have so trouble-
some a Neighbour. Captain Edmonds said
he would give Your Lordship the Accounts
prevailing here as he had done often
before. The Vanketgerry Rajah had some
regular Sepoys at Pallore (Pallore is the
Fort that lies within one Coss of this)
two Companies of which went some Days
since for Cannagurry, the force there
is not sufficient its said. I have now
harrebahs there, that I expect will soon
return, indeed I expect them in every
hour. When they arrive shall give Your
Lordship the Account they bring

And Am^{ty}

(Signed) C. Mahab
Capt. Com^{dy}

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Received of the
Commander of the
Fort of St. George
the sum of Rs. 100
for the purchase of
the above mentioned
articles.

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From Capt. Mahab
with an Account of
Cawn Wardeen
Cawn leaving
taken Carnaig
erry and the
probability of
all the forts belong-
ing to the Vencata
Rajah
falling into
his hands from
their defenceless
State.

My Lord and Gentlemen

I am sorry to give You the disagreeable news of the fall of Carnaigerry to Cawn Wardeen Cawn Cuddasaw Nabob, it surrendered the 19th Instant, the Account arrived here yesterday but the Taffy was passed: The place was carried without any opposition, the Killeddar is now at Ballore with forty of his people, that fled with him, who says that his people would not fight but gave themselves and the Fort up, that all except the 40 that fled with him were in the Enemies Interest, which was the reason of the places falling. I am likewise sorry to inform You that every place that should be attacked belonging to the Vanketgerry Rajah will fall into the hands of the Enemy, for the different places have made no preparations, except to fly to, Ballore, on the first Appearance of their Enemy

Cawn Wardeen Cawn's force is

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is three thousand horse, three or four thousand Sepoys, three or four thousand Pions with six or eight Guns. There are some Villages now belonging to this Country that did belong to the Cuddapah Nizam formerly, whether, or no Cawn Wardeem Cawn will demand them. I cannot pretend to say, but should any part of this Country be molested I shall do every thing in my power to prevent it; as this & the Vankherry Rajah's Country joins we may expect to feel some of its Consequences therefore Your Commands in consequence of this hostile proceeding will be very Acceptable to ~

Ongole
23rd June 1781

My Lord &c.
(Signed) George Mahab
Capt. Comd^g

Minutes on the
two foregoing
Letters

Agreed that Captain Mahab be informed that Conickerry and its District, — belonging to the Cuddapah Country and therefore the property of Tippu Sultan. He must be cautious to avoid all Interference in

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in the disputes between the Venkatagerry Rajah, and with Commerdeen Cawn, unless his Troops should advance beyond the limits of the Cuddapoh Country and Commit hostilities in the Districts of the Venkatagerry Rajah, or the Carnatic, in either of which cases, he will use his Endeavors to repel them.

The Committee had hoped that the Dispute between the Venkatagerry Rajah and Meer Commerdeen Cawn would have been amicably adjusted and the Part of the District of Conicherry continued to the former. The President is requested to write again to Tippoo Sultan on the Subject, and in the mean while it is Agreed that Mr. Francis Lind, the Paymaster at Madras, be directed to proceed to the Venkatagerry Rajah to Examine in to the State of things, and make himself acquainted with the late transactions and Negotiations between the Rajah and Commerdeen Cawn - also to endeavor to ascertain the further Intentions of the latter and to Apprise ~~him~~ ^{that}

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that in case of his Committing any further hostilities against the Rajah or the Company's Possessions, we shall be under the necessity of sending a force Against him; and he will be answerable for all the Consequences— Agreed that Instructions to the above purpose, be prepared for Mr. Pitt, and that Captain Mahab be informed of his Appointment and directed to Correspond with him.

Read the following Dispatches—
from the Commissioners at Pondicherry.

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney
K. B. &c. President and Governor &c.
Select Committee

From the Commissioners at
Pondicherry,

enclosing Copy of their Correspondence with

the French Commissioners &

Copy of a Letter from the Marquis

de Bussy, from the Marshal

de Carries.

My Lord & Gentlemen

In Consequence of the Receipt of Your Commands of the 12th Instant. we lost not a moment in demanding a Conference with the French Commissioners; as You will perceive by the Accompanying Copy of our Letter to them; and which

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which we accordingly held the same morning, being the 14th. At this Conference we delivered them the Draft of an Instrument for the restitution of Trincomalay, which we had previously prepared in order that they might Draw out a similar one for the French Commandant of Trincomalay, which they approved and readily agreed to.

The 16th, at the desire of the French Commissioners, was then fixed upon for our last meeting on this business, when the Orders to the Commandants of the Forts and of the Marines at Trincomalay were to have been exchanged with us, for an Engagement for the delivery of Pondicherry and the Villages which appertained to it, at the Commencement of the War, as soon as authentic Advice should have been received by us that Colonel Dalrymple had taken possession of Trincomalay & that the French Troops had been Embarked and had sailed for the Isle of France - that the Districts had been evacuated

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evacuated by the Dutch and Malay
Troops; and in general all the Articles—
performed which had been Agreed upon
between us for the mutual restitutions
of Trincomalay and Pondicherry &c

On the 16th however they excused
themselves from meeting us, as the In-
struments had not then been executed
by the Marquis de Bussy, and requested
it might be deferred till the next day.
On the Evening of the 16th the Precieuse,
a French Frigate, which sailed from
France in November last, Arrived with
the Definitive Treaty. Mr. Manneron
having been summoned on this occasi-
on by the Marquis de Bussy to Attend
his Council Yesterday; the Meeting was
postponed till this Morning; where,
instead of their producing the Orders for
the delivery of Trincomalay, the Com-
missaries read to us a Letter from the
French Minister to the Marquis de Bussy;
Copy of which we have now the Honor—

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to transmit to your Lordship &c.

We then informed the French Commissioners we had met them this morning expressly for the purpose of exchanging the Orders for the Delivery of Trincomalay and Pondicherry, upon the faith of Engagements already entered into between us; and on being Called upon by us to know whether it was the intention of the Marquis de Bussy to Adhere to those Engagements; they replied, that the Orders which they produced from the French Minister being positive, they superseded all Engagements which the Marquis de Bussy had entered into previously to the Receipt of such Orders.

We requested to be informed by Mr. Morneron, who had Attended the Council of the Marquis de Bussy, at the Opening of the Dispatches, whether a Copy of the private Convention entered into by the two Courts for the restitution of Trincomalay had been transmitted to the Marquis,
as

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as we wished to have sent a Copy of it to
Your Lordship &c. but Mr. Monneron said,
he did not know of any other Paper having
been received relative to Trincimalay than
that which he had laid before us.

From these Circumstances Your
Lordship &c. will perceive that at the mo-
ment we expected to have brought the
business of the restitution of Trincimalay
and Pondicherry to a Conclusion - we
are under the necessity of putting a
stop to our proceedings till we shall
have been favored with your further Com-
mands.

Pondicherry
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We have the honor to be
(Signed) Charles Floyer
Wm Dalrymple
E. H. Hallfield

To Charles Monneron Esq.
Brigadier General Couteau
and John Francis Moravie Esq.

Gentlemen

We did not deem it neces-
sary to make any reply to the letter you
did

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did us the honor to write us on the 18th Instant, which was Accompanied by certain Articles proposed by the Marquis de Bussy for the mutual Institution of Trincornalay and Pondicherry, untill we should receive on that Subject further Instructions from the Right Honble the Governor & Select Committee of Fort St. George, because the said Articles corresponded entirely with the Result of our mutual deliberations in the last Conference held on the 11th of this Month, except in the Instance of the Removal of the French Troops to the Isle of France instead of their Return to Pondicherry and because we had the honor to inform you in our Letter of that Date, that we should refer the Matter to our Government of Fort St. George.

We have this Morning received their Instructions, and we have it in our Charge to Assure you Gentlemen, that the Subject has been taken into Consideration by our Government, with

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a disposition to suffer no slight Obstacles
to impede the complete execution of the
Treaty between our respective Sovereigns,
and as they act not only with Cordiality
towards the French Nation but with Con-
fidence in the Sincerity of the Intentions
of the Marquis de Bussy, they will not
object to any of the Proposals he has
lately ^{made} by You, the Commissioners of his
most Christian Majesty.

We are therefore ready to pro-
ceed, in Conformity to those Proposals, on
the mutual Restitutions of Trincomally
and Pondicherry and that no delay on
our part be incurred, in fulfilling this
part of our Mission, we beg to know if
a Conference this Morning on the Subject
will be convenient to You.

We have the honor to be &c.

(signed) { C. Floyer
W. Dalrymple
E. M. Hallfield

Attest Copy E. M. Hallfield
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To Charles Floyer Esq^r.

Colonel William Dalrymple

and

Ernst William Fallofield Esq^r.

Gentlemen

We have the honor of transmitting to you the Copy of a Letter from M. le Marquis de Castries to M. le Marquis de Bussy, which he has received by His Majesty's Frigate La Breue.

You will there observe Gentlemen, the particular Agreement between the two Courts, respecting the restitution of Tranconallee, and His Majesty's order that it be Conform'd to by them—As We are now therefore acquainted with those intentions, it becomes our Duty to Obey them without Reserve, and to wait untill you shall have received the Resolutions of the Government of Madras for the prosecution of the Work which We have begun.

We have the honor to be

(Signed) Monneron
Coutanceau

above Copy & Moracin

(Signed) E W Fallofield Esq^r

Copy

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Copy of the Letter from M. le Maréchal
de Castries, Minister for the Marine —
Department to M. le Marquis de Bussy,
dated at Fontainebleau the 21st Oct. 1784

By the 19th Article of the definitive Treaty, it has been stipulated, viz, that all the places which may have ^{been} Conquered in any part of the World whatsoever, & which are not included in the present Treaty, shall be restored without difficulty, or without requiring any Compensation.

The Conquest therefore of Trincomallée, & the others which may have been made by His Majesty's Arms since the landing of the Troops with which the King has entrusted You, are by the foregoing stipulation to be, and ought to be restored without delay to the Commissaries on behalf of His Britannic Majesty,

Nevertheless by a particular Agreement between the two Courts, the Harbours and Ports of Trincomallée are to be delivered Over to a Dutch Commissary, immediately after the restitution of ^{them}

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them shall have been made to the English
Commissary.

But to preclude the possibility of any ambiguous, or dubious interpretation of the terms of that Agreement, to which they might otherwise be liable, I think it necessary to explain to you more particularly His Majesty's Orders on that Subject.

Having in Concert with the Commissaries of Great Britain, determined upon the Day on which the restoration of the ^{Harbours &} Ports of Trincomallee is to take place, you will be careful to communicate the same to the Governor of Ceylon, so that the Commissary and the Troops belonging to the Republic may be at Trincomallee at time which shall be fixed upon.

The first Arrangements having been thus made, you will direct the principal Officers, to whom you shall entrust the delivery over to the English Commissary of the Harbours & Ports of Trincomallee

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Trincomallee as aforesaid — to take no —
 steps whatever in that Business, but in
 the presence of the Troops & of the Commis-
 sary of the ^{Republic} to whom the English Commis-
 sary ought immediately to restore the —
 Harbours & Forts of Trincomallee & Coten-
 burgh: — so that His Majesty's Troops may
 to the Dutch Troops alone, deliver over these
 Posts, & Consequently that they do not
 evacuate them until the former shall
 be in readiness to take possession of them

These are the positive Orders of
 His Majesty. to which You will be pleased
 to Conform with Your usual exactness

I have the honor to be &c.

Le Marechal de Castries

A true Copy of the Original

(Signed) Pufoy

A true Copy (Signed) Monneron

Couteneau

Moracin

A true Copy

(Signed) C. W. Hallfield

Lucy

The

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the foregoing

The Committee are much surprised at the contents of Mr. de Cartrier's Letter to the Marquis De Bussy mentioning a particular Agreement between the two Courts of which Agreement We have received no Intimation whatever from the Court of Directors; Altho the date of their last Dispatches 3 months subsequent to that of Mons^r De Cartrier's Letter and altho the said Agreement by the description given of it by Mr. de Cartrier, must differ essentially both in letter and spirit from the definitive Treaty and the consequent Orders respecting the restitution of Trincomallé contained in the 5th paragraph of the Company's General Letter of the 2nd September and confirmed in the 17th para. of the same Letter which are now again read as follows.

Extract of a Letter from the Honble Court of Directors dated 2nd September 1784

As therefore the capture of Trincomallay by the French was not known in Europe at the time of signing the Preliminary

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Preliminary Articles and as it comes precisely under the description in the before mentioned Articles; it must therefore be surrendered to You; and You must be cautious not to yield possession to France of any of the places stipulated by the Treaty until matters shall be so arranged as that the restoration of Trincomalay may take place at the same time You make the Cessiers to France, And we cannot too strongly recommend Your Attention to this injunction.

(A true extract)

The Committee are of opinion that until they receive further Orders they cannot deviate from those contained in the Above paragraph, and after mature consideration it is resolved that the following Instructions be sent to the Commissioners at Pondicherry

To Messrs Floyer Dalrymple
and Hallfield
Gentlemen

To the Commissioners
at Pondicherry
in answer to their
dispatches of the
18th with instructions
for their future
Guidance

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We have received Your dispatches
of the 18th Instant announcing the Mar-
quis de Bussy's departure from the Arrang-
ments concluded with you, under his im-
mediate direction and Authority. These
Arrangements were Conformable to In-
structions transmitted here with the Know-
ledge of the French as well as of the English
Ministry, and founded on the definitive
Treaty between the Courts of London and
Versailles. We have received no Subse-
quent Instructions, authorising us to
deviate from the former. For such a devi-
ation we could not Alledge the Authority
of Instructions Transmitted to India,
with the Knowledge and implied Acquie-
sance of Our Superiors. We could not
Alledge an Agreement Deliberately &
solemnly concluded for the punctual
and speedy execution of the definitive
Treaty. The extract to which M^r. de Bussy
refers, as binding Upon him in prefe-
rence to all Engagements does not
appear

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appears to have been Communicated to the Court of London, and its Object is materially different from the very clause of the definitive Treaty to which it alludes; for this it mentions that Trincomalay is to be delivered to the English; yet after quoting a new Convention between the two Courts, that Trincomalay was to be immediately restored by the English to the Dutch, it proceeds to direct a measure not only Contrary to the definitive Treaty, but which destroys the possibility of such latter restitution; for it requires that the said Place be delivered by the French Troops to the Troops of the States General ~~only~~ ^{the} English. therefore, not getting, cannot give it. The Presence of an English Commissary, does not alter the nature of the Transaction. He is not it seems, to receive possession from the French Troops, even with an engagement to transfer it immediately to the Dutch Troops; he is simply to be a Witness of a Transfer of

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of possession different from what the definitive Treaty stipulated, and the public Instructions, known to both Courts, expressly required. We conceive it very possible that a Convention should be made for the Transfer of the possession of Trincomalay to the Dutch and yet that the punctual execution of such convention should not be interred by our Court to rest upon any other Security than the Faith of the British Nation, which has led it to send out orders for restoring Conquests it had made, long before any Directions were sent by the Nation who was to receive them. If however the Court of London should consent to such a stipulation, the Orders relative to it will be binding on us in any arrangement not concluded before their Arrival. But no subsequent Orders can erase the Obligation of adhering to Prior Engagements such as subsist between you on our part, and the french Commissioners, on the part of the Marquis de Bussy, Engagements

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Engagements voluntarily made by both of
the contracting Parties cannot with propriety
be cancelled: but by the voluntary Act of
both those Parties. As we cannot - Autho-
-rize You now to join in such an Act -
Act, the failure in the Engagement and in
the subsequent Restitutions must rest
with the Marquis de Bussy only. Nor
do we perceive the likelihood of any Uti-
-lity from the Renewal of Your Conferences
with the French Commissioners unless -
they are Disposed to execute the arrange-
-ments to which they have already agreed
in the former Conferences; or until we
shall be Authorized to Consent to new
Arrangements. We are Sorry for this -
second Interruption of Your Negotiations
We had taken some pains to guard against
it in both Instances. Before we entered
upon them we had the Marquis de Bussy's
assurance that he was ready to conclude -
them. He was not however ready, and please
the

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The want of Instructions on a particular object of the negotiation, The Conferences were renewed on his second assurances of agreeing to specific Conditions, as to this Object, without any reserve of Alteration or Deviation, in case of subsequent Orders from home, yet subsequent Orders are now pleaded for such a Deviation and the breach of such Conditions. The Marquis de Bussy either accepted the negotiation too soon, or he interrupted it without necessity. Either he was not authorized to agree, or he is bound to his Agreement. It is to be hoped that such final Arrangements will be taken by the two Courts, as will put an End to the Suspence in which the Business of the Mutual Restitutions is to ^{likely} be in the mean time in consequence of these variations in the Sentiments of M^r Bussy. On the supposition of his being true to his last Declaration it will be unnecessary for any of the Company to remain at Pondicherry.

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Pondicherry except Colonel Dalrymple, —
who will of Course command the Troops
there and retain with him the Sepoys from
Pernacil, & as he acted with great propriety
in his attention to the Marquis de Bussy
on receiving our directions for hoisting —
the English Flag at Pondicherry, he will
likewise use his discretion as to that
Measure upon the present Occasion &
we readily trust it to him.

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We have the honor to be
Sir,

(Signed) Macartney
J. Committee

Read the following Letter from the
Committee of Assigned Revenue

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney

K. B. President & Select Committee

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My Lord & Gentlemen

In our Letter to your Lord-
ship of the 27th January last, We men-
tioned the peculiar Situation of the Raja

who had not obtained the *Taboo Nabob's*
Summe

from Council
of Assigned
Revenue rela-
tive to the Cir-
cumstances
mentioned
in their Letter
of the 27th Jan^y
relative to
Bainranga & Aiores
requesting a
reply.
who

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Summed for the Remission of his Pishnash during the War- and requested to know whether he were to have the same Indulgence as the Zemindars of Verelataghery and Calcuttry who had produced the Nabobs' Summons for Remission of their Tribute. The Determination of Your Lordship V.^a upon this subject was deferred until you should see in what manner Bonnaurze performed the Service he was then employed upon of providing Grain for the Fort of Villore.

As the Pishnash of the Raja remains still unadjusted. We requested your Lordship V.^a to take our said Letter of the 27th January into Consideration and communicate Your pleasure upon it with all convenient Expedition.

We have the Honour to be
V.^a

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(Signed) }
Chas. Oakley
David Haliburton
George Moubray

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Ordered to remain for Consideration until we know whether the Rajah Bonnaurze performed

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performed the service of furnishing Grain
for the Garrison of Vellore, concerning which,
the Secretary is desired to enquire of
Captain Closs.

Read the following letter from
the Chief & Council of Masulipatam

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K. B.

President and Governor &c. Select Committee

From Masuli
patam enclosing

Account of My Lord & Gentlemen
Disbursement

Representing
the several Expens-
es Occurred

by employing
Troops to collect
the revenue

&c. and point
ing Out their
several Modes

of lessening the
expences of the
several Depart-
ments under

their Govern-
ment

of Fort St. George

We have been duly honored —
with Your Commands, Communicated to
us thro' the Channel of Your Secretary.

under the 22^d Ultimate Copy of which
was immediately forwarded to the Chief;

and we beg leave to Assure Your Lordship
&c. that we have at all times, particularly

since the Commencement of the late War,
used all means that lay with us to make

the Expences of this District as Moderate
as possible. We cannot furnish a more

Accurate Statement of our Ordinary Dis-
bursements than the monthly Accounts of

the

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the several Paymasters, Warehousekeepers and Storekeepers which are now forwarded to the Civil Department for Month of January. — These Accounts Contain All the fixed Monthly Disbursements, Except the Allowances of the Company's Civil Servants, who are considerably in arrears, and the Money to be advanced for the Investment, Agreeable to your late Orders Under the Head of Extraordinary Disbursements, may be included, all those which are variable such as Batta to Troops Employed on Revenue Service in Quelling Disturbances in the Country or when Battalions are removed to different Garrisons, Repairs of Fortifications, Quarters and Barracks, the Charges of Surgeons and some other incidental Charges which Cannot be arranged under particular Heads.

The Batta to Troops has been Considerable of late, on Account of the Number Employed in Repelling the incursions of Opparum's Peons, and whenever —
Troops

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Troops are employed, there are always other incidental Charges besides their Batta, which vary According to the Nature of the Service they are Employed on. The repairs of Fortifications depend upon Circumstances which are in themselves uncertain, and in order to give Your Lordship Co^{rs} as Clear an Idea as possible of the State of this Fort, Captain Prescott has been called on to furnish us with one which shall be forwarded as soon as he delivers it in. Most of the Houses in this place are very old and being built of Wood require frequent repairs which, if deferred long, would be the cause of their falling to ruins; the Barracks here as well as at the out Garrisons, also require to be repaired occasionally, but in every thing of this kind we have always Observed the strictest Economy. We called on the Committee of Works to know whether any Reduction could be made in the Expenses of

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of that Department and they have informed
as in reply that nothing can with any de-
gree of propriety be dispensed with, the
whole being little more than the Monthly
Workman Employed and the ~~Costs of~~ Las-

-cars

The Hospital here is furnished
with Medicines &c. by Contract, and the
King's Troops at Ellore - by another Con-
tract, and Consequently the Expence depends
on the Number of Patients, but in the out
Garrisons there is no fixed Rate to go by.
The Surgeons draw out Monthly Bills for
Country Medicines and Medical Servants;
the propriety of which we are often at a
loss to determine, for want of professional
knowledge, and we have long wished that
some Regulation could be made for deter-
mining all Charges of this kind that
there might be no occasion for further
reference to your Lordship &c. on this
subject. - The General Order of the 2^d Sep-
tember 1783 never has taken place in this
District

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District for the reasons mentioned in our letter dated 3. October 80. and the Additional Patta to Surgeons would only be an Additional Expense, unless the other Charges could be diminished. — We came to a Resolution in the Month of March 80 that when the Monthly Bills for Servants & Medicines of any Surgeons, belonging to an out Garrison, Exceeded 50 Pagodas They were to be forwarded to us previous to their being paid, with a List of the Sick which such Surgeon might have attended; that by Comparing his Charge with that of a Contract Hospital we might be enabled to Judge of the Reasonableness or unreasonableness of it. And since Mr. Sinclair's appointment of Surgeon Major has been Annulled we have again Adopted the same Regulation.

The other Extraordinary Expenses can not be Arranged under distinct Heads, for Instance, the Demolishing the Fort of Negged, and the Riverboats which

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which we are obliged to allow Captain —
Montgomery for procuring Intelligence
of Opparow and his Sons, are Circum-
stances which could not be foreseen; but
whenever any thing of this kind occurs, it
is our utmost endeavour to render the
Expense as small as possible —

Your Lordship &c.^a have been plea-
sed to call on us to inform You if we
Conceive any Reduction can be made in
our Expenses, and we are of opinion that
none can be made which depends upon
us. Our Military Expenses, which
are by far the most Considerable will
depend on the Number of Troops You
may deem necessary for this District,
in time of Peace, and whether Mr
Westcott's Contract for keeping up a Cer-
tain number of Bullocks at Ellore
should continue or not, is a Matter
respecting which, we Cannot so well
determine. As Your Lordship &c.^a as we
are

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are unacquainted what occasion Govern-
ment may have hereafter for Ordering a
Detachment to be fitted out from the Cis-
sars. We think it only our Duty to Observe
that ever since this Contract has been kept
up, The Public field Service has felt the
good Effects of it - and the want of it would.
During the Course of this war, have frequent-
ly been felt. The Allowances to all the
Civil Servants, who hold Appointments
from Your Lordship &c in this District,
are the same which others, in similar
Situations, have throughout the whole
Establishment, and consequently require
no particular Remarks to be made on
them.

Masulipatam
12th June 1781 -

We have the honor to be
(Signed) James Hodges
John Peter Boileau
Saml. Matham

Ordered to lie for consideration and the
Secretary is directed to Obtain and bring
to the next meeting of the Committee the
last

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last Accounts received from Masulipatam, that they may be Examined, and such Reductions made, as can be immediately determined upon.

As there is no doubt that the

medical Regulations lately established, for the Surgeons in the field, by which a fixed

Allowance is given to them in lieu of all contingent Charges and Buzas medicines &c. for which those Charges were

made, supplied by a Superintending Surgeon at the Presidency have been attended with a considerable saving to the Com-

pany. Resolved, that the said Regulations shall henceforward extend to all the Sub-

ordinate Settlements Out Garrisons & Cantonments where there is no Contract Hospital, the Surgeons drawing the pay

allowed by the Regulations and half Batta whenever the Officers are Allowed that Indulgence, that Orders Accordingly sent

to the Chiefs & Councils and Paymasters to pay the strictest Attention to the Medical

The Superin-
tendant of Medi-
cal Stores to
supply the Seve-
ral Garrisons
with Country
Medicines. In
consequence
of the great lea-
vies to the
Company

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Medical Regulations; and as it may
~~from the accidental failure of Supplies from~~
 some times happen, from the Superin-
 tending Surgeon at the Presidency, that
 the Surgeons at the distant Stations may
 be under the necessity of supplying
 themselves with particular Articles of
 Surgical Medicines; in all such cases,
 the Surgeons are to send their Bills to
 the Superintending Surgeon who, if satis-
 fied that there was a necessity for pur-
 chasing the Articles, he not having sup-
 plied them, and that no more is charged
 for them than the Actual Cost, is to ~~certify~~
~~the same under his hand which~~
~~certificate~~ is alone to Authorize the pay-
 ment of the Bills. Resolved that the fore-
 going Resolution be published in General
 Orders.

Read the following Letter from
 Resident at Hyderabad.

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney Kt.
 President &c Members of the Select Comm.
 from Resident at Hyderabad
 had sent ~~my~~ My Lord & Gentlemen Fort St. George
 to see how far under

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For Sparrow
may be off his
Guard, against
a sudden surprise.
I state the
Cause of Tippu's
proceedings in
the Gubbior Circar.

Under date 12th Ultimo I recei-
ved a letter from the Council at Masuli-
patam, informing me that they had
received Your orders to correspond with me,
and to transmitt me such intelligence as
might be connected with my situation.
I must me to return my warmest
Acknowledgements for this Continued
mark of Your favor, even to points unso-
licited. I immediately returned my
Thanks for the communication, promi-
sing such intelligence on my behalf as
might be of appearance or real use to
them and added such information as
my passing through the Country Affor-
ded of the, their place of refuge, of the
rebel Zemindar Apparow Nunjer.
He was then at Balwancha under the
protection of the heirs of the late Apparow,
a Zemindary also, in rebellion to their
Sovereign the Nalob Nizam. I have
lately sent spies to see how far his
ideas

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ideas of security may have left him off his guard, against a sudden seizure And if any information with troubling that Board with, should be the result of my enquires, I shall not fail to communicate it & take such other steps as may appear conducive to bring that rebel to due punishment.

I have now hastily to Acknowledge the honor of receiving Your Lordship's Commands of 2^d May. And before I can more at length return thanks for the very judicious hints, it conveys by the best possible Arguments to be used in the course of my Negotiations with the Nabob I shall only at present reply to what regards the Nabob Tipperoo Sultann. I am extremely happy that Your Lordship V^{ty} see so clear an Opening to avoid Considering his late Conduct (as at first reported) from being a breach of the recent treaty with him And am
still

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still more pleased that I have it in my power to Confirm those sentiments, by having received more distinct intelligence, relative to the troubles in the Guntur - which although occasioned by the Nabob Tippoo's troops, he now appears wholly blameless in. The fact (as now represented) is that the managers of Commis- a relation of Meer Saib's had sent some^{where} with money, as usual, to recruit Soldiers in the Guntur. - These Agents, upon their Arrival were stript and plundered within Saif Jung's limits. Saif Jung is the manager of Guntur. The Nabob Tippoo's managers demanded the accustomed satisfaction upon such occasions, by a return of the Amount lost, & punishment of the delinquents. And either Accompany'd this Demand, or afterwards, upon delay, sent a threat that he would redress himself upon the Adjacent Villages, if retribution was not speedily rendered. This threat upon

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upon a total neglect on Sepoy's behalf
was accordingly executed by the troops
under Meer Sabeel. About seven Villages
are said to have been destroyed. From ^{this} ~~the~~
Narrative, if true (it is of the best intelligence
I can procure) it will appear that the
Nabob Sepoy himself is totally blame-
less.

The Officer commanding at
Palanad is most properly situated to per-
-cure & convey intelligence upon this head
as well as other similar occurrences. I
therefore should hold myself much ben-
-fitted and my business Accelerated, by
your Lordship's ^{or} being pleased to send
him an Order similar to that which was
sent to Manipatam.

The Hawk which I have men-
-tioned myself to be in, Arrives from my
moving this morning, at the Nabob's
invitation I desire, close to the walls of
y^e City from which I am now some
Cops Distant. His Highness himself is
now

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now Shortly expected -

near Hyderabad
6th June 1784

I have the honor to be V.
(Signed) R. Johnson
Res. Hyd.

Ordered to be Consideration

Read the following Letter from the
Paymaster at Vellore

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.
President & Governor V.^o Members
of the Select Committee

My Lord & Gentlemen of Fort St. George

On the receipt of Mr. Sub Secretary
from Vellore Maveys Letter of the 16th ultimo, I caused
Paymaster the
Sale of the Corn to be signified to the Inhabitants, by beat
drums & Bullocks of Town Town, that the Sale of the Corn
& Rice goes on very slowly, - able Company's Draught and Slaughter
supposes a mode Bullocks would commence on the 2^d
or its Disposal. Instant, and would be continued until

the whole were disposed of. I also desired
the Receiver to write to his Managers to
acquaint the Ryats. of the opportunity, that
offered of providing themselves with cattle
in the room of those which had been for-
-isable

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forcibly taken from them. He informed me yesterday that the Ryotts had given him to understand that, as they were under the necessity of selling their own Cattle to raise Money to pay off their Rents. it could not be expected they would purchase any from the Company and I am sorry to observe that not one of them attend the sale - From the 2^d to the 4th, I only sold 24 Draught Bullocks for 101¹/₂ Madras Pagodas medium ^{Price at Bag} 3¹/₂ and from that Day to the present Date not a Single Bullock has been sold. Having no prospect of finding Purchasers for the remainder I am therefore compelled to request your Lordship's further Instructions on that head.

The Sale of the Honourable Company's Grain goes on very slowly having since the 2th of May, only retailed 13A Mearals of Red Rice @ 59¹/₂ ^{at Bag} 12 per Garro and 3¹/₂ ^{Garro Mear} 24¹/₂ of Black Paddy @ 28.55 1 per Garro total Madras ^{at Bag} Pagoda.

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Pagoda 107. 1740 I sent for the Grain Merchants and endeavored to prevail on them to purchase the Rice @ offering them 2 Seers more per Ruple than the price of New Grain which they Declined I then applied to Venkata Rao to use his influence over them to that effect, but he also failed. Most of the Grain in Store has been beaten in to Rice upwards of 9 Months; unless some effectual measures are speedily adopted to Dispose of it, it will become unsaleable. I would beg leave therefore to suggest to Your Lordship V. the expedi-
ents of restricting the Boutique People from retailing any, and of prohibiting the Inhabitants from bringing any in to the Fort until the Stock in hand is sold.

I beg leave to inform Your Lordship V. that the Accounts of this Garrison have been transmitted to the Presidency regularly every month, since my appointment to Nellore. I

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Nellore

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I have the honor to be Sir

(Signed) Fr^d Lind

Agreed that Mr. Lind be directed to deliver over the Bullocks to the Venter charging him the Price paid for them or at which they were charged to the Company excepting such as may be disabled or their their Value impaired by Service, in which cases, a reasonable Abatement must be made. The Venter must not force the Bullocks upon the Inhabitants but distribute to them at low prices, such as may be wanted for the purposes of Cultivation. Agreed also that Mr. Lind be directed to adopt the mode he recommends for the disposal of the Company's Grain by restraining the Sale of Grain in the Boutiques till the Company's stock is disposed of.

The Commander in Chief
Delivers in the following Recommendations
for Promotions to Vacancies
Recommendations

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Recommendations by the Commander in
Chief 26th June 1782 -

Genl. Lang's
recommendations
for promotion -

As Captain Nathaniel Dawes
has for a long time been in the 1st Bat-
talion of Sepoys, and was kept in the
Command of it, altho only a Subaltern -
during the whole War by Sir Eyre Coote,
and General Stuart, and having dischar-
ged his Duty in that situation with
credit to himself and benefit to the Ser-
vice, he is recommended to the Com-
mand of the 1st Battalion of Sepoys in the
room of Captain Edington promoted.

Captain Robert Sale, to be removed from
the 2nd Battalion to the Command of
the 15th Battalion Sepoys in the room of
Rich^d Scott who is permitted to resign
and Captain Francis Goudie to the
Command of the 2nd Battalion Sepoys
in the room of Sale removed.

Captain Cornelius Grant to command
the 11th Battalion Sepoys in the room
of

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 of Captain Geo. Campbell resigned.

The Commander in Chief is
 happy in an opportunity to recommend
 the two last mentioned Officers (Cap-
 tains Goudie & Grant) to the notice of
 the Committee as they are gallant, good
 Officers whose sufferings — during
 a long captivity, deserve the attention
 of Government.

(Signed) Robt. Lang

The Committee approve of the Gen-
 eral's recommendations and it is Acce-
 dingly resolved that the following pro-
 motions shall take place Viz.

Captain Nathaniel Dawes to the
 Command of the 1st Battalion of Sepoys
 Vice Captain Edington promoted

Captain Robert Sale to be re-
 moved from the 2nd Battalion to the Com-
 mand of the 15th Battalion Vice Captain
 Richard Scott promoted to resign.

Captain Francis Goudie to the Com-
 mand of the 2nd Battalion Vice Sale
 removed

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removed. Captain Cornelius Grant to the
command of the 11th Battalion Vice Captain
George Campbell resigned.

Read the following Letters —

Read Mr. Gerrick entered in a Miscellany Book Viz.

requesting the
Committee with
intercede with
the Court of
Directors to get
his Son appointed
Cadet

From the Reverend Mr. Gerrick
representing that he has served 17 Years
as an English Chaplain in Cuddalore
and other Garrisons, and requesting the
Committee to intercede with the Court
of Directors, to obtain for his Son George
Frederick Gerrick, the Appointment
of a Cadet on the Madras Establish-
ment.

From Capt.
Dawes with
return of Stores
22nd Dec.

Letters of the 8th and 9th Instant
from Captain Dawes enclosing an
Account of rice issued to the Officers
& Sepoys of the Garrison of Permacoil
V a return of Artillery and Military
Stores and advising if his having sent
Bullocks &c. to Arcot to Mr. Welch
the paymaster and Mr. Kenworthy
the Agent.

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From Lieutenant Darley inclosing

an Account of Charges incurred by
his Appointment to receive the pris-
soners from Commies dien Caon Ancon-
nured by re-
sisting the Pagodas 372.32 and requesting
that the Paymaster at Melloor may be
directed to pay them -

From Doctor Salazar Surgeon
to the late Deputation to Liffpoor Sub-
from the Surgeon-tann, representing that having been
that accompa-
nied the Deputation deprived of any supplies from the
to Liffpoor with
Account of expenses Superintendant of Medical Stores -
incurred

except a few Articles at setting out,
he has been at unavoidable Expense
for hospital servants and necessaries
for which he has therefore made charge
inclosing Bills Accordingly for
Bazar Medicines and Servants Inclu-
sive of the pay and Batta Established
by the Military Regulations.

From the Paymaster at Moh-
returns of the
monthly Disbursements inclosing Statement of the monthly
Disbursements

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Disbursements of that Garrison -

from Lt. Underwood
requests, as his
health is very bad, representing the ill state of his health
that he may receive
his Subsistence
at Vellore.

From Lieutenant Underwood

requesting that he may be allowed
to receive his Subsistence at Vellore -

from Lt. Sherroff
requests leave to
proceed to Bengal
on his private
affairs

From Lieutenant Sherroff -

requesting leave to proceed to Bengal -
upon his private concerns for five
months -

from Lt. Thompson
requests leave to
proceed to Bengal
for his health

From Lieutenant Thompson

requesting leave to proceed to Bengal
for his health -

from Surgeons of
the Middlesex
& Brompton
Indians - as
to be paid in Cash
instead of Bengal
Bills -

From Doctors Lee & Nott -

Surgeons of the Middlesex and Brompton
barracks, representing the Hardship of their
being obliged to receive Bengal Bills for
the Amount of the Sum due to them
for their care of the recruits and request
ing to be paid in cash -

On the Above Letters the Com-
mittee came to the following Resolutions -

That in Consideration of the

Merit and Character of the Reverend -

Mr.

Committee agree
to Mr. Gennet's
request

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M^r. Gerreck, the honorable Court of Directors be requested to Admit his Son, — George Frederick Gerreck, in to these Services as a Cadet.

— That the account received from Captain Dawes be returned to him, with a Letter informing him that it is the province of the Paymaster and Storekeeper of an Out Garrison to keep and send in the Accounts of the Disbursements of the Garrison of the Vice issued to the Troops V.^c and the returns of Stores that the Vice Account must therefore be settled by the Paymaster and transmitted to the proper Department by him, according to the Rules of the Service. — That Lieutenant Darley's Account be Allowed in lieu of all Charges and Allowances whatsoever during the time he was Employed in receiving the prisoners and Conveying them to Melloor — That

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The Committee
cannot comply
with D. Calhoun's
requests

That Doctor Halseman's Accounts
be returned to him and that he be
informed we are determined not to
depart from the Medical Regulation by
which the Surgeons in the field are
Allowed Captains pay and Lieut. Colo-
nels Batta, in lieu of all contingent
Charges whatsoever and that the Draw-
ing for the pay & Batta and contingent
Charges besides never can be Admit-
ted — That the

Chief & Council of Ganjam be infor-
med that we desire they will send an
Account of all their monthly Disburse-
ments including the Itchapour Char-
ges, and point out where in they imagine
reductions may be made —

That Lieutenant Underwood be
permitted to receive his pay at Vellore and
Orders Accordingly be sent to the payma-
ster of that Garrison

That Lieutenants Sherieff and
Thompson be permitted to proceed to
Bengal agreeably to their requests — That

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That the Surgeons of the ^{at} Madras and
and Bombay be informed, their
request cannot be complied ^{with} as the hard-
ship of which they complain is the con-
sequence of the general Distress and is
common to them and many others upon
whom it is equally severe.

The Secretary lays before the
Committee a Bill of Exchange for
1000 pagodas drawn upon them by Mr.
William Michell who was appointed
to proceed as Resident to Trincornall.
— Ordered that the same be Accepted
and discharged and the amount carried
to the Debit of the Military Paymaster
General who must debit for it ^{the} head of
Resident at Trincornall, to be raised in
his Books for that purpose.

Read Letter as entered in M.B.
N. 1 from Captain John Cuppage
lately Commanding at Vellore, enclosing
several Drafts granted to him by the
Paymaster of that Garrison upon the mili-
tary Paymaster General for his Arrears
of

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of Jay Batta Esq. for Cash Advanced to him for the public Service Amounting to Pag^{rs}. 7478. — for the whole of which Captⁿ Cuppage requests Bonds from the Company —

Ordered that Company's Bonds for the above Amount be granted to Captain John Cuppage, with Interest of 8th Cent on the Money lent to the Company being Pag^{rs}. 5516. — from the days the respective Sums were Advanced to Mr. Ogilvie; the Amount to be carried in the Military Paymaster's Book to the Debit of the Paymaster of Yellere.

Read the following Letter from the Comm^{rs} in Chief,

To the Right Hon^{ble} George Lord Macartney
President & Governor & Select Committee

Fort St. George
My Lord & Gentlemen

From Genl
Lang. enclosing
a Charge preferred
by Lt. Mac Donald
against Lieut.
Hook

A complaint having been made to me against Lieut. Alexander Mac Donald by Lieut. Hook of the Bombay Establishment I have in consequence ordered Lieut. Macdonald in Arrest and

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and have the honor to enclose a copy of his Crime and have to request that you will give directions that he be tried at a General Court Martial for the same.

Gardens
21st June 1782

I am Yours &c.

(Signed) Robt. Lang

Lieut. Alexr. McDonald put under an Arrest by Order of the Commander in Chief on Complaint of Lieutenant Hook for behaving unbecomingly the Character of an Officer and a Gentleman in asserting a scandalous falsehood to the prejudice of his reputation.

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(Signed) J^r Richardson
Maj^r Genl.

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Letter be sent to Maj^r Genl. Campbell with a Request that he will give directions for a General Court Martial upon Lieut. Hook.

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Despatches the following Letter.

To Richard Johnson Esq^r

Resident at Hydrabad.

Sir,

We have the honor to enclose to you some

Papers relative to the Conduct of the Adherents of the late Apparow, Subjects of the Nizam, to the material prejudice of the Company. These Persons not only protect Apparow, a rebellious Zemindar, dependent upon the Circar of Rajamundry, but assist him in such daring and mischievous incursions into the Territories of the Company, as require an immediate stop to be put to them. This Zemindar would have been easily and immediately reduced, and those Mischiefs prevented, but that the Authors of them, on the Appearance of our Troops, retreat immediately among the Zemindars of Badrachellam, which being within the confines of the Nizam's Dominions, We have hitherto restrained our Troops from following the fugitives there, lest it should give any Umbrage to the Nizam; but We trust that on representing the facts to His Highness, he will see the necessity of allowing our Troops to pursue Apparow or his Peons in any part of the Zemindary of the late Apparow, which adjoins our Territories, as otherwise there can be no End to the Disorders committed by them; and as we understand that the Zemindars of Badrachellam have for some time past been generally in a State of disobedience to the Nizam. We apprehend that the Appearance of a Detachment

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Mr Johnson
closing Papers.
taking the bad
consequences of the
restriction given
Apparow -
questing that
the Nizam will
allow our Troops
to pursue Apparow.

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26 of our Troops as the steadfast Friends of His Highness may have the effect of awing the Rebels to his Authority as well as those to ours into the Subjection respectively due by them. We rely on your Zeal & Address for obtaining the Consent of the Nizam to the Measure we propose, and we beg you will give immediate notice of the same to the Chief Council of Masulipatam, that no time may be lost in carrying it into Execution -

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Dear Sir &c

Macartney
Esq Select Committee

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Received the following Letters
from Captains Dawes & Spediman, and from Mr Welch to the Dept Secy (as entered in M^{rs} N^o 69.78
75 From Captain Dawes, enclosing
a Receipt from the Deputy Agent for Draft and
Slaughter Cattle -

From Captain Spediman requesting
his Appointment to the Commensaryship of Stores at
Arcot, ^{maybe} published in General Orders -

From Mr Welch, stating that
having called upon Captain Spediman to deliver over
the Charge of the Grain, he had been informed that
Captain Spediman could not do it until General
Horne had received Orders on that Account -

Sent the following Letters -

To Major General Allan Campbell
Commanding His Majesty's Troops
Sir
in India

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I am directed by the Right Honble

Genl. Campbell
requesting an order
for a Court Martial
on Lieut Alex.
Macdonald.

the President and Select Committee to enclose you
the Copy of a letter that has been addressed to them
by Lieut General Lang - covering a Charge preferred
by Lieut Hook of the Bombay Establishment against
Lieut Alex. Macdonald, who has in consequence
been ordered under an Arrest, and the Select Committee
accordingly request that you will be pleased to give
Orders for his Trial by the General Court Martial
which is to assemble on Wednesday next the 30th Inst.

I have the honor to be &c &c.

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Wudleston

Dispatched the following letter to

Mr Lind -

To Mr Francis Lind

Paymaster at Nellore.

Sir

The Right Honble the President

and Select Committee having received advice from
the Venecatagerry Rajah and from Capt. Mahal
at Angole of the Capture of Bonicherry by Mier
Commer dien Cawn, altho there was reason to hope
both from the Letters of Tippoo Sultaun and those of
Mier Commer dien Cawn that the dispute with
the Rajah relative to the Arrears of rent for that
District would be amicably adjusted, I am directed
to desire that you will proceed with as little delay
as possible to the place where the Rajah resides,
and endeavor to make yourself acquainted with the

Mr Lind -
ring him to
uld to the Ven
tagherry Rajah
make himself
acquainted with
State of things
own the Rajah
Mier Commer
Cawn -
losing a letter
to the Rajah with
others -

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27th the exact State of things and the late transactions & negotiations between the Rajah and Muz Commur diu Cawn and report the same to the Select Committee - you are also to endeavor to ascertain the further intentions of Muz Commur diu Cawn and if it shall appear to you that he means any further hostilities against the Nencatagherry Rajah or the Company's possession you will apprise him that the Select Committee, in either case will be under the necessity of sending a force against him and he will be answerable for all the consequences that may attend his having violated the Peace and Friendship so lately established between the Company and his Master the Nabob Tippoo Sultan.

Enclosed is a Letter which you to deliver to the Rajah, and you will assure him the determination of the Right Honble the President and Select Committee to support and protect him in the enjoyment of his Country and Rights altho' they would not forcibly interfere to prevent Commur diu Cawn from obtaining possession of a place which acknowledged to belong to the Cudapa Country, therefore the property of Tippoo Sultan - I enclose to you a letter for Mr. Hipelback the Engineer, whom you will take with you for the purpose mentioned in the said Letter -

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I have the honor to be &c

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Dispatched the hereunder mentioned
Letters / as entered in M^{ts}. Nos 84. 79. 80. 81.

To Capt^l Spediman.

To Captain Spediman, dated 28th June 84
desiring him to continue in the Charge of the Grain
until further Orders &c

M^r Welch -

To M^r Welch, same date, on the
same Subject -

Com^{rs} of Accounts

To M^r John Holland and to the
Commissioners of Accounts, dated 28th June, directing
them to examine forthwith the Accounts of the
late Paymaster at Tanjore (M^r Paine) and to make
a report to the Select Committee -

Major Sydenham

Capt^l Mackintosh

Lieut^t Hornond.

To Major Sydenham, Captain
Mackintosh of the Company's Ship Contractor, and
Lieut^t Hornond, dated 28th June, appointing them
a Committee to investigate Complaints against a
Captain Rogers from a Sergeant & some Soldiers
of the Middlesex, enclosing Copy of the Complaints -

Dispatched the following Letter

to Captain Wahab -

To Captain Wahab

Commanding at Ongole

To Capt^l Wahab.

directing him to
avoid Interference
in the disputes
between the Nencatagherry Rajah
& M^r Commers dien
Cawn - if the latter
should advance
beyond the limits
of the Cudapa Country
he is to expell him -
to correspond with
M^r Lind -

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble.

the President and Select Committee to acknowledge
your Letters of the 21st & 22nd Instant and to inform
you in answer that Conickerry and its district,
belonging to the Cudapa Country and being therefore
the property of Tippoo Sultan, you must be cautious
to avoid all Interference in the disputes between
the Nencatagherry Rajah and M^r Commers dien
Cawn

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20 Cawn unless the Troops of the latter should advance beyond the limits of the Cudapah Country & commit hostilities in the Rajah's own Districts or in those of the Company in either of which cases you are to use your endeavours to repel them.

M^r Lind the Paymaster at Mellem is directed to proceed to the Venkatagerry Rajah, you are directed to furnish him with a proper Escort, and you will be pleased to correspond with him (M^r Lind) and communicate to him all material Intelligence relative to the operations of M^r Commerson from.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

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Received Letters from Capt^m Donald Campbell and M^r Floyer (as entered in MB. No^s 82.

From Capt^m Campbell

83. From Captain Campbell dated 25th June to the President, informing him that Canagerry was taken a few nights ago.

M^r Floyer

From M^r Floyer dated 25 June expressing concern on account of L^d Macartney's Indian position.

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Sent the hereunder mentioned Letters (as entered in MB. No^s 92. 89. 90. 91. — 87 all of them dated the 29th Instant.

To M^r Robert Douglas, acquainting him that the Select Committee can only recommend his case to the Court of Directors, which they purpose doing by the next dispatch.

M^r Douglas

To

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Mr Rose

To Mr. Forrester now - informing him
that the Commissioners of Accounts are ordered to exa-
-mine Mr. Baine's Accounts -

Lieut. Kistelback

To Lieut. Kistelback, directing him
to attend Mr. Lind and to sketch a Plan of the
Boundaries lately proposed by the Rajah of Venkata-
-gherry dependent upon the Cudapah Country, &
those which he holds under the Company -

To Mr. Davis

To Mr. Surgeon Major Davis, infor-
-ming him that Mr. Keneale's Surgeon's Assistant
is ordered to join the Troops at Arcot -

Mr. Floyer

To Mr. Floyer dated 27th June,
informing him of the recovery of the President, and
that the determinations of the Committee will be
sent to him tomorrow, repeating to him that,
in the mean time, all negotiations with Mr. Bussy
must be suspended -

Mr. Hodges

To Mr. Hodges, Provisional Chief
at Manipratnam dated 29 June, enclosing a letter
for the Resident at Hyderabad -

From Manipratnam

Received a letter from the Chief
and Council at Manipratnam (as entered in the
MB. No 86 / dated 25th June enclosing Copy of one
from Captain Wahab, informing them of the
Surrender of Conickerry to the Nabob of Cudapah -

From Capt. Wahab

Received a letter from Captain
Wahab dated 26th June (as entered in the MB. No 85)
giving an Account of the Proceedings of the Nabob
of Cudapah, & of a report that he is raising more
Troops -

Received

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Received the following letter from

Colonel Fullarton -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney &c.
President and Governor &c. Select Committee
of Fort St George
My Lord & Gentlemen,

From Colonel
Fullarton -
forwarding
Charges against
several Officers.

Enclosed I have the honor of trans-
-mitting for your Inspection, the Charges exhibited
against several of the Honble Company's Officers. &
beg to be honoured with your directions respecting
them, as no Trial can take place, till I receive your
Orders on the Subject.

Tuticorin

21st June 1784

I have the honor to be &c &c.

Wm Fullarton

Copy of the Crimes of the Honble Company's Commis-
-sioned Officers, now under an Arrest belonging to
the Southern Army -

Ensign Patch of the European
Coast Infantry, ordered in Arrest, in consequence of
the Report of a Court of Enquiry / held at his own
request / they giving it as their Opinion that "
sufficient Evidence, has been produced, for ordering
on him a General Court Martial -

By order James Oram

Camps

12th May 1784

Dep^y Adj^t Gen^l
of the Army

Liut^t

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Lieut Moore 15th Car. Batt. of Sepoys
ordered under an Arrest by Lieut Campbell of
His Majesty's 78th Regiment (Highland) Foot -
"For insulting Lieut George Seaton of His Majesty's
78th Regt in his Tent, and for using ungentlemanlike
Language, endeavouring to provoke him / Lieut
Seaton / to Fight or Quarrel, while he (Lt. Moore)
held a loaded Pistol, "cocked in his Hand"

By Order

James Oram

Dep^y Adj^t Genl5th Army

Camp

2^o June 1784

Ensign Bennett 22nd Car. Batt. ordered
in Arrest, by Ensign W. Ore of the same Corps - "For
not acting like a Gentleman, Cowardice, & Insolence
to his Senior Officers"

By Order

James Oram

Dep^y Adj^t Genl5th Army

Madura

9th June 1784

30

Sent the undermentioned Letters

dated 30th June (as entered in MB. No. 97.95.96

To the Committee of Stores - enclosing

Copy of a Letter from Mr Cuthbert with an Account
which they are desired to examine, and certify ac-
-cordingly -

To Mr. Nott, Surgeon of the

Ponaborn - and to Mr. Lee Surgeon of the Middlesex
informing them that they can only be paid their
Head Money by Bills on Bengal -

To

For
Com. of StoresMr. Nott
&
Mr. Lee

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30.

To Major General Campbell, requesting
a Court Martial may be ordered on Lt. John Croly -

Dispatched the following Letters -

To General Campbell

Commander in Chief of the King's Troops
in India

Sir,

To Genl. Campbell
can only draw Bills
on the Company in
cases of great emer-
gency, & therefore
cannot for the
purpose of re-en-
-listing Men for
the Dragoons -

In consequence of your Conversation this
day with the Right Honble President, I am directed
by him and the Select Committee to acquaint you that
any resolution on their part to draw Bills upon
the Company in its present Situation can find its
apology only in the marked and immediate necessity
or Utility of such a Measure. They were in hope
that in this light would be considered the Determina-
-tion communicated to you in my letter of the 19th
Instant relative to Money for re-equipping the discharged
Men from His Majesty's younger Regiments, on the
Supposition that they were to be received into the
Infantry Regiments where at once they may be useful,
and not into the Dragoons for which there is at pre-
-sent no prospect of procuring Horses to mount them
and I had accordingly the honor of stating to you
in the same letter the opinion of the Select Committee
of the necessity of confining the Recruitment to the
Regiments of Infantry - This was however a detail
in which the Committee did not chuse to do more
than communicate their Opinion; as it was possible
you might think yourself bound under the general
Directions

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30 Directions from home not to preclude any of His Majesty's Regiments here from enlisting, if they had Funds for doing so; especially as you were intreated to judge by the letter from the Commanding Officer of the Light Dragoons that such would be found for that Regiment - But the Select Committee have a right to direct the application of any Monies or Bills to be advanced by them; and to which as in the present case of re-enlisting Men they are not bound by Law, or by the Instructions of their Superiors - Thus circumstanced they do not think themselves warranted in granting Bills for the purpose of enlisting Men into the Light Dragoons - If therefore no Funds can otherwise be procured by that Regiment the Men who have already agreed to enlist it may be discharged or passed over to the Infantry - And no Inconvenience of any consequence can arise from the expectation which your last letter to the Commanding Officer of the Dragoons gave him of receiving bills upon the Company for the purpose of recruiting -

I have the honor to be &c &c

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SecretaryTo M^r Samuel Johnston

Paymaster at Madura.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble

the President and Select Committee to acknowledge the receipt of your letter to them of the 9th Instant enclosing

That M^r S. Johnston approve the discharge of the Mogul Cavalry, desire to know the particulars of some Charges - can only allow such as are necessary for a Peace Establishment -

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30 enclosing a Monthly Statement of the Civil and Military Expenses in the Garrison of Madura -

The Select Committee concurs in Opinion ~~that~~ you on the propriety of discharging the Mogul Cavalry, and they accordingly intend writing to Colonel Fullarton on that Subject, as well as the independent Corps which they observe charged in your Accounts, and the Tappals to Dindegut and Ramnadporam - Mr Irwin will be consulted respecting the expediency of maintaining the nine Companies of Topi Caronahs, or Carnatic Pions in the Madura, Trippawannum & Palerny Districts -

The Select Committee intend also to consult Colonel Fullarton respecting the necessity of keeping up any Bullocks at Madura and you will attend to any directions you may receive from him on that Subject - in the mean while they desire that all the Bullocks now in the Company's Pay except 50 Carriage and 36 Draft Bullocks may be immediately discharged - As there are no Europeans in the Garrison of Madura excepting Officers and Sergeants, the Select Committee are at a loss to account for so large a Sum as 400 Pagodas being stated as the Amount of your Hospital Charges, they desire to know the particulars thereof and direct me to inform you that after the period to which your Garrison may have been already paid up not more than 70 Pagodas p. Month will be allowed without very good reasons assigned for the excess -

The Select Committee also desire the

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30 the particulars of the Sum of Pag^l 15th stated under the Head of charges general and they repeat their direction that all field and Staff Allowances whatsoever cease from the 1st of May and no charges be allowed but such as belong to a Peace establishment.

I have the honor to be &c &c

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Mudleston
July

Received the undermentioned Letters

(as entered in MB. N^o 1)

From M^r Howell Surgeon dated 25th June with an Enclosure, representing that the Surgeons on the same footing as himself, have in the Settlement of their Accounts made a considerable difference in the Balance larger than that which has been made for him.

From Lieut Sundt dated 28th June recommends to lay in a Quantity of Grain for the Consumption of the Garrison at Chandernaghery, and to repair the Granary, encloses return of Troops.

July 1st

Sent the undermentioned Letter dated 1st July (as entered in MB. N^o 1) to M^r Lind directing that the Bullocks be delivered over to the Renter, and approving of his disposal of the Company's Grain.

Dispatched the following Letters from the President to Captain McLeod at Din-
-degul, Captain Campbell / Mellor, Captain
Wahal at Angole, dated 1st July.

To

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To Captain Macleod

Dindigul

To Capt. Macleod
recommending
great Vigilance
& Care that Tippoo
should attempt
a Surprize - to
declare to Nawas
Beg his readiness
to transfer his
charge upon
the receipt of
Orders - to main-
tain a just
& mild government

Sir,

Major Sydenham has shown me
your Letter to him of the 17th of last Month, which
contains very interesting Information, & confirms
the Propriety of Colonel Fullarton's choice in en-
-trusting to your Vigilance the Custody of a Fort-
-lier Post, which Tippoo Sultan is desirous to
obtain, and which is indeed stipulated to be
restored to him the moment he has fulfilled the Con-
-dition of delivering back all the Prisoners which he
had taken that has survived his Treatment of them. His
Anxiety to get back the Fort and district of Dindigul
will, it is hoped, induce him to complete the En-
-gagement for which those Places are a Security
in our hands, especially as he has already complied
with it in part, and has released and returned some
thousand Prisoners including Sepoys as well as Europeans.
He might indeed be tempted to endeavour at recover-
-ing Dindigul by Surprize or Force if any circumstance
should lead him to entertain a notion of a disposi-
-tion on our part to retain it after the fulfilment
of his Engagements - It may be therefore necessary
in your Correspondence with Nawas Beg to declare
explicitly that your present Command is temporary
only, and that you are to receive orders from hence
to transfer it to him upon the first account recd
by Government of the release of all the surviving
Prisoners

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Prisoners; and that he may not be led either from language or Appearance to attribute to this Government a design not entertained by it of maintaining the permanent possession of Places agreed to be restored. But as that restoration is to depend on the Completion of the Conditions obligatory on Tippoo, it is highly proper to be on your guard against any hostile Attempt; and the justice and mildness of your Command will by attaching the people to our Government contribute to your Safety, and leave an Impression upon their Minds which in case of future Wars may turn to advantage. It may suit the haughty character or desperate Circumstances of Nawab Beg to bring on Hostilities, either by endeavouring, as you have discovered, to lead you into the Idea of the facility of his defeat from the weakness of his numbers; or perhaps by other provocations. But your prudence and Foresight will enable you to counteract such Projects, and to avoid, as much as possible, all occasion of dispute.

Fort St George Sam^r &c &c
1st July 1784

Macartney

To Captain Campbell

Nellore

To Captain Campbell
& Mahab - Hostilities
exercised on the
Territories dependent
on the Company
must be repelled
- Letters have been
written to the
Parties.

Sir,

I have received your letter of the
21st and also of the 25th of last Month relative
to the proceedings of Kummur ud dinn Khan
against the Vencatagherry Rajah, in which the
former

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1st former as far as relates to Districts such as Canacherry dependent upon Tippoo may perhaps be warranted, but cannot in relation to any Territories dependent on the Company in the Carnatic, where any hostilities must certainly be repelled - But the Rajah to retain Canacherry by force may have occasioned the necessity of Violence against him, of which his Districts under the Company may feel the ill effects - The Select Committee has however directed Mr Lind to proceed to the Residence of the Rajah & to endeavour to accommodate the differences subsisting between him and Hummer sed Guin Khan - proper letters have been written also on the Subject to each of the corresponding Parties - If you should have occasion to communicate to the Select Committee Accounts of any further Violence or Disturbance you will please to mark whether the same happened in places dependent on the Company or in those over which Tippoo enjoys a right of Sovereignty -

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Jas. G. G.

7th July 1784

Macartney

The same to Captain Mahab at Bangalore -

2^d

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters (as entered in M.B. No 1

To Mr Irwin dated 2^d July, respecting a Charge of some Carnatick Peons at Madurai which are to be continued, if judged necessary by him -

To Captain Donald Campbell, at Nellore, the same date, desiring to know the strength

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2^o Strength of the Garrison at Rumpoor, & the distance of that Fort from Nellore -

3^o Sent the undermentioned letters dated 3^o Instant (as entered in MB. N. 9)

To the Resident at Tanjore, desiring to know whether there is a necessity for keeping up certain Troops, and whether they cannot be reduced without detriment to the Revenue -

To the Chief Council at Masulipatam, enclosing Copy of a Letter sent by the Select Committee to the Resident at Hydrabad -

Received the following letter from Major General Campbell -

To the Right Honble the President and Select Committee -

My Lord and Gentlemen,

Herewith I have the honor to transmit to your Lordships &c copies of the Charges against, and Sentences upon a Kavildar and Sepoy belonging to the 6th Arcar Battalion, who were tried by a general Sepoy Court Martial held by order of Major Th. Bridges commanding the Troops in the Ichchapour District, by virtue of a warrant given him by me - I have approved of both these Sentences, & accordingly directed Major Bridges to order them to be put in execution at what time and place he shall judge most convenient -

Madras
1st July 1784

I have the honor to be &c &c

Allen Campbell
Major General

only

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3.

Sent the following Letter to Colonel

Fullarton -

To Colonel Fullarton

Commanding the Forces to the Southward

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble

the President and Select Committee to furnish you with the enclosed Copy of their Orders of the 30.th Ult^o to the Paymaster at Madura on the subject of the Accounts of that Garrison. The Select Committee hope you will give him directions for discharging the Mogul Cavalry and the Independent Corps, by which there would be a saving to the Company of 3386 Pag. p^r Month - but should you be of opinion that the whole of the independent Corps cannot be discharged without detriment to the Service they authorize you to retain such part as you shall judge absolutely necessary - respecting the Tappals also to Dindigul & Ramnadporam & the Bullocks kept up ⁱⁿ the Garrison of Madura the Select Committee request you will give the Paymaster such directions as you may judge proper keeping in view the absolute necessity which Government is under to effect every possible reduction in the public expenditure -

The Select Committee upon inspecting the Accounts of the Garrison of Trichinopoly observe that they amount for one month to the enormous Sum of Pag. 9262 of which Sum the charges

To Col. Fullarton.
to discharge the
Mogul Cavalry
& the independent
Corps - to effect
every possible
reduction - ack.
- acknowledging the
receipt of his
Letters - cannot
appoint Mr. Butler
a Cadet - Surgeons
under him must
conform to the
regulations -
Mr. Gordon must
submit his Claim
to the inspection
of Mr. Jackson
- desire him to
order a Court
Martial upon
some Officers -

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3^d charges for 15 independent Companies and 4 Companies of dismounted Troopers constitute a very considerable part - the Select Committee hope that the prospect of a permanent peace with Tippoo Sultann will soon enable them to discharge the whole of these Troops and in the mean while they earnestly recommend to you to consider whether a part of them may not be discharged immediately and in that case to send the necessary directions for that purpose -

The particulars of the disbursements of the Garrison of Palamcottah have not yet been received, but the Select Committee request that you will give orders for every reduction respecting the Troops that can be made with safety - As far as any part of these Instructions may involve the subject of Revenue you will of course consult with M^r. Sullivan and M^r. Irwin respectively -

I am also directed to acknowledge your letters of the 20th May and 1st & 4th Ultimo, with their enclosures -

The Select Committee would be glad at your recommendation to adopt any practicable method of recompensing the Services & merit of M^r Butler, but the establishment is already more than complete, and the Orders from home are very positive against appointing Cadets in this country -

Respecting the Letter to you from Doctor Gordon, the Select Committee are the more convinced of the propriety and necessity of the medical Regulations lately established by the general opposition made

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3^o. made to them by the Surgeons whose enormous contingent charges are exchanged for a fixed, & adequate monthly allowance, and I am desired to signify to you that your Surgeons must make the Accounts strictly conformably to the regulations, or they will not be paid, but M^r Jackson the Commissary to the Carnatic Army is going soon to the Southward and M^r Gordon may deliver to him his Account of extra charges for his opinion, & report to the Select Committee -

The Select Committee approve of your General order for the discontinuance of all Staff and field Allowances, but I am desired to inform you that the half Batta to the Officers is to continue only to the 1st January next, excepting at those Garrisons where half Batta has been usually allowed, & from the day of striking off the Sepoy's Batta, they are to be supplied with rice by the Company at 70 Pag^{as} p^r Madras Garu whenever the current price shall exceed that rate -

The Select Committee have just received your letter of the 21st Ult^o with its enclosure & I am directed in consequence to signify to you their desire that you will appoint a General Court Marshal for the Trials of Ensign Patch Lieut Moore and Ensign Bennet upon the charges exhibited against them -

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I have the honor to be &c &c

Mudleston
Sent

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3^d

Sent the following letter to the Pay-
-master at Trichinopoly.

To Mr Thomas Palk

Paymaster at Trichinopoly -

Sir,

To Mr Palk -

complain of the
amount of the
disbursements.
re-branch several
charges to take
place from the
May - No more
to be purchased
without permission.

I am directed by the Right Honourable
the President and Select Committee to acknowledge
your letter of the 29th Ultimo, enclosing a Statement
of the Monthly Disbursements of the Garrison of Trich-
-chinopoly and copies of a letter from you to Capt.
Audron and of his Answer.

The Select Committee observe with
Surprise that those disbursements amount to the
enormous Sum of Pag^{rs} 9262 $\frac{1}{2}$ Month - respecting
the 15 Companies of independents and the 4 Com-
-panies of dismounted Troopers, they have written
to Colonel Fullarton, who will send the necessary
orders to Lieut Colonel Bruce.

The charge in your Accounts
which has strongly attracted the notice of the Select
Committee, and which they are least able to account
for is your Surgeon's Bill denominated "Contract
Bill for 250 Men" Pag^{rs} 1,294 $\frac{1}{4}$, which makes
the Sick cost the Company 5 Pagodas $\frac{1}{2}$ Month each
man besides their pay - the Select Committee desire
to have before them without delay the particulars
of the said Bill, with the Hospital report, and they
wish to know if it was regularly countersigned by
the Commanding Officer. &c in the mean while you
are

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We are not to discharge it -

Concerning your other charges I am directed to desire that you will send me a return of your Artificers stating where and on what Services they are actually employed with your opinion what or if any reduction can be made in their number, and your reasons for such opinion, & this return must be certified by the Commanding Officer.

The Select Committee observe and the head of Charges General "The Rev. Mr. Christian Pohole Pag. 20, 30." they conclude this Gentleman officiates as Chaplain to the Garrison and desire to know when and by whose Authority he was appointed with the above Salary.

The Select Committee are pleased to retrench the following charges in your Accounts Vizt The Town Major's Writer - the Persian Writer, the Park Sergeant, and the Oil for the use of the Town Major - the latter has an Allowance for candles and there being 4 Sergeants charged extra allowances besides the park Sergeant one of them may easily do that duty besides his own.

The same number of Lascars are to be kept up as before the late War & no more. you are to charge in future only as the peace establishment - 1 head & 4 common percarants, 2 Golah Kions, and no Mafalgus - these retrenchments are to take place from the 1st May.

No Stores are to be purchased or made up without particular orders or permission

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3^d = mission for that purpose.

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3^d July 1784

I have the honor to be &c &c

Mudleston

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Received the following letter from

Captain Lieut Walter

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
H. B. President &c Select Committee.
Honble Sir and Sirs.

I have the General's permission

to write you in my resignation which I imma-
-gine & hope you have no objection to; my
situation renders it impossible to do duty with
any satisfaction to myself and Disputes have been
settled in such a manner as rather to promote
them than to be a caution in future -

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I have the honor of being &c &c

Lt. Walter

Agreed that Captain Lieut

Walter have permission to resign the Service agree-
-ably to his Request -

Received a letter (as entered in
the MB. N^o / dated 2^d July from Captain
Bendy of the Company's Ship Swallow requesting
to be supplied with 500. Pags for the use of his Ship.

5th

Received a letter from Captain
Lieut Mahab (as entered in MB. N^o / dated 3^d
July, mentioning his intention of examining a
Pollore, desiring further Orders for his Guidance.

Recd

from Capt. Walter
requesting to resign.

granted

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Received letters from Lieut G. Mackay dated 5th July, from Lieut Col: Fraser dated 3rd July from M^r. W. W. Ryland dated 3rd July (as entered in the MB. No¹)

From Lieut G. Mackay, informing the Committee of a Report respecting his having resigned the Service, desiring it may be contradicted.

From Colonel Fraser, enclosing the Engineer's Report of the State of the Barracks at Vellore, apprehends there will be a difficulty in victualling the Troops upon the present System.

From M^r. W. W. Ryland to Lieut Colonel Fraser gives some Account of the Barracks at Vellore, and proposes Repairs.

Sent a Letter to Captain Daurin Commanding at Ponnacail (as entered in MB. No¹) stating the Province of a Paymaster & Storekeeper at an Out Garrison, and desiring that the Accounts may be settled by the Paymaster, and by him transmitted to the proper Department.

At a Select Committee Trained
The Right Honble Lord Macartney
President

Anthony Sadler Esq^r Lieut General Lang
Alex Davidson Esq^r Robert Maunsell Esq^r

The Minutes of last Committee read and approved.

Read

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Read the following Letters received
yesterday from Bombay by the Ship Bombay Grate
To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
President and Governor &c Select Committee

My Lord & Gentlemen of Fort St George

Letters from the
Select Committee
at Bombay.

We last had the honor of addressing
you under the 8th Ultimo, the Original and duplicate
of which were transmitted by the General Macleod, &
a Portuguese Ship, the triplicate goes inclosed -

Since then We have received the
Original of your Letter of the 16th of March, accom-
-panied by the Company's Commands J^r Swallow
and Lucidice, and last night by Pattamar, ex-
-press that of the 15th Ultimo, with the various
inclosures it gave cover to as per list of the Packet,
-also M^r Secretary Kiddleston's address of the day
after, enclosing copy of General Macleod's advice
upon the evacuation of Cannanore -

With infinite Pleasure We
embrace this the earliest Opportunity of returning
your Lordship & our hearty thanks for your
humane Attention to our Prisoners, and we now
dispatch the Bombay Grate to afford a passage
to as many of them as she can conveniently ac-
-commodate -

Her Commander has our Orders
to make all possible dispatch, and We hope you
will not allow her to be detained longer than
may be necessary to embark the Troops, which
will

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will be the means of giving her a fair chance of a very quiet return.

As the Honble the Court of Directors have been pleased to order the Swallow Packet to be added to their Marine at this Presidency, we hope she has been already, or will be soon dispatched round with as many of our Prisoners as she can carry with convenience at this Season of the Year.

We understand from the owners of the General Macleod lately gone round to Madras, that she is to return direct to Bombay, we hope by that Nepal, and other occasional Conveyances which may offer that your Lordship &c will have opportunities of seeing us round all our Sepoys, who can come by Sea.

In reply to your wishes of entertaining some of our Sepoys on your Establishment, We beg leave to acquaint your Lordship &c that We can have no Objection, provided it is with the full and free consent of the Sepoys themselves. From their resisting every attempt made upon them, by the Orders of the Native Rulers to detain them, they amply merit every attention in the power of Government to show them, and on this principle it is we so readily consent that they may have the free choice of remaining in the Carnatic.

In our letter of the 8th ultimo we mentioned how much we should think of ourselves

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ourselves obliged in your ready Acquiescence in discharging the Arrears due to His Majesty's Troops while serving on this Coast - Your Compliance with our request, under the peculiarity of the Situation of Affairs at your Presidency, as expressed in your last Dispatches, doubles the Obligation, and We beg leave to return you our Thanks for so essential an Assistance in the present low state of our Finances -

We yesterday received Letters from Lieut. Colonels Knox and Barry & Major Bruce giving cover to the Certificates granted to your Presidency, and the Bills of Exchange annexed on the Supreme Council, to the Detachments of the 36th & 52^d Regiments, and copies only of those given to the Hanoverians, with Bills from each Officer for the Tent, Tent Carriage, and other Staff Allowances still due to them -

We have ordered these Accounts before our Committee of Accounts here, & when they have been properly examined into and regularly passed, We mean by the first opportunity after to pass Drafts on your Lordship &c for the net Sums which may then appear to be due to each of these Officers, which we make no doubt will be duly honored when the State of your Treasury will admit -

In consequence of orders from Major General Campbell to Brigadier General Macleod we have ordered some of the Officers of
the

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100th Regiment to be accommodated with a passage to Madras on board of the Bombay Gal - a list of whom will be a number in this Packet.

We now transmit a Copy of the Treaty with Tippoo Sultan duly ratified by this Committee the 5th Instant, which we request may be forwarded to him. It was our intention from the first to maintain it inviolate, & we trust the Nabob will have no just cause to complain of any infraction of it on our part. He seems hitherto to be fully satisfied, as far as we can judge from his Answer to our President's congratulatory Letter, dated since the evacuation of Cananore.

The same unavoidable necessity which compelled the breaking up of the Army under General Macleod, forced us to evacuate Cananore; without the Army being kept together and in force that Country could not have been maintained; the first being impossible to us in our then circumstances, the last was equally beyond our power; necessity the most urgent obliged us to relinquish it even at the hazard of weakening in some small degree the Securities for the due executing of the Treaty on the part of the Nabob.

This the strongest of all pleas must ever vindicate our conduct in this particular, whatever may be the consequences resulting therefrom. We trust the Nabob himself will not complain of our having done too much.

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much, notwithstanding a Person from him was not present, which could have only been intended to have convinced him that his Ally the Bibi was completely restored to her independency and of this the Nabob has had the fullest proof, in the withdrawing of our Troops from her Forts & Country -

Under the 20th of April the Month the Governor General and Council were pleased to communicate to us their Sentiments of the Treaty of Peace so lately concluded with Tippoo Sultan, and of their having ratified it. We most sincerely hope that it will be the means of preserving Peace to the Company's Possessions so essentially necessary to their future existence -

We have no Country Intelligence of moment to communicate, or any news from Europe by any Channel. We now wait in the most anxious expectations of hearing the fate of these important Bills introduced into the House by Mr Secretary Fox, intended to make such material changes in the constitution of the Company.

You may depend upon neither the Settlement at Mahi, or Gardens at Surat, being surrendered to the French Nation until we have the necessary information from your Government.

We have the honor to be &c &c

Bombay Castle
15th June 1784

W. Boddam
John Forbese
Robt Sparks

To

Fort St George 5th July 1784
 To Charles Freeman Esq^r

Secretary to the Right Honble the
 President and Council

Sir, at Fort St George

I am directed by the Honble the President and Council to enclose copy of an Act delivered in by the Deputy Paymaster of His Majesty's Troops on this Coast respecting the Detachments of His Majesty's 36th and 52nd Regiments lately doing duty with the Troops under the Command of Brigadier General Macleod which they request you will lay before the Right Honble the President and Council, it having been omitted to be taken notice of in the Letter to this address now sent by the Bombay Govt.

I am likewise directed to desire you will request the Right Honble the President and Council to have drawn out and transmitted hither an Account of all advances made by them to Cadets or others belonging to the Establishment during the course of the last three Years and for which this Presidency has been debited and by their orders I transmit you an Account of Pay made good at this Presidency to Cadets Back, Ridout, and Holland of your Establishment who arrived here in the Ships of last Season.

Enclosed is a Packet for Mr Wm Burke Paymaster of His Majesty's Troops in India which I request you will have forwarded to him and have the honor to be,

Bombay 5th July
 19th June 1784

Sir very &c.

J^r Walker Secy

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To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
President and Governor &c Council
at Fort St George
My Lord & Gentlemen

The Honble the Court of Directors
in their Commands to this Presidency by the Swallow
Packet have informed us they have resolved to add
that Vessel to the Marine force of this Presidency &
as we shall now be much in want of a capital
Vessel for the usual Convoys of the Coast & other
Services We request she may be ordered round as soon
as she can properly be spared, and that the
Artillery Men embarked on her in England for
our Establishment may likewise be sent at the
same time -

We have the honor to be &c &c

Bombay Castle
20th June 1784 -

W^m Boddam
John Forbese
C^t Boucher
S^t Morley
W^m Beaumont

Agreed that as many of the

Bombay Prisoners be embarked on the Bombay frigate
as that Ship can conveniently accommodate, & that
the rest be sent by the earliest opportunity that
may offer - The Swallow Packet is at present
employed under the orders of the Commissaries at
Pondicherry but shall be sent to Bombay the
moment

The Bombay Prisoners
to be sent
on the Bombay frigate
& other Vessels as soon
as possible -

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moment she can be spared without Inconvenience to the public Service -

The Committee wished to give the Bombay Sepoys the option of remaining on this Coast solely upon the principle which induces the Select Committee of that Presidency to grant it, their merit in resisting ^{the} offers of Tippoo Sultaun.

Agreed that the ratification by the Select Committee at Bombay of the late Treaty with Tippoo Sultaun be immediately transmitted to him and that a Letter to him be prepared to explain to his Satisfaction the evacuation of Cananore without the Ceremony stipulated in the Treaty.

As the Governor General & Council have communicated to the Gentlemen at Bombay the observations which they thought proper to record on the Treaty of Peace with Tippoo Sultaun it is Resolved that a Copy of our Letter of the 3rd Ultimo in answer to those observations be sent to Bombay and copies also of Mr. Richard Johnson's Letter to us of the 6th and our answer of the 20th which relate to the same Subject -

Agreed that Copies of our late Correspondence with the Commissioners at Pondicherry be prepared to be sent to the Select Committee of Bombay by the Bombay Genl also the Account of advances made here to Cabets or others of their Disbursements as desired in their Civil Secretary's Letter of the 19th Ultimo -

Read the following Letters from Captain Mahab-

The ratification of the Treaty with Tippoo by the Select Committee at Bombay to be sent to him.

Letter from this Presidency of the 3rd Ult^o to Bengal to be sent to Bombay.

Copies of Correspondence with the Commissioners at Pondicherry to be sent to Bombay.

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To the Right Honble Lord Macartney,
President and Governor &c Select Committee
My Lord and Gentlemen.

I am to acquaint you that
yesterday at eight o'clock in the morning the Fort
of Pudochamoor was giving up to the Enemy, & the
Garrison retreated to Pollore. its about eleven hours
from hence.

I am apprehensive that Pollore
will be giving up to the Enemy should they threa-
-ten it. the person that commands in it, seems
to be afraid. yesterday I sent to him not to be
so, but I imagine it will have no effect, as by
his letter it would appear that he has not troops
sufficient to defend it, but the Pudochamoor
Garrison will be a reinforcement.

My harrack has returned
from the Guntoor Circar. there is no Apprehen-
-sion of Mus Commur ul Dein Cawn going
that way talked of as yet.

I have the honor to be &c &c

Ongele
29th June 1784

G. Wadd
Capt. Commanding

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney,
President and Governor &c Select Committee
My Lord & Gentlemen.

A harrack just arrived
who brings the News that Mus Commur ul Dein
Cawn

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Cawon is making every preparation for attacking Pollore and that he will march in two or three days for that place -

As there is a prospect of the success of my coming so very near this, may I request to know if the 5 ^{Independent} Companies that is now under my Command and ordered the 21st Instant in General Orders to be drafted, whether they are to join the Battalions they are Order for, or to remain till further Commands -

Angole
30th June 1784

I am &c &c

G. Wahab
Captⁿ Commanding

Captain Wahab
to defer drafting
until further orders.

Agreed that Captain Wahab
be directed to defer drafting the 5 Independent Companies until further orders and to attend to the Instructions conveyed to him in the Secretary's letter of the 20th Ultimo -

Capt: Barry Close
to be joined to M^r
Lind for executing
the Service entrusted
to the latter -

Agreed that Captain Barry
Close be joined to M^r Lind in the late appointment
to proceed to the Vincatagherry Rajah for the purpose of adjusting the disputes between him and
M^r Commes dien Cawon and that he be furnished
with the following Letter of Instructions for their
Guidance together with Letters to M^r Commes
dien Cawon and the Vincatagherry Rajah as entered
in Book of Country Correspondence -

To M^r Francis Lind
Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble

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the President and Select Committee to inform you since the Date of the Letter to you containing the Select Committee's Orders to proceed to the Venkatagerry Rajah, other Letters have been received from him, with accounts of new difficulties and Distress, which might be remedied or stopped with more vigor and dispatch, if he had not persisted in the Detention by military Force of a District dependent upon Tippos, a conduct so very unavarrantable after the Peace concluded with the latter, that it serves as some excuse for the measures now taken by Tippos's Troops in entering upon the Rajah's Jaghirs in the Carnatic - It is necessary therefore to endeavor to terminate the Business by an amicable accommodation if possible between the Rajah and Hummeruddeen Khan - For facilitating this business, which the obstinate Views and obstinate Disposition of the Parties may be apt to retard, it is thought proper to join with you on this occasion Captain Barry Clow whose Talents and knowledge of the Language of the Country are likely to render him peculiarly serviceable upon this occasion - You will therefore concert together upon the best Plan of accommodation between the Rajah and Hummeruddeen Khan - It may be proper for one of you to proceed to the camp of Hummeruddeen and to settle with him; and you may engage that the Payment of whatever Taxes shall be settled by you, will be enforced by the Authority of the Company, so that Hummeruddeen may be certain of receiving the same regularly and at the

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the stated periods. It must however be signified to him, that nothing ~~proves~~ more strongly the moderation of the Company's Government, and its cordial intentions of maintaining not only Peace but a friendly understanding with Tippoo, than the present forbearance of the Company's Troops notwithstanding the advances of Tippoo's Troops into the Jaghirs of the Nencatagherry Rajah dependent on the Carnatic; But that if Hummud ad doun should persist in keeping his Troops there and not listen to the reasonable terms you will propose to him, that such a force will be ordered against him as will effectually protect the Company's dependencies and retaliate the injuries done to any of them -

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I am Sir Yr Obedt

Wm Dalrymple

Read the following Letter from the Governor General and Council with the several Enclosures mentioned in that of the 8th June as lodged in the Office -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
President &c Select Committee

My Lord & Gentlemen, at Fort St George

We have had the honor to receive your Letters of the 30th April & 7th & 8th Instant, and our Secretary has laid before us your Deputy Secretary's

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Secretary's Letter of the 13th enclosing a Return of Men embarked on the Intelligence Schooner, which arrived here the 23rd and a Return of a Detachment of Artillery which embarked on the same Vessel—

Your Letter of the 7th May has communicated to us the alarming Intelligence of a Mutiny of all the Cavalry stationed at Arnie, & your Lordship &c have been pleased to connect this event with a supposed Misconduct on our Part in not affording you the necessary Supplies to defray the Arrears of your Army—

You observe that Sir Eyre Coote long since informed our Board and the Court of Directors, that the whole Army upon your Coast must be maintained by Remittances from Bengal— that you were repeatedly assured by our Presidency that such effectual Support would be given— that regular Remittances were established and could be continued, — that the same was approved by our common Superiours, — that no Remittances in Specie have been made to you since the Death of Sir Eyre Coote, that such Remittances can only be of use to you, — that with respect to your Bills upon us nothing could induce you to draw them but the Necessities of the Gentlemen who accept them, that they are in a Discredit of 25 or 30 per Cent, — that you have not failed to give us full and frequent Notice of the pressing Circumstances of the Carnatic, and of the fatal consequences likely to ensue from our withholding those pecuniary Supplies thus promised by us, and which we

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we were authorized and directed to, make for the
Preservation of the Company's Affairs on the part,
and that you joined your Remonstrances and
Requests to the orders of our common Superiors.

We had hoped, after the De-
-claration conveyed to you in our Letter of the
18th February that we should purposely forbear,
as far as we could forbear, from any future Dis-
-ferences with you, and after your Lordship V^c
had expressed a similar Intention, that the
Controversy was over; On our Parts we did not
revive it; perhaps however your Lordship V^c
may be pleased to put this Construction on our
Remarks on the Treaty concluded with Tippoo
Sultaun, which you had not received when you
wrote to us on the 7th Instant. We were indeed
sorry to find a necessity for making those Obser-
-vations, but they were required of us by our
public Duty, and in delivering them we cannot
be charged with a want of Candor or Attention
towards your Lordship V^c since the first and
professed Purpose of transmitting them to you was
to give you an Opportunity of answering them,
they might otherwise have been confined to our
own Records.

Your Letter now before us
gives us little reason to think that your declared
Disposition to be at Peace with us is entirely
sincere; you have charged us with breach of
Promise

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Promise, with breach of Orders and in fact with
being the cause of the Mutiny at Arcis - so serious
and solemn a Protest against this Government
(for we can consider your Observations in no
other Light) merits our Attention and requires
our Remarks on it -

Our common Superiors will
be the Judges between us: - They know our res-
-pective Situations and our respective Means.
Our common Employers will bear Testimony
to the ready Obedience which we paid to their
Commands, and our liberal Attention to the In-
-terests of the Company in supplying your Pro-
-vidence with Money, and we will add, in
being the source of its Salvation while we had
the means in our Power - Your Lordship &c
did then bear such Testimony yourselves - If
Sir Hyde Cote informed us that the whole Army
upon your Coast must be maintained by Remit-
-tances from Bengal. - If the Company and Sir
Hyde Cote were repeatedly assured by this Govern-
-ment that such effectual Support would
be given, and that regular Remittances were
established, and would be continued, neither one
Fact nor the other can in real Argument or
in Justice apply against us: - We did make
regular and we will add astonishing Remittances
to your Presidency - One Channel of them lasted
until Obstacles not arising from ourselves but
from your own Complaints and your own
Servants stopped it -

The

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The following is an Abstract Acc^t of the Supplies made to your Presidency in Specie and in Bills from the 31st of July 1780 to the 1st of May 1783 which was about the Time of Sir Byrd Coot's Death and from that Period to the 1st Inst.

From the 31st of July 1780 to 1st May 1783 — 131,833 34 5. 4

which is on an Average of Month — 3,994 95 5. 1

From the 30th April 1783 to 1st May 1784 — 47,068 17 14. 7

which is on an Average of Month — 2,922 23 12. 4

To the foregoing Account we then it necessary to add a Statement of all the Supplies made to your Presidency during the above periods and these are exclusive of the Expense of the Detachments sent in October 1780 and in January 81 to its Relief.

From the 31 st July 1780 to 1 st May 1783 —	Total of Supplies	Average Monthly
2,08,73,508. 13.3	6,32,530. 9. 1	
In 1783 1/4 —	56,95,472. 1.8	4,74,622. 10. 9
	<u>2,65,68,980. 14. 11</u>	<u>5,90,421. 12. 9</u>

Except the Sum of CR. 4,24,080 paid for Bills in your favor, the Amount of which was to be advanced by you for the Payment of Col. Marris Detachment to enable it to return to these Provinces, for it is possible that this Supply might be retained by your Lordship &c for the immediate Occasions of your Presidency. However what you may have actually advanced to the Paymaster of the Detachment will be carried to your Credit and your Presidency will be debited for the remainder.

Your

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Your Lordship &c may complain of a want of Supplies from this Government. You may imagine that our Remittances have failed since the Death of Sir Eyre Coote, but these Statements must demonstrate the Reverse to the Conviction of every dispassionate Judge. With respect to the Discredit into which your Lordship &c are pleased to mention that our Bills are fallen at your Presidency, we cannot help thinking the Fact rather extraordinary, as we are informed by our Sub Treasurer, that they are generally discharged in three or four Months after they are due, and that many are paid sooner, and we conceive that little loss can arise to the Holders since we always allow an Interest on the respective Amounts from the Periods of their being payable to that of their being actually liquidated at the Treasury. We do not recollect that any Complaint from your Presidency has been made to us before on this Subject, and We beg leave to add that, whatever the Necessity may have been, that has compelled the Gentlemen under you to receive the Bills, their receiving them has afforded you a Resource for which you are indebted to this Government in the same manner as if that Necessity had never existed.

If the Protest which you have honored us with proposed the Virtue of increasing our Resources or our Credit good purposes might indeed have been answered by it, yet as we conceive that such Virtue does not exist in it, and as it cannot add to the Zeal with which

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which we invariably anticipated your Wants, while we were able, so we conceive that it will be of little Avail except as an Instrument intended to shift and transfer Responsibility from your Administration to our own. If your Lordships &c imagine that it will serve an End so important, and perhaps so necessary, to the Credit of your Management, there is some Policy in the Act, and if the Conviction of having discharged such a part of your duty with Ability is established to yourselves, the Act may not be useless to your Employers. It must add to your Confidence & Confidence is a necessary Spring of Government.

One certain consequence must follow from our Receipt of the Protest; We must at all events endeavour to send you some Specie but we must check the unrestrained Licence which you have exercised of drawing upon our Treasury, for our own Wants will not suffer us to allow of both. Whether our efforts to effect this Remittance, founded as they must be on a limitation of your future Drafts, may not subject us to new Remonstrances, we can not presume to say; our own Intentions must support us under them. In a few days we shall do ourselves the honor of acquainting you with the Success of our Endeavours to make a Remittance in Specie to your Presidency.

W^d

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We have the honor to be &c &c

Fort William
Secret Department
25th May 1784

Edw^d Wheeler
John Macpherson
John Stables

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
President and Governor &c Select Committee
at Fort St George

My Lord and Gentlemen,

We have been honored with your Letter of the 13th Ultimo and its several Enclosures and our Secretary has laid before us your Deputy Secretary's Letter of the 8th accompanied by a copy of the Proceedings of the Committee of Assigned Revenue for the Year 1783. He has also laid before us your Deputy Secretary's Letters of the 14th & 15th of the same Month.

We beg leave to be excused from taking upon us so useful but at the same time so easy a Task as that of replying to the Arguments contained in the Letter from your Lordship &c of the 13th Ultimo, and will dismiss the Subject of it with assuring you that, when any Application shall be made on the part of the French for the Reopening of Chandernagore or of any Factory within our Government we shall defer our compliance with it until we know from your Lordship &c that the necessary Arrangements have been made for the Delivery

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Delivery of Trincomalay - We shall write to the same Effect to Bombay in relation to the French Factories under that Presidency -

In Consequence of the Desire expressed by your Lordship &c in your Letter to this Government of the 27th March enclosing a Copy of the Treaty of Peace which had been signed and interchanged between your Commissioners and Tippoo Sultan on the 18th of that Month. we lost no time which could be bestowed on the Consideration of it, and complied with your Request by transmitting you another Transcript of the Treaty acknowledged by us in the Absence of the Governor General, in the manner specified in the 10th Article - We at the same time had the honor of transmitting to your Lordship &c the Observations which occurred to us on it, and acquainted you that we had sent another Copy with our Signatures to it to the Governor General that it might secure the Addition of his - At the Conclusion of our Observations on the Treaty your Lordship &c will find our Resolution to avail ourselves of the first favorable Occasion that might occur in the Correspondence of this Government with Tippoo to arrange with him some additional Stipulations which would secure the Interest of the Company and their Allies upon clearer, more extensive, & more honorable Grounds - Some Time afterwards Letters were received from His Highness the Nizam of the Carnatic addressed to the Governor General and

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and M^r Wheler, in which His Highness appealed to the Justice of this Government against the omission of his Name in the Treaty concluded by your Commissioners; He expressed his Fears that the Design of this Omission was to effect, not only his Degradation, but absolute Destruction, and declared His Hope that, previous to our Ratification of the Treaty, his Name might be inserted in it, & his Rights and Claims acknowledged as Nabob of the Carnatic and an Ally of the English Nation - A Copy of His Highness's Letters and of M^r Wheler's reply to them is enclosed -

The Apprehensions expressed in our Minutes of the 20th April have assumed a different Force, - they have increased to a Degree of serious Alarm since we have received His Highness's Remonstrance and Appeal for Justice - Your Silence relative to the Motives of your Commissioners for omitting the Nabob's Name and for their Disobedience of your Instructions gives validity to that Appeal - Your Commissioners have been long returned to Fort St George -

The Opinion which we delivered on the exceptionable Parts of the Treaty has been confirmed by its exact Coincidence with that of the Governor General delivered before he was acquainted with ours. Such a conformity, no Opportunity having occurred

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occurred of any previous Communication by which we could have framed our Minds to the Perception of the same Conclusions, must appear to our Superiors an unquestionable Argument of their Truth and necessity.

We have again taken the Subject into our most serious Consideration, and as we conceive that the honor of the British Character in India has been subjected to the most injurious & dangerous Imputations by the Treaty which your Commissioners have concluded with Tippoo Sultan, it is our Duty to remove those Imputations if we can, and we owe it to our Trust, and to the sacred Character of the British Nation, for Fidelity to their Allies & Fairness in their Engagements even with their Enemies, to put the great and dubious Question of your Treaty with Tippoo Sultan to a speedy Issue. A new Copy of it has accordingly been ratified with the Seal of the Company and under the Names of all the Members of this Government with a Declaration annexed under the same Seal and Signature that we understand the Nabob Wau law Jah Bahadur who is the Subahdar of the Carnatic to be virtually and of consequence included in the Treaty, and that his Name is complied with the Term Carnatic Payinghant wherever the

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the said Term is used in as full and ample a manner as if he was expressly mentioned and declared in the Treaty to be a Party to it, and we have therein further declared the English East India Company and the Governments, Dependencies and Servants of the said Company, to be the Guaranties and pledges for the faithful Observance of the Treaty, taken in that Acceptation of it, both for the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun Bahauder towards him the said Nabob Waulaufah Bahauder and for the Nabob Waulaufah Bahauder towards the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun Bahauder.

The Treaty concluded by your Commissioners with Tippoo Sultaun with the Acknowledgement prescribed in the 10th Article of it and the Declaration which we have added to it is enclosed, and we hereby require and direct that you immediately transmit the same to the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun, with such explanations as will give him a proper Opinion of our Adherence to the Public Faith, and that you immediately announce it in the most formal and respectful manner ^{to} the Nabob Waulaufah, proposing to him to sign the Treaty under our declared Construction of it, and that you use your most strenuous Endeavours to obtain a formal Acknowledgement from Tippoo of the Understanding which We

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We have given to it. We enclose a Letter from Mr Wheeler, to the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun which we wish you to forward to him at the same time, but we leave it in your Judgement and discretion to do so or not as you may think proper. A Translation accompanies it. Your Lordship &c have forced us into a Predicament in which we must vindicate the rights of the Nation and of this Government, or make ourselves a Party in an Act of the greatest Solemnity which subjects the Company to an Imputation of Injustice to their Allies and Usurpation of a Sovereignty which is vested in another Power.

From the earnest Solicitude with which you urged us to ratify the Treaty, in your Letter of the 7th Ultimo to this Government, We must believe that you were not then in the Knowledge of any Misconduct or breach of Faith in Tippoo which would render it equally disgraceful and impolitic to enter into further Stipulations with him. Should you therefore either counteract, resist or disobey the Orders which we have given you, you will do so at your Peril, & be responsible to the Nation, to the Company and to the Government. We enclose a Letter from Mr Wheeler to the Nabob Waulanjah, which we desire that your Lordship &c will forward to

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to him with the Respect which the Occasion requires: a Translation is sent with it for your Lordship's Information -

We are persuaded that Tippoo will not refuse his Acquiescence in the Declaration which we have subjoined to the Treaty, because we remember well that, in the first Proposals delivered by his Nabob at Fort St George for a Treaty with the Company, one was that the Nabob Mahomed Ally Cawn should sign it: but if Tippoo should refuse this Act on the only ground on which he can refuse it, namely, that the Treaty having been already finally adjusted in Terms which preclude the Admission of the Rights of the Nabob Waulaujah no new Provision can be added, it will be a Proof of the Instability of the Treaty, and of the Peace concluded under it, of which we cannot be apprized too soon that we may take early Measures to guard against the Consequences; for a Peace to which one Party is implicitly bound, and the other at liberty to prosecute such claims as will amount to the Breach of it, whenever it shall suit with his Advantage, is worse than none -

If it were possible to select, amidst Arguments of real Justice, & Policy, a Reason peculiarly binding upon the honor
of

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of the British Councils in India to make the solemn Declaration which we have annexed to our Acknowledgement of the Treaty you may find it deeply ingrafted with those secret Advises of the Court of Directors of the 11th September which you have more than once alluded to - We shall only add that the same Reason would not have operated to make the Rajah of Tanjore a party in the Treaty - It would be improper to speak more explicitly upon this Point - The Ingenuity which was used in obtaining & contracting the Powers of the Sumud of Assignment of the Revenues of the Carnatic is not only an insufficient but a dangerous Instrument of Policy when applied to the Arrangement of Public Treaties in which not only our weak and dependent Allies but rival Nations and dangerous Enemies are concerned - We wish not for obvious Reasons to enlarge upon this Subject; but we caution you to beware how you afford France an Argument of Public and specious Pretence for charging you with Unauthorizations of Power in the Carnatic, not authorized by Treaty - We have long possessed and may still possess the essential Powers without violating the Bounds of Decorum and Decency to the Constitution of the Country or the native Prince, whose Rights we have compelled our natural Enemies to acknowledge, and from whom in that Character, and not from our Bounty, they may think it either Political or

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a honorable to receive those Cessions of Territory
round Pondicherry which our gracious Sovereign
condescended to pledge himself to procure; an
expression which declares much, and is indeed
very explanatory of the Constitution of the legal
Government of the Carnatic - M^r Bussy will
doubtless recollect the Declaration which he repre-
sented to have been made to him by your Com-
missioners at Cuddalore, "that you had no Allies,
"that you no longer considered Mahomed Ally
"Caw as such, and that the Sovereignty of the
"Carnatic belonged to you which you would de-
monstrate in a proper Time and Place;" M^r

Vide M^r Bussy's
letter to Fort St
George dated 18th
Sept^r 1783 -

Bussy adds "You recollect no doubt my Answer
"to that Assertion which renders necessary a
"Dispension which could not then take Place -

The Remonstrances of the Nation
would always require our Attention, but his
present Remonstrance appears to us in stronger
Force when we recollect that the Commissioners
who made the Treaty with Tippoo omitting his
Title and Rights, were the Commissioners who
made the Declaration which M^r Bussy has
taken such serious Possession of, and may con-
strue from the late Treaty to be the Effect of
a fish Principle in the Company's Administra-
tion of Affairs in the Carnatic - The Repre-
sentations which M^r Bussy would make to
his Court on this Subject are obvious, and the
Period which he has fixed for giving up Trincor-
malay allows him Time for receiving an
Answer

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Answer -

The Vindication in which your Commissioners have placed us by the omission of Nizam Ally Cawn's Name as an Ally of the Company, altho' the Insertion of it was expressly ordered in our Instructions of the 14th November, and His Highness was informed of it, leaves us in a discreditable & embarrassing Situation with respect to the Subah from which we know not how we can be extricated. Our Resident at Hyderabad has applied to us for Instructions on this Subject, but, unacquainted as we are with the motives which induced your Commissioners to disobey our Orders, we know not what Instructions to send him - We must therefore request that your Lordships &c will be pleased to transmit to M^r. Johnson such Instructions in respect to this Omission in the Treaty may enable him to reconcile it to Nizam Ally Cawn -

In whatever light your Lordships &c may be disposed to receive & consider this Letter with the special Requisitions contained in it, we are pleased in being conscious that nothing but the Honor of the Nation, the necessary Retrieval of it from that suspicious light, and real Discredit in which it has been placed by the Treaty concluded with Tippoo Sultan and the Obligation of our Public Duty have actuated us in delivering our Sentiments, with

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so positive an Injunction of your Obedience of them -

We have the honor to be, Sir,

Fort William
Secret Department
8th June 1784

Edw Wheeler
John Macpherson
John Stables

Ordered to lie for Consideration -

The Secretary lays before the Com-

-mitted two Bills sent to him from Sir John Burgoyne, one for Pagodas 2092. 21 payable at sight to himself or his order for his pay and that of his Aid de Camp and Secretary from the 20th September 1783 to 24th June 1784. the for Pag. 1344 for Batta from the 20th September 1783 to 30th April 1784 both payable at sight to himself or his order and endorsed in favor of Cornl. Jaffar Wajmahar 20th Light Dragoons -

The Situation of Sir J. Burgoyne

has been fully stated to the Company - his demand of Batta which is a field Allowance after having withdrawn from the field and separated himself from the Army without leave, and his demand of Allowances for an Aid de Camp and Secretary under the same circumstances require no Comment, and only serve to mark more strongly the Inconsistency of his conduct -

Read also the following -

Letter from Sir John Burgoyne -

To

Application from
Sir J. Burgoyne
for his Pay &c

His demands
inconsistent.

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To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
President and Governor &c Select Committee

From Sir J. Burgoyne. My Lord & Gentlemen.

Having more than once informed you, that whenever I found my Regiment ill used, I should take the liberty of addressing you, while I had the power so to do, I shall not now make any Apology for informing you that I have seen your Letter of the 30th Ultimo to Major General Campbell, wherein you tell him it's your Opinion His Majesty's 23^d Regt of Light Dragoons should not be recruited, though contrary to His Majesty's positive Orders. - Major General Campbell has very properly shewn what weight your Opinion has with him, when put in competition with His Majesty's Orders, and has signified to my Lieutenant Colonel he is to proceed in completing my Regiment, which to your great Mortification, I tell you, will be complete in a few weeks, if not days - impotent as your Attempt has proved I plainly perceive your Motives, and it's not the first time I have found the good of the King's Service sacrificed to your resentment and persecution of me; - You say you have a right to direct the application of what Monies you advance, and to which you are not bound by Law; both these points I deny positively; you are bound by Law to advance it, as you call it, for
it's

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its not your Money, nor the Money of your Em-
 -ployers: its the Money ^{which} you owe the King for the
 maintenance of his Troops, and he alone has a
 right to direct the Application of it: What you
 have all along issued to my Regiment, has been
 their Subsistence only; and I am surprized you
 don't know that a Soldier's Subsistence is not his
 pay - Laying aside therefore the point on which
 the Court of Directors dispute, whether they shall
 pay only the Effectives, you are greatly in Arrear
 to those very Effectives, and might not to dispute
 the Payment of what is certainly due, when I
 could point out much larger Sums than what
 would recruit my Regiment, advanced by you
 on much less pressing and important Occasions
 - Your issuing, for its not advancing the Money
 is a matter of no consequence to me; - I shall
 draw on the Treasury in England for what is
 sufficient, and enclose your Letter to General
 Campbell, to His Majesty's Secretary of State,
 and Commander in Chief, which may perhaps
 insure the payment of my Bill, sooner
 than your Names to the bottom of that
 you mean to draw on the Court of Directors
 in favor of the other Regiments -

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

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Burgoyne.

P.S.

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Remarks thereon

The Committee will only remark on the above that Sir John Burgoyne in writing such letters defeats his own obvious Intentions and injures himself instead of those who are the objects of his resentment - our only motive for wishing to complete the rest of this Majesty's Regiment in preference to the 23rd Regiment of Dragoons is well known to Sir John Burgoyne in common with every member of this Community - at least there is no one connected with, or who has Claims upon the Company, whose own distress will not enable him to judge whether it is possible for this Government situated as it now is, and much be till the Army Amari are discharged to defray in any manner the enormous Expence it would require to furnish Horses for the 23rd Regiment of Light Dragoons, and to recruit the men to the Establishment of the Regiment without supplying Horses for them, might be useful to Sir John Burgoyne but would answer no public view or purpose whatever.

Read the following Letter

1 To the Right Honble The President
and Members of the Select Committee

My Lord & Sirs.

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We the undersigned General
and Field Officers of this Majesty's Forces, serving

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From the Field
Officers on sharing
in the Revenue
Fund.

in India, do ourselves the Honor to state to you,
that We have always understood, and been in-
variably assured, the King's Troops serving in
this Country, were entitled to every ordinary
and established emolument, enjoyed by those of
the same rank in the Honble Company's; and
that in the most favoured degree; and even
to a participation of the late Lord Clive's
Bounty, as appears to us from the Honble
Company's Commands of the 25th Janry 1782.

By the General and Separate Order
from the Court of Directors of the 25th of March 1768
we find that the Honble Company was pleased,
in consideration of their higher Military Services,
to allow the General and Field Officers, to share
in the Revenue fund, agreeable to the proportions
therein set forth, and to direct, that the same
should be paid to them annually.

As we have none of us hitherto
received our respective quotas of this fund, or in
any ways been benefitted by its dividend which
we conceive to have arisen, rather from omission
on our parts, than denial of the right on yours
- We do ourselves the Honor, thus to assert this
Claim, & to request that it may be made good
to us, agreeable to our respective periods of Service
in this Country.

Madras 5th July 1784 We have the Honor to be &c.

Wargoyne M.G.	A. von Wangenheim Lt. Col.	M. Barry Lt. Col.
Ursinbold Col.	John Knox Lt. Col.	Krupp Maj.
J. Floyd Col. in Ind.	M. Sterling Lt. Col. in India	J. Graham Maj.
J. Straubenzee Col.		Agreed

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To be referred to the
Orders published
by Genl. Stuarth
on the subject
of Allowances.

Agreed that the Officers whose
names are subscribed to the foregoing Letter, be
referred to the general Statement of Allowances
to the Kings Troops drawn up by Genl. Stuarth,
and published in General Orders the 4th Dec. 1782
which contains every Allowance they are entit-
led to and We are authorized to grant

Read the following Letter
from the Bombay Officers -
To the Right Honble Lord Macartney &c.
President &c &c Select Committee.

Letter from the
Bombay Officers
requesting Articles
of small mounting.

My Lord and Gentlemen

We take the liberty to lay before
your Lordships the situation of the Bombay Sepoys
who have been totally unable to provide themselves
with any Article of small mounting suitable to
the Cloathing already ordered to be delivered out to
them -

As We conceive it to be the In-
terest of your Lordships &c and our particular
wish to have them appear in an uniform manner
and fit for any Service there may be occasion to
order them upon - We therefore beg leave to request
your Lordships &c will be pleased to direct that Cloth,
may be delivered from the Stores for the purpose
of making Shirts, to be accounted for by the Presi-
dency of Bombay - As this will be no additional
expense to the Honble Company, the Sepoy Agent
at Bombay having already considerably more
in his hands of Shoppages for their Cloathing.

Yours

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than this will amount to. —

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25th June 1784

We have the honor to be Sir

William Smith

W. Baker Smith

P. Mackenzie Esq

M^r Davidson informs the Committee

that there is not at present in the Warehouse any
of the Cloth necessary for Sepoy half mounting —

Agreed that the Bombay

officers be informed of this circumstance, and that
should any Cloth arrive before the Bombay Sepoys
leave the Coast they shall be supplied with half
Mounting —

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The President informs the Committee

that the Chief Engineer has represented to him
that the Parapets of the Fortifications are running
to decay for want of Repairs — Agreed that the
Committee of Works be directed to cause them
to be repaired without delay —

Read the following Letter

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
President and Governor &c Select Committee
of Fort St George

My Lord & Gentlemen,

By the General Orders of the 25th

Altho I am informed there is a number of Recruits
ordered to Vellore, and all officers belonging to
the Regiment ordered to join immediately —

Upon so great an addition of
Officers

To be informed that
the Committee are
willing to comply
with their request.

Parapets of the
Fortifications in
decay

To be repaired.

Letter from the
Regiment at Vellore.

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Officers and Men to the Garrison, I beg to be honored with the pleasure of the Right Honble the Committee whether the daily Allowance of Provisions & Arrack is to be continued as has been here during the War at the Company's Expence, or if money will be sent to enable them to purchase their own provisions and pay for their Arrack as before the War commenced.

If they are to be furnished with provisions thro' the Renters as they are at present the consumption will be so great & his Abilities so very small or rather his exertions so trifling, that I fear it will be impossible, and what will still add to the difficulty is his residing at such a distance from Vellore.

Colonel Francis and I have both spoke to his Representative and he has promised to write him. so situated I have not the smallest Idea it is in the power of either to supply us properly, if I may judge from his exertions hitherto, I have only meat sufficient to serve the present Garrison till the 12th Instant.

There is not a Barrack in Vellore fit for an Officer, where he can live in safety and there is not Tents in Store to supply the defect.

They can be accommodated no other way than by Government immediately interfering and ordering every Blackman out of the Fort that does not belong to the Company to make room, many houses are empty

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empty, and will make good quarters at a small
expence; the Kullidari House, the Roymanul and
many others in that part of the Fort would
accommodate a great many at a trifling expence
provided a very small allowance was made
the Officers to put themselves, and trifling it
would be in comparison of a Repair of Bar-
=racks and Officers quarters on which no
money need be disbursed for a Year at least.

Vellore
1st July 1784

I have the honor to be &c &c

Thos Ogilvie
Paym.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
President and Governor &c Select Committee
My Lord & Gentlemen

The 14th Battalion of Sepoys
being in want of Bayonet Scabbards, and I have
none in store to comply with their Indents, their
Accoutrements being all Country Leather.

I beg to be honored with the
orders of the Right Honble the Select Committee,
whether I am to indent to the Military Store-
=keeper at Madras for a supply, or if I may
be permitted to make them up here as has
formerly been the Custom.

I have the honor to be, &c.

Vellore
3rd July 1784

Thos Ogilvie
Paym.

At

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It would appear by the first of the above Letters that the Garrison of Vellore have been supplied with provisions during the War and also since the Peace without being made for the same or any part of it out of their pay; if so doubtless the Paymaster must have received Orders for granting them so extraordinary an Indulgence - but it could never be intended that such an Indulgence should be continued after the Conclusion of Peace - Agreed that M^r Ogilvie be directed to account with the Troops from time to time when pay is issued for the provisions and Arrack which they have received from the 1st May last but as the prices may continue for some time too high for the pay of a Common Soldier to afford, M^r Ogilvie may consult with the Commanding Officer and state to the Committee the rates at which they judge the Troops should be allowed the Meat and Rice, &c if lower than the prices it may be necessary to allow the Renter, the difference must be charged to the Company - The Sepoys must be supplied with Rice at 70 Pag^s & Garu whenever the Current price shall exceed that rate -

Orders in consequence

Sepoys to be supplied with rice at 70 Pag^s & Garu.

Agreed that the Committee of Assigned Revenue be directed to give the most positive Orders to the Renter to use every possible exertion to furnish Provisions for the Garrison of Vellore - The Committee do not see how far it can be necessary to take ^{any of} the houses of the inhabitants of Vellore, but should it prove so they must be desired to give them up for a reasonable monthly

The Renter to furnish Provisions if possible -

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monthly rent / the Kildar and his family excepted
but previous to any measure of this kind the
Paymaster must furnish us with Estimates
of the expence of repairing the Officers Barracks
of the repairs necessary for the houses of Inha-
bitants, and of the Allowances of the Officers
to Lute themselves -

Agreed that M^r Ogilvie be
desired to send an Indent for the number of
Bayonet Scabbards wanted, that it may be
referred to the Committee of Stores -

Read the following Letter
with the Enclosure therein mentioned -
To the Right Honble Lord Macartney R.B.
My Lord,

Inclosed I have the honor to
transmit the Remarks of the Committee of In-
spection on the Carriages and Stores lately sent
to this Garrison - And to remain
My Lord &c &c

Vellore
28th June 1784

C. Fraser

Agreed that the Stockuper
at Vellore be directed to repair the Carriages
and Stores stated in the Report -

Carriages & Tools
at Vellore to be
repaired -

Read the following Letter
and Enclosure -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
President and Governor &c Select Committee
of Fort St George
My Lord & Gentlemen. When

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Letter from Lieut
Williams respecting
the feeding of Horses

When Lieut Colonel Nash of
the 23^d Regiment of Light Dragoons, went to
Europe on leave of absence, he gave me the fullest
power to receive all the Emoluments of his Troop
on my own Account and I have enjoyed the Benefit
of this Gift till the 1st of this month, when the Con-
tract for feeding of Lieut Colonel Nash's Troop was
took from me by an Order from Major General
Sir John Burgoyne -

I have enclosed you / my Lord
and Gentlemen / an Extract from Col. Floyd's
Letter to me, by which I am deprived of the Em-
oluments of Lieut Colonel Nash's Troop -

I must beg leave, my Lord &
Gentlemen, to remonstrate in the strongest man-
ner against Major General Sir J. Burgoyne
interfering in a matter so unjust; and so un-
precedented in His Majesty's Service, not only
in my own right, but that of Lieut Colonel
Nash who is absent, and who went to Europe
in the fullest confidence that the Injustice
above complained of would never be attempted
and I will be bold to say that every Captain
in the Regiment are convinced that no Person
but the Government of this Country, has a
power of controuling their Contract, no part of
which has been broke by me acting for Lieut
Colonel Nash, every thing relating to the Contract
I left to the management of Colonel Floyd -

I wait my Lord & Gentlemen
with the utmost Anxiety your Determination -

Arcot
2^d July 1784

I am &c &c

Geo. Williams
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