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Extract of a Letter from Colonel Floyd to Lieut
Williams of the 23^d Regiment Light Dragoons
Dated Fort St George 30th June 1784 -

After a good deal of Conversation
with Sir John Burgoyne, on the Subject of
feeding Troops, I am desired by him, to give you
Notice that after the 1st of July, you are not to
consider yourself as entitled to any Emolument
that may arise from the Contract of the Maj^r
Troops -

The idea is to make it of general
use to the Capt^{ns} Lieut, and to the Subalterns of
the Regiment -

[Signed] J. Floyd.

The Committee upon a reference
to the Letter from Colonel Floyd in May last
in their answer dated the 8th of that month gave
their opinion on the Subject of the right to
any advantage that might arise from feeding
the Horses of the 23^d Regiment of Light Dragoons
- Agreed that Copy of that answer be sent to
Lieutenant Williams -

To be referred to a
Letter from the
Committee to Col.
Floyd -

Read the following Letter from
the Committee of Assigned Revenue with the
Enclosure therein mentioned -

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

On

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Letter from the
Committee of
Assigned Revenue.

On the 8th February last We
addressed you on the Subject of the Choundy
Poligar, who shewed great backwardness in the
payment of his Pircush - The Renter of Nellore
has now repeated his former Solicitations to have
two or three Companies of Sepoys sent against this
Man to force him to a compliance with his
just demands, which now amount to upwards
of 3,000 Pagodas. Extract from his letter we beg
leave to inclose for your Information, at the
same time observing that it appears nothing but
a military Force will have a proper effect on him.

We have the honor to be &c &c

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30th June 1784

Chas. Baskley
David Haliburton
Geo. Moubray

Orders in conse-
quence -

Agreed that copy of the extract
of the letter from the Nellore Renter be sent to
Captain Donald Campbell with directions to
assist the Renter with the force he mentions
(2 or 3 Companies of Sepoys) in obliging the
Choundy Poligar to pay his Pircush -

Read the following letter
from the Residents at Hydrabad -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney,
President &c Members of the Select Committee
My Lord & Gentlemen, at Fort St George

Letter from the
Res^t at Hydrabad.

On the 6th Instant I had the
Honor

Choundy

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honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Commands of the 21st May which I now take the liberty to reply to more at length -

And first permit me to return my thanks for the Satisfaction you are pleased to express and the favourable Construction you are pleased to give of what might have appeared rather as premature insinuations than fully warranted Applications -

I shall not fail conformably to your desire to lay before your Lordship &c copies of all such Instructions I may receive which can in any Shape interfere with such plans and ideas as you may be pleased to communicate in pursuit of your Attention to the Company's interests with the Nizam -

The particulars of the lands or "unlicensed Villages," mentioned by the Nizam in his Letters to Calcutta I shall inform your Honble Board of, as soon as I shall have had the honor of conversing with His Highness -

The right to the Guntoor founded upon the Treaty of 1768 is too clearly expressed to admit of any doubts or hesitations - But could any possibly be made upon the score of our arrears of the annual payments for the Circars the Arguments your Lordship have

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have been pleased to furnish me with much
in reason remove every difficulty - However
in the mean time I cannot but deem the
delays that have hitherto attended the Cession
rather fortunate for the Company's Interest
- For upon viewing the Statement you handed
me with on the 13th March, the estimated revenue
of the Guntoor at the rate of 12,00,000. Rupees
per Annum wipe off and liquidate our Arrears
due to the Nizam much faster than the Company
would have been enabled to do from the additional
resources they could have obtained from the
net collection of the Guntoor had it been imme-
diately ceded upon the demise of the Nabob
Buzalut Jung.

I have already answered to
that part of your which now stands next
by expressing my Satisfaction that your Lordship
do not deem the Nabob Tippoo's conduct
as a breach of the late Treaty - Yet I much
apprehend he will not long leave any option
in the hostile inferences that may be drawn
from his conduct - I do not allude to his faith-
less discharge of that part of his Agreement
which stipulated the release of all prisoners
or to the attacks of his dependants upon the Nairs
- or the Nabob's Raids, who is said to be a tributary
to

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to the Carnatic - But to the wild effects of his inordinate Ambition in the prosecution of his future projects - In the delirium of his Success he is now said to be about ascending the Throne of Mysore which his father was hired to defend - This must probably be preceded by the murder of the surviving heirs to that Throne if any yet be left - what makes this report probable is that a little time ago he sent to the Nizam a Sicca, with a Standard measure for Grain and one for length all which he desired the Nizam to establish and make current thro his Dominions, and sent the same with a similar message to the Mahratta Government - He has also asserted his rights to the Nizamat Subahship which he threatens to enforce about the close of the rains - His Troops defeated a detachment of the Mahrattas under the walls of Merits - He threatens Runnust Khan Nalob of Kanowl - While Runnust ul diin the manager of Kurrpah is said to have again excited some disturbances in the Gunboor.

He is thus at every thing and if properly and unitedly opposed, cannot succeed in all, but in all ^{human} probability fail in all - Yet if he is left to go on succeeding in

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in each of these different projects which he is separately equal to, his resources will daily increase and with them the difficulty of an ultimate Opposition, which may then rest upon the English alone -

Your Lordship will doubtless see much farther into these facts and the conclusions that should be drawn from them than I can do - But so far I can affirm upon local information, if that can be depended upon, that the Nabob Nizam is totally unable to oppose any attacks that the Nabob Tippoo may please to attempt against him or his dependancies and consequently that his first motions after the Duparah is persisted in show he threatens, will make master of Niziapore Adoni Raychore & so forth which completes the first part of his plan making the Kistnah - his northern Bound and indeed beyond it for Niziapore lays betwixt the Kistnah and Buzurah - Nothing (not apparent) can prevent this but his own want of inclination - I mean the Nabob Tippoo or the junction of the Marathas with the Nizam - a circumstance very likely to be depended upon however strongly the

Indirectly

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Interests seem to point this out as an indis-
-pensable measure - This requires explanation.
- The Maratta Government of Poona confor-
-mably for themselves have private funds
which together with their attention to their
personal and separate Interests totally dis-
-tract their Attention to the general interests
of their Government - One point of their present
private contest regards the Peshwah - Herry-
-punt perkiash having married his daughter
to Ballarow the son of the Ragobah wants
to place him in the Peshwahship in the
place of Madarow Narain with whom the
late Treaty of Salbete was concluded - In this
Herrypunt is supported by Fakhjee Holkar
- on the other hand Manajernewer supports
the present Peshwah; Scindia seems occupied
at making a separate and independent Es-
-tablishment for himself as far as possibly
reconcilable with his nominal Submission to
the general Government and interests himself
no further in either cause than is requisite
towards securing his own party at Poona -
All parties seek every attainable aid even ex-
-ternal Aid if it can answer their views, in
this light the Nizam is courted by the party
which espouse the cause of the present Peshwah
as he is known to be an irreconcilable Foe
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to the family of Nagotah - This circumstance therefore as parties fluctuate at Poona gives the Nizam a consideration with some one of the members of the Poona Government - at present this is Manaspernews, and his adherents - Since support from him may therefore be hoped or rather looked for by the Nizam provided that some other motives happen to coincide and that the Attack do not fall upon the lands of any of Manas' opponents among his Colleagues, in which case his movements to cover them might be much retarded - A great deal more could be added to this which I prefer delaying till I can write from maturer Intelligence - But this will suffice to shew that the Aid of the Mahrattas is very precarious and depends upon the coincidence of many circumstances - consequently that the Marot Tippoo may make very great advances and the Nizam suffer much before any effectual Aid may help to stop the Invader's progress.

If I may be pardoned for offering my Opinion I should say that policy appears to me to dictate that unexertions be spared on our behalf to restrict the Marot Tippoo to his present means and resources which have at any but too well enabled him

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him to oppose us in the field as the naked Carnatic bears woeful Testimony - and the Army of Prosekiers he has returned exclusive of those he is said to have so inhumanly butchered, most painfully prove:

Upon the subject of the Nabob Nizam's name not being specified in the Mangalore Treaty, I shall avail myself of what your Lordship &c have pointed out as a proper answer should His Highness put any question to me about it.

The hopes you are pleased to express that I shall be able to convince the Subah of the Company's friendship towards him, I cannot at present join any sanguine expectations to; and still less that I shall be able to awaken any similar feelings in His Highness - However it will answer the same purpose if I can convince him how much his Interests are united with ours - And this ground I trust more so. The surpense of immediate Payment on our side, under whatever cause, while we shall demand present compliance on his to our Claims however just, form together a predicament less favorable to friendship, than the grounds of necessity on his part and the power of assistance on ours may be to establish an intimate connection upon the irresistible Arguments of

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of mutual Interest.

Quelling the Mutiny of the Cavalry without making terms with the Mutineers and the Punishment of several of the ringleaders are circumstances that cannot fail of doing "deserve Credit to the Spirit and firmness of your Administration and at the same time of establishing your internal security upon a stronger basis. It has often been said with great Justice in my opinion that internal foes are the only enemies a power has to fear in these Climates.

Having now acknowledged to the best of my discernment every point in your last commands, permit me to observe that the request contained in the first part of my letter of the 6th May remaining entirely unanswered, I apprehend it has escaped your notice; I shall return myself much honored by your reference and answer to it.

Ryderabad
11th June 1784

I have the honor to be &c &c
P. Johnson
Secy. Mysr.

Consideration de-
ferred.

Ordered to lie for Consideration.

Read Letter (as entered in the

Captain David
Campbell requests
to go to China -

M^r. M^r. from the following Persons viz^t Capt.
David Campbell enclosing Surgeon's Certificate
of his ill health and requesting leave to pro-
ceed to China -

Captain

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Captain Damer informing the Committee that he has been robbed of the Company's Cash Chest by a Centinel deserting with it - that it contained 201 Pag^{as} of the Company's money which he hopes the Committee will not insist on his replacing -

Ensign Strutt enclosing two King's Militia Commissions & claiming by virtue of them priority of rank over the other Cadets of the same season.

Lieut. M^cPherson of the 78th Reg^t requesting a passage to Europe in one of the China Ships -

Resolved that Capt. D. Campbell be permitted to proceed to China for his Health -

That Capt. Damer be informed that the Select Committee look to the Paymaster of Fort Macart for the care of the Company's Cash at that Place -

That En. Strutt late of the King's Service be allowed priority of rank over the Cadets of the same Season according to the established Usage -

That Lt. M^cPherson be informed we cannot comply with his request it being contrary to the Company's Orders -

Lt. Harry Gordon of the Engineers having delivered in a Bill for money expended by him for repairs on the Fort of Chittoor amounting to Nag^{as} 150 - Agreed that it be referred to Captain Lamothe who commanded at Chittoor when it was taken and that if he certifies the charge and M^r Gordon will swear to it and not otherwise the amount be paid by Bills on Bengal -

Ordered that the Amount of the

Balance due to M^r Sadler for Cash advanced by him on account of the late deputation to the Nabob Tippoo Sultan amounting to N^o 524th 16th 30 be discharged by Bills on the Chief Council of Ve-gagapabam at the exchange of 375 Ruper p^{er} 1000 Nagodas

Lt. M^cPherson requests a passage to Europe on a China Ship -

Request of Lieut. M^cPherson can't be complied with.

Lt. Gordon's bill for repairs at Chittoor to be paid if properly certified.

Money advanced by M^r Sadler on acct of the deputation to Tippoo Sultan to be discharged by bills on Vijag -

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Pagodas - the Amount to be carried to the head of
Second War with Hyder Ally -

Resolved that Letters be sent to the Ven-
- catagerry Rajah and to Hummer ud Dien Cawn
stating to the former that his Attempts to retain
Districts not dependant upon the Company
has been a misfortune to him, & afforded a pretext
to Hummer ud dien Cawn to follow him into his
own Jaghire, that the matter must be termi-
-nated amicably, that M^r Lind has been di-
-rected to proceed to his Residence, and that
Captain Clow will deliver the Letter to him
with whom he may converse freely, that the
Company will protect him, if he be carefull
to fulfill his Engagements -

To Hummer ud Dien Cawn.

expressing surprise at the outrages of his Troops
into Villages dependant upon the Carnatick, in-
-forming him that M^{rs} Lind and Clow are sent
to settle the business, and that he must make a
reasonable Arrangement, if he do not, a force will
be sent which will effectually protect the Company's
Districts -

Read a Letter from the Secretary
to the Commander in Chief, enclosing one from M^r
John Strutt (entered in M.B. No.) requesting that
as he has been in His Majesty's Service, he may
be placed at the Top of the List of Cadets for the
Year 1782 -

Ordered accordingly, if there be
no other Cadet above him who has been in the
King's Service -

Read

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Read a Letter from M^r W. Balfour
presented in M.B. No. / dated 28th June respecting
Captain Wall's Share in the Offreckoning Fund,
copy of which is ordered to be sent to Capt. Wall.

Read also a Letter dated 26th June
from Lieut. Hall (as entered in M.B. No. /
stating that he is arrived at Trichinopoly. &
will proceed to the Presidency as expeditiously as
his Health will permit.

Ordered that a Letter be written
to Lieut Colonel Bruce, directing him to oblige
Lieut Hall to proceed with all possible expedition.

Received the following Letter
from the Maymakers at Chingleput
To the Honble Lord George Macartney
R. B. President and Governor &c. Select Committee
of Fort St George
My Lord & Gentlemen.

Agreeable to your Orders of the
22^d Ultimo communicated to me thro' your Secy
I have the honor to transmit you a Statement
of my monthly expences agreeable to the present
Strength of the Garrison, and as it is the intention
of Government to reduce the Expences as much as
possible I think it necessary to acquaint your
Lordship &c that I do not on, but in our matters
were a reduction can be made, and that is in
the charger of Bullock here &c One hundred and
twenty being in the pay of the Company and
one Hundred having been at various times hired
for the purpose of transporting Rice from
Madras

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Madras to this Place & Permacoil. but as the Troops
now continue to be served with Rice until they
are regularly paid, I submit to your Lordship's
consideration whether the One Hundred & twenty
Bullocks abovementioned may not be employed
in bringing Rice from Madras to this place.
till a sufficient Store is laid in to last the Gar-
-rison to the end of the Year, which may be
employed by the end of August next, agreeable
to the present State of Rice in Store, and the
Monthly expenditure of the Garrison, which I
have the honor to enclose.

Chingleput
24th June 1784

I am &c &c

Theo^r L^d Taner
Wym^r

Ordered that the Bullocks be
discharged and that a Letter be written to the
Wymaster at Chingleput on the Subject.

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Dispatched the following Letter to
the Governor General and Council.

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

Honble Sir and Sirs,

We have the honor to transmit
you by this Courtyance (the Maria Anne) copies of the
proceedings of the Commissaries at Pondicherry and
of our Correspondence with them from the 13th May the
date of our last Letter on the subject to the present
time.

We are afraid that We omitted
to acquaint you that the Mutiny of the Cavalry at
Arcat had been quelled in a manner the most hostile
to the Company's Government. We refused to enter
into any terms with them or to grant them any Con-
ditions of pardon - As they did not submit, but
continued obstinate for some days; The moment our
Measures were ripe, We ordered a proper force to
march against them; which compelled them
to lay down their Arms; a few of the ringleaders
made their Escape, two of those who remained were
immediately put to Death, and the rest of the
most guilty punished in a very severe and
exemplary manner - The Regiment whose behaviour
was the least exceptionable, and in some instances
meritorious obtained Senior Rank - The others
have been broke, and We are now forming a
new Establishment.

We.

Fort St George, July 1784.

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We have the honor to be, &c

Macartney
V^c Select CommitteeSent a letter dated the 5th inst^o(as entered in MB No.) to the Hon^d M^r Gort-
=rick, informing that the Committee have ap-
=pointed his Son a Cadet on this Establishment.

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Dispatched the following letters

(as entered in the MB No.) dated 6th inst^o.To Lieut. Walter Thompson, com-
=plying with his request to go to Bengal -To the Paymaster at Vellore,
informing him of permission being given to
Lieut. Underwood to draw his subsistence at Vellore -To Lieut. Underwood on the
same subject -To Captain Richard Scott,
complying with his request to resign the Service,
expressing the Committee's approbation of his Con-
=duct, and intention to recommend him to
the Court of Directors -To Lieut. Hooke, complying
with his request to proceed to Bengal -To M^r John Thomson, Master
Attendant, directing him to inform the Secretary
of the arrival of Ships, and circumstances respecting
them, and also of their intended Departures -

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To Lieut. Lundt, directing him to collect a Stock of Paddy for the consumption of his Garrison until the produce of the next Crop, and to report the expences of securing the Granary.

To Ensign John Darley - his Account of Charges incurred, ordered to be paid by Mr Lind.

To Lieut. Rolleston, complying with his request to go to Sea.

To the Chiefs and Council of Gajans, desiring them to send an Account of their monthly disbursements, and to point out in what Articles reductions can be made.

To Mr Falconer Surgeon, informing him that the Committee cannot depart from the medical Regulations - his charges therefore inadmissible.

To the Paymaster at Nellore, directing him to discharge Ensign Darley's Account.

To the Paymaster at Pulan-cotah, desiring him to send a very accurate account of his monthly Disbursements.

Received the following Letters forwarded in the M.B.W.

From Ensign East dated 6th instant, requesting permission on account of his Affairs, to proceed to Bombay.

From Lt. Rich^d. Budden, on the same Subject - dated 6th Instant. - From

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From Lieut Thomas Hooker, dated
the 5th Inst. on the same Subject -

Dispatched the following letter
to the Select Committee at Bombay -

To the Honble Rawson Hart Boddam Esq^r
President &c Members of the Select Committee
at Bombay

Honble Sir and Sirs,

To Bombay - have
sent on the Bombay
Grat as many Pris-
-ners as she could
accommodate -

The Swallow will
be sent to Bombay
as soon as she can
be spared -

We avail ourselves of the depar-
-ture of the Nancy Grat for Bombay to acknow-
-ledge the honor of your dispatches of the 15th & those
to our civil department of the 19th and 20th Ultimo,
by the Bombay Grat which arrived here the 4th Inst.

We are highly gratified by the
expression of your sense of our attention to your
prisoners and of our acquiescence in discharging
the arrears due to His Majesty's Troops whilst
serving on your Coast -

We have already given the
necessary orders for embarking on the Bombay Grat
as many of your prisoners as she can conveniently
accommodate - and We hope she will be ready to
sail in a few days - We shall omit no opportunities
that may occur of sending you the rest with as
many of your Sepoys as shall chuse to go by Sea -
-also the Mercants that have arrived or may yet
arrive here for your Presidency -

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The Swallow Packet is at present employed under the orders of our Commissioners at Pondicherry, but she shall be sent to you the moment she can be spared without inconvenience to the public Service.

We shall avail ourselves of your consent to give your Sepoys the option of remaining on this Coast solely upon the principle which induces you to grant it, their merit in resisting the offers of Tippoo Sultaun, for we shall be obliged to disband several corps of Native Troops in order to reduce our Army to the Peace Establishment.

We shall immediately transmit to Tippoo Sultaun your ratification of the Treaty with him and shall endeavor to explain to his Satisfaction the evacuation of Cananore without the ceremony stipulated in the Treaty.

As the Governor General &c. have communicated to you the observations which they thought proper to record on the Treaty of peace lately concluded with Tippoo Sultaun, We transmit you a Copy of our letter to them of the 3^d Ultimo, in answer to those observations and request it may be honored with a place in your proceedings. We also add Copies of a letter to us from Mr. Richard Johnson Resident with the Subah dated the 6th of May and of our answer the 20th of May, which relate to the same Subject.

We shall forward to you by
the

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6 The Bombay Genl. copies of our late Correspondence with our Commissioners at Pondicherry, also the Account desired in your Civil Secretary's Letter of the 19th Ultimo —

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We have the honor to be Sir
Macartney
To Select Committee

7 Received a letter from Mr Ogilvie dated 5th July (as entered in the M.B. No 1) advising that the Hunter of Vellore has applied to him for an advance of Cash to procure cattle for the use of the Garrison —

Received a letter from Lt Colonel Frazer dated 5th July (entered in M.B. No 1) on the same Subject as that of Mr Ogilvie above mentioned.

Sent a letter dated the 7th to the Committee of Assigned Revenue (as entered in M.B. No 1) desiring they will enjoin the Hunter of the Vellore district to use his greatest exertions for the supply of the Garrison of Vellore with provisions, stating that his Application for an advance of Money is unreasonable, and directing the Committee to order the Hunter on pain of dismissal to comply with the requisitions made to him —

Sent a letter to Ensign East, dated the 7th (entered in the M.B. No 1) directing him to proceed to Bombay —

Received

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Received the following letter

from the Governor of Ceylon.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K. B.
Governor &c &c
of Fort St George

from Ceylon --

advising that they
are ready to receive
Trincomalay, and
only wait the ar-
rangements of this
Presidency --

My Lord,

By a letter dated the 1st October

1783, which has been received by a Dutch Frigate,
that had been detained a long time at the Cape
of Good Hope, - the Company authorize us to execute
the preliminary Articles, which were ratified on
the 26th of September last. - We are informed that
the Restitutions of the Fort of Trincomallee is to
take place on the part of the French govern-
-ment to English Commissioners, and that at
the same instant that the French put the
English in possession of that place, the latter
shall restore it to the Dutch Company in
the same condition to which the French shall
have reduced it.

Such my Lord are my Instruc-
-tions, which I have communicated to the M^r.
de Bussey, who will no doubt dispatch Orders
in consequence; - You will be pleased to do the
same, and I am convinced that you will desert
from your intention of waiting till the con-
-clusion of the definitive Treaty for the restitute-
-ions of our Possessions upon the Coasts of Coromand-
-el and Madurai; as the 9th Article expresses
in clear terms that those Operations shall take
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place at the same period, as the evacuations & shall be made between the English and French - our Commissioners for Trincomallee are already appointed, and those to execute the Treaty on the Coasts of Coromandel and Madras, shall be on the spot, as soon as you shall have made me acquainted with your your Arrangements on that Subject -

Columbo
14th June 1784

I have the honor to be &c
Wm. W. Falck.

Received the following letter
from the Commissioners at Pondicherry -

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

From the Commissioners
at Pondicherry - encl
- sing their letter to
the French Commis
- saries, and one from
them -

My Lord & Gentlemen,

We had the honor to receive
your Lordships &c Commands of the 11th Ultimo -
in consequence of which we lost not a moment
in addressing a letter to the French Commissioners
- copy of which waits on your Lordships &c enclosed -
- Copy of their Answer of the 2^d Instant is also for-
- warded to your Lordships &c together with a
letter from the Marquis de Bussy addressed to
his Lordship which we received this evening - As
We understand we are to receive no further answer
from the French Commissioners, we consider our con-
- ferences as necessarily suspended, and shall agree-
- able to your directions proceed to the Presidency
without

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7 without delay; and of which We shall duly inform
the French Commissioners to morrow morning -

We have the honor to be &c

Pondicherry

4th July 1784

Charles Floyer

Wm Dalrymple

W. Fallofield.

To Charles Monneron Esq^r Brig^{de} Gen^l Loubenceau
and
John Francis Moracin Esq^r

Gentlemen.

In conformity to the assurance
- we gave you at our last correspondence, and
also to the desire expressed by you in the letter you
did us the honor to write to us on the 18th Instant,
which was accompanied by copy of a letter from
le Maréchal de Castries to the Marquis de Bussy
containing certain Instructions respecting the
Restitution to be made of the Forts &c Harbours
of Trincomalay to His Britannick Majesty; we
did on the same day dispatch these matters
which you so transmitted to us, to the Right
Hon^{ble} the Governor and Select Committee of
Fort St George - And having last night received
their further Instructions, we take the earliest
Opportunity of communicating to you the
purport of them -

We are instructed to inform
the

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The Marquis de Bussy thro' your Gentlemen, that the
 late Arrangements acceded to by you under the im-
 mediate direction and Authority of the Marquis de
 Bussy, were conformable to the Instructions trans-
 mitted to the Government of Fort St George with
 the knowledge of the French, as well as of the English
 Ministry, and founded on the definitive Treaty,
 between the Courts of London and Versailles - That our
 Government has received no subsequent Instructions,
 authorizing them to deviate from the former - That
 for such a deviation they could not alledge the Au-
 thority of Instructions transmitted to India with
 the Knowledge and implied acquiescence of superior
 Powers - That they could not alledge an Agreement
 deliberately, and solemnly concluded for the prompt
 and speedy execution of the definitive Treaty
 - That the Extract to which the Marquis de Bussy
 refers, as binding upon him in preference to all
 Engagements, does not appear to have been commu-
 nicated to the Court of London, and that its
 object is materially different from the very clause
 of the definitive Treaty, to which it alludes, for tho'
 it mentions that Trincomalay is to be delivered to
 the English, yet after quoting a new Convention be-
 tween 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 Restoration, for it requires that the
 said place be delivered by the French Troops, to
 the Troop of the States General only - That the

English

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7 English therefore not getting Possession cannot give it - That the Presence of an English Commissioner does not alter the Nature of the Transaction - That he is not, it should seem, to receive Possession as even with an Engagement to transfer it immediately to the Dutch; That he is simply in the predicament of a Witness to a Transfer of possession, different from what the definitive Treaty stipulated and the public Instructions known to both Courts, expressly required -

Our Government of Fort St George 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 intended 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 our Government in any Arrangement not concluded before their Arrival. But they are of Opinion that no subsequent Orders can erase the Obligation of adhering to prior Engagements, such as actually subsist between us on the part of our Government and your Gentlemen on the part of the Marquis de Bussy. Engagements voluntarily made by both of the contracting Parties, cannot with propriety be

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to be cancelled but by the voluntary Act of both parties, and as We are not authorized to join in such 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 Utility resulting from the renewal of our Conferences with your Gentlemen, unless you are disposed to execute the Arrangements to which you have already agreed in the former Conferences, or until we shall be authorized to accede to new Arrangements.

It is with concern our Government beholds this second Interruption of our Negotiations, an event, which they had taken some Pains to guard against, in the two Instances which have occurred. Before they entered upon them, they had the Marquis de Bussy's Assurance that he was ready to conclude them. The event, however proved that he was not then ready and that he urged the want of Instructions on a particular object of the negotiation. Our Conferences were renewed on his second assurance of agreeing to specific Conditions as to this Object, without any reserve of Alteration or deviation, in case of subsequent Orders from Europe; - Yet subsequent Orders are now urged for such a deviation, and the breach of such Conditions.

Our Government conceives that the Marquis de Bussy being authorized to

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to agree he is bound to this Agreement. And they hope 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 likely to be in the mean time, in consequence of those variations in the Sentiments of the Marquis de Bussy.

Pondicherry
1st July 1784

We have the honor to be Sir

} signed { Charles Floyer
W^m Dalrymple
W. Fallofield

(A true Copy /
W. Fallofield Secy

To Mess^{rs} Charles Floyer, W^m Dalrymple
and
Ernest William Fallofield.

Gentlemen,

The Letter you did us the honor to write us Yesterday, communicating the Intentions of your Government, we sent to the Marquis de Bussy.

We have the honor to be Sir

Pondicherry
2^d July 1784.

} signed { Loutenceau
Monneron
Moracin

(A true Translation /
J. Chase, French Translator

Received

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Received also the following
letter from General Bussy to the President,
To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
My Lord,

Letter from General
Bussy to L^d Macartney.

I have now before me the
Answer, which the English Commissioners,
yesterday returned to the Letter that had been
addressed to them by the French Commissioners
on the 28th of last Month - If I have fully under-
- stood the literal sense and spirit of that
reply, (which tho' it is certainly clear in the
English Idiom, does not appear equally so, even
in the best French Translation -) I have every
reason to believe, that the Government of
Madras have wished that I should under-
- stand in substance three things -

1st That the said Government
has not received from Europe, any Orders of a
later date than those from your Company of the
26th of Sept^r 1793, which were communicated to
me by your Commissioners -

2^d That the said Government,
considering me as bound either by the propositions
contained in my letter to your Lordship of the
28th of last May, - or by those which I have
since authorized the French Commissioners to
make to yours in my name, - do not conceive
that

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7 That any attention ought to be paid to the subsequent orders, which I have received from my Court by the Frigate, "La Precieuse".

3rd That from the natural consequence of the Principle established by the two foregoing Assertions; - the reciprocal Restitutions to take place between the two Nations, - may be deferred until your Government shall have recd further Orders from your Sovereign -

In these points of view, I shall begin by bringing back to your Lordship, and to myself, - a discussion upon which I conceive it would be needless for our respective Commissioners to treat;

I have now only to reply to the reproaches which have been made against me for having changed my Sentiments -

That as long as I have been Master of my own Actions, - my Conduct has been agreeable to my own Sentiments & Ideas, & that the uprightness of my intentions is sufficiently satisfactory to me on that Head -

That restricted as I am now by the Orders of the King my Master, - no other line of Conduct is left for me but a passive obedience to those orders, from which I will not deviate, - whatever may be the Consequences -

After so decisive an Answer,

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I have only to request, My Lord, that you will acquaint me whether the Government of Madras will, or will not carry into execution all the restitutions presented by the definitive Treaty concluded between our two Sovereigns, - establishing as the Basis, that the Cession of Trincomalee shall be made, as to substance, agreeably to the precise terms of the Orders & Instructions, which I have received from the Marschal de Castries and conformably to the convention agreed upon between both Courts, - As to Substance I say, for with respect to anything that may relate only to forms, and which will not materially differ from the spirit of that Convention, - your Lordship will find me ready to promote the good Harmony, which it is my wish should subsist between the two Nations.

When your Lordship declared to me, that the Instructions from the English India Company (which you transmitted to me some time since thro' your Commissioners) had been communicated to the Court of France, - I did not hesitate to give credit to that assertion, and acted in consequence.

The particular Convention between France and England, relative to the restitution of Trincomalee, has been notified to me by the Minister in the name of the King and it consequently requires no further proof, that

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That such a Convention has taken place between the two Powers -

Whatever may be the determination of the Government of Madras upon an object of such importance; - I have the honor to inform you that I propose to dispatch to France, one of the King's Frigates under the command of M. Le Chevalier de Joyeuse, who has the honor of being known to your Lordship; - I shall be happy, My Lord, to give orders for the reception on board of that Frigate, of any Packets you may wish to transmit to the Ambassador of His Britannic Majesty at Paris, and I will likewise order a passage for any person, whom your Lordship may think proper to entrust with those Dispatches -

Culgarrey
4th July 1784

I have the honor to be &c &c

Signed / Bussy

P. S.

As I was on the point of closing this letter, My Lord, I received one from M^r. Falek, who informs me that a Dutch Frigate had just conveyed to him the preliminary Articles of Peace between His Britannic Majesty and the States General, with Orders and Instructions relative to the Restitution of Trincomallee, - which Orders and Instructions are conformably to the Convention between our respective Courts, as contained in the Letter from M. Le Marechal de Satory; - your Lordship will likewise observe by the Letter which

conform

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I which Mr. Falek has addressed to you, that the Terms prescribed to him on that occasion are the same as those specified in the Orders from my Court;

Signed / B.

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Sent a Letter to Capt^m Wahab.

at Ongole dated the 8th (as entered in M.B. No. / directing him to defer drafting the independent Companies.

Dispatched a letter (as entered

in the M.B. No. / from the President to Captain Bondy of the Company's Ship Swallow dated 8th July, directing him to return to Madras, and allowing him to draw for Pagodas 500, if it be absolutely necessary.

Sent a letter (as entered in

the M.B. No. / dated the 8th July, to the Committee of Stores, desiring their Opinion upon the purchase of some Guns offered by Capt^m Hammett to the Company.

Read a letter (as entered in

the M.B. No. / dated 8th July from Mr. Cornish Gambier, requesting permission to proceed to Bombay, on account of ill Health and enclosing the Surgeon's Certificate in support of his application.

Agreed that the request of

Mr. Gambier be granted.

Received the following letter from the English Commissioners. dated 6th July.

The Swallow to come to Madras.

Mr. Gambier requests to go to Bombay on account of ill health.

Granted.

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8 To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K. B.
President &c Select Committee
of Fort St George

Letter from Pon-
-dicherry - the
Commissaries pre-
-paring to return
to Madras -

My Lord & Gentlemen,

We had the honor to address
you on the 14th Instant, and to transmit to you
Copies of our Correspondence with the french Com-
-missaries since the receipt of your orders of the
26th of last Month, together with a letter address-
-sed by the Marquis de Bussy to the Right
Honble President; and enclosed, you will receive
Copy of our letter to them of yesterday's date, to
which we have received no reply -

As the french Commissaries
have avoided making any reply to the points
contained in our letter to them of the 1st, and as
the Marquis de Bussy has personally renewed
his Correspondence with Government, we can no
longer hope to continue at this time our negocia-
-tions with effect, or that the Marquis de Bussy
will adhere to the Engagements, he had solemnly
concluded with us - M^{rs} Doyer and M^r Fallofield
will therefore in conformity to the Instructions
received from your Lordship &c set off for the
Presidency this evening -

To Colonel Dalrymple we
have delivered a copy of your letter to us, bearing
date the 26th Ultimo which contains your orders
for his future Conduct; We have also committed
to his charge the Garrison Flag we received
from Madras; and to M^r Mitchell, the Chest
of

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8 of Medicines intended for the use of the Detachment of His Majesty's 52^d Regiment - Captain Richard Bondy commanding the Honourable Company's Ship Swallow, has again been put under the orders of Colonel Dalrymple -

Captain James Humphreys of the Laperwing Cutter having represented to us that he is in want of Provisions for his Crew and Captain Bondy being unable to supply him with any, we have deemed it most advisable to dispatch him to the Presidency. There to receive further orders from your Lordship &c - We have continued eight of the Lascars on board the Cutter, which brought them hither, as they are of service in the working of that Vessel; & the remaining twelve Lascars, and the Tindall have been transhipped on board the Swallow, where they will be at hand for any service that may be required of them - The Rice which was destined for the use of our Detachment at Trincomalay will remain on board the Swallow until your Lordship &c may think proper to send your Orders concerning it -

We have the honor to be &c

Pondicherry
6th July 1784

Charles Doyer
Wm Dalrymple
W. Fallofield

To Charles Monneron Esq^r Brig^{de} Gen^l Coutenouze
and
John Francis Moracin Esq^r

Gentlemen

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Gentlemen,

We have received the honor of your letter of the 2^d Instant, as you have not thought proper to reply to any of the particular circumstances stated in our letter of the 1st st wherein among many other Matters, is the following Passage, "Nor do we perceive the likelihood of any Utility resulting from the renewal of our conferences with your Gentlemen, unless you are disposed to execute the Arrangements, to which you have already agreed, in the former Conferences, or untill we shall be authorized to accede to new Arrangements" And as the Marquis de Bussy has through us transmitted a letter to the Right Honble the Governor of Fort St George, we must necessarily conclude that our present Negotiation is suspended; In such a Case and on a supposition that the Marquis de Bussy will adhere to his last Declarations we have to communicate to you the orders of the Government of Fort St George, which are, that it will be unnecessary for any of us to remain at Pondicherry, except Colonel Dalrymple who will be left in the Command of the English Troops here. We request therefore you will be pleased to inform the Marquis de Bussy, that the other Commissioners are preparing to leave Pondicherry without Delay.

We have the honor to be &c

Pondicherry
5th July 1784

{ signed }	C ^o J. Poyet
	W ^m Dalrymple
	W ^m Fallofield

(A true Copy)

W^m Fallofield Secy

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Sent the following letter to the
Paymaster at Vellore.

To Mr Thomas Ogilvey
Paymaster at Vellore.

Letter to the Paym^t
at Vellore, containing
sundry orders and
Regulations.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Hon^{ble}
the President and Select Committee to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the 1st Instant.

By the expression of your
desire to know "whether the daily allowance of
"provisions and Amack is to be continued as has
"been here during the War at the Company's expense
"or if money will be sent to enable them to pur-
"chase their own provisions and pay for their Amack
"as before the war commenced" it would seem
that the Garrison of Vellore have been supplied
with provisions and Amack by the Company
during the late war as well as since the Peace
without being made to account for the same
or any part of it out of their pay, or in other
words, have received full Batta exactly the
same as the Troops in the field.

If the passage of your letter
above quoted is to be understood in the Sense
here given to it you doubtless must have re-
ceived orders or Authority from the late Govern-
ment at the commencement of the War for
granting the Garrison of Vellore so extraordinary
an Indulgence, but in all events it never could
be

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It is the Intention of Government that such an Indulgence should be continued after the conclusion of Peace and I am accordingly directed to inform you that you must, from time to time when pay is issued, account with the Troops at Vellore for the provisions and Arrack which they have received from the 1st May last - The Select Committee however being sensible that the prices of Provisions, may for some time continue too high for the pay of a common Soldier to afford desire you will consult with the Commanding Officer and state to him the rates at which you think the Troops should be allowed the meat and rice, and should they be lower than the prices which it may be necessary to allow the Renters - the difference must be charged to the Company - the Arrack of Arrack is supposed to be nearly as cheap now as before the War.

By an order passed some years since and lately renewed the Sepoys are to be supplied with rice by the Company at 70 Pagodas ff^r Madras Garce whenever the Current price shall exceed that rate -

With regard to the furnishing of provisions for the Troops at Vellore the most positive orders will be issued to the Renter to use every possible exertion for that purpose and to make it a principal object of his attention and care -

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The Select Committee direct me to observe to you that the garrison of Bellore when increased by the Officers and men now ordered thither will not be so numerous as it often was before the War and they do not therefore understand from anything contained in your letter how it can be necessary to turn the Inhabitants out of their houses or to appropriate to the use of the Officers any houses or buildings that were not so appropriated before the War - particularly as it appears that whether the Officers live in the Barracks or the houses of the black Inhabitants in either case repairs will be necessary, and you also mention that a very small Allowance must be made the Officers to hut themselves - should the measure however prove absolutely necessary the black Inhabitants must be desired to give up their houses for a reasonable monthly rent, the Killedar and his Family excepted, but previous to any measure of this kind the Select Committee desire you will furnish them with separate Estimates of the Expence of repairing the Officers Barracks - of the repairs that might be necessary to the houses of the Inhabitants to enable them fit for the Officers to reside in, the monthly hire of the said Houses and the Allowances for the Officers to hut themselves in order that the Select Committee may determine upon that plan

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I plan which shall appear most eligible on
a due consideration of all circumstances -

Respecting the want of
Bayonet scabbards for the 14th Battalion
of Sepoys I am directed to desire you will
send an Indent for the number wanted
that it may be referred to the Committee
of Stores -

I have the honor to be &c

Fort St. George
3rd July 1784

Wadlestonberg

N^o 1.

Your letters and those of
Lieut Colonel Fraser of the 3rd and 5th instant
are just received - the contents of them are
already answered in what is above written
- orders will be immediately sent to the
Committee of Assigned Revenue respecting
the furnishing of provisions for the Garrison
of Vellore - M^r Ryland should with his
letter to Colonel Fraser have sent an Esti-
mate of the expence of repairing the quarters
at the very lowest Calculation - This must
immediately be done and in the mean while
he must confine himself to such repairs
as he mentions to be absolutely necessary
to prevent the roofs from falling in -

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Dispatched the following
Letter to the Resident at Tanjore -

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To John Sullivan Esq^r

Resident at Tanjore

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble the President and Select Committee to acknowledge the receipt of your letters to the President of the 19th and 29th Ultimo.

The Select Committee are well pleased to find that you are going yourself to Ramnadporam to arrange and settle the Affairs of that Country and they rely on your accomplishing it in such a manner as to put an end to the factions and Intrigues which have long disturbed the Government and been the subject of very serious Complaints and representations from the Rajahs. The Select Committee desire you will fully investigate the grounds of those Complaints and they earnestly recommend and enjoin such attention to the Rights and happiness not only of the Rajahs of Ramnadporam but of all other Zemindars and natives of every description under our protection as shall make them sensible of the blessings of the change in their Situation since they have been relieved from the notorious oppressions and cruelties of the Nabob's Government.

Enclosed

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Enclosed is a Copy of Instructions now sent to Colonel Tullarton agreeably to your recommendation -

It was some time since resolved by the Select Committee that a letter should be written to the Rajah of Tanjore to express their Sense of his Attachment to the Company, evinced in his cheerful acquiescence on the cession to the French of the H. Magans round Carical, but the Intervention of a variety of other matters has occasioned its being delayed to this time -

The H. Magans are not to be delivered to the French till specific Instructions shall be sent from hence for that purpose and the Select Committee hope you will return from Kamnadporam in time to execute those Instructions -

Permission will be sent to you to come to the Presidency as soon as the public Service will admit of your absence, but the Select Committee wish you not to leave the Southward till you shall have received their directions relative to several points which cannot be settled by any person now to the Southward except yourself -

No answer has yet been received

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I received to the Letter to Tippoo Sultan of the 28th May, of which the President sent Copies to you and Colonel Fullarton - the uncertain state of things and the necessity of being strictly upon your guard until that answer is received - must be obvious to you both -

I have the honor to be &c.

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9th July 1784.

Mudlestonberg

Sent a Letter to the Secy
at Fort William dated July (entered in M.B.
N^o / enclosing a Return of Troops embarked
on board the Marianne -

Dispatched the following
Letter from the President to the Gov^r of Ceylon -
To the Honble Ismael William Fatche.

Councillor Extraordinary, & Governor
of the Island of
Ceylon

Letter to Ceylon
must defer pro-
ceeding to make
the Constitutions
not having suf-
ficient Authority

Sir

A very few days ago I had
the honor of receiving your letter of the 14th June
in which you announce to me that the East
India Company of your Nation has authorized
you to carry into execution the Preliminary
Articles of September last between Great
Britain, and the States General of the
united

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of united Provinces, and you therefore propose that I should immediately proceed to the Restitutions therein stipulated; but as I have not as yet the sanction of any similar Authority from the East India Company of England, I must necessarily defer proceeding in the mean time in this business. It is probable that the definitive Treaty of which the Conclusion had been daily expected by the respective Parties will soon arrive, and finally settle the Terms and the measures to be taken here. It will at all times give me much Satisfaction to correspond in the fullest manner by every good Office consistent with my duty here to the returning Harmony between our Nations; and in particular to testify the Sentiments of high Esteem & Consideration with which I have the honor to be &c &c

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9th July 1784

Macartney

Dispatched the following

Letter to the Marquis de Bussy-

To the Marquis de Bussy

Letter to the M^r.
de Bussy-

Sir,

Th^o

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The particular Circumstances have prevented any meeting of the Select Committee of this Government for these three Days past in which Interval I have had the honor of receiving your letter of 4.th Inst. I cannot defer acknowledging it to you and of adding that it contains a Statement of the Negotiation undertaken for the purpose of carrying the Terms of the Treaty of Peace between our respective Sovereigns, into effect, as well as of my last to you, which was intended to convey my meaning clearly on the Subject, and which Letter I find indeed has been perfectly understood - Your Determination to adhere to the late Directions of the Marechal de Castries, and the necessary adherence of this Government to Instructions which are of a different Tendency, have no prospect of effectuating the mutual Restitutions, until new Orders arrive from Europe - It is at least in our power, and it becomes the liberality of our Stations to remove as many as possible of the Inconveniences of this Delay, and by a Candor of Procedure and mutual good offices to maintain in India the Harmony subsisting in Europe between our respective Nations - It is in this Sense I consider the offer

yours

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I you are pleased to make of receiving the
Packets of this Government and a Person
deputed by it on board the frigate you
intended to dispatch for Europe - of this Office
we shall probably avail ourselves, & therefore
request to know the latest day that you
can detain the Vessel; as it may take us
some little time to prepare our Dispatches.

I have the honor to be &c

Port S^t George
7th July 1784

Macartney

Sent the following letter to

Colonel Fullarton -

To Colonel William Fullarton.

Commanding the Southern Forces.

To Col^l Fullarton
to reduce the Mus-
liners at Ram-
nadaporam -
to act with caution

Sir,

I am directed by the Right

Honble the President and Select Committee
to inform you that having resolved on reduc-
ing the Nabob's mutinous Battalions at
Ramnadporam they desire you will send
thither a detachment of the Company's Troops
under a careful Company's Officer for that
purpose and take such other measures as
shall appear to you advisable to prevent
any disturbance or difficulty in effecting
it

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Of it - Such of the Nabob's reduced European Officers as you judge worthy of being admitted on any footing into the Company's Service are to receive the Company's pay until the Select Committee shall have determined on some Arrangement regarding them -

Respecting the Sepoys as it is presumed that the Company's independent Corps will furnish many more than sufficient to complete the regular Battalions to the Peace Establishment the Select Committee upon this ground recommend to you the disbanding them (the Nabob's Sepoys) entirely, which may also be of use by its appearing to be the consequence of their late mutinous proceedings -

M^r Sullivan is gone to Ramnadpoream to settle the Affairs of that Country and to endeavour to put an end to the feitures and Intrigues that have long prevailed there - The Select Committee have the fullest Confidence in your cooperating with him on this and every other occasion for the welfare of the public Service -

As yet no Answer has been received to the Letter to Tippoo Sultan of the 28th May of which the Right Honble the President sent you a Copy and until his

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If his Intention are known you cannot
be too much upon your Guard.

I have the honor to be &c

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9th July 1784.

Huddleston Secy

Received a letter from
Captain Wahab dated 16th July (entered
in MB. No. / giving an Account of
Pallore, and of his proceedings.

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Sent a letter to the Paym^r
General dated 18th July (as entered in the
MB. No. / directing him to prepare
sundry accounts for which an applica-
tion is made from Bombay.

Received the following

Letter from the Governor of Ceylon.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney

H. M. Governor &c &c

of Fort St George

From the Governor
of Ceylon.

My Lord,

I had the honor to ad-

-dress your Lordship on the 14th instant
and the importance of the Subject in-

-duces me to transmit herewith a Duplicate
of that letter - I have received under cover
from

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10 from M. de Berkenrode, the Dutch Ambassador at Paris, an Extract from the Deliberations of the States General on the 3^d of October 1783. which confirms, that after a Conference had been held at Paris with the Duke of Manchester, the necessary orders on the part of their High Mightinesses were dispatched jointly with those from the English Government, for carrying into execution what had been stipulated in the 5th and 9th Articles of the Treaty—

Columbo

19th June 1784

I have the honor to be D^r

Y^r M^{rs} W. Falck

Received a letter from Lieut Hipelback dated 4th July (inserted in M.B. 20th) informing the Committee of his intentions to obey their Orders—

Received the following letter from Sir John Burgoyne—

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney

From Sir J. Burgoyne
requesting paym^t
of Money due to him

My Lord

Having been informed that the Coventry will sail in a very few days from Pondicherry, I mean to request of Mons. Le Joyeuse the Captain, to give me a passage in his to France—The Select Committee I conclude have not withdrawn the per-

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10th mission I some time since received from them - but before I write to Mons^r Le Joyeux I beg to know if your Lordship will pay me my account - I mean the feeding my troop 6 Months, my gratuity now due six Months, passage money, & repair of Accoutrements 4 Months - in all about 3600 Pagodas; without I know this its needs for me to apply having been forced to borrow above 3000 Pagodas I cannot leave Madras till I pay them, as I mean sending to Pondicherry this evening I shall hope for your Lordship's immediate answer -

Fort St George
10th July 1784

I am &c

W Bargoynne

Sent a Letter to the Secy at Fort William (dated 10th Instant) (as entered in MB No / enclosing several Papers -

Received the following letter

from Marulapatam -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
H. B. President &c &c Select Committee
of Fort St George

From Marulapatam
respecting the pay
ment of Troops

My Lord & Gentlemen,

We duly received your
Secretary's letter of the 10th Instant. Copy of
which

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10 which was immediately dispatched to the Chief, requesting that he would communicate your orders to the Paymaster of the Bengal Detachment - previous however to the receipt of it he found it necessary to advance them 30,000 Pagodas -

Enclosed we have the honor to transmit you N. 1 Copy of a letter which we wrote to M^r Daniell on the Subject of the other part of M^r Huddleston's letter, and your Lordship's V^c will perceive by his Reply W. 2, that he has not particularly specified any Payments which he thinks can or ought to be stopped, we are therefore under the necessity of addressing you on this Subject, which we hope will not be considered as an unnecessary reference for while on one hand it is our Duty to conform strictly to your Commands by keeping the Troops as much in Arrears as can be done, it is necessary on the other hand that we should not pursue measures which might be the cause of any extraordinary diversion, or even worse consequences - As the money in our Treasury will (after the advances to be made on account of the several Investments agreeable to Orders from the Civil Department) fall considerably short of the Arrears due to the Troops in the District and at Ongole, We have resolved strictly to

injoin

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We enjoin the Paymasters to disburse the money which we shall be able to advance them in paying the Non Commissioned Officers, Soldiers, Sepoys & lascars and wait your Orders before we make any further advance - We understand from repeated orders that the Detachment of the 102^d Regiment at Ellore are already become extremely clamorous, and we are conscious that the Soldiers and Sepoys belonging to this Garrison in particular would not possess the possible means of subsistence if their pay was to be stopped, and altho' we have for the present stopped the Officers pay, we are convinced that many of them cannot subsist themselves without it, and that the Pay of a Subaltern Officer in this Garrison is barely sufficient for his Support at all times - We beg leave therefore to recommend to the consideration of your Lordships &c whether we should not permit the Officers to draw their Pay monthly, and only stop the Half Batta of those who are in out Garrisons, with all Staff Allowances, and the Pay of all Officers and Sepoys employed on Revenue Service allowing them to draw their Batta only - We are of opinion that this is as much as can be done, and are even apprehensive lest stopping any part of the allowances of Sepoys employed on Revenue Service should excite them to plunder, but to whatever further extent you may be pleased to order their Stoppages to be made, you may depend

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10 depend on your Commands being strictly attended to -

Your Lordships Ist will perceive by the Copy of our Letter to M^r Daniell that we could not understand by your letter of the 20th April 1782 that the Military Payments were to be stopp'd, and we think it necessary to observe that if your orders for that purpose had even been positive it would not have been possible to have put them in force - The scene which happened on the Banks of the Kistnah when the Sepoy Drafts were ordered to the Southward in 1782, the Devotion in 1783 from this Garrison & added to the mutinous behaviour of the Sepoys both here and at Vizagapatam clearly evince what little controul they were under at that time, and how dangerous it would have been for us to have attempted any measures, which might have excited the worst of consequences -

We have the honor to be Sir

Masulipatam
6th July 1784

James Rodges
John Peter Boileau
Sam^l Statham
To

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10. To James Daniell Esq^r

Chief of Manipatam in the Arcars

Sir,

We have received your letter of the 21st Instant and shall receive any money Tripetty Rauze may send hither and also acquaint you when any grain arrives here from Barjelly -

Having taken M^r Secretary Huddleston's letter of the 11th instant (copy of which was forwarded to you on the 19th Instant) into consideration, in consequence of his having informed us that the Right Honourable the President and Select Committee disapprove of our having paid the Troops in this District regularly, while those to the Southward are ten Months in Arrears, this being contrary to the obvious Spirit of their Orders dated 20th April 1782 and having also referred to the orders quoted by M^r Huddleston we find the words of their letter to run as follows "The situation of our Affairs is such that we have been obliged to stop all Payments whatsoever excepting those to the Army or for its support and we must positively direct that you will follow our example in this instance" - which obviously or rather literally imply that all Payments excepting those to the Army or for its support are to be

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It be stopped - you must, we conceive, from your knowledge of this Garrison, agree with us in opinion, that it would be impossible for the Officers, Soldiers or Sepoys to exist were we to attempt to stop their pay at any time almost much less is it practicable to do so at present and that such a measure would be the cause of prodigious desertion or perhaps worse consequences - the situation of those in the out Garrisons except the Officers who receive half Batta would be nearly as bad, and might excite the same dangerous consequences if we were at once to stop their pay those indeed who are employed on Service under the Command of Captain Montgomery are rather better off as they are on full Batta - the Situation of the Troops in the Carnatic has been different, they have constantly had the Company's supply of Rice sufficient to subsist them altho' their pay has been stopped which as they could not procure it elsewhere, has been a sufficient inducement to keep them together, and the Europeans in the field had in value three fanams odd each daily, but this would not be the case in the Circars were their pay to be now stopped, and we are informed that the Garrison of Fort St George has always received pay tho' perhaps not quite so regularly, as the Troops have received it to the

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to the Northward - We beg therefore you will acquaint us with your Sentiments on this subject as soon as possible, and whether you think it will be necessary to explain the circumstances above mentioned to the Select Committee, as any bad consequences which could have arisen (and which occasioned the present of letters from M^r Secretary Huddleston / from the Bengal Detachment drawing comparisons between their own Situation and that of the Troops in this District are now removed, the Detachment having left it)

Masulipatam

24th June 1784

We have the honor to be &c

Signed / James Hodges
V^c Council

/A true Copy/
J. Scott Esq^r

Extract of a Letter from the Chief dated
Samuelotah 1st July 1784 -

I have received your letter of the 24th Ultimo - the Copy of M^r Secretary Huddleston's letter to the Chief and Council of the 14th Ultimo / which you mention to have been forwarded to me on the 19th Ultimo / arrived here only yesterday - before which I was at a loss to judge of the opinion you have formed on it -

By the words you have quoted from the orders of the 20th April 83 it does not appear that the Right Honble the President
and

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We and Council intended that the Pay of the
 Troops in these Districts should be then stop-
 -ped - such however is the meaning of Mr.
 Huddleston's letter of the 14th Ultimo, but that
 such orders cannot be carried into Execution
 to any considerable extent without endang-
 -ering the Revenue of these Districts by the
 consequences which may ensue from them, it is
 certainly incumbent on us to afford every Assis-
 -tance and relief in our power to the present
 distresses of the Presidency, and at the same time
 as much as possible prevent the dangerous Com-
 -parisons which may be made by the Troops
 in the Carnatic with those in these Districts
 respecting the difference of their Arrears of
 Payments - It certainly could not have occurred
 at the Presidency that while the Troops were
 thus running in arrears their murmurs were
 restrained by being daily supplied with grain,
 while those dependant on the Settlement of
 Marulipattam have no means of support ex-
 -cept their Pay - even those who are now
 spread over the Districts of Nozud are not
 supplied with grain, and of course money of all
 (whether under the denomination of Pay or
 Batta is very immaterial) is necessary to be
 advanced to them -

I mean however as far as is in
 my power to render every possible Assistance to
 the Presidency, while it is equally necessary
 to

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10 to prevent murmurs and Complaints from those people on whom the safety of the Districts and their Revenue depend; and this is no doubt the meaning of our Superiors -

(A true Extract).

A. Scott Secy

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Sent the following Letter to

Sir John Burgoyne -

To Major General Sir John Burgoyne

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble President and Select Committee to acknowledge your letter of the 10th Instant, and to inform you that with regard to any Accounts which you may have with this Government - the proper Officer when applied to, will give you every necessary information thereupon.

As to your going to Europe, in the Coventry or any other Conveyance, It is a matter of total Indifference to the Committee - as has been already signified to you in the Letters of the 8th January. - 13th March and 19th March written to you by this Direction.

I have the honor to be &c

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Secy
Sent

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Sent a letter / as entered in the
MB No. / to the Secretary at Bengal dated the 11th
enclosing a Return of Soldiers embarked on the
Valentine -

Sent an Order / as entered in
the MB No. / to Captain Truett of the Bombay
Grab to receive on board the Officers and Men
for Bombay -

Sent an order / as entered in
the MB No. / to Captain Lewis of the Valentine
dated 11th July to receive on board Officers and
Soldiers for Bengal -

Received the following letter
from the Paymaster at Vellore -
To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
H. B. President &c Select Committee,

From the Paym^r
at Vellore, respecting
reductions -

My Lord & Gentlemen,

I was this morning honored
with your orders thro' Mr. Secretary Hudleston
without date, directing that some of the Artificers
the Allowance of a Writer to the Fort Major,
the Powder Maistry, and the whole of the Schol-
-ars in the Agents Department and for serving
out provisions should be discontinued from the
1st Instant which I immediately obeyed -

There is no Batta or Staff
Allowances in this Garrison except to the Comd^g
Officers

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11 Officer the Engineer and Paymaster and the
allowances to the Fort Major and Fort Adjutant
I beg to know if these are what the Right Honourable
the Committee means by Batta and Staff Allow-
-ances ceasing from the 1st May, - or if they mean
the allowances daily of meat, Arrack and rice made
to the Officers and men is to be considered under
the head of Batta - and to be struck off, in
that case the order must be given to the Com-
-manding Officer, by whose Authority it was
allowed when the Garrison was irregularly
paid and no provisions could be purchased.
These two difficulties still exist, The private
Europeans are two months and nine days in
Arrear, the Sepoys nine months, rice at fourteen
Seer of Rupee and not a bit of meat to be
purchased in the district, if they are not paid
they must starve, and if provisions are to be
served out, Servants must be allowed to kill
it, and serve it out - I beg the immediate orders
of the Committee with respect to the provisions,
that I may not err from a misconception of
what is their Pleasure -

I apprehend there is a mistake
in the Sum of Nagodas Rs 92, 6, 40 of Month ordered
to be struck off the Agent's Account and the Charge
of Servants for serving out provisions amounts
only to Nagodas Rs 35, 34, - as enclosed Account
which agrees with the one I sent the Right Honourable
the Committee the 28th May. I

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I did myself the honor to write
the Right Honble Committee the 1st Instant,
for their orders respecting the provisions, but have
not yet been honored with their Commands—

Vellore

9th July 1784

I have the honor to be &c

Thos^r E. Ogilvie
Paym^t

Received two letters / as entered
in the MB No 1 / one dated the 9th Instant
from Lieut Col^l Francis at Vellore on the Subject
of Mr Ogilvie's letter above entered, the other from
the Chief and Council at Vizagapatam dated
4th July, enclosing Return of Troops and Stores—

Received a letter / entered
in MB No 1 from General Lang dated this
day enclosing a charge against Lieut Ward
of the 36th Regiment and desiring that Order
may be issued to bring him to a Court Martial.

Ordered that application
be made to His Majesty's Commanding Offi^r
—cer for that purpose—

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Dispatched the undermen-
tioned letters dated the 12th Instant / as entered
in MB No 1

To the Secretary at Bombay
enclosing copies of the Correspondence between
this Government, and the French Commissioners,
also Return of Officers & Privates embarked on
the Bombay Boat—

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To the Committee of Assigned Revenue enclosing sundry Papers for their Information -

To the Bombay Lieutenants, informing them that there is not any Cloth in the Warehouse fit for the Sepoy Half Mounting -

To Captain Waller, enclosing Copy of a Letter from Mr Wm Balfour -

To Lieut Col^d Bruce, directing him to order Lieut Hall to proceed immediately to the Presidency -

To Captain Kruen, directing him to proceed with his Ship to Bombay -

To the Committee of Works directing them to cause the Parapets of the Fortifications to be repaired -

To the Commandant at Permacoil, informing him, that the Paym^t not the Commandant, is answerable for the Company's Cash -

To Mr Cornish Gambier, informing him that the Committee comply with his request -

To Captain La Motte, referring to him a Claim made by Lieut Gordon for repairs executing at Chittoor

To Lieut Williams of the 23^d Regiment referring him to a letter addressed

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12 addressed to Colonel Floyd on the Subject
of feeding Horses -

To Captain David Camp-
bell, informing him that the Committee
comply with his Request -

To Lieut J. J. Hall, direct-
ing him to proceed to the Presidency
without delay -

To Captain D. Campbell
enclosing Extract of a Letter from the Men-
ber of Vellore, and desiring Captain
Campbell will furnish the Member
with the Force for which he has applied

Received a letter from Lt
Col. Isaac dated the 10th with an En-
closure / as entered in the MB No. / stating
that Captain Cartland with 208 Men and
arrived at Vellore, that the Saghuizidar of
Aulconda (from whom he enclosed a Letter)
represents his Inability to furnish the
number of Cattle required, and requesting
the Orders of the Committee on the Subject.

Read the following

Letter from the Paymaster at Vellore -

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

My Lord & Gentlemen,

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From the Paymaster 1/2
 to Nellore, requesting
 orders respecting the
 allowances to be made
 for provisions &c
 taking the great
 distress of the Soldiers.

I am this morning honoured with
 your orders of the 6th Instant Mrs M^{rs} Secretary
 Huddleston, and beg leave to inform the Right
 Honble the Committee, the Allowances of provisions
 made the Garrison during the war was by order
 of the Commanding Officer (Col. Lang) when the
 Enemy first invested the place, respecting that
 part of the Right Honble the Committee's
 letter I will reply fully to morrow.

In obedience to the orders of the
 6th Instant, I have consulted with Lieut Col. Transit,
 and we are both of opinion that neither Officer
 or Soldier can subsist in this Garrison on his
 pay even when paid regularly, unless provisions
 are furnished at the same rate as before the War
 commenced, Viz^t six Sheep & Pagoda, twenty seer
 of rice & Kupur, if dearest in the Bazaar, & Arrack
 at 30 fanams & Gallon or 60 Cask of Dram - I beg
 to be honoured with the immediate orders of Go-
 vernment, whether they approve of this allowance
 that it may be immediately published in orders
 so that Officers and Men may know what they
 have to depend upon -

In consideration of the great
 distress of both Officers and Men at present in
 this Garrison, I hope The Right Honble the Committee
 will pardon my interceding, in their behalf, that
 they may only pay for their provisions from the
 time the order is published in Garrison instead
 of the 1st May - The Troops at Arcot being on a
 daily

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12 daily allowance and the Officers on half Ratta suffering no greater inconveniences, will make the hardship appear still greater -

I beg to know if the detachment of His Majesty's 60th Regiment, and Artillery doing duty here, are to be supplied with provisions the same as their Corps are at Arcot, or if they are to pay for it, I cannot put them under stoppages as I do not pay them -

I beg to know at what rate the Troops are to pay for the Salt Provisions, that have been served them since the 1st May -

The recruits being arrived from Madras there is only Meat sufficient for two Days, of which I have acquainted the Commanding Officer - as well as my inability to assist him in procuring it -

I beg leave to observe to the Right Honourable the Committee, that it will be necessary they give their orders to the Kintor to find people to kill and serve out the meat he may procure for the Garrison, as I can no longer do it, the Servants for that purpose being directed to be discontinued -

I have the honor to be Sir

Vellore
10th July 1784

Thos Edgill
Paym^t

Received a letter from the
Chief and Council at Masulipatam dated 11th July

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12 July (as entered in the MB No. / enclosing Invoice of Saddle, also Certificate of the Surgeon respecting Ensign Turner in consequence of which they had permitted him to go to Sea, stating a Mistake which had been made in the Account sent under date the 21st May, and desiring it may be rectified -

13 Read the following Letter from the Paymaster at Vellore to the President -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney

My Lord,

From the Paym^r
at Vellore -
proposing a mode
of supplying Vellore
with provisions -

I hope that the Select Committee will agree in opinion with Col^l Fraser and me respecting the mode of supplying this Garrison with meat which I forwarded yesterday - I take the liberty of offering your Lordship my private opinion, in case you should think any part of it worthy of your attention, which I conceive the easiest, the most economical, and the least injurious to the Country, and which the Nabob followed when he found meat for this Garrison at six Shup per Pagoda - He contracted with a Madras Butcher to supply the Garrison with the quantity of Shup that might be daily required at so much a head / perhaps General Lang can tell you how much that was / the butcher killed the meat at the same price; The Nabob keeping a Conicopy as a check over him, who gave Colonel Lang a

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13 a daily return of the number paid for by the Company's people, which he sent monthly to him -

If the Renter furnishes meat, he will not only charge the highest price for them, but the Company must be at the expence of Butchers, Shepherds, and a Conicoply agreeable to the regulations, when a Butcher is Contractor he is also Butcher and Shepherd, the Conicoply will be a very necessary expence on the part of the Company, as he was on the part of the Nabob - To prevent more being charged than was actually paid for - this will save much trouble and the Company will know exactly every month what the difference of expence is in maintaining the Garrison -

Besides a very great evil will arise from the Renter's being ordered to find meat, as he must use force, it will alarm the people so much from an Apprehension of never being paid which will most probably be the case, that in a very short time there won't be a Depe in the Country, and if he attempts to seize the fattle there will be an end to all cultivation in this district, the people have already taken the alarm from the report, tho' I have assured them none shall be touched near Vellore -

The Sheep that formerly supplied this Garrison were brought from the Nellore

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13 Nellore and Palnand Countries which abound
with. Sheep

Our Meat is out to morrow,
where Colonel Fraser is to get more I know not,
till the present Stock is expended I shall con-
-tinue to kill it at my own expence, Colonel
Fraser proposes continuing the servants for
slaughtering at his expence of which he tells
me he has informed your Lordship, altho I told
him mine were discontinued by order of the
Select Committee -

Had we but a month's pay
for the whole Garrison, we could manage for
a few days till meat could be procured -

I have the honor to be &c

Nellore
11th July 1784

Thos. Ogilvie -

Read two letters (as entered
in the MB N^o 1 / one from Captain Daves at
Permacoil dated 11th July, stating that he acted
as Paymaster during the absence of Mr Benfield
- the other from Mr Burke, Paymaster to the King's
Forces dated 13th enclosing a letter to him from
Colonel Floyd, in which the Colonel requests
to be reimbursed the sums expended by him
in raising Men for His Majesty's 23^d Regiment,
upon which matter (as he cannot himself
reimburse Colonel Floyd / Mr Burke requests
the Decision of the Committee -

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Read a letter from Capt.^m Lewis of the Valentine dated 14th July (as entered in the M.B. No. / stating that there are some sick Soldiers on board his ship, and requesting leave to land them -

Read a Letter (as entered in M.B. No. / dated 12th July from the Superintendent of Grain, stating that Coylawum, a Cois-coply, has property belonging to the Company in his hands, and desiring that the Commandant at Arcot may be ordered to secure his Person -

Sent the undermentioned Letters dated the 14th July (as entered in the M.B. No. / To Lieut Col.^l Fraser, informing him that the Committee are endeavouring to establish a Contract for supplying Nellore with Provisions, until it be accomplished they permit Col.^l Fraser to employ as many Servants as may be absolutely necessary, and advising "that 5000 Rag.^s have been sent to the Paymaster.

To Brigadier Gen.^l Horne, enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Superintendent of Grain Accounts, and directing him to give every possible assistance to Mr. Jackson -

To the Secretary at Bengal, enclosing Return of Recruits on board the Valentine -

To Major Gen.^l Campbell, enclosing

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It enclosing Copy of the Charge against Lieut Ward,
and desiring that he may be tried in consequence

To M^r Lionel Place, appointing
him Clerk to the Committee of Stores, in the room
of M^r Gambier -

To the Committee of Stores,
intimating M^r Place's appointment -

To Captain Lewis of the
Valentine, directing him to land the Sick on
board his Ship, and receive Recruits in their
room for the Bengal Establishment -

Read a letter from Captain
Wahab dated 11th July (entered in MB. No. /
informing the Committee of the Proceedings of
M^{rs} Commee Old Diem Kawn -

Sent the the following
letter to the Paymaster at Vellore -

To M^r Thomas Ogilvie
Paymaster at Vellore

M^{rs} to the Paym^t
at Vellore, respecting
allowances -

Sir,

I am directed by the Right
Honble the President and Select Committee to
acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 9th, 10th
and 11th Instant -

The meaning of the Select Com-
mittee was to strike off all allowances that
do not belong to a peace establishment - and
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We are only given to Troops in the field - By the invariable System of the Service and the Company's established Military Regulations (of which every Paymaster is furnished with a Copy) the Batta to a European Soldier is a certain daily allowance of Meat, Arrack, & Biscuits, or in lieu of them should he prefer it the sum of 3^{rs} 30^{cs} - when Troops in Garrison are in arrears it does not necessarily follow that they must be allowed Batta - it may indeed be necessary in times of scarcity, and when not regularly paid (as at present) to supply them daily with provisions but they are to account for the same by degrees when pay is issued - Orders have been already sent to you on this head - but the Committee now consent that the Troops pay for their provisions from the 1st July instead of 1st May - by the System of the Service also the Commandant and Paymaster only are allowed Batta in time of Peace - The Select Committee are endeavouring agreeably to your recommendation to establish a Contract for supplying Vellore with provisions, in the mean while they rely on yours and the Commandant's exertions to prevent the Troops from suffering and the better to enable you to do so the Right Honourable the President has sent you a supply of 5,000 Nagodas, which it is hoped after paying a Month's Subsistence

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As to the Garrison will leave a supply for the purchase of provisions -

You are permitted to retain as many of the servants to kill and serve out provisions as are absolutely necessary untill a contract or some other mode be established for supplying the Garrison and the Select Committee will then also inform you of the rates at which they are to be supplied for they do not agree with you and Colonel Fraser that neither Officers nor Soldiers can subsist unless they are furnished with Sheep at C of Pagoda -

The King's Troops at Vellore must be exactly upon the same footing as the Companies - if not in arrears they must pay for their Provisions, if otherwise they must be charged by you to their paymaster who must reimburse you when pay is issued - the Garrison Storekeeper will be directed to send you an account of the Salt provisions sent to Vellore, that you may charge them at the price they cost the Company -

I have the honor to be &c

Fort St George
14th July 1784.

W. Huddleston Secy

Sent

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Sent the undermentioned letter
dated the 15th (as entered in the M.B.M.)

To Captain Daves at ^{him} ~~the~~
=macoil, advising that Money will be
forwarded in a few days -

To the Storekeeper at Villor
transmitting a list of Stores sent to Villor -

Read the following letter
translated from the Marquis de Bussy -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
K. B. &c Governor of Fort St George.

Letter from Gen.
Bussy - will promote
harmony as much
as possible -

My Lord,

The letter with which you
honoured me of the 9th instant, was trans-
mitted to me only this morning. I lose not
a moment in answering it -

The orders which I have re-
ceived by the Precieuse Frigate appear to
me to contain all those that I could expect
from my Court for the execution of the
definitive Treaty - I have no addition to
make to the letter I had the honor to write
you on the 14th of this month -

You see my Lord that if
my Intention is not precisely the most
agreeable it is at least the plainest -

I shall necessarily remain
inactive till I receive from the Government

of

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15 of Madras: a renewal of the negotiation which
now rests entirely with them to give me -

I shall always be pleased to
think that a Suspension so contrary to our
respective Interests will not last so long as we
have just now reason to fear, but of whatever
Continuance the delay may be, I am persuaded
as well as yourself that it will be easy to soften
its severe consequences if we cannot entirely
annihilate its Cause -

For my part I repeat to you
my sincere Disposition to contribute my best
endeavors to maintain that Harmony which
the last peace established between our two
Nations -

It is my Wish without delay
to dispatch the Frigate to France, I have
given orders to her Commander to be ready to
sail by the 25th or 28th of this month, but, if
that is not convenient for your Vessels, I
will procrastinate her departure till the
29th or 30th

Culgarrey
15th July 1784

I have the honor to be &c

My Lord,

/Signed/ Bussy

/A true Translation/

I have
French Translator -

Read

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Read a letter (entered in the
MB No. 1) from Lieut. Col. Fraser dated 12th July,
advising of the Death of the Kellidar of Villore -

Received the following letter
from Mr. Lind -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney,
H. B. President &c Select Committee,

of Fort St George

My Lord & Gentlemen,

I have the honor to inform

you of my arrival here on the 10th at Noon - I
was met by the Dusan about a Coys from here
and escorted by a small Party of Horse & Foot
to an House which had been prepared for
my reception - I paid a Complimentary Visit
to the Rajah on that evening and delivered
the Letter which was addressed to him - He recd
me with respect, and attention, and returned
the Visit last night, attended by his Minister, &
some of his principal Servants - after the usual
Compliments had passed, I asked him if he was
inclined to enter upon business - He replied,
that altho' he was not prepared for want of
his Papers / to give a detail of all the circum-
stances which preceded the Capture of Banar-
geshy, yet he would endeavour to satisfy
me as far as his memory would serve; he then
related the following particulars - When Hyder

Letter from Mr
Lind - Account
of his proceedings
at Nemabagerry.

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15 Ally made a Conquest of the Cuddapah Count-
 -try he wrote to the Rajah to depute a Nakeel
 in order to settle the Rent of the Canagurhy
 District as well as the continuance of the 11 Thou-
 -sary Money amounting to 4000 Pagodas p Annum
 which had been paid for a series of Years to
 the Nabobs of Cuddapah for Cotah, Picheo-
 -more, Dury, Marla, and Polloor being five
 Northern Saghire Districts, dependant on the
 Carnatic - The Rajah in consequence sent
 a Nakeel to Cuddapah; on his arrival Hyder
 marched towards Springapatam, ordering
 the Nakeel to accompany him and leaving
 Mersaib in the Command of Cuddapah -
 When they had proceeded half way to Spring-
 -apatam, Hyder sent for the Nakeel, and after
 some conversation he told him to acquaint the
 Rajah that he had consented to his renting
 the District of Canagurhy at the rate he had
 paid to the late Nabob, and that he would pro-
 -tect that Province as well as the 5 Districts
 abovementioned from every insult, on the
 condition of a Nazir of 21 Thousand Pagodas -
 The Nakeel reporing a perfect reliance on Hyder's
 Veracity agreed on the part of his Master (the
 unauthorized by him) to accede to his Terms.
 The Rajah on the receipt of that intelligence
 from his Nakeel approved of his Conduct and
 remitted

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15 remitted a Trep on the House of Booberjee -
 Soucar at Syringapatam for the amount
 and instructed his Nakhel to tender the same
 in payment as soon as he received a Saned
 from Hyder for the District of Banagherhy -
 Hyder insisted upon having the Money paid
 down before he granted the Saned, which the
 Nakhel objected to and did not therefore present
 the Bill for acceptance - Hyder was so much
 offended at his obstinacy as to order him to be
 imprisoned. He afterwards had him confined
 in Arcot where he died - Meer Saib was then
 directed by Hyder to demand of the Rajah the
 amount agreed upon by his Nakhel; he accordingly
 dispatched a Person to this place to make
 the Demand - The Rajah refused to comply
 therewith because he strongly suspected the
 Sincerity of Hyder's Professions and his intentions
 of not fulfilling his Engagement and he was
 more confirmed in his suspicions from the
 information he had received of a spy who
 was sure with the English and of his design to
 invade the Carnatic - He paid 5000 Pagodas
 for the District of Banagherhy and 4000 Pagodas
 as for the other Districts, Meer Saib perceiving
 that the Rajah was not disposed to satisfy Hyder
 respecting the Nazer seized upon a large Village
 called Gunapelty and 5 small ones on the Talook
 of Darvy yielding a Revenue of between 2 to 3000

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15 Pagodas also another extensive Village named
 Tarlapand, with 20 inferior ones in the District
 of Cothah producing nearly 5000 Pagodas p^a annum
 together with some Villages dependant on Banar-
 gerry equal to 2000 Pagodas a year - all these
 Villages have been in his possession upwards of
 3 Years, and the Revenues collected by Mus Sait's
 people - The remaining Villages in the 5 Paghies
 were plundered several times, many of the Inha-
 bitants, besides a great number of cattle were
 carried off which loss the Rajah computes at one
 Lack of Pagodas; some of the Villages belonging
 to the 5 Paghies were taken possession of by
 Hummer ud Dien Cawn's Troops about six M^o.
 ago, and since the capture of Banagerry he
 has made himself Master of the remainder - The
 Fort Polloor near Ongole is all that remains
 to the Rajah - The Demands of the Nabob
 of Cuddapah upon the Rajah are twenty
 one thousand Pagodas as a promised Nazir;
 Twenty five thousand Pagodas for five years
 Rent of the District of Banagerry and Twenty
 thousand Pagodas due as Nhowdary Money.
 making in all sixty six thousand Pagodas -
 The Rajah sent a Nakhud some time ago to
 Hummer ud dien Cawn to desire him to desist
 from committing further Hostilities in the
 District of Banagerry, to demand the restitution
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15 of the Villagers dependant on the Carnatic and to assure him that if he would give him credit for the Collections he has made; and make an adequate allowance for the Damages he had sustained in his Jaghire Lands, he would strike a Balance and finally adjust the differences which had so long subsisted between them; He returned with an answer purporting that if the Rajah did not pay off what he had claimed in sixteen Days he was determined to attack Canagerry and the 5 Jaghire Districts but on the other hand if the Rajah complied by discharging the Balance, he would continue to him Canagerry with its Districts, at the usual Rent - The Nakhut had not reached this Place and of course had not time to obtain his Masters final answer before the Fort was taken - The Rajah had given particular orders to his People in Canagerry not to make any resistance but to retire in case Hummer Uld Dinn Cawn should appear before it with his Army, it was accordingly taken without the smallest opposition; as soon as the Rajah heard of the Capture of that Fort, he sent a Nakhut to represent to Hummer Uld Dinn Cawn the impropriety of his behaviour in depriving him of Canagerry before the capi

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15 = oration of 16 Days, the time allotted for the
Determination; to caution him not to commit
any act of Hostility in his Districts under the
protection of the Company, and to acquaint
him of a Letter having been lately sent from
your Lordships &c to the Nabob Tippoo Sultan
on the subject of their differences, and of my being
directed to proceed thither for the purposes expressed
in your Lordship &c Letter to Him. The Rajah
declares that the Cudapah Nabob is in full &
entire possession of every Village in the Canagery
Districts - He says that by the intelligence he
received this morning he learnt that Hummer
ud Din Cawn had made one day's march from
Canagery towards Commin, he had sent
the Baggage of his Army to that place some
days ago, he does not imagine that he will
disturb any more of his possessions at least for
the present - The Rajah has promised to furnish
me in two or three days with every material
Paper if in his possession, touching the Dispute
which as soon as translated, will enable me
to form a better Idea of what has passed - and
to take my measures accordingly - I have the
pleasure to inform you that Captain Close is
this instant arrived; He favoured me with
the perusal of your Lordship &c Letter to him
by which I perceive that you have been pleased
to

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15 to join him in the Commission with me;
-The abilities of that Gentleman will I am
confident greatly contribute towards obtain-
ing an accommodation with Hummered
Dien Cawn, or rather with Tippoo Sultaun
for the former can do no act of government,
without consulting and obtaining the consent
of the latter and provided he is not wholly
to accept of reasonable and moderate
Terms - I shall exert my utmost endeavors
to accomplish so desirable an Object -

Nencatagerhy I have the honor to be &c
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First Lord -

At a Select Committee Present -
The Right Honble Lord Macartney
- President -

Anthony Sadler Esq^r Lieut Gen^l Surg.
Alex^r Davidson Esq^r Robert Munnell Esq^r

The Minutes of last Com-
-mittee read and approved -

The President desires the
letter from the Gov^r Gen^l and L^d of the 8th June
last with the enclosures may be again read,
which being read accordingly, his Lordship
delivers in the following Minute -

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Minute of the
President upon
the letter from
Bengal dated
8th June -

The President has the honor to propose to the consideration of the Committee, the letter from Bengal of the 8th last month with its several Enclosures - Among them is a new acknowledgement of the Treaty with Tippoo Sultan by the Members of the Supreme Council at Fort William, together with the signature of Mr. Hastings at Lucknow - The Committee has already however advice from Tippoo dated the 3rd of May, of his having received the Treaty acknowledged by the Persons, for the time, fully vested with and exercising the Powers of the Gov^r General, and Council of Bengal, and from the purport of Tippoo's letter mentioning such receipt, there is no reason to doubt of his being perfectly satisfied with such acknowledgement - However proper it was in the Government of Bengal, whom a knowledge of this circumstance could not as yet have reached, to send a Duplicate of this acknowledgement, it is not to be supposed that such a Dispatch implied in itself any command to the Committee, to forward the Duplicate after knowing that the original was received - This original acknowledgement was announced to Tippoo in a letter from hence of the 11th of May, as being, what it really was, a perfect Execution of that part of the Treaty depending upon the Government of Bengal - It had been stipulated to deliver the same to Tippoo within three Months from the conclusion

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of the Treaty on the 11th of March - The Signature of Mr Hastings who was at a considerable distance from Calcutta might not reach Tippoo's presence till the term stipulated for the execution of this part of the Treaty by the Commissioners, (who knew not of Mr Hastings's intended Journey, should be elapsed - That term would have in fact expired before that Signature could have reached Tippoo, for it did not arrive here in its way to Tippoo, until long after the Expiration of that Term - A Failure in the punctual execution of any part of the Treaty might serve as a Pretext, or an Example to Tippoo to fail in some of the Clauses of the Treaty obligatory upon him. It was necessary therefore to declare the fact to Tippoo that the Signatures, that were sent to him in time, were all that was necessary to complete the stipulated acknowledgement - He knows that the Committee is possessed of his Letter of the 31st of May, which implies his receipt of, and satisfaction at, this Transaction, as complete. Under these Circumstances it might not appear merely superfluous and awkward in the Committee to forward to Tippoo a fresh acknowledgement. It might to his mistrustful Mind appear to argue a consciousness of a Defect in the former Transaction dishonourably concealed by the Committee - For, an addition to what preceded, admits an implication, that what preceded, required to be supplied - The advantage of having been punctual in that former transaction would

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would be lost to the Company - To expose the Com-
 -pany to such a loss, and its servants to such
 imputations could not be warranted by any
 plausible pretence of a literal obedience to Com-
 -mands of which a subsequent Knowledge of
 Events has superseded the Necessity - Those Dangers
 ought to be avoided unless some actual & solid
 Benefit was in some other respect to accrue
 to the Company by incurring them - To this
 fresh acknowledgement happens indeed to be
 added a Declaration of the Governor General
 and Council relative to the Nader Waulau Jau.
 It observes upon the late Treaty with Tippoo,
 that His Highness who is the Subadar of the
 Carnatic is not by name inserted as a Party
 thereto, altho the Subah Carnatic Nayinghaut
 which is his Subahdary is specifically included
 as the first and immediate object & Subject
 of the Peace; and as it might hereafter be
 suggested by weak sighted and evil designing
 minds that the same was not binding on the
 said Waulau Jau Bahauder, nor on the Nader
 Tippoo Sultan Bahauder with relation to
 the Nader aforesaid; and as such a Distinction
 would, if admitted, defeat and frustrate the
 essential purpose of the said Treaty, they the
 Governor General and Council aforesaid from an
 earnest desire of obviating such a consequence,
 and for a manifestation of the Sincerity and
 good faith by which they had agreed to the Treaty
 of Peace and friendship concluded with the

Declaration annexed
 to the V.^d Ratification
 of the Treaty with
 Tippoo, enclosed in
 the Bengal letter -
 of the 9th June 1786 -

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Nabob Tippoo Sultaun Bahader, did thereby de-
 -clare that they understood the Nabob Maulau
 Jaw Bahader to be virtually and of consequence
 included in the Treaty, and his Name implied
 by the Term Carnatic Payinghaut, wherever the
 said Term is used in the Treaty in as full and
 ample a manner as if he had been expressly
 mentioned and declared in the Treaty to be a
 Party to it. With this sense of the Treaty,
 the Committee has already expressed a sense
 perfectly concurrent in their Dispatches to the
 Governor General and Council of Bengal of the
 3^d of June last - It is there expressly declared
 that the Nabob is substantially and effectually
 included in that Treaty as he had been in the
 former Treaty of 1769, and in the Maratta Treaty.
 For the Carnatic in which he holds so high a
 Dignity is included - In fact it was not the
 Rights of the inanimate Earth, it was the Rights
 of the Persons possessing, or justly claiming Dig-
 -nities, Ranks or Property in the Carnatic Pay-
 -inghaut, that all those Treaties have secured.
 In none of these Treaties has the Nabob Maulau
 been a contracting Party - Yet the Treaty of
 1769 was not followed by any declaration similar
 to the present - The Maratta Treaty was not followed
 by any declaration similar to the present - The
 Omission of the Nabob Maulau Jaw as a Party
 in either of these Treaties, was not by experience
 found to have demanded the Correction of such
 a Supplement - It is not to be presumed that
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the Experience of the future will be contrary to the Experience of the past; or that a Supplement not found necessary to two Treaties omitting him as a Party, will be found so to a third. It is because those Treaties had all for their express object the Carnatic, virtually, and of consequence including the Nabob of the Carnatic, that the formality of making him specifically a Party, was utterly unnecessary. His Highness's Interest and Welfare are indeed altogether involved in the fate of the Carnatic. That Interest or Welfare cannot be affected, cannot be attacked but by an Attack upon the Carnatic. As far as a Treaty can secure it, or him, he already is secured. The same act and the same tie, that secure the Carnatic involve His Highness's person. Right and Dignity are become equally his Security. Neither of the Contracting Parties has doubted, or denied that the Nabob of the Carnatic is to all Intents included in the Treaty of which the Carnatic is, in the words of the Declaration, the first and immediate object and Subject. The Declaration only apprehends that the contrary might be suggested by weak sighted and evil designing Minds. Those Characters jointly cannot be supposed to apply to either of the contracting Parties, nor in this Declaration from the Servants of one of them to the other, could such an application be meant or offered. It does not depend on other minds however weak sighted and evil designing to affect the operation of this Treaty; and if it did, it would not be in the power of Words or explanations to guard against.

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The Combination of Weakness, and Wickedness - It is not for the Protector of the Nabor to throw a Doubt upon what only the weaksighted can mistake, or the evil-designing misrepresent - It really is weakening a Security so clearly & ascertained, to draw it anew into question by supposing an explanatory Declaration necessary for fixing it - Before it is attempted to be disturbed, it is unnecessary and premature to come to its support - An Interference so unnecessary as to the declared purpose of it may excite a suspicion of other purposes - It may indicate to Tippoo a lividity & fluctuation or a Division in the Councils of the Company's Servants - If he be disposed to maintain the Treaty of Peace, this proposed addition to it may create suspicions in his mind as to the reciprocal Sincerity of the English in regard to the maintenance of such Treaty - He may consider it as a Device to make occasion for a new Rupture - He may suppose that a Pretext is sought to create a difference that might renew the Chance of a Partition of his Territories, as parcelled out in the eventual Treaty between the Presidency of Bengal and the Marattas - He may expect that conceding to a Proposition apparently unjust - might encourage the Proffer or superaddition of Novelties that might really injure

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injure him - He might be alarmed at the Idea of its being intended by thus confounding the allies or Friends of the Company with the parties to the Treaty, to declare any Powers of Indostan with whom he may hereafter be at variance, to be likewise Parties to it - according as their Influence with the Servants of the Company should happen to be prevalent - The evil to the Company would be the same whether his apprehensions were well or ill founded, if they led him to counteract the Dangers thus excited in his mind, by forming other Connections and Projects which might affect the Welfare, or disturb the Tranquility of the Company - At present he probably entertains no suspicions; for otherwise he would neither have made Peace, nor in consequence of it, have strengthened the Company's hands by the Release of some Thousand Prisoners - If any favourable change in his Affairs encouraged his ambition to break with the Company on the first occasion, the present Proposal relative to the Nabob Wau lau Jau whose very name is hateful to him, might furnish a colorable Pretext - No Proposition in itself innocent, or insignificant is indifferent to him, that repeats the name or revives the Recollection of that Rival, and Enemy of his House, whose Views of Ambition, thro' the means of the Company

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Company, extended to obtaining the Dominion of Mysore, and whose Intrigues had for Object to draw upon that Country at once the Arms of the Marattas and those of the English - It was to guard as much as possible against that Ambition, and those Intrigues that led to Tippoo's former Proposition of binding the Nabol personally by his Signature - But it is a Credit to the Company that he was satisfied with their assurances alone - Tippoo's Propositions as relative to the Nabol Waulaufau included a Demand for the Cession of a part of the Carnatic and other Demands to which it would be disadvantageous and disgraceful in the Company to concede - The admitted Interference of the Nabol in the Settlement of the Company's Interests, in a Treaty concluded in the Year 1768 reduced the Company to the Disadvantage, and discredit of paying a Tribute to the Subah of the Decan, The Nabol being at the same time freed from the usual Tribute and Service of his Viceroy, and tho' the Circars for which the Company was subjected to this Tribute, had in a just War been conquered by its Arms, and was confirmed to it by a Grant from the Constitutional Sovereign of that Country, the great Mogul - The Conditions of the Treaty made without the Signature of a

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of the Nabob are indeed much more honourable as well as advantageous to the Company than those which accompanied the Proposal of the Nabob's Signature. That Proposal was quickly withdrawn by Tippoo, when it was observed to him, that as all Engagements to be made by the Company were to be held sacred, and to be punctually fulfilled by its Servants, all such Engagements must be made by the Company only, as its Representatives could not answer for those made in the name of any other. It was difficult indeed for this Presidency to answer for the Engagements of the Nabob whose breach of Engagements had in so many instances involved the Company in difficulties, and whose Breach of Engagements towards the Mysoreans was alledged by Hyder Aly as the motive for his invasion of the Carnatic. This answer and those Reasons for declining to become answerable for the Engagements of the Nabob, were transmitted to the Governor General and Council together with the Terms intended to be offered to Tippoo. The answer from Bengal of the 14th of November last professed to mark out such Parts of the Presidency's Conduct and Intentions on this occasion as they chose to censure. This answer however relative to the Nabob was not so marked, and was therefore approved, at least, by implication. But if it had not been approved, if on the contrary, it had been expressly disapproved, if this Presidency had received Directions to act upon the occasion conjunctly with the Nabob, however willing and ready the Presidency might have been to do so, and

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and to negotiate with His Highness, the Nabob's own Public Determination barred the Possibility of such conjunction. He signified in a public Letter dated the 15th September 1783 to the President, with whom alone by the Constitution of the Company their joint Affairs are to be transacted, that he renounced all negotiation with him, being willing only to negotiate and treat with the Government General upon all affairs wherein the Company was concerned. From this Disavowal of any Co-operation here on the part of the Nabob the Omission of his Signature to a Treaty made by the Commissioners of this Presidency, would be a necessary consequence. But that Omission would be very amply supplied by the Acquiescence of Tippoo in the present Declaration, which the Government of Bengal expresses its Assurances that he would not refuse, because they remember well that his original Proposition included the Nabob's Signature. That Persuasion involves the Position that the Treaty indubitably contains the substance and virtue of the Declaration, for Tippoo is not of a Disposition to acquiesce in new Concessions, or unfavorable explanations, voluntarily and without equivalent. It must however be confessed that the Persuasion thus expressed by the Government of Bengal may have been merely momentary, or declared only to introduce the fact of Tippoo's former Proposition. For in the same Letter, where the purpose is to be answered of arraigning the Treaty made

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made by the Commissioners of this Presidency. The Presidency of Bengal supposes the possibility of Tippoo's Refusal on the ground of the Treaty precluding the admission of the Rights of the Nabob Waulau Jan; and they declare that they conceive it to be their duty to put the great & dubious question of the Treaty with Tippoo Sultan to a speedy issue. They observe that 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. This Peace so partial will however it seems be rendered equal, and fully binding upon both Parties by an acquiescence to a Declaration, that the Treaty virtually and of consequence contains, what none but weak-sighted and evil-designing minds alone could suggest that it did not contain. An Acquiescence in such a Declaration would it seems, effectually bind that Party against the Prosecution of Claims, which a Treaty executed by him virtually & of consequence terminating those Claims, leaves him at liberty to prosecute. That Party it seems will not refuse to acquiesce in a Declaration which he has not engaged to make, and which is restrictive of his Views, tho' he will not acquiesce in, or be restrained by what he has virtually, and of consequence engaged in the Treaty he has solemnly executed; but may proceed to the breach of it whenever it shall suit with his advantage. Perhaps it would be prudent in the Company's

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Company's Servants at Bengal, and an indispensable Act of Duty to their Employers to wait in like manner before they provoked a War, before they bring what they deem a great and dubious Question to a speedy issue, until it shall suit the Company's advantage, or at least when it shall not be to its imminent Risk and disadvantage, to break the Peace, which after repeated Directions from the Company at home, and after most of its Resources were exhausted, this Presidency at length obtained from the superintending Power at Bengal, permission to conclude - The fatal consequences of plunging anew into a War with the Marattas, after Treaties had already been concluded with them, should be turned into a useful Lesson against endangering a War with any other Power with whom Peace has been concluded - The Question does not at present extend to the Discussion of the Preference of Peace or War, but is limited to the Consideration of the Possibility of carrying on a War - Tho Bengal is supposed capable of producing a Revenue of Five Crores of Rupees, its Presidency has declared its inability to support the operations of War in the other Presidencies, or even to discharge the arrears of its interior Peace Establishment - Tho the invasion of the Carnatic made it necessary for Sir C. Cooke to give notice to the Government of Bengal of which he was a Member, that the whole maintenance of the Troops, and even of the remaining Inhabitants here

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There and the means for resisting Hyder's Troops must be all drawn from the Company's Revenues and Resources in Bengal; tho' the Company directed them to be so applied; the assurances were sent from thence that they would be so applied; & that particularly Remittances to the amount of five Lacks of Rupees would be made monthly to this Place; tho' the Expences of this Presidency had considerably increased by the Arrival of the King's Troops to be paid here; tho' three Armies were found necessary to be set on foot not only to resist Hyder but to carry the War into his own Country yet ever since the Death of Sir Eyre Coote not one Rupee in specie has been sent from Bengal; tho' by efforts of which the Success was not foreseen by Sir Eyre Coote; and by the Resources of the Assignment Many Many Lacks of Pagodas were supplied for the War by this Presidency, yet the necessity of giving Bills on that of Bengal beyond the quantity which the occasions of Ammunition required, together with the Delay and uncertainty of their Payment, has reduced their marketable Value by a Discount of upwards of Forty p^{cts}. Bills received at such a Loss can be passed only in Diminution of Arrears to Officers, and cannot be made to answer the purpose of any new military undertaking or even of moving the Army or subsisting the Privates - As a failure in Payment to the Privates non-commissioned & Black Officers of the Cavalry was attended by a general & alarming mutiny of the whole; at the same time affected, the whole Army the same consequence was to

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to be apprehended, and has hitherto been prevented only by a firmness of conduct towards the first Mutiniers, and their consequent failure of success. Payments are said to be not much less in arrears in the Presidency of Bengal notwithstanding its vast Resources, and its bonded Debt is vastly greater; that of Madras being about Ten Lacks of Pagodas, whilst that of Bengal exceeds two Crores of Rupees; and the Bonds orders and Acceptances at a considerable Discount. — And as to the Presidency of Bombay the Members of it were during the late Negotiation with Tippoo, in the most anxious solicitude for Peace arising, as they declared, from the insupportable Distress of their Government for want of funds, & they mentioned the general urgency for a speedy Peace in respect to the present Situation of the Company's Affairs all over the Country, (India) the Peculiar State they added of that Presidency particularly demanded it, loaded with an unprovided Debt of Two Hundred and Twenty Lacks of Rupees; a current expence of three to one more than either their certain or even probable resources could amount to; their Southern Army without Stores, and without Cattle which they were unable to supply; their Officers and Troops deeply in arrears; their Treasury empty; their Credit totally gone; and to crown all the, troops at Surat peremptorily refusing to advance more money for Bills on the Bengal Government until the Drafts formerly given them should be completely discharged — They desire the

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Letter from the
Select Committee of
Bombay to the
Commissioners for
treating on terms
of Peace with Tippoo
dated 9th March 1784

the Commissioners negotiating with Tippoo to
view for a moment Bombay thus situated, &
they would at once see how utterly incapable
she was of carrying on her share of the War,
should Hostilities be most unfortunately
renewed, when their Resources were not com-
-pent to the unavoidable Expenses of a Peace
Establishment conducted with the most rigid
Economy and that the Commissioners would
well consider the above Representation of simple
facts before it was irrecoverably determined to
renew the War - The embarrassed Situation of the
Company's Affairs in India is not contrasted by an
unembarrassed State of their Affairs in Europe - The
Bills drawn upon the Company in the Course
of the War by their several Presidencies, but chiefly
by that of Bengal have not only greatly overbalanced
any Cargoes sent for their Discharge, but far exceed
the utmost Extent to which it was legal for a
that Presidency to draw, or for the Court of Directors
alone to accept, as well as beyond their means, if
accepted, to acquit - Thus situated the Company
is reduced to the necessity of soliciting the assistance
of the Nation, without which its Payments must
must discontinue and its credit cease. Those
several Circumstances, Indian and European,
do not denote the present period, to be that
in which an Interruption of the Peace now
subsisting will suit with the Company's ad-
-vantage - Peace under such Circumstances,
every moment that it lasts, is a moment
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the more of necessary respite to the Company - Every Treaty of Peace is announced to be perpetual; But the Instability of human Affairs & the perverseness of Men's Passions admit not of perpetuity in any instance - Every Peace must be therefore allowed to be unstable; but yet it is generally desirable, and not only even an unstable Peace is now desirable, but a mere temporary Truce is preferable to actual War, and ought to be acceptable, as essential to the Recovery of the Company's Affairs - It is fit indeed that its Servants should allow, their Masters for a while to breathe. It might be alone sufficient for Tippoo to infer the Instability of the late Treaty, from the Indisposition which even in this Declaration from the Governor General and Council of Bengal, they have betrayed towards it - They declare that for the sake of Peace, they have affixed their Signature - The Sentiment is true, but the Expression denotes a Reluctance in acceding to the Measure, which may appear to threaten its Duration - The Treaty is according to the Precedent of former Treaties, a Treaty of Friendship as well as Peace; and the acknowledgement of it by the Governor General and Council in order to be satisfactory to Tippoo, and to promise Durability, should apparently at least be cordial, and entire - And therefore if at any future Period the Declaration of the Governor General & Council of Bengal, relative to the Nabob Waulau Jaw should cease to be premature, if it were to

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become likely to produce any actual or solid Benefit, the Phrao conveying reserve and Discontent ought to be expunged from it - The Declaration indeed in its present form runs some risk of not answering its professed Purpose even with the Nabob; for it does not entirely fulfil his hope that previous to the Ratification of the Treaty his Name might be inserted in it, and his rights and claims acknowledged, as Nabob of the Carnatic and an Ally of the English Nation - The Nabob indeed claims, as appears in his Requests to the Governor General in March 1781, to be an Hereditary Prince and independant of every one - This Prince however by a Report to the House of Commons is found to be an Officer of the Mogul; and this Independance is not only denied by the Court of Directors, but their Servants are enjoined to guard against it - Even the Governor General and Council in their Replies of the 2^d April 1781 evaded the acknowledgements of such an Independance, nor is there any mention of it, or of him as an Ally of the English Nation contained in their present Declaration - The Nabob does not indeed pretend that his Name is omitted in the Treaty; or that the omission of him as ally of the King of Great Britain did in itself operate any Degradation, or tend to his Destruction; but as the Letter from Bengal expresses that he had Fears that such omission

Video Letter of Dec. 1765 from the Court of Directors -

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Omission was with a Design of effecting those Purposes - It was true likewise that in a former Treaty at Fort St George made, like the present Treaty, for the Preservation of the Carnatic, & made with the Predecessor of Tippoo Sultan and made with him by the Government of Fort St George. The Name of Maulau Jaw or Mahomed Aly as Nalob of the Carnatic, or as an Ally of the Company, or of the King of Great Britain is omitted - his Name is wholly omitted. The Treaty is expressly for the Carnatic Payen-ghaut; but the Name of the Nalob of the Carnatic is not once introduced; yet in that Treaty, the names of those whom the Nalob considers as his Dependents the Rajah of Tanjore and the Rajah of Travancore otherwise called the Malabar Nam Rajah, and even Morari now are introduced - The Reason in both cases is perfectly obvious - The respective Territories of those Persons might not strictly be termed within the Confines of the Carnatic - The Security of the Carnatic therefore, tho' it effectually, comprehended the Nalob as well as every other Person and Thing in the Carnatic, and made a Specification of them unnecessary, still left the Necessity of mentioning those whom the Carnatic did not strictly comprehend. The Omission of the Nalob in this first Treaty, which made the Precedent, did not affect his Degradation or Destruction. His Fear in

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in consequence of the present Omisison should have been allayed by the Recollection of his experiencing no ill from the former Omisison. The Treaties made by the Presidency of Bengal do not contain the Name of the Nabob of Bengal Mobareck, tho' the fourth holding that Dignity in regular Succession in that family. The Nabob Waulawfau might have had some apparent ground for apprehending a Degradation of his Dignity, if the Title which denotes it had been assumed or used by the Representative of the Company - If the President had shewed any Disposition to follow the unwarrantable Example & wild Ambition of such a Man as Mr Duplex, who actually took the Title of Nabob, the apprehension of his Design to seize also upon the Office might be justifiable - But if the Governor General & Council had supposed the fears expressed by the Nabob Waulawfau to have been really felt by him, they should have dispelled them by addressing their Declaration to him, and not to Tippoo - They should have said to him, what they say to Tippoo, that he the Nabob is virtually and of consequence included in the Treaty & his Name implied by the Term Carnatic Payinghauit wherever the said Term is used in the Treaty 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 that it was only possible for weak-minded and evil-designing Minds

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Minds to suggest the contrary - It may be difficult to reconcile this Declaration with the harsh condemnation of this Government, conveyed to it by the same Dispatches, for the supposed exclusion of the Nabob from the Benefit of the Treaty - And the Inconsistency is the greater, when it is observed that this Treaty with Tippoo Sultan contains a Clause, which was not in the Treaty of 1769 with Hyder Ally for the Security of all the friends and Allies of the Company, which either the Nabob Mustau Jaw must avow to comprehend his Security among others, or he must disavow the Friendship and Alliance of the Company - Other News indeed than the Friendship and Alliance of the Company may now agitate the Mind of the Nabob, or rather his Second Son and sole Minister the Amier Ul Omrah - The News of the latter to the Succession to the Nabobship of the Carnatic, in prejudice of the Rights of the Eldest Son as fixed both by Grant and by Treaty cannot be accomplished while the English Nation which protects those Rights has Power or Influence in the Carnatic - The Government of Bengal very properly observe that the Company has long possessed the essential Power in the Carnatic; to which it is certain that it was doubly entitled by having maintained the Nabob in his Dignity at a vast expence

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of Blood and Treasure; by having first conquered and long preserved the Carnatic, and when overrun by the Arms of Hyder Ali, by having secured the Recovery of it in the Treaty with the Maharrattas by vast Sacrifices of Territory on the other Coast. The Nabol justly considering and calling from the beginning the English his Benefactors and Protectors, declared himself satisfied with the Name and Honor of his Office, leaving the Power with those who had obtained it. While this Consideration of the Country was suffered by him to continue, no Inconvenience could arise from any Exaltation of his Dignity or personal Gratification. - He received accordingly every mark of Respect from the Company; and was even indulged in the year 1770 with the Title of Highness. It did not then enter into the Imaginations of the Court of Directors that he would one day endeavor to pervert tokens of civility and Expressions of compliment into acknowledgement of Right. - Then to whom he owed every thing, under whose Protection he existed, did not imagine that he would one day tell them that he was independent of Every one. - This Independence would give indeed Effect to his Partiality for his Second Son. That Independence might enable him to form alliances with the Rivals of the English Nation, in which both the Rights of that Nation and of the lawful Successor to the Carnatic might be equally sacrificed. In this Aim at Independence it is natural therefore for the Nabol to

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to desire to be personally brought forward in every Public Act, and in any manner that might give him a Simblance of independent Authority - To establish really his Security, but not to betray the Security of the Company, is the Duty of the Members of this Government - It is time to be guarded in their expressions concerning him, when he betrays a readiness of drawing from Expressions an acknowledgement of independent Sovereignty. Such an Acknowledgement might to appearance at least justify the Intrigues with him on the part of the French against which the Presidency is warned by the secret and important Dispatches from the Court of Directors of the 9th and 19th of September last; and might encourage & facilitate the Nabob and his second son in pursuing those Intrigues to the length of transferring the Power and advantages possessed by the Company in the Carnatic to the French with a View of having, in return by their means, the Succession transferred to the Nabob's second Son which under the English will be continued as settled in the Eldest Son - Of the unwearied Attachment of the Nabob to the English Nation, and of his ready Compliance with the measures pursued by it, the late Instructions from Europe already indicate some Doubt - The Sovereigns of Great Britain undertakes indeed for the Cession of Bahour and Villanour to the French - These Places are not in any sense under the immediate dominion or at the entire Disposal of the

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Sovereign. All Territories in India are vested
in the Company. Whether from Attention to the
Rights of the Company, or from Consideration to
the Person and Dignity of the Nabob from whom
Government those Places were to be withdrawn,
the Expression of procuring them was equally proper.
But the Execution of this Clause of the Treaty is
not made dependent upon the Compliance of
the Nabob. The Presidency is not directed merely
to endeavor to procure the Cession of those Places
from the Nabob to the French. The Instruction
to the Presidency is direct absolute & unconditional
to give Possession of those Places to the French; an
Instruction rendered necessary by the Event of
the Nabob's positive Refusal of his Consent to
the Cession of those Places without a new & separate
Treaty with the French, separately and independently
from the Representatives of the Company here. This
desire of forming a distinct Connection with the
French, and their new solicitude, as quoted in
the Bengal letter, in favor of Mahomed Ali, the
object of their ancient Hatred, and opposition in
the fanatic, combined with his Views to Independence,
his favourite Son to the succession, and
the French Project communicated in the September
Dispatches for encouraging disaffection among
the Dependents of the Company, leave to it no
alternative between the full Operation, or the
total Divulsion, of its Rights. The President
has already declared his Hope not to be made
a Witness or an Accessary to the latter. The general
Expressions of Regard thrown out by the Nabob
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towards the English and this Company when con-
-tradicted by his Conduct upon the Spot, and his
avowed Opposition to the Company's Representatives
and to its Interest here, cannot impose either
upon the Nation or the Company. Their Opinion
of his Gratitude, his Attachment, his Fidelity, his
Friendship will rest upon the Test of his Actions
upon the spot. But if the Supreme Council
still persist in favouring his Complaints, & his
Pursuits, The Channel first intended for that
purpose by them is still open to them. They may
avail themselves of the first favorable Opportunity
that may occur in the Correspondence of their
Government directly with Tippoo Sultan to
arrange with him such additional Suppliments
to the Treaty as shall include the fullest ack-
-nowledgement of His Highness' Rights and
Sovereignty without tacking any proposal for
such Arrangement as an implied Condition of
the Ratification of the Treaty already concluded
and attempting to compel this Presidency to
be the unwilling Instruments of conceptions
incompatible with their Duty. - Such appears
to have been the first Intention of the Members
of the Supreme Council at Calcutta; & the advan-
-tages of the Nabob would have been less sus-
-ceptible of Delay. But the advantage of re-
-serving this Government liable to the Imputation
of Inconsistency and guilt, if it partook in the
measure, or of Disobedience if it resisted, would
not have been obtained but by sending the Declaration
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and the letters thro' the Channel of this Presidency. The Obligation of Obedience happens however, from Circumstances unforeseen to forbid the Presidency from proceeding in this Business - The letter from Bengal declares expressly that any misconduct or Breach of Faith in Tippoo would render it equally disgraceful and impolitic to enter into further Stipulations with him - There is at this moment actually a Breach of Faith on the part of Tippoo - He was bound to release all the Persons taken and made Prisoners and now alive - Of them he has released a large proportion; but several remain behind - He was bound to release and deliver them at some English Fort or Settlement within thirty Days from the Signature of the Treaty - It was possible he had done so when the acknowledgement of the Treaty by the Government of Bengal was transmitted to him from hence - Under the Possibility of his having fulfilled his Engagement it was necessary to lose no time in waiting for the Certainty of it, before this acknowledgement should be transmitted, lest there should be a failure on the part of the Company in their Engagement of delivering such acknowledgement to him within the period stipulated for that purpose - But at present there is no Possibility of doubting, notwithstanding the Appearances of Tippoo, but that some of the Persons taken Prisoners still remain within his Country. The Situation of Affairs, at least for the present moment, is precisely that in which the Government of Bengal announce to this Government the Disgrace & Impolicy of entering into further Stipulations with him: a
Declaration

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Declaration involving and tantamount to the strongest Prohibition against doing so. It will be necessary therefore in the first instance to apprise the Government of Bengal of this state of things and to desire them to determine on a new case, and between Orders that are incompatible. It must however be confessed that the orders of that Government are not, under the present Circumstances, conclusive upon this Government, which cannot indeed negotiate or conclude a Treaty or commence Hostilities without the previous consent or approbation of the superintending Power of Bengal, But there is no proposal or intention here to negotiate or to treat; there is assuredly none to commence Hostilities - The Obligation of Obedience to orders from Bengal imply a previous application there, upon the Subject - Their Orders were given on the 14th of November last in reply to the applications which had previously been made from hence - No subsequent applications have been made; and no subsequent Orders are therefore authorized; But if the Governing Members at Bengal are determined to prosecute their Point, until they can succeed, in the Suspension which it is assured some of them already have seriously had in Contemplation, the President, who would seem to be the main Object of their adverse Pursuits, is willing to take upon himself the whole Responsibility of declining for the present to participate in the proposed Measures from Bengal - His Mind is resigned to any personal Consequences that

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that can happen to him, from an adherence to his Duty - He is ready to expose himself to Suspension rather than execute Measures which at this moment in his Judgement threaten the Welfare and Safety of the Public - Or if the Government of Bengal shall chuse to persist in their present Orders, under the present circumstances, and repeat them under the Penalty of Disobedience he will spare them the formality of Suspension, and retire from his present Station on the first Notice - The Carnatic evacuated; The War at an end; the Assignments productive; and the Constitution of the Government asserted and maintained; his successor may meet less difficulties than he has had to encounter. In the critical and laborious scene in which he has been engaged, his Health, his time, his every Satisfaction of Life have with honest & unremitted Zeal been sacrificed to the Public Service - The President therefore moves that a letter be written to the Governor General and Council, requesting them to take their late Orders anew into consideration upon the Ground of the President's Minute, and signifying to them his Sentiments therein contained -

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Motion contained
in it deferred -

The Subject of the above minute
being extremely important Agreed that the Resolu-
- tion upon the motion contained in the latter
part of it be deferred till the next Meeting and
that the Minute be in the mean while sent
in circulation for the further Review and con-
- sideration of the Members of the Committee -

Had Letter from Tippoo Sultan
received the 11th Instant (as entered in C. C. N. /
stating in substance as follows -

That positive Orders have
been given to the Circar People not to commit
irregularities but that the English destroyed one
of the Forts at Cananore, & took away the Effects -
That the English by the Treaty are to possess
Dindigul alone, but that contrary to their
Engagement they have begun to plunder and
collect Revenue - That Dindigul may be given
up when Santgur & Amboor shall be delivered -
That he is surprized at hearing that Colonel
Fullarton released his People for after hostilities
had ceased he took possession of Paliacherry &
plundered the Country - That all Prisoners
have been sent to the Committee in conformity
to the Treaty, that a proclamation of Peace
has been made throughout the Country allow-
ing those who were desirous to return to the
Carnatic, that he has sent away Men of
Character & Rank - Why should he detain
poor People -

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That the faithless Conduct of some English was the reason of their being confined, for after an Agreement had been made, they refused to give up different things, which were afterwards found upon them.

That if the Zemindar of Neneatagherry pays five Years Rent for the District to the Fougidar of Cuddapah, and satisfies him; it will be well. That the Fougidar has not only released the Europeans but also the Sepays.

That he shall be always well pleased to hear from the Government.

Ordered to be for consideration.

Read the following letter from the Committee appointed to enquire into and report on the Complaints preferred against Captain Rogers of the Honble Company's Ship Middlesex together with their proceedings on the said Enquiry as lodged in the Office.

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

In obedience to your orders of the 20th Ult^o we have made a very particular and strict Inquiry into the Charges preferred against Captain Rogers of the Honble Company's Ship Middlesex by some of the Soldiers who arrived

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arrived in that Ship from England, and have now the honor to enclose our Proceedings & Opinion thereon, which we hope will meet with your Lordship's Approval -

We have the honor to be Sir

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W. Tydenham
W. Mackintosh
Blymond.

The Committee having maturely considered the proceedings are of opinion that the conduct of Captain Rogers towards Serj^t Lindsay has been oppressive and unjust and that towards the three Recruits it has also been marked with great and unnecessary severity - Agreed in consequence that Major Tydenham & the other Gentlemen who made the enquiry be empowered to determine what will be a proper and adequate fine or recompence to be paid by Captain Rogers to each of the injured Complainants, that he be required implicitly to conform to their determination and in case of failure that they (the Complainants) be supported in a legal prosecution against him -

The Committee to determine what will be a proper compensation to Serj^t Lindsay.

Agreed that the above opinions and Resolutions be communicated to

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to the gentlemen of the Committee and to
Captain Rogers -

The President lays before the
Committee the following Minute Papers -

Respecting the
Prize Money at
Negapatam -

I have the honor to lay before
the Committee a letter to me from Mr. Fulbert
the Admirals Secretary dated the 5th Instant, on
the subject of the Claims formerly made & now
received by the Army and Navy, as Captors of
Negapatam distinctly from the Company -
On looking into my notes and papers relative
to that business, I think I can recollect pretty
exactly the Circumstances of it - The Monies paid
into the hands of the Paymaster at Negapatam
were avowedly Monies taken at, and part of the
Plunder of that place - The Company's Servants
charged with the Government of their Affairs
at this Presidency, after having consulted with
the Gentleman at that time employed as Com-
pany's Council here, thought it their Duty to
make a Demand for the whole of the Plunder
taken at Negapatam, in order to hold the
same as a Deposit until the pleasure of
His Majesty should be known as to the Dis-
tribution of it, which in cases of Expeditions
undertaken by the joint forces of the Crown
and of the Company he had been pleased to
reserve to himself as the occasions might
successively occur - For the refusal to comply
with this Demand on the part of the Persons
who

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who had Possession of, or power over, most of that Plunder, those Persons are alone accountable. - But the Claim implied an Opinion in the Presidency, that the same was unjustly rejected and the Plunder unwarrantably detained from them - It would therefore be utterly inexcusable in them, nor could they answer for it to their Employers, to give up whatever part of such Plunder came into their hands, at least without taking all due Precautions for securing it to be forthcoming to the Company in case the Crown should please to adjudge so much of the Plunder to it - Upon these grounds It was our opinion that Bonds might only be given for the Sums received by the Paymaster at Negapatam payable jointly to the Agents of the Company and of the Sea and Land forces who were at the Siege, or to the Agents of the Sea and Land forces only on their giving Security to be forthcoming for the Amount of the same in case the Company should be entitled to so much by the decision of the Crown - This Grounds of this Proposal continues at least with equal Strength, as the Conduct of the Presidency in this respect has not been disapproved at home; and as His Majesty has not signified his Intentions as to any new Distribution of Plunder in case of conjunct Expeditions; it is not unlikely but he

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but he may be pleased to adhere to a former mode of Distribution directed by him, according to which the Company has a Share - I mentioned this to Mr Futhbert, in conversation and in consequence received from him a Letter dated yesterday, which I now submit to your Consideration -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney,

My Lord,

As General Agent for Captures made by His Majesty's Squadron in the East & Indies during the course of the late War, I took the liberty to mention to your Lordship some days ago a transaction respecting the Capture of Negapatam in the loan of several Sums of Prize Money arising from that Capture, to alleviate the Distress of the Company, and to enable them to pay their Troops then serving under General Sir Hector Munro and in a state ripe for Mutiny from the want of Pay -

Your Lordship did not at the time I mention, recollect this circumstance which has made it necessary that I call it to your Lordship's recollection by inserting here the following Extract of a Letter to your Lordship from Vice Admiral Sir Edward Hughes K. B. & Major General Sir Hector Munro K. B. bearing date

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date the 17th November 1781. Viz^t

"The Agents for the Captors have at our request
 "paid the Coinld Pagodas to M^r Taylor the Paymaster
 "to the Army, the Tanamir now minting will also
 "be paid him, and the Agents have procured
 "the Sum of 42,284 Rupees as a deposit of 260 Bars
 "of the Silver, which Rupees as well as the remaining
 "277 Bars of Silver are paid into the hands of
 "the Paymaster for the Public Service; for these
 "Sums, My Lord, the Agents expect as Security
 "the Company's Bonds payable in Six Months
 "with Interest at the rate of eight p^{er} Cent Ann^{um}
 "and We trust your Lordship will, all things
 "considered, think such Security, as well as the
 "Interest and day of Payment, not unreasonable,
 "especially as a very great part of it is the pro-
 "perty of the Squadron, who cannot long lay
 "out of it, their just rights, but as your Lordship
 "has not been pleased to invest any one here
 "with Authority to grant the Security required,
 "We think it necessary on the part of the Captors,
 "and essential to the public Service at this time
 "when Money is so much wanted to carry on
 "with Vigour the Operations of the Army, and
 "no other means of raising it can be found,
 "to desire you will invest Authority sufficient
 "in such Person or Persons as you may judge
 "most proper to grant the Security by Bond
 "required."

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And also an Extract of your
 Lordship's Letter in Answer dated 3rd Dec^r 1781. Viz^t
 "The readiness shewn by the Captors to assist the
 "Company with the Coin and Bullion taken
 "at Negapatam is very handsome on their part
 "and the Conditions of the Bonds they require
 "are perfectly reasonable, Orders are now sent to
 "M^r. Taylor the Paymaster to give Receipts for
 "whatever shall be delivered to him and Bonds
 "agreeable to such receipts will be given here
 "on their being produced; This is the only method
 "that can be followed as no Bonds can be exe-
 "cuted but by the Government."

I now proceed to inform your
 Lordship that the Agents for the Squadron and
 Army employed in the capture of Negapatam
 did at the desire of the Commanders in Chief of
 the said Squadron and Army, and on the Faith
 of your Lordship's Letter, lend at different times
 between the 7th December 1781 and the 28th Jan^y 1782
 sundry Sums amounting to Star Pag^{as} 69,768.8.35-
 accepting therefore the Receipts of the Paymaster
 as directed in your Lordship's Letter, not in the
 least doubting Government Bonds would be
 granted according to the Terms proposed to
 your Lordship by the Commanders in Chief of
 the Squadron and Army in their Letter of the
 17th Nov^r, and agreed to by your Lordship
 in your Lordship's Letter to them in Answer.

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- But so it is, My Lord, that your Lordship has to this day refused to grant the Bonds so prescribed and agreed to by the Vars = this lending and borrowing -

Your Lordship is probably informed that one Moiety of the Prize Money arising from the Capture of Negapatam, being Pagodas 114, 148 has been divided among the Capt = hors, and that the other Moiety or Pagodas 114, 148, is held in suspense in the hands of the Agents till His Majesty's pleasure is known as to the division of that Sum also, and as that decision may be hourly expected by the outward bound Ships of this Season it becomes the indispensable Duty of the Agents for the said Capture to hold the Sum for which they are clearly responsible in readiness to be disposed of in such manner as His Majesty in His Wisdom may direct, & the Sum of Pag^{as} 69, 768, 8, 35, lent on the Faith of your Lordship's Letter as before set forth being a part of said Moiety for which the Agents are responsible; I, my Lord, for my part, and as Agent for His Majesty's Squadron demand of your Lordship the immediate payment of the Sum of 114, 148, 16, 16, being the Squadron's proportion of the Sum of 114, 148, 16, 16, with the stipulated Interest thereon, withheld by your Lordship for so long a period beyond the promised time

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of Payment -

Madras

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I have the honor to be yr

Arth^l Cuthbert

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney

My Lord,

I have the honor to lay before your Lordship with this, Copies of five Receipts dated at different times, and amounting in all to the Sum of Star Pagodas 82,769, 8, 35. lent by the Agents for the Captors of Negapatam to the Company on the Faith of your Lordship's letter.

The Agents for the Army have agreed with on the following mode of adjusting and settling this Loan; - from the dates of the several Receipts an Interest to be cast at the rate of 8th Cent p Annum to the end of the Year 1782 the same Interest for the year 1783, and the same Interest to the 31st of this Month, an Interest Bond to be granted to the Agent for the Squadron, for the Squadron's proportion of the Sum, and to the Agents for the Army for the Army's proportion, and the Agents separately to enter into Obligations to return the Company's Bonds & should His Majesty decree the Moiety of the Negapatam Prize Money to the Company, in short to oblige themselves to abide by His Majesty's Pleasure when declared.

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I have taken the liberty to explain to your Lordship the Intentions of the Agents thus fully, that no more time may be lost in finally adjusting this business, and have the honor to be with great Respect—

Madras

My Lord &c &c

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Arth. Cuthbert

Company's Debt to the Captors of Negapatam—

1781

Nov^r 20 ^{4th day} 24,627. 2.35 for 1.1.11 28th 2182. 1. -Dec^r 10 — 24,622. — — — 1. — 13 — 8th — 2041. 16. —

1782

Jan^y 3 — 653. — — — — 11.20. — 5th — 51. 40. —20 — 20000. — — — — 11.3. — 8th — 1420. — —May 7 — 13000. — — — — 7.24 — 8th — 676. — —82768, 2.35 Interest to 31st Dec 1782 6431. 15. —82768, 2.3589199. 23.35Interest to 31st Dec 1783 7135. 30. ~96335. 19.35Interest to 31st July 1784 4495. 25. ~Star Pagodas 100,231. 2.35

Navy's Share 60938. —

Army's S^r — 39893. —100231.

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The receipts enclosed in the first of the above Letters (and lodged in the Office) are also read and found to agree with the foregoing Account.

The Committee having maturely considered the Subject it is resolved that Bonds be granted for the Sums received from the Captors of Negapatam upon the condition proposed by Mr Cathbert namely that the Agents shall separately execute obligations for returning the Bonds if the Booty or any part of it shall be granted by His Majesty to the Company.

Ordered accordingly that

Bonds to be granted to the Agents of the King's Squadron —

Bonds bearing date the 1st August 1784 be granted to the Agents of His Majesty's Squadron and of the Army respectively for their proportions of the Sum of Pagodas 100838 being the amount principal and Interest to the 31st July 1784 of the several sums borrowed of the Captors of Negapatam Viz^t —

1 — Bond to Mr Arthur Cathbert for — Per Pagodas — — — — — 60,938. —

1 — Bond to Mess^{rs} Baul Cochrane and Forrester Rose for Per Pagodas — 39,899. —

The Secretary is desired to cause to be made out the Bonds to be executed by the Agents in return.

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The Right Honourable the President
lays before the Committee the following extract
of a letter to his Lordship from the Chief of
Maulapatam -

Extract of a letter from M^r Danuell,
dated Samulcotah 29th June 1784 -

Letter from M^r Danuell

My Trip to this place has
been of infinite service, and I have completed
the Receipt of five hundred Thousand Malabar
Pagodas within 6 Months -

In my opinion, my Lord, you
have nothing to apprehend for the restoration
of Peace to the Zemindary of Mooyud - (I shall
attend to what you say about my corresponding
with M^r Johnson, and I will get possession of
the person of Opparow if I can -)

I dread to go from hence till
the Collections should then cease - The Zemindars
of the Rajahmundry District by being so far re-
-moved from Maulapatam will certainly bring
up by delay the time which has been gained
on them - I have I believe a remedy for this
evil if I had the power of effecting it - M^r Wilson
who is with me is surely an honest Man and
is perfectly inclined to obey my Orders - I would
station him in the Garrison of Rajahmundry with
about 80 or 100 Maulapatam Subbendies, and if
he was placed there under my immediate direction
I would occasionally dispatch him & his Garrison
to those Zemindars who may require an alert -

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The Caprice to the Company would be nothing but Mr Wilcox's Patta, & this I am sure is not to be thought of with the benefits expected to result from it - If your Lordship issues this order from the Select Committee I shall not lose my time in disputing on it at Manipalatom -

As the Object of Mr Daniell's Exortions is of the greatest Importance at this Juncture and as he seems to be of opinion that Mr Wilcox's being appointed to the Command of Rajahmundry and plac'd under his immediate Direction would contribute to their Success Resolved in consequence that the Chief of Manipalatom be desired to appoint Ensign Wilcox to the Command of Rajahmundry and to place him under the immediate orders of their Chief -

The President acquaints the Committee that Mr Wasey wishes to be relieved from the Office of Deputy Commisary finding it requires more attention than he can spare from the Duties of his employ of Dept^y Secretary. The Committee consent to Mr Wasey's being relieved from the Office of Deputy Commisary & in Justice to Mr James Simpson would willingly confer on him that appointment on account of the diligence and attention to his Duty which he has manifested under the Secretary to the Civil Department, but as Mr Simpson is unfortunately from ill Health under the necessity

Ensign Wilcox put under the immediate orders of the Chief of Manipalatom -

Mr Wasey wishes to resign the post of Dept^y Commisary.

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M. Simpson being
obliged to go to Europe,

the nomination is
deferred -

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necessity of proceeding to Europe, the Committee
can only record their Testimony of their sense of
his Merit - Agreed that the appointment
of a successor to the Deputy Commissary ship be
deferred till the next meeting -

Read the following Letters -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney

My Lord,

I had the honor to receive your
Lordship's Commands of the 19th on my arrival here
last night - The Deputy of His Majesty's paymaster
General has in consequence been informed that
his demands would be answered by me for any sum
of Money that might be judged necessary for
the purpose of enlisting the non Commissioned &
Privates of the Regt that are to be sent to Europe -

The difficulty of procuring Ships
at Negapatam, and the great Expence that would
necessarily attend that mode of conveying to the Pres-
-idency the Men who may not chuse to enlist, has
induced me to propose to Col^l Fullarton to employ
the large Boats that are used along the Sea Coast
of the Maravar Country for this service - Should he
approve of this idea, the embarkation may be effected
at Pondi, which would be particularly convenient
for the 101st & 102nd Regt^s now cantoned near Madurai, &
little less so to the 98th Regt^s now encamped near Trichie-
-opoly, as there are no Rivers between that place
& Pondi, whereas the various Branches of the Cavery
which intersect this Country would render the
March to Negapatam tedious & difficult -

Tanjore
24th June 1784

I have the honor to be &c

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

of Fort St George

My Lord & Gentlemen,

I had the honor to receive your
Orders of the 16th June communicated by Mr. Wasey
on the Subject of embarking for the Presidency,
such of the King's Troops as desire to proceed to
Europe - The letter containing these instructions
reached me at Tuticorin on the eve of my de-
-parture from thence by Sea - Mr. Sullivan
has made every inquiry and exertion to carry
the intentions of your Lordship & the Board
into immediate execution, as far as may be
practicable - He is of opinion, that Pondy is
the only place where boats proper for the pur-
-pose in question can be procured - but I am
apprehensive that the whole Coast will hardly
afford a sufficiency of conveyance for the
number of Troops that wish to embark, con-
-sisting nearly of the total of the 90th, 101st & 102nd
Regiments and I believe, about two hundred
of the 70th - I therefore request to know, my
Lord & Gentlemen, whether in the event of
any difficulty or delay, occurring in this
business, it is your pleasure, that all or part
of these Troops should march directly from
Trichinopoly, (where they are all appointed) to
Madras, or whether I am at all events, to march
them to the Coast & from thence to embark them
on

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on board such conveyance as we can procure -
- In the mean while, every effort shall be continued
to carry either determination into effect, as soon
as I shall be honored with your intimation of
it, and if no particular cause of preference
occurs in favor of the Conveyance by Sea. I
presume your Lordship and the Board will judge
the other mode to be more expeditious & convenient
for the Troops, for the boats are not yet in readi-
-ness and there are no covered Vessels to be had -

There are several points of
business, that render me desirous to obtain per-
-mission, from your Lordship and the Board, to
proceed to the Presidency for a short time. - Should
this request be honored with your approbation,
I shall take the first opportunity that occurs,
as soon as I have adjusted the necessary Arrange-
-ments for the departure of the Troops under
Orders for Madras - and I am happy to assure
you, my Lord & Gentlemen, of my fullest and
best founded Confidence, that during my absence
the military business to the Southward will
be conducted to your utmost Satisfaction by
Colonel Stuart, of whose Zeal, Abilities, & general
Conduct, I have repeatedly had occasion to express
myself in the warmest terms of acknowledgement
and Approbation - In my last letter, to the
Right Honourable the President, I explained, the
very unjustifiable conduct of Subbannay and
the

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the measures I adopted in consequence of it -
after much persistence in refusing to suffer
an inspection of his Works. He at length
agreed to it on the urgent representations
made to him by M^r Irwin - He also promised
to make atonement for the outrage committed
at Maupilore - On these considerations I directed
Captain Wheeler to withdraw the Troops from
his vicinity and to proceed to his Station at
Thelepatore, especially as M^r Irwin was
convinced, that notwithstanding the Mis-
conduct of the Polygar it would have been
expedient to have adopted any measures
of severity -

Negapatam
4th July 1784

I have the honor to be &c

W^m Fullarton

As We ~~have~~ at present no means
of conveying the Men to Europe - Agreed that
Colonel Fullarton be desired to keep them to
the Southward, and as much as practicable col-
-lected and in readiness to embark for Madras
at a short notice - respecting his desire of
permission to come to the Presidency Agreed
that Colonel Fullarton be informed that
having matters in contemplation which
We wish to entrust to his personal Ma-
-nagement, We request he will continue
to

Col. Fullarton
desired to postpone
his visit to the
Presidency

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to the Southward for the present and when the public Service will admit of his absence, notice shall be immediately sent to him - Agreed that M^r Sullivan be advised of the above direction to Colonel Fullarton -

Read the following Letter from M^r Walter, a member of the Council at Tranquebar -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney,
President, Governor &c &c &c Council

of Fort St George

My Lord & Gentlemen,

In my Letter of the 1st October 1783, I took the liberty to acquaint you that I found it necessary to return to Tranquebar, and in consequence of Major General Abbott's Letter to your Board, of the 25th August last, acquainting you of the Authority given me. I mentioned several Causes, which I expected settled by your Equity, Justice and Friendship for the Danish Nation -

I have not the least doubt, my Lord & Gentlemen, of your being willing to fulfill my Request, but a long time having elapsed, since the Events happened, it is incumbent on our Government to assist the Subjects who are the Sufferers by Misfortune and Delay at once - Such is the
Case

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Care of the Proprietors of the Ship Mahmood
Boodder Boe and of the Sloop Charlotte -
of

The Danish Ship Mahmood
Boodder Boe belonging to Meah Shamshoodin
an Inhabitant of Tranquebar, charged for
the Account of M^r Robert Holford, Mahmood
Capin Nagoodah, and other People, all
settled in Tranquebar; was taken in the
year 1781 off Negapatam by the English Squa-
-dron, Ship and Cargo valued to 30,416 Rags
- Proper Applications have been made to
your Board and to Sir Edward Hughes - I
refer in that respect to Major General Albeston's
Letter of 15th August 1781 including a Manifest
and Account of the Ship and Cargo, and to
another from the Government of Tranquebar
to your Board, dated the 10th September 1781
both demanding Restoration -

The Owners entertained the most
sanguine Hopes in consequence of your Lordship's
Letter to Major General Albeston dated 10th Sept^r
the same Year - The Ship without her Cargo
was delivered back to the Moor People on board
her, at Madras; but was again retaken, never
since any Satisfaction was given -

2^d - The Sloop Charlotte, a Property
of M^r Peter Bettger, Merchant of Tranquebar,
was detained by orders of your Government in
Madras Road, from the 12th Sept^r 1782, when
she had got her Port clearance, and was drove
on

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on Shore in the Gale of Wind the 15th Oct. 1782,
by which the Vessel and her whole Cargo was
totally destroyed or lost.

I refer for the Facts to the
Memorial, Protests &c &c which M^r Peter Balthus
& his Attorneys have laid before your Board.

I have no doubt my Lord
and Gentlemen but you will find M^r Balthus
fully entitled not only to every kind of Satis-
-faction, but even to your Generosity, by
the heavy Loss he has suffered. The Amount
of the Vessel and Cargo being according to
his Accounts 10,964 Star Pagodas besides
Expences 144 Pagodas occasioned by her Loss.

I therefore my Lord & Gentlemen
by Virtue of Major General Albers' Letter to
you, take the Liberty to request that you
will be pleased to order every kind of Redress
to be given, as speedily as possible.

That the Danish Ship
Mahmood Booddur Boe may be restored with
her Cargo, or the Value of both, Damages and
Interest allowed from the day of her Capture
to the day of Restitution or Payment, which
after nearly three years Delay, We expect
to be immediately, and

That M^r Peter Balthus's
Loss & Damages may be settled, a Profit on
his

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his Cargo allowed, together with the Interest from the Day the Vessel was detained to the day of Payment, and be paid as soon as possible, without any further Delay, as M^r Bettger would else certainly be totally ruined.

Both are Sufferers, & as Danish Subjects are entitled to your Protection, as Infortunates to your Generosity and speedy Relief and as Men to your Justice and Equity which I reclaim for them, according to the Laws of Nations, Neutrality and public Treaties - I have the best Hopes my Lord and Gentlemen of your Inclination to settle these things, and expect the Favor of your Answer as soon as possible -

I have the honor to be &c

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My Lord & Gentlemen,

Thos^s C. Walter

Respecting the capture of the Ship Mahmood Boobder Boe agreed that M^r Walter be referred to the Admiral who is not subject to our Authority - as to the loss of the Schoon Charlotte the Attorney General having some time since on application being made to him given an opinion in favor of the claim, it is Agreed that M^r Bettger shall be allowed what may appear
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a reasonable Compensation on that account and the Secretary is desired to collect the several Papers relating to the Claim that the Committee may come to a final determination on the Subject -

The President lays before the Committee a Correspondence between the Town Major and Amur Ul Omrah (as lodged in the Office) on the subject of a Naigue of one of the Regiments of Cavalry concerned in the late Mutiny, who has entertained in the Service of the Amur and is in consequence in Confinement - Agreed that the Town Major be directed to release the Naigue & having done so to acquaint Amur Ul Omrah that should he be found again in his Service he (the Naigue) will be secured and sent to the West Coast -

Read letter and Memorial (as entered in MB. No. 1) from Lieut Latulippe setting forth his having been appointed by General Joseph Smith, a Lieutenant Fireworker in 1773, served from that period and been taken Prisoner with Colonel Brathwaite - representing his great distress & requesting the discharge of his arrears and some provision for Life -

Lieut

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Lieut. Latulippe
to be appointed
Lieut of Artillery.

Lieutenant Latulippe bearing
a good Character and being well spoken
of by Colonel Brathwaite - Agreed that he
be appointed youngest Lieutenant of Artillery
and fixed in that rank - his arrears to be
paid by Bills on Bengal -

Read Letter from the Surgeon
General (as entered in M.B. No. / recommending
that M^r. Raine and M^r. Weston be appointed
Surgeons at Ulour -

M^r. Raine appoint?
Surgeon at Ulour.

Agreed that M^r. Raine be
appointed Surgeon at Ulour -

M^r. Joseph Morton lately
arrived from the West Coast, having an
appointment of Assistant Surgeon from the
Honble Court of Directors from 21st March 1781
- Agreed that he take rank as such from
that date -

Capt. M^r. Montgomery
appointed to command
at Angole -

Capt. Muatt to com-
mand at Permacoil

Agreed that Capt. M^r. Alex^r
Montgomery be appointed to the Command
of Angole and Captain Muatt to the
Command of Permacoil -

In consideration of the
many gallant and distinguished Services
rendered by Captain Joseph Moorhouse during
the late War, and of his intrepid conduct
on the occasion of the late Mutiny when
the light Infantry attempted to seize the
Fort -

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Fort of Arcot the Right Honble the President,
moves that he be appointed Commissary Genl^l
of Stores with the nominal rank of Lieut
Colonel.

M^r Maunsell for the motion

M^r Davidson for the motion

General Lang for the motion

M^r Saddleir against giving Captⁿ Moorhouse
the nominal rank of Lieutenant Colonel
as he thinks that the Company do not
approve of such Appointments, and that
they may give disgust to the rest of the Army.

The President for the motion

- being of opinion that nothing can tend
more to the benefit of the Service than the
promoting such Officers - Resolved that
Captain Joseph Moorhouse be appointed
Commissary General of Stores with the
nominal rank of Lieut Colonel - Agreed
also that he be appointed a member of
the Committee of Stores -

Read the following letter
from the Committee of Assigned Revenue -
To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
H. B. President &c Select Committee

My Lord & Gentlemen of Fort St George

The

Capt. Moorhouse
appointed Commissary
of Stores, Member of
the Committee of
Stores, & nominal
Lieut Colonel -

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The Ryots of Tindivanum in the Arcot Country having preferred several heavy complaints against one Alagaram Swamy, a Ryot also of the same place, of his having joined with the Enemy during the late War, and taken an active part in oppressing and extorting money from them to a considerable amount, with which he has enriched himself, he was sent for and confronted with his Accusers, when after a full examination of the Complaints, in which one of his own Servants was the principal Evidence against him, the Exorbitations of which he had been accused were fully proved in several Instances - We beg leave to recommend to your Lordship &c that he be sent to Permacoil (the nearest Garrison to Tindivanum), as a Prisoner, and that the Commanding Officer there be directed to attach his Property at Tindivanum and sell it for the benefit of those who have suffered by his Oppressions -

We have the honor to be &c

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Chas. Baskely
David Haliburton
Geo. Moubray

The President is requested to cause the Offender to be sent to Permacoil and it is Resolved that orders consonant to the recommendation of the Committee of Assigned Revenue be sent to the Commanding Officer of that Garrison -

Read

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Read two Letters / as entered in the
M.B. No^o / dated 5th Instant from the Paymaster at
Trichinopoly, and from Captain Donald Campbell, - the
former acquainting the Committee that the Mogallay
and Maratta Cavalry are returned to Mannapar,
that they are in Arrear, & that he has in conse-
-quence made application to procure returns of
them, and to know their present State - the latter
giving an Account of the Garrison at Rampoor.

Read the following Letter from
the Deputy Agent -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
H. B. President &c Members of the Select Committee
My Lord & Gentlemen.

Letter from the
Deputy Agent

As the Tents of the Staff, and of the
several Corps cantoned at Arcot, have been delivered onto
Store, I request to be favoured with the orders of Your
Lordships V^{cs} respecting the disposal of the Bullocks that
have hitherto been employed in carrying them -

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10th July 1784

I am with great Respect V^{cs}

J. Kenworthy Esq^r Agt.

Consideration deferred.

Ordered to lie for future Con-

-sideration -

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Received the following letter and enclosure

from General Campbell.

To the Right Honble the President and Select
Committee of

Fort St George,

From Genl Campbell
requesting a convey-
ance for some Men
of the 102^d Reg^t who
have entered into
the 23^d Regiment

My Lord and Gentlemen,

Colonel Lloyd has written to me a
Letter, of which I have the honor to enclose to you an ex-
tract, relative to some Men enlisted at Ullore for the 23^d
Regiment of Light Dragoons, and for whose conveyance
here in order to join the Regiment, I must apply to
your Lordship &c as there is little likelihood that the
Admiral to whom Colonel Lloyd thinks an applica-
tion to this effect might answer the purpose, will
have any of His Ships at Marulipattam from whence
it would be convenient to embark these recruits
for the Presidency.

I have the honor to be, &c &c

Madras
16th July 1784

Allan Campbell
M. G. Commanding His
Majesty's Forces in India
for the time being

Extract of a Letter from Colonel Lloyd Commanding
His Majesty's 23^d Regiment of Light Dragoons to
Maj^r Genl Campbell - dated St. Thomas 14th July 1784

I have the honor to inform you
that there are Forty six Men, enlisted from the 102^d
Regiment for the 23^d Light Dragoons, and they are
now at Ullore - they have received their Proventy
and

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16 and are full on the strength of the 23^d Dragoons the 1st of this Month -

I beg you will be pleased to give me your Orders relating to their joining the Regiment as I imagine you will think it for the good of the Service that it should be delayed as little as possible - perhaps the Admiral, on your application, will find means to convey them by Sea - the march by land would be of several Hundred Miles, and Illoré is only about Forty miles from Masulipatam, where they could embark, and I should wish to send an Officer to receive them, as I expect still a large supply of men from thence -

A true Extract

W^m Campbell

Secy to Maj^r Genl^l Campbell

Dispatched the following Letter to Colonel Fullarton -

To Colonel Fullarton

Commanding the Southern Forces,

Sir,

To Col. Fullarton
The Men of this
Majesty's Regiment
to the Southward
that do not choose
to re-enlist are to
remain there till
further Orders -

I am directed by the Right Honourable the President and Select Committee to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 4th Instant, and to inform you that having no means at present of sending to England either direct, or by way of Bengal, the men of the King's Regiments to the Southward who have

not

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It not chosen to enlist, they desire you will let them remain to the Southward till further orders, keeping them entire and collected as much as practicable with the Regiments they belong to -

Respecting your desire of permission to come to the Presidency - the Select Committee having in contemplation some Arrangements the execution of which they wish to entrust to your personal management, I am directed to request that you will continue to the Southward for the present, and as soon as the public Service there will conveniently admit of your absence, they will immediately give you notice -

The Select Committee desire that you will issue orders to the several Officers entrusted with Garrisons or Posts within your Command to refer to you whatsoever Letters they may at any time receive from Tippoo Sultaun or any of his Officers or Servants and not to answer such Letters themselves except in cases that shall absolutely require it, and where the delay that such reference would occasion might be injurious to the public Service -

I am directed also to furnish you with the enclosed Copy of a Letter from the Paymaster of Fitchinspore, and for the Select Committee's Sentiments on the Subject to refer you to their Instructions of the 3^d Instant -

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I have the honor to be Sir,

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Wadleston

Sent letters as entered in M.B. 104

To Manipatam appointing Lieut
Wilcox to the Command of Rajahmundry

To Committee of Assigned Revenue
have requested of the President to cause Alagaram
Swamy to be sent Prisoner to Ponnacott

To Lieut Sheriff granting him
leave of absence for five Months

To Commanding Officer at Ponnacott
with Instructions respecting Alagaram Swamy

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Received the following letters

from General Burgoyne

To the Right Honble the President and
Select Committee

My Lord Gentlemen,

From General
Burgoyne respects
and his Pay

It is now more than a fortnight
since that I drew a bill on you in favor of
my paymaster Cornet Saffray, for my pay as
a Major General from the 19th of September 1783
to the 24th June 1784 - at forty Shillings per day,
with ten Shillings per day for an Aid de Camp,

that

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and Secretary - likewise for my Allowances as Colonel's
 Salty at Six Nagodas per day to the 1st of May 1784 -
 Major General Campbell and Ogilvie, having been
 paid the same; having received no answer from
 you on the Subject, I sent Mr. Saffray to the Hon^{ble}
 Lord Macartney this morning, to desire that
 the Draft might be either accepted, or returned
 with a protest - to my great Astonishment his
 Lordship refused either to return the Bill, or to
 give a satisfactory Answer - This proceeding
 appears to me so very unjust, and so contrary to all
 rule, that I must call upon you, My Lord gentlemen
 either to accept my Bill or return it protested -
 I shall not enter into the merits of my demand,
 a Court of Justice must determine that matter

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I have the honor to be Sir

Burgoyne

Dispatched the following letters -

To Major General Sir John Burgoyne,

Sir,

I am directed By the Right Hon^{ble}

President and Select Committee to acknowledge
 the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant, and to
 inform you that no answer could have been given
 to your Application thro' Lord Saffray, because
 no order had passed thereupon - I am now authorized
 to return to you the papers you desire, and have

The

To Gen^l Burgoyne
 in reply to the
 foregoing -

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With the honor to be,

Sir, &c &c

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Muddleston Junr

To William Burke Esq^r

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Hon^{ble}

To Mr. Burke
on the subject of
Bounty money
for the 23rd Reg^t

the President and Select Committee to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th instant, enclosing a Copy of one to you from Colonel Lloyd, and also to acquaint you that they have received no orders from England for paying Bounty money to the 23rd Regiment of light Dragoons, and that they have already expressed to Major General Campbell that recruiting that Regiment when there are no Horses or any prospect of any for mounting the recruits, would be putting the company to a needless expence, which at all times ought to be avoided, and particularly so at present, when the most necessary expences can with the utmost difficulty be defrayed.

I have the honor to be &c

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Muddleston Junr

To Major General Campbell,

Commanding His Majesty's Troops.

Sir

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To Genl Campbell
There being no horses
to mount the Men
enlisted for the
23^d Regt desire they
may do duty as
Infantry at Ellore.

I am directed by the Right Honble
the President and Select Committee to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter to them of the 16th Instant,
and to acquaint you that they have no immedi-
-ate conveyance by Sea from Masulipatam to this
place; but as there are only a few Europeans at
Ellore beside the Men enlisted into the 23^d Regiment
of Light Dragoons, and that there are not Horses
here to mount them, the Committee desire that
those Men may continue to do duty at Ellore as
Infantry, in like manner as some of the Light Dra-
-goons have already done by order of Major General
Stuart - But a Subaltern Officer from the Regt
may be sent from hence to take the Command
of those Men at Ellore -

I have the honor to be Sir

Fort St George
17th July 1784 -

Wudleston Jery

To the Honble Rawson Hart Boddam,
President Governor &c Select Committee,

To Bombay, res-
-pecting the eva-
-cuation of Canna-
-nore - point out
some breach of the
Treaty on the part
of Tippoo -

Honble Sir and Sirs

Our last dispatches to you were
by Pattamar under date the 15th ultimo and a
short letter of the 16th from our Secretary - Duple
now wait on you by the Nipier Cutter which we
think it unnecessary to detain here any longer
as the Ships of this Season already arrived here
have

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17. have brought no packets for your Presidency and before We can expect the rest some of those destined for Bombay will in all probability have arrived there.

Agreeably to the expectation intimated to you in our Secretary's letter of the 16th Ultimo, our President a few days after received a letter from Tippoo Sultaun complaining of the evacuation of Cananore without the ceremony stipulated in the Treaty, as also of great Irregularities committed by the Commanding Officers at Onore and farwah previous to the delivery of those places - Copies of the letter and of our Answer are herewith enclosed, and We doubt not but you will confirm and fulfill the Assurances We have given Tippoo Sultaun on the Subject of those Complaints as far as the same shall appear to you to be well founded.

You will observe that in the same letter We complain of Infractions of the Treaty on the part of Tippoo Sultaun and that Diddigall in consequence has not yet been delivered up - his answer which We daily expect will in all probability ascertain his real disposition and Intentions and the conduct it may be advisable for us to pursue towards him.

We have the pleasure to inform you that the difficulty which impeded the negotiation between our Commissioners and M. de Bussy

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It is likely to be soon removed by the Marquis consent-
ing immediately to deliver up Trincomalee to us.

We have done every thing that the
public distresses and innumerable demands from
other quarters would permit for the relief & benefit
of your Troops - but they are nevertheless unsatisfied
- altho we have paid three months in advance to
the Men, and six months to the Officers - We shall
apply to the Admiral to convey them round to
Bombay in the Squadron in October, unless you
should wish you to march them sooner by land
to Aringee to be embarked there in such Vessels as
you may order to receive them - We shall be glad
to have your Sentiments thereupon.

We have the honor to be &c

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17th June 1784.

Macartney
V^c Select Comm^r

P. S.

Enclosed We have the honor of
transmitting to you four Returns - V^z A Return
of the Europeans belonging to the Bombay Establish-
ment lately arrived from the Mysore Country
(Marked A) - A Return of the Sepoys belonging
to your Establishment lately arrived from thence
(Marked B) - A List of the Bombay Officers
arrived from the Mysore Country (Marked C) and
a Return of People belonging to the Commissary's
Department with Brig^{er} General Mathews's Army
lately arrived from Poona and who have proce-
-ded overland to Bombay (Marked D).

Sent

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Sent letters as entered in Miscellaneous book

No 9

To the Admirals Secretary, with form of an Obligation for the adjusting the Loan made to the Company by the Agents for the Captors of Negapatam -

To the Captain of the Honble Company's Ship Ponstorne, agreeing to receive into the Stores the four 18th Iron Guns, he tendered for sale and permitting him to dispose of the eight 18th Canonades agreeably to his request -

To M^r Morton appointing him to rank as Assistant Surgeon from 31st March 1784 -

To the Surgeon General informing him of M^r Morton's Appointment -

To the Committee appointed to enquire into the Conduct of Captain Rogers of the Honble Company's Ship Middleton, approving of their Opinion and desiring them to determine on some equitable Mode, by which Captain Rogers can make the Complainants Reparation -

To the Commanding Officer at Bangalore to draft the independants agreeably to the General Orders of the 23^d Ultimo -

Received from the Paymaster of Poornamalee a Letter (as entered in M^b No 9) and a Letter from Captain Donald Campbell - the former with Return of Rice - the latter requesting leave to proceed to China for the Benefit of his Health -

Received

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Received the following Letter -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney

My Lord,

From Captain
Wahab with
Intelligence
respecting the
fommes ud dien
Cave

I this day received the account that
Kudley Pudochim noor, and Kurchur were yet
possessed by the fommeer Old Dui faun's people
and that they were taken every thing out of the two
latter places. the former is only a Village - these
places belong to the Venkatagerry Rajah's own country
a number of bullocks came to Kudochamoor, to
carry off every thing in it with four hundred Horse
as an escort yesterday -

When I last heard from Mursamp
he was about four Cops in the Combun road, and
he was then himself in it - report then prevailed
that he was going to Canowl to attack that place
but there is no good grounds for the truth of the
Report - he only waited it was said for 2 Guns
that were detached to Kurchur on their return
he was to move on -

I remain My Lord &c

Ongole
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George Wahab
Capt^y for

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At a Committee of Stores - Present.

Lieut General Ross Lang

Lieut Colonel Patrick Ross

Lieut Colonel John Kennedy

Bryan Scotney Esq^r (indisposed)

Minutes of Committee of Stores -

1. Read letter from Mr

Secretary Huddleston to the

Committee, informing them

of the appointment of Mr. Place

to act as Clerk to the Committee

during the absence of Mr

Gambier -

2. Read letter from Mr

Secretary Huddleston enclosing

one from Captⁿ Hammett

commanding the Porpoise,

tendering for sale to the

Honble Company, four 18 lb

iron Guns, and eight 18-

lb cannonades and are of

opinion that the four 18

lb iron Guns will be wanted

and that in case of acci-

-dents they should be pro-

-ved before the Ship is

dispatched - The cannonades

they apprehend will be of

no use and the Committee

The Guns to be proved and
if found good to be sent - Capt.
Hammett goes away on
Wednesday - therefore no time
should be lost -

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From Committee of
Stores with Acct
of their proceedings

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1st are of opinion that Captain Hammitt may be permitted to dispose of them whenever he thinks fit. Approved that Capt^l Hammitt dispose of the Caronnades.

3^d Read an Incident from Bregadier General Howe commanding at Arcot for sundry military Stores, which the Committee have agreed to comply with agreeable to the Remarks of the Commissary. Approved

4th The Commissary of Stores lays before the Committee Lists of military Stores, received from the Storekeeper in the Months of May and June, musters of which the Committee have examined and approved of. Approved.

Agreed to lay the same before the Right Honble the President and select Committee.

RSang
Patrick Rops
John Kennedy

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18.

Received Letters as entered in the

M.B. No.

From Paymaster of Vellore with
return of Stores for the months of March and April
in that Garrison.

From Paymaster at Ellore with
return of Bullocks sent to the Agency.

From Storekeeper in Camp with
return of Ordnance &c.

19.

Received the following Letters -

To John Hudleston Esq^r

Secretary to the Select Committee,

Sir,

From Genl. Lang's
Secretary with
extract of a letter
from Genl. Horne
to Genl. Lang with
charges against
Lieut Cowan.

I am directed by Lieut General
Lang to send you the enclosed extract of a letter
from General Horne together with a copy of the charge
against Lieut Cowan of the 36th Regiment; and to
request that you will lay the same before the Select
Committee, that measures may be taken for trying
Lieut Cowan at Arcot without delay.

I am also directed to enclose
you a copy of a Crime against Cornet Banger of
the 23^d Regiment Dragoons - and to acquaint you
for the information of the Honble Select Committee
that Cornet Banger has been ordered to proceed
to

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19. to the Presidency to take his Trial before the General Court Martial now assembled -

I have the honor to be &c

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Joseph Garrow
Secy to ye Govt in Chief

Extract from a Letter from Brigadier General
Horne, dated 16th July 1784 - to Lieut Genl. Lang.

"I have been under the necessity
"of putting Lieut Cowan of the 36th Regiment under
"Arrest and enclose you a copy of the Charge against
"him. I am sorry to observe that it is highly necessary
"to take some effectual measures to put some stop
"to the irregular conduct of many of the Officers be-
"longing to this Cantonment - I have had various
"complaints from the Inhabitants of irregularities &
"improper treatment from Officers - which I have
"enquired into and have had settled - but the present
"conduct of Lieut Cowan absolutely requires being
"brought to a Court Marshal - otherwise none
"of the Inhabitants who have returned to Arcot will
"think themselves or Families secure from the
"most licentious violence."

A true Extract

Joseph Garrow
Secy to ye Govt in Chief

Lieut Cowan of His Majesty's

36th Regiment of Foot, ordered under an Arrest

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18.

Received letters as entered in the
MB. No. 1.

From Paymaster of Vellore with
return of Stores for the months of March and April
in that Garrison.

From Paymaster at Olore with
return of Bullocks sent to the Agency.

From Storekeeper in Camp with
return of Ordnance &c.

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by Brigadier General Horne on the following Charge -

For appearing in a very unbecoming manner Vizt without either Coat or Waistcoat, & much in liquor in the public Bazar and riding about in that condition in the afternoon of the 14th Instant and alarming several Inhabitants particularly And-gee Modem a Moorman, by entering his House striking him without provocation, and then forcing open a door where the Women were, seizing one of them by the Hair (his Brother's Wife) but quitting her on a great noise being made and also beating Cauder Shan a Fakir who resides in the same house - which behaviour towards the Inhabitants, must create great uneasiness and greatly tend to the disadvantage of the Public by preventing the Inhabitants returning to the Country and also disgraceful to the Character of an Officer, and contrary to good Order and Military Discipline -

A true Copy

Joseph Garrow

Secretary for the British

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney

My Lord,

From Colonel Fullarton on the subject of the arrangements, requests leave to proceed to Madras

The day after I had the honor to address your Lordship and the Board, from Negapatam, I proceeded to this place in order to have the satisfaction of conferring with Sullivan and

Stippert.

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19 Happily on the very considerable mass of Arrangements now in agitation to the Southward agreeably to the different instructions transmitted to us from the Presidency, which shall be carried into the fullest execution, with as much alacrity as the circumstances and situation of Affairs permit - the difficulty of subsisting the Troops in the district of Trichinopoly has induced me to detach the Flank Companies and three Battalions to be cantoned in the Marawa Country, under Colonel Forbes - Two Battalions will also proceed immediately from Trichinopoly to garrison Tanjore and I am happy to inform you my Lord that the 98th 101st 102nd Regiments have within these few days so much altered their ideas respecting their re-enlisting and remaining in the Country that I am hopeful a little management and a few days longer will very considerably diminish the numbers of those who are under orders to proceed to Madras - I am extremely anxious for your instructions on that part of my letter which respected the difficulty of sending those men by sea and the conveniency as well as comparative expedition with which they could march from Trichinopoly by land - I am likewise my Lord particularly urgent to obtain leave to move to Madras as soon as possible, for it is of the most material consequence that I should be there before the Wreck of my Regiment shall embark for Europe as well as on many other points of public Business -

Sullivan

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Sullivan is gone to Ramnad -

I was mortified to observe the declining state of
His Health - which will require much care and
relaxation on his part, otherwise the worst of
consequences are to be apprehended - M^r Munn
Surgeon is gone to attend him -

Cataplanatum

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I have the honor to be &c

W Fullarton

Received letters as entered in

the MB. No.

From Admirals Secretary requests
an Alteration may be made in the Obligation which
was sent him the 17th instant -

From Lieut Forbes requesting
further leave of Absence, as his Brothers Death
requires his Attendance to adjust his Affairs -

From Ensign Holmes request-
ing leave to proceed to Europe for the recovery of
his Health and enclosing an attested Certificate -

Sent Letters as entered in

the MB. No.

To Captain Donald Campbell
and Cornet Campbell, with permission for them
to proceed to China for the reestablishment of
their Health -

To M^r Walkers, referring him

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19 to the Admiral respecting the Capture of the Ship
Mahmood Budder Bud, and informing him that
the Select Committee will make Mr Battgar a
reasonable Compensation for the Loss of the Snow
Charlotte.

Received the following Letter
from General Horne -

To John Hudleston Esq^r

Secretary to the Select Committee &c &c

From General
Horne, advising
of his having seized
the person of boy-
-lawren -

Sir,

I have had the honor of your
letter of the 14th instant, and in obedience to the
Instructions of the Honble Committee I had the
person of Boylawren taken up - and at Mr Jackson
desire before he set out for Madras, had him
carried to Mr Welch, who he has given security
to, for settling the business with Mr Jackson on
his return to Arcot, which is what Mr Jackson
required -

I have the honor to be Sir

Arcot

18th July 1784

Mat^r Horne

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Sent Letter / answered in

the MB. Mth

To General Campbell requesting
him to issue a Warrant to empower Genl Horne
to hold general Courts Martial -

To Major Sydenham desiring
him

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20. him to release the Naigue who had entered into the Amers Service, and to inform him, if he is again in that employ he will be sent to the West Coast—

To the Captain of the Middleton informing him that the Select Committee approve of the opinion of the Committee appointed to enquire into his Conduct, and hoping that he will entertain a just sense of the lenity of their decision, and that it will have a proper influence on his future Conduct—

Received Letter (as entered in the M.B. No. 1) from some Officers of His Majesty's 100th Regiment, representing their distresses & requesting a Compensation for their Losses—

21. Sent Letters (as entered in the M.B. No. 1)

To the Captains of the Honorable Company's Ships Konstorne and Fowler, desiring them to receive on board their Ships some invalids of His Majesty's Reg^t as Charter Party Passengers—

To Lieut Forbes permitting him to remain in Bengal agreeably to his Request—

Received Letter from the Commissary General of Stores (as entered in M.B. No. 1) representing that the four B.L.^s tendered for sale by Captain Hammett are too short to be of any use to the Service—

Sent Letters to the Commissary General

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The General of Stores and Captain Hammett presented
in MB. No. 1 desiring the former to return
the four B. L. without delay, and the latter advise
- sing him to receive them -

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Received the following letter from

His Majesty's Field Officers -

To the Right Honble the President and Select
Committee of Fort St George,

My Lord and Sirs,

On the 7th Instant, We did our-

- selves the honour to address you asserting our right
to participate in like manner as the Company's
Military Servants in the Revenue Fund -

Of this letter We now enclose you
a copy as We are willing to conceive it must either
have been lost or mislaid rather than the just
Claims of our Ranks should so long pass without
notice or reply -

We have the honor to be Sir

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22nd July 1784 -

J. Burgoyne Col. 23rd L. D.

J. Straubenzee Col.

A. Bar. Wangenheim Lt. Col.

H. Barry for the Honble. L. C. Knox

Ed. Reinbold Colonel

H. Barry Lt. Col.

J. Floyd Col. in India

M. P. Sterling Lt. Col. in India

E. Kruse Major

J. Brattan Major

From His Maj^{ty}
Field Officers, as-
-serting their Claim
to the Revenue
Fund -

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Received the following Letter from
the Governor of Columbo

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
R. B. Governor and President and to the other
Members of the Government at

Madras

From Governor

of Columbo, respecting
the Preliminary
Articles of
Peace between Great
Britain and the
States General on
the subject of the
Restitutions -

My Lord and Gentlemen,

We have received from their High
Mightinesses the States General unequivocal Orders,
agreeably to the Preliminary Articles between our
Republic and the Court of Great Britain to
recover back all the Territories and Places which
have been captured by the English from our Com-
pany; - and We are directed for that purpose,
to demand the same from your Honble Board.

With respect to the Forts of
Trincomalee, which conformably to the Treaty of
Peace between Great Britain and France are to
be ceded by the French to the English - and by
the 4th and 9th Articles of the Preliminaries between
Great Britain and the States General are to be
restored by them to Us - We have received parti-
-cular Directions to be careful that the Cession of
those Places to us do take place at the same
Epoch, and at the same moment of time, &c.
that they are received from the French by your
Commissaries -

W^d

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We doubt not but similar Instructions have been transmitted to your Lordship &c. We have learnt at least from the public News Papers, that the Duke of Manchester has been directed by his Court to forward those Dispatches to the East & Indies by the earliest Conveyance, and We have therefore appointed Commissioners to receive back from your Lordship all the Places which have been captured from Us - the Town of Negapatam alone excepted - The Commissioners nominated by us to receive back Trincomalee have already set off upon the object of their Mission, and those selected to superintend the Restitutions on the Coasts of Coromandel and Madura are ready to proceed, as soon as We shall be informed by your Lordship &c. that Commissioners in your behalf have been appointed; - of which We request to be favoured with the earliest Information -

We have the honor to be &c

Columbo
7th July 1784

Jm: Will^m Patch
Daniel de Bok
J. Herriot
G. Decock
W. L. Kelling

Received Letter from the Admiral
(entered in M^{ts} M^o) requesting 11 Invalids of
His Majesty's Squadron may be sent on the four private
Ships by the way of China -

Sent

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Sent the following letter to Sir

John Burgoyne -

To Major General Sir John Burgoyne B^t

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble

To Sir John Burgoyne
in reply to the Claims
made by his Majesty's
field Officers
for the Revenue fund.

The President and Select Committee to acknowledge
the receipt of two Letters under date the 1st and 22^d.
Instant signed by you and others of His Majesty's
field Officers and to acquaint you in answer that
the general Statement of Allowances to the Kings
Troops drawn up by General Stuart & published
by him in General orders the 14th December 1782.
contains every Allowance the Select Committee are
authorized to grant His Majesty's Officers -

Several days have elapsed
since I received the orders of the Right Honble
President and Select Committee to communicate
to you the above in answer to your first letter,
and I have to beg your excuse for having thus
long delayed it -

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22^d July 1784

I have the honor to be &c

Hudleston
Secretary

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To the Officers of His Majesty's
100th Regiment in reply to their request for a Com-
pensation on Account of their Losses -

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To General Campbell requesting
he will permit the Men of His Majesty's 23^d Reg^t
now at Oore to remain there, as their Services
are wanted to the Northward.

To Ensign Holmes permitting
him to proceed to Europe for the Reestablishment
of his Health.

To the Captain of the *Hillsborough*
desiring him to receive on board his Ship several
Officers and men belonging to His Majesty's Re-
giments and convey them to Bengal.

To the Captains of the *Sonsbeorn*
and *Fowles* desiring them to convey to Europe as
Charter Party Passengers, the 4 Invalids of His
Majesty's Squadron.

To the Secretary to the Supreme
Council with Return of Troops embarked on board
the *Hillsborough*.

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Received Letter (as entered in the
MB. No. / from the Paymaster of Poona and
with Return of Stores in that Garrison for the
Month of June.

Received Letter from Mr Brown
(as entered in MB. No. / enclosing a Certificate
of ill Health and requesting leave to proceed to
Tranquebar for his Recovery.

At

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At a Select Committee Present
The Right Honble George Lord Macartney
President

Saturday
24th July
1784

Anth^l Sadleir Esq^r Lieut General Lang
Alex^r Davidson Esq^r Robert Maunsell Esq^r

The Minutes of last Committee
read and approved —

Read the following Dispatches
from the Chief and Factors at Tellicherry —
To the Right Honble Geo. Lord Macartney
President &c &c Select Committee

at Fort St George

From Chief and
Factors at Tellicherry with in-
telligence from
Malabar Coast & Copy
of their Correspondence
with Tippoo and
the Rajah of
Carnataddoo

My Lord & Gentlemen

Altho we are ignorant with
what safety Packets can at present be forwarded
to your Presidency, yet as there is now no Communi-
cation to Bombay by Sea, and it is very uncertain
how long a time a Packet might be getting thither
by land, as it appears to us necessary that you should
receive every material information that can in any
shape affect the Honble Company's Interest, We
have ventured to dispatch this to advise you of the
following Circumstances —

On the 23^d Ultimo a letter
was received from the Nabob Tippoo Saib addressed

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to the Chief who being absent on account of his health was opened by us, and an answer returned thereto with our concurrence by M^r. William Freeman which we hope will meet with your approbation, Copy thereof as also of the Matoti's letter is now transmitted. We have only further to add on this subject our assurances that we have never given any encouragement to the Persons mentioned in the Matoti's letter, nor even to any of the Malabar Powers who assisted us during the War, as it is our determination to avoid giving the least opening for Complaint.

The 31st following M^r. William Freeman received a letter from the Cartenaddu Rajah mentioning his having settled matters with Tippoo Saib's Government at Calicut, and that he had sent People to collect the Customs at Mahi, and that he should still be unable to fulfill his engagements with the Arcat unless we paid him those we had collected there, from the year 1782 to the present time, to which M^r. Freeman with our consent returned him the accompanying answer, which we hope will have a proper effect as we otherwise shall be embarrassed how to conduct ourselves as we believe his Claim to the Customs of Mahi River to be founded on some old agreement between him and the French respecting which we cannot obtain full Information consequently we cannot form any absolute Judgment what right he has thereto.

We have been informed by the Cutcherry Nair whose Country is situated between this place and Mahi that he has been wrote to

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by a friend of his at Calicut recommending to him to consider the Neighbouring Malabar Powers and to reflect whether it would not be better for him to settle matters in the same manner to which he desires to have our direction what answer to give - As it appeared to us that he might have sent the above information merely to draw from us our sentiments regarding him. We had agreed to intimate to him that we could not suppose that he would be molested as we imagined the Disposal would be settled on the French taking possession of Mahé; his People however went away without an answer, which confirms us in the above opinion. We notwithstanding think it necessary to inform you of this Circumstance as should he adopt the measure he alludes to, it may induce Tippoo's People to establish a Post between this and Mahé which (as our only communication at present with that place is by land) may be productive of Dispute we would wish to avoid -

As it is our Wish and Intentions strictly to observe the Orders we have received with respect to the Nabob and the Malabar Powers, we have not interfered though we are apprehensive that should we submit to such measures as suffering a Post to be established between this and Mahé, it may cause the Nabob to proceed to matters of a more serious nature, such as the demanding of the Rance of Chinnai or Nagp. Sait's family who are now here, and concerning whom we have received no instructions whatever; here we cannot help expressing our wishes to be favoured with your sentiments how we ought to conduct ourselves should any such Demand be made as also respecting such other Circumstances as may appear to

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you necessary for our guidance -

We have as yet heard nothing re-
specting the Release of our Prisoners -

We do not now write by the Honble
the President and select Committee of Bombay as usual
as we wished for the safety of this Packet to make it
as small as possible. We therefore beg leave to request
of you to inform them of such Circumstances contain-
ed in this Address as you may think proper
they should be acquainted with -

We have the honor to be, &c

Tellicherry

20th June 1784.

P.S. You will excuse our writing
in the above Cypher, having no
other -

Willm Freeman

M. Fitch

Willm Page

G. Paterson

Translate of a Letter from Tippoo to the Chief of
Tellicherry, dated 5th May 1784 - received the 23rd May -

With respect to the Governor of Tellicherry -

The Subjects of Godag, Mooday Naigue
and Crurlup Naigue of Bull by artful practices have
had the presumption to carry away most of the Mer-
chants &c from the Circars Country and went towards
Tellicherry - whereas when the Treaty was settled between
the Circars and English there is an Article, that the
English will not protect nor aid the Thieves & Traitors
of the Circars, likewise the Circars will not protect or
assist the Rogues and Traitors belonging to the
English - now the Godag Mooday Naigue and Crurlup
Naigue

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Natives of Mulla, both are Thieves of the Arcas, whom I wish you will not assist, but rather catch by any way and send them up, by which Friendship will appear; also wish you will write always the news of your Country; It was settled in the presence of great Men of the Arcas, the Fort of Cannanore was to be delivered up to the Bibi of Ally Razah, but I hear without doing it the said Fort of Cannanore was plundered, and the Powder, Shot, Guns &c carried away, and the said Fort made empty and Jungal and then your Troops went away, by this it is certain that the Fort is not clean; what more is to write -

Translate of a Letter from M^r. Will^m. Freeman to the Nabor Tippoo Sulthan Bahader dated 1st June 1784

After Compliments -

Your Letter to the Chief of this Settlement dated 5th May was received the 23rd ditto, before which M^r. Church the Chief was obliged to go to Bombay on account of the ill state of his Health, as the next in Council here to that Gentleman, I am to acquaint you that a proper enquiry has been made in consequence of your Letter whether Ulta Nague or any of the other persons mentioned therein are in any part of the Honble Company's Districts, but we cannot find there are any such persons, nor do we believe any of them would dare to enter after the publication made by the Chief some time ago, strictly forbidding any of our Inhabitants admitting them into their Houses, or entertaining any stranger whatso-

Heart

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This Publication having been made long before We received this letter from you, certainly shews in the strongest manner the goodness of our intentions and our firm resolution strictly to observe the Articles of Peace lately concluded between the Honble Company and you, and you may depend that none of the above People shall receive any encouragement from us or be permitted to come into our Districts with our Knowledge.

With respect to Cannanore we have no Knowledge of what has past at that place since the reduction of it by Genl Macleod as that Gentlemen was wholly independant of us and accountable only to the Honble the Select Committee of Bombay neither has that place ever been put under our charge, it is therefore entirely out of our Power to give you any answer to the Complaints which have been made to you, tho' we believe them to be without foundation.

Signed Wm. Freeman

Translate of a Letter from Mr Wm Freeman to the King of Caranaddu, dated 9th June 1784.

I have received your letter informing me of your having settled matters with the Government of Calicut, and that you had sent people to collect the Customs at Mahi - that you should send any such persons to Mahi for the purpose you mention without our Consent or Approbation appears very extraordinary & contrary to

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to your usual prudence, and you surely cannot expect that such a proceeding will pass unnoticed altho' we may not resent it at present, being determined strictly to observe the Articles of the Treaty of Peace lately concluded between the Honble Company and the Mahrattas; you know very well we can do nothing with respect to Mahis or you without orders; your taking this step therefore at this time when we cannot write to Bombay and when there is so little to be got by the Customs, must appear to every one that you wish to seek disputes with us. The issue thereof may prove very serious to you; consider well therefore what you are doing and the consequences which may attend it, and then act as you think proper. I only wish for your own Account / you may differ more wisely. But if you should resolve to persevere, depend upon it, I shall do my duty in representing your unaccountable Conduct, in the strongest manner both to the Government of Bombay and Madras.

The Committee approve of the answer returned by the Chief at Tellicherry to the letters from Tippoo Sultan and the Rajah of Caricnadu respecting Mahis we must consider the Company as holding it upon the same tenure by which it was held by the French, and if by their Agreement

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with the Rajah of Carimaddu the Customs of that post belonged to him he is entitled to the Collections made in our times -

As to the Cutcherry Mair it will be politic in the Chiefs and Factors at Tellicherry to endeavor to induce him to continue his connection with the Company and to prevent such an accommodation between him and Tippoo Sultan as would be likely to produce the consequence they apprehend - the establishing of a post between Tellicherry and Mahé, but there could be no justifiable ground for forcible Interference unless the post were established against the consent of the proprietor of the Country, who is under the protection of the Company - on the other hand the Gentlemen at Tellicherry would not be justified under any circumstances in delivering up the Prince of Herida or the Family of Hyat Beg - the safety of the former is provided for in the Article of the Treaty - with regard to the latter there is not the shadow of a pretext for demanding them of the Company, but as Tippoo's desire to have them in his possession is well known the Committee wish they had been sent to Bombay and that the Gentlemen at Tellicherry would yet take the first opportunity of conveying them thither - upon the whole it will be advisable for the Chief and Council at Tellicherry to correspond as little as possible with Tippoo Sultan, and on every occasion to refer for decision to their Superiors at Bombay - Agreed that an

answer

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answer be written to this letter from the foregoing
Minutes and that copies of both be transmitted
to the Select Committee at Bombay.

Read the following letter from
M^r. Lind and Captain Close.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney Kt.
President &c Select Committee

of Fort St George
My Lord & Gentlemen,

From M^r. Lind &
Captⁿ. Close have
been employed
examining the
Rajah of Venkata-
gherry's Affairs
- respecting the
proceedings of
M^r. Hummer Ud
dun Caon.

We have the honor to enclose a
copy of a letter which we addressed and dispatched
to Hummer Ud dun Chan last night - As soon
as we are favoured with an answer which we
do not expect to receive in less than twelve days
We shall transmit a translation of it to your
Lordship &c - We have been employed for these
two days past in examining the various papers
which the Rajah deemed necessary for our inspec-
-tion and consideration and We hope in a short
time to attain such a competent knowledge of
the state of Affairs as will enable us to proceed
with vigor and dispatch - Captain Mahab
in his letter of the 21st Instant which reached us
yesterday evening confirmed the Intelligence of
Hummer ud dun Chan's having marched to-
wards Cummum, leaving garrisons in Borchut
and Kudachamoo.

Venkatagerry

16th July 1784

We have the honor to be &c

M^r. Lind

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Read also Letters of the 18th and 19th

Instant from the Rajah of Venkatagerry (as entered in C.C. No.) representing that Mus Commend Cawn has taken the Fort of Orcher - that he is collecting the Revenue in his (the Rajah's) Jaghires and is gone to Comman in consequence of an order from Tippec Sultaun to repair to Seringapatam - that if therefore M^r Lind and Captain Close do not go immediately to Mus Commend Cawn the Business will be put off.

The President lays before the Committee the following letter which to save time his Lordship wrote to M^r Lind and Captⁿ Close -

To Mess^{rs} Lind and Close.

Gentlemen

In the Interval of the meetings of

the Select Committee I write to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 16th Instant in which you enclose a copy of yours to Hummer ud din Khan requiring him to send a Nakut to You to treat of the Differences with the Rajah of Venkatagerry - You did not probably hear at the time of the report of Hummer ud Din Khan's very soon setting out for Seringapatam - his Departure before a settlement may leave matters for a considerable time in an embarrassing as well as a confused state; and it was the desire a prompt end to such embarrassment that prevented this Government from writing to

From the President to Mess^{rs} Lind & Close on the subject of the disputes between the Rajah of Venkatagerry & Hummer ud din Cawn & pointing out Steps for their guidance -

Hummer

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Thummar ud durr Khan to send a Vachell to treat immediately here - If Mr Lind stays with the Rajah and that Captain Close goes on to Thummar ud durr Khan directly, you will by your mutual correspondence have almost every advantage of having the contending parties together, and Captain Close cannot be for a moment at a loss if he be accompanied by, and consult with, some confidential person of the Rajah who will be desired to send such person for that purpose - This method will be therefore adopted without a moment's delay.

I am Gentlemen &c

Fort St George
22nd July 1784.

Macartney

The Committee approve of the foregoing letter.

Read the following letter from

Lieutenant Phippsback.

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

From Lt Phippsback
The Rajah of Venear
tagherry refuses
him permission
to take a sketch
of his Country.

My Lord & Gentlemen,

Mr Lind and I arrived here the 10th instant and waited upon the Rajah the same afternoon - the next day I informed the Rajah of my orders, and requested he would furnish me

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of his Dominions - He promised to give me an Answer the day after, which he did and was as follows. That in his letter no name was mentioned but Mr Sindr. That there was a person to come, to take the limits of his Country to the Northward, but not of this district; Mr Sindr and Captain Cloe have several times explained to Him, that I was not only to make a Sketch of the districts in dispute, but also of those he held under the protection of the Honourable Company, but to no purpose. I request therefore your Lordship &c will send me further instruction how to act.

By the different Maps that have fallen into my hands of this country, I have observed that they are very imperfect, & have little resemblance with the Countries they are to represent; I have therefore informed myself from my first arrival in this Country, respecting the bearing distances &c of the Towns, Rivers and boundaries of the Nellore & adjacent Countries, partly by observation, partly by information from intelligent people. The territories of the Rajah of Vencatagherry are divided into two separate distinct Districts. The chief place of the first is Vencatagherry between 90 and 100 Miles nearly N.W. from Madras, it is bounded to the South, by the Country

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Country of the Rajah of Palastoy - to the Westward
by the Mountains which run nearly North & South
over the Peninsula, - to the Northward by the Mel-
lore country and the Paligar of Sud Abram; and
to the Eastward by the Sea and the Lake of Pulicat,
- the other district is that of Conichgherry about
90 Miles north from this, dependant upon the
Nabobship of Cuddapah, and some small districts
between Conichgherry and Angole. These districts
are in some degree intermixed with others, but
chiefly bound to the westward by the Cumburn
Country, to the eastward by ^{the} Angole Country, and
to the southward by the Angole, Mellore, Chundry
&c. Countries; and all at present by the invasion
of Commies and deiv Gauris in a scene of confusion.

Your Lordship &c are the best
judges how far it will be necessary to furnish me
with letters to the possessors of the Countries border-
-ing upon those of the Rajah that I am that
person sent for the above purpose.

I have the honor to be &c

Venkatagerry
13th July 1784

W. Kippelback M^{rs}

Engineer &c

Agreed that Lieut Kippelback

be informed that he is only to survey or take a
sketch of the district of Conichgherry including

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if he can the whole of what is dependant upon
Tommam, and that he is not to extend it to
the rest of the Nagahis Countries without his
consent and approbation.

I Read Letter from the Nayah
of Tanjore (as entered in C. C. 90th) pre-
sented that he has discharged the 4 Lacks of
Nagidas due to the Company - requests that the
Company's servants may be ordered to furnish him
with Troops as he has none of his own - that a dis-
pute happened in his Garden among some of the
Company's Officers and his people, that he made
complaints to the Resident but being unable to
procure redress requests the Resident will order
them to be punished - that on account of some
irregularities committed by Captain Scott, re-
quests he may not again be sent to Tanjore that
notwithstanding he supplied the Resident with
a quantity of Rice agreeably to his request, several
Sepoys were sent into the districts and plundered
and carried away a considerable Quantity, and
likewise seized the Manager, and carried him to
Trenchenopoly, that if some of the Aggressors were
punished their irregularities would not so often
occur.

The Committee are extremely
concerned at the Irregularities complained of with
so much apparent Justice by the Nayah of Tanjore
and at the inattention which seems to have shewn

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to them - The Outrage alleged to have been committed in one of the Rajah's Gardens is of a nature so injurious to the rights and dignity of the Rajah and to the honor of the Company and is totally subversive of all good order and Military discipline that the Committee think it indispensably necessary, and accordingly resolve that Colonel Fullarton be directed to cause the officers concerned, M^r Gibbons and M^r Wilmore to be tried by a general Court Martial upon the facts stated in the Rajah's Complaint - Agreed also that his Complaints relative to the cutting up all the Trees and Plantations upon the Arjunt and the seizure and carrying away of sheep from the Tanjore Country be communicated to Col^l Fullarton with directions to cause the strictest Enquiry into them, and proper reparation to every person belonging to the Rajah who upon such enquiry shall appear to have been injured -

Agreed that copies of the Rajah's Letter and four orders to Colonel Fullarton be sent to the Resident at Tanjore with a letter directing him to give Colonel Fullarton every assistance that may be necessary from him to enable him effectually to execute our orders - also to express to him (the Resident) our surprise at M^r Flippert's having omitted in his absence to forward to us a Copy of the Letter which the Rajah

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alleges to have written to him, or to make to us any Communication whatever upon the subject - to refer him to the Instructions for his guidance in case of Complaints from the Rajah as contained in the 5th Article of the Regulations established upon his appointment to the Residency of Tanjore and to desire that he will in future pay immediate attention to the redress of whatsoever Grievances or Injuries the Rajah may represent to him so that a Knowledge of them may not reach us in the first Instance from himself - also to comply with the Rajah's requisitions for Troops and every other Assistance for the purposes of Revenue with as little delay as possible - Agreed that the Rajah's Complaint of the neglect of the Amalgam by the British - no party Member be referred to the Committee of Assigned Revenue -

The President is requested to write to the Rajah in the strongest terms on this occasion and to give him every satisfactory assurance of our determination to support him in the enjoyment of his rights and to punish every act of Injustice that may at any time, or by any person be attempted against him or any of his people, and to convince the Rajah of the sense we entertain of the Injuries he complains of it is Agreed that Copies be sent to him of our orders to Mr Sullivan and Colonel Fullarton -

Read

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Read the following letter from
the Resident at Tanjour with the Account therein
mentioned -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
My Lord,

The accompanying Statement of the
notes issued under the Seal of this Presidency previous
to the receipt of your Lordship's orders of the 9th March
last, was prepared for your Lordship's Information
immediately after my dispatch of the 13th March,
but from my ill health and removal to Travincal
it has been detained to this time - an omission
for which I beg your Lordship's forgiveness -

I had the honor of explaining
to your Lordship in my letter of the 13th March,
the reasons which compelled me to seek relief for
the public distress in this manner, and the differ-
-ent heads of the Account refer to the same point.
I will therefore only trespass on your Lordship
at present with a request, that as I pledged my
word that the money actually advanced in Tan-
jour should be repaid at the same place, you
will permit me to continue the discharge of the
bonds on this account from the revenues under my
Charge - With respect to the other bonds, whether
for Money borrowed at Negapatam, for advances
made to the Paymaster of the Army, or for Advances to
Officers, as I entered into no engagements for the model

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or time of payment, I have but to leave them to your Lordships Consideration, and to submit to your better judgement, whether it would not be proper to exchange such armay not now be put in common - deate course of Payment, for regular bonds in the form usually sturvid at the Presidency. It is scarcely necessary to observe to your Lordship that the large ballances due in the different departments of Paymaster and Storekeeper are not included in the Account now forwarded to your Lordship - Those of the Paymaster have at times been very considerable, but as no Interest has been charged for advances in that department, since I have been in Office, Payments have been made on Account whenever the state of our Cash would admit - The department of the Store has been differently circumstanced - W. Hippiestry to whom I entrusted that Office had few resources of his own, stores could be purchased with ready money only, and the demands of the Army were so great and the service so urgent, that Colonel Pallaston and myself did not scruple to support W. Hippiestry's Credit with every assurance of security to those who could lend him money. The ballance upon this account therefore necessarily bears an Interest.

I have the honor to be &c

Yours
5th July 1784

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An Account of Interest Notes issued by the Resident of Tanjore
on Account of the Honble Company & under their Seal.

Account of Interest Notes issued by the Resident of Tanjore for Money actually advanced in Tanjore		Viz ^d
1782		
Jan'y 23	Narrain Pillai borrowed of him	2000 " "
27	Ditto ditto	6000 " "
Feb'y 22	Chingulroy moodelur ditto	5800 " "
25	The Rev. ^d Mr. Swatby ditto, discharged 12 th Dec ^r 83	
	Interest & Premium at the rate of 12 p ^{ct} p ^{annu} m	1000 " "
	Mr. James White borrowed of his Attorney Lieut. Knox	2069. 36. 60
	Lieut. Robert Cameron ditto ditto	410 " "
x 27	Colonel John Brathwaite ditto Mr. Buchanan	1000 " "
March 16	Captain W. Nigors borrowed of him	1000 " "
April 2	Narrain Pillai ditto of her Agent Patchapa moodelur	1200 " "
3	Kama Nairgul ditto of him	1000 " "
10	Buchanans Sawcar ditto of him (discharged 14 th Dec ^r 82)	
	Interest & Premium at the rate of 12 p ^{ct} p ^{annu} m	1000 " "
June 22	Mr. W ^m Churchill borrowed of him (discharged the 9 th Dec ^r 83)	
	Interest & Premium at the rate of 12 p ^{ct} p ^{annu} m	800 " "
October 14	Mr. Koll borrowed of him	2500 " "
30	Captain Morse ditto	1521 " "
31	Kama Nairgul ditto	2000 " "
Nov ^r 10	Major Hugh Alcock ditto	400 " "
Dec ^r 18	Buchanans Sawcar ditto (discharged 26 th April 83)	
	Interest & Premium at the rate of 12 p ^{ct} p ^{annu} m	2000 " "
19	Patchapa moodelur ditto (discharged 15 th April 83)	
	Interest & Premium at the rate of 12 p ^{ct} p ^{annu} m	532 " "
1783	23 Annagery moodelur borrowed of him	6000 " "
April 20	Mr. Catherine Judson ditto of her	250 " "
22	Mr. Henry Morris ditto of him	730 " "
Oct ^r 1	Histiyah ditto	3000 " "
10	Ditto ditto	1000 " "
Dec ^r 5	Ditto ditto	1500 " "
7	Ditto ditto	1000 " "
12	The Rev. ^d Mr. Graham Gerich ditto	1000 " "
Jan'y 12	Histiyah borrowed of him	580 " "
		47,932. 36. 60

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Account of Interest Notes issued by
Messrs Cochrane Digby and by the
Residents of Tanjore for money actually
advanced at Negapatam. Vizt

Messrs Cochrane & Robins Agents for the
Captors of Negapatam, borrowed of them
the receipt signed by John Sullivan Esq^r
dated the 20th Janry 1782 as f^r M^r Cochrane's Ac^t 10,000. - - -
M^r Cochrane Agent for the Captors of Negapatam
borrowed of them, the receipt signed by M^r
Cochrane and Digby dated the 7th May 1782
as f^r M^r Cochrane's Account 5000. - - -

Admiral Sir Edward Hughes K. B. borrowed
of them by Capt^m James Johnstone as f^r
M^r Cochrane's Account - - -

17 th July 1782	2000.	} 10,000. - - -
1 August	1000	
25 ditto	1000	
26 th September	3000	
11 th October	1000.	

1783 August 9 Capt^m James Johnstone borrowed of them 2051. 39. 28

Sept^r 2 Capt^m - - - - - 107. 38. 36

37,249. 35. 64

Account of Interest Notes issued by the
Residents of Tanjore for advances made
to the Paymaster of the Army Vizt

December 8 M^r Joseph Little agent for the Captors borrowed of them 32,044. 7. -

1784 Feb^r 17 Captain Edward Tanner - ditto - 5126. 33. 72

March 9 Lieut John Bannerman - ditto - 5005. - - -

42,175. 40. 72

Account of Interest notes issued by the Resi-
dents of Tanjore in discharge of Arriars due to
Officers removed by Government from the
Southward and to other Officers serving to
the Southward, who, for the Accommodation
of Government were satisfied to forego their
Right to a participation in Payments,
that the public Service might be forwarded
by Application of the monies where more wanted Vizt

Carried over 127,352. 20. 36

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Brought over

127,358.29.56

March 1 Captain Spencer Cochrane borrowed of him 1466 . . .

20 M^r D Buchanan ditto one year's Inthas been paid @ 9 1/2 % p^{er} annum

1600 . . .

December 7 Colonel E. Nixon borrowed of him 4307 . 6 . .

16 Lieut John Allan ditto 502 . 4 . 20

19 Major Hugh Alcock ditto 144 . . .

D^r ditto ditto 601 . 13 . 24

1783

January 15 M^r R. D. Buchanan ditto 2000 . . .Captain Arch^d Brown ditto 562 . . .M^r Simpson ditto 756 . . .April 10 Captⁿ Tho^s Knox ditto discharged the 1st
January 16th Int. @ 9 1/2 % p^{er} annum 1340 . 47 . 12August 9 M^r R. D. Buchanan borrowed of him 300 . . .M^r Nicol Mein ditto 600 . . .December 12 The Rev^d M^r Greston Froid^e Suarby loan
to the said Captⁿ Knox's estate borrowed 830 . 24 . 64

1784

January 1 Captain Tho^s Knox borrowed of him 2449 . 3 . 60M^r James Buchanan ditto of him 564 . . .Feb^ry 25 Captain George Clark ditto of him 770 . 10 . 28

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August 9 M^r Henry Taylor being for the latter
due to him on the 30th Jan^y 1782
by the Company for disbursements
made by him as acting Paymaster. 2581 . 11 . 58

27,830.7.36

Tanjore

15th March 1784

Pagodas

155,238,36,72

Errors Excepted

Hulvan

Resident

W^m X This mark denotes the bonds
discharged from the 15th March
to the 30th June

Respecting

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Respecting the monies actually advanced to Mr. Sullivan for the public service and for the payments of which in Tanjore he has pledged his word, the public faith must of course be preserved, and they must be discharged in Tanjore accordingly but as money is so much wanted for the immediate payment of other demands, Mr. Sullivan must be desired to discharge those Engagements by Installments so as to leave a considerable proportion of the Revenue for other purposes.

For the money borrowed of the Captors of Negapatam and of Sir Edw.^d Hughes Bonds have been issued here.

With regard to the other Interest Notes it is agreed that Bonds be issued here agreeably to Mr. Sullivan's recommendation and that the Account be sent to the Civil Secretary to enable him to draw out the Bonds - as to the Stores and Paymasters departments in which Mr. Sullivan observes there are large Ballances due that are not included in the account transmitted, We have as yet seen no Accounts whatever of the disbursements in either and it will be proper to remind Mr. Sullivan that he is responsible to Government in both departments to whomsoever he may have thought proper to confide them, that to him only we look for Information and Explanation on the subject - that until We are furnished with the accounts of disbursements and Advances and of the

Ballances

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Ballances due We can come to no determination
with regard to allowing Interest on any Account

Read the following letter from
Colonel Fullarton -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney Kt.

My Lord

From Col. Fullarton
will execute without
delay the orders of
Government, recom-
mends some Officers
to the Attention of
the Committee as
well as some imme-
diate reductions
in the Southern
Army.

I have had the honor of the Instru-
tions from your Lordship and the Board respecting
the reduction of the Native Troops to the South?
- Mr. Sullivan is now at Ramnad as soon as I have
his opinions on the most advisable mode of carry-
ing those Instructions into execution I shall not
fail to give them full effect - But I must in a
very particular manner request your Lordship to
consider the respectable Character and distinguished
Services of Colonel Martineau - I am hopeful you
will order him to be continued in the command
of the Garrison of Ramnad - He was in the Com-
pany's Service and would be now of very high
standing, had not some objection respecting his
Religion made him think it necessary as a matter
of Principle and Honor to resign it - The other
Officers under his command will also be reduced
to a most distressful condition unless your
Lordship and the Board will grant them Rank
and Situation - several of them are men of long
Service and real Merit.

With respect to the reduction
of Repence at Madurai, I shall adopt every
measure in conjunction with Mr. Sparrow and

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Captain Mordaunt that may tend to fulfill your intentions and make the Garrison respectable. The Independants at Trichinopoly may also be reduced with great propriety agreeably to your late Instructions, and as a preliminary to, that measure I have ordered 400 of them to be drafted into the Regular Battalions.

The heavy expences incurred by continuing the departments and public followers of the Army notwithstanding the reduction of Staff and Field Allowances, has given me much uneasiness, as it militates against that system of retrenchment so necessary at present, & absorbs great part of those resources, that would otherwise be applied to the discharge of the Army arrears. Sullivan, Fitzpatrick Digby and myself have consulted very fully on this important subject and we are agreed, that a discharge of Draught and Carriage Bullocks, Bullock men, & Gun Carriers with other descriptions of Public followers would be a most salutary measure.

On this Principle I have drawn out a Plan of reduction, by which all the public followers, Bullocks and other causes of Expence, belonging to the battering Train and Commissary of Stores department may be almost entirely done away - all draught Bullocks of every denomination turned out of the Service, excepting a sufficiency for such a number of Brigades of Field Guns, as your Lordship & the Board may wish to retain together with such

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such a proportion of Carriage Bullocks as you may direct - then and other retrenchments should immediately be carried into execution, but the late intimations from your Lordship and the Board respecting the uncertainty of Public Affairs and your repeated injunctions to be extremely much on our guard respecting the designs of Tippu Sahib, restrain me from fulfilling any reduction of that extent untill I shall have your Lordship's pointed and particular instructions so to do - for it is obvious that if once our public followers are dispersed our Draught & Carriage Bullocks discharged and our Departments at an end, there cannot be a possibility of putting the Army in motion without a very considerable advance of money together with much time, Labour and preparation -

In very anxious expectation of your orders on this detail, I have in the meanwhile directed Mr. Orpin, Commissary, to proceed round the different Stations or Cantonments of the troops at Tanjore, Mellore, Marawar, Secundernully, Dindigul and Fritchinnopoly, in order to reduce all Expenses whatever to the lowest Standard of the Company's Regulations -

I must take the liberty of stating to your Lordship that if there is any Idea of re-commencing Hostility, it will become a measure of absolute necessity for the Public Service, that you permit me to wait on you at the Presidency were it but for two days in order to explain in detail, a variety of very material Circumstances that cannot be expressed on paper and which must at

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all events be stated to your Lordships viva voce
before we think of taking the field -

I have already requested your
Lordships very urgently to permit me to go to Ma-
dras for a short time on business of material
consequence to the officers and men of my Regiment
as well as myself - The Zeal, Abilities and disposition
of Colonel Stuart, authorize me to assure you,
that in the event of an Arrangement for Peace,
or preparation for War, the military business of
the Southward will be carried on by him during
my Absence, to the best advantage - His habits &
regards towards Sullivan and Tipperary will
also ensure cooperation & confidence between them.

M^r Huddleston informs me
that Ships of War will come for the men of the
King's Corps who wish to return to Europe -
This will be of all modes the most convenient
for them, and as soon as I know the time that
the Ships will probably arrive, at Negapatam
the men shall be there ready to embark - Col^l
Stuart is now at that place, and I shall pro-
ceed thither to-morrow in order to wait
your Order -

I have the honor to be &c

Catapanattam
16th July 1784.

W Fullarton

After the mutual restora-
tion of Dingyull Amboor and Sautgur shall
have taken place Colonel Fullarton will pro-
ceed to the reductions mentioned in the above
Letter

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Letter and every other that can be safely effected, and having executed that service the Committee will no longer oppose his desire to come to the Presidency - the Committee will on a future day take into consideration Colonel Fullartons recommendation of Colonel Martineau -

Read the following Letters -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney P. B.
President &c &c Select Committee.

From Mrs. Dyce
with Intelligence.

My Lord and Gentlemen,

I had the honor of addressing your Lordships and the Honble Select Committee on the 17th May last, with information of my being ordered here by Captain Muirhead to take charge of the Troops in this Garrison - Since that time, nothing has happened of consequence enough to be communicated to your Lordships & the Honble Committee, till a few days ago, when a party of about 150 Pellys, from Towellgoody Noweffpethi, (between Trichinopoly and Tanjore) came to this neighborhood, and in the night time plundered the Villages and carried off the Cattle - As soon as I was informed of their incursion I sent small guards for the protection of the most contiguous villages, which I believe saved them from being plundered, and their Banditti are now entirely gone off, but as they may repeat their visit I would be happy to have orders from your Lordships and the Honble Board, directing me how to act, for this Garrison is so small, that it may perhaps be imprudent

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imprudent to detach any part of it - What I have already done being to the best of my judgement for the good of the Service, will I hope not meet with the disapprobation of your Lordship and the Honble Committee -

Rungen-Ghur
15th July 1784

I have the honor to be &c

John Dyce
Ensign

No. 1.

I have this moment had accounts that the Colliers are again appearing a party of them is now about 20 Miles from them.
J. Dyce

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney M.P.
President &c &c Select Committee

My Lord and Gentlemen,

Thomas L. Sundt.
has engaged a
quantity of Paddy
- states the expence
of repairing the
Grainery -

I have been honoured with your

letter of the 6th instant and have in consequence engaged a sufficient quantity of Paddy for the Consumption of this Garrison until next Crop at the present market price.

I have likewise had the proper Workmen to inspect the condition of the roof of the Grainery; and agreeable to their estimate I beg leave to report that it may be effectually secured for 186 Spar Nagdars, including the expence of twenty three large timbers, tiles, Churnam, and other materials - the dimensions of the building are 48 feet by 25 1/2 -

Chandernagherry
1st July 1784

I have the honor to be &c

T. Sundt Lieut
Col.

Agd

Chandernagherry

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Agreed that Mr Dyie be directed to apply to Colonel Fullarton for Instructions in case the Poligars should be again troublesome -

Agreed that Lieut Sundt be permitted to have the Building he mentions repaired with the strictest Economy -

The Minutes of the Night

Honble the President delivered in Committee the 15th June on the proceedings of the enquiry held by Mr Irwin at Tinnevely upon charges exhibited against Mr George Proctor is again read and the Committee after mature consideration concur in, and adopt the President's observations and opinions upon each charge, and it is resolved accordingly that the same be signified to Mr Proctor in a letter drawn up from the minute and that he be called upon to refund the sums he has acquired by the difference of Exchange which must be ascertained by the Committee of Assigned Revenue from the proceedings of the Enquiry, also that he be called upon for the Ballance due upon his Accounts with the Districts of Madurai and Tinnevely and which he left Tinnevely without having discharged - This Ballance also must be ascertained by the Committee of Assigned Revenue from the Accounts transmitted by them to Mr Irwin -

Resolved that the proceedings of the said Enquiry with the President's minute and the letter to Mr Proctor when drawn up from it be sent to the Committee of Assigned Revenue

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with directions to have the former carefully deposited among their Records and the two latter entered on their proceedings and to furnish as soon as possible the necessary Accounts of the sums to be demanded of Mr Proctor.

Read the following letter from

Captain Foyne.

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

From Captⁿ Foyne
requests to be re-in-
stated in the Com-
mand of the Cavalry
& represents the
hardships he has
experienced.

As I was not so fortunate to
succeed in the Application I made for the Command
of the Cavalry on this Establishment upon the
Commencement of the War in the Carnatick, during
the whole of which I have been subjected to the
Mortification of an inactive Life, and deprived
of that Share of Glory attendant upon successful
Enterprizes which it is the honest Ambition of
every Soldier to attain, yet conceiving that I have
long been entitled by the orders of the Company
to the Command, I take the liberty of renewing
my Solicitation for that Appointment, & should
my present application meet with a favorable
reception, I trust that the Rank of the Com-
mander will be taken into Consideration, and
that the Right Honble the President and the
Select Committee will be pleased to grant with
the Appointment such Rank as near Thirty
Years Service may in their Estimation entitle
me to, and adequate to the extent of the Comman-

and

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in which expectation I shall not I hope be deemed unreasonable, when I beg leave to represent that many of His Majesty's Officers who are now employed in India as Colonels, with as much ardor to themselves and service to their Country were my Juniors in the Army, when soon after the conclusion of the late German War, I quitted a Troop in the King's Regiment of Light Dragoons to dedicate my Services to the Honourable Company in the more active Scenes in this distant part of the Globe, relying upon their Candour, Impartiality and liberal Justice for the reward of my long and faithful Services -

I have the honor to be Sir

Madras
15th July 1784

J. Col. Tonnyn

The Commander in Chief delivers in the following minute with a letter from Captain Tonnyn which is found to be a copy of the above -

The Commander in Chief lays before the Committee a letter from Captain J. Tonnyn requesting to be appointed to the command of the Cavalry -

As Captain Dugald Campbell has been appointed to that Command by the Committee and the Arrangements in that line have been already settled - the General does not see any reason at present for making any Alteration - as Captain Tonnyn has not been

General Lang's
minute on the
foregoing letter, &
with recommendations

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in the Field during the whole War - he cannot think of recommending him to the command of the Cavalry in prejudice of a person who has served with them during the War - the Commander in Chief proposes that the case of Captain Tonym be referred home to the Court of Directors by the next dispatch, and that the Committee defer coming to any resolution respecting him until their Orders are received -

The Commander in Chief also delivers in a letter from Lieut Colonel Kennedy respecting the Corps of Artillery - the consideration of which he proposes being deferred until matters are finally settled with Tippoo Sultan -

The Commander in Chief informs the Committee that he appointed Ensign Rob^t. Turing to the Command of the Marksmen in the room of M^r Ferguson and recommends that he be allowed the same Allowances as Lieut Ferguson from the time the latter quitted the command of the Marksmen -

He also ordered M^r. Fenning Engineer to do duty under the Quarter Master General from the time Captain Wickens was ordered to Permacoit - and recommends that he have the same allowances as were given to his Predecessor -

Recommended that Lieut Ross Lang be ordered to join the Sibbudy Corps at Vizagapatam for which he stands appointed and that he be allowed to hold them on the same footing as Captain James Russell has had them -

Ross Lang

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Agreed that Captain Tonnys letter
be referred to the Honble Court of Directors.

Colonel Kennedy's letter ordered
to lie for Consideration

Read the following Letter -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
H. B. President &c Select Committee,

Madras.

From Col. Mearns
with account of cash
received, and what
is wanted to complete
a Months Pay.

My Lord and Gentlemen,

Untill I arrived here I under-
stood that a lack of Rupees was to be ready for us at
Ganjam; I now find that it is not arrived there,
nor can I expect that money which may be sent
from Bengal can arrive by Sea at this season early
enough to enable me to make a Payment on the
first of August.

Our Board have written to
advise I will get Money for Bells on them, but is
so small a Settlement as this it is impossible
to provide any Sum of consequence by that mode.

I enclose a copy of an Estimate
made by our Paymaster according to a form dif-
ferent from those which he gave in every month
at Madras before he got an order on the Treasury
for any money, by which it appears that
will pay the Troops and Officers a Months Pay.

I also enclose an account fur-
ther for the three last Sums that We received by
which it will appear that with

I contract to make three Payments, by which I
paid

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paid to the Officers three months Pay and cleared the Troops for five months by bringing the Rice to account, which had been running on ever since We first joined the Army -

By doing this I put a total stop to all discontents, and flattered myself I should have met your approbation for my good management, and still flatter myself that it will be so when you peruse the Account Current in which there certainly are not any indefinite charges, nor any contingent Bills, nor any Sums paid that could have been paid by Bills on Bengal that I know of -

I have addressed the Chief of this Settlement, and requested that he will let me have money to make a Payment on the first of August, as I do not see the smallest probability of getting Money from Bengal in June to do it, and the last payment to our detachment was on the 19th of June -

I am much concerned at being under a necessity of troubling you for Money, it is entirely contrary to my Expectations, but I hope you will see the necessity of relieving the wants of the Troops under my Command whose services you were pleased to speak of in such honorable Terms, more especially as our detention at Madras has been the sole cause of our not getting home before the rains which here have been extremely heavy and have rendered Cuttack impassible -

I have fully stated to the Supreme Council the necessity of supplies and I flatter myself

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myself that this will be the last time I shall have occasion to address you on the Subject. But as our Troops are now seven months in arrears, besides the current month now half expired, and the Troops of the district are paid up. I trust you will see the propriety of letting us have the means of subsistence.

Camp near
Nizagapatam
15th July 1784

I am with the greatest respect &c

J. D. Pearse Col.
Comd^g the Bengal Detach^t

Estimate of Cash required to pay One Months Pay & Balta to the Detachment commanded by Colonel Thomas Dean Pearse

To the Commanding Officer	3000. --
To 2 Lieut Col ^s a 20 Rupees of Deem	1736. --
To 2 Majors a 21 R ^s 8	1302. --
To 9 Captains a 10 R ^s 8	2700. --
To 37 Lieuts a 7 R ^s 8	3553. --
To 11 Ensigns a 6 R ^s 8	2046. --
To 1 Deputy Commissary a 6 R ^s 8	186. --
To 1 Conductor Pay 50 Rupees of M ^t & 4 Rupees of Day Balta	174. --

To Detachment Staff 3000. -- 20537. --

12 th Regiment Sepoys	9026. --
13 th " "	3063. --
24 th " "	3834. --
25 th " "	9159. --
26 th " "	9639. --
Hospital Charges	7500. --
Artificers Biddars &c	4600. --
Goldandaze	1606. --
2 ^d M ^t General's Department	1500. --
3 Companies Lascars	1700. --
Lascars &c attached to the Commanding Officers of Regiments	456. --
	62927. --

Total Rupees 86,574. --

C. C. Geo. Tyler

Paym^t to Col^l Pearse's Detachment

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Abstract

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Abstract Account of Cash Received & Disbursed
by George Tyler Paymaster to Colonel Pearses
Detachment.

April 20 To M^r Thomas Welch Paymaster
to the Madras Troops for Cash
received of him M^r Nagodur
37000 and 370.37¹/₂ Sonat Rupes
& 1/2 M^r Nagodur is Sonat Rups 137037¹/₂ - 7

By Amount of Receipts for one
Months pay to the Hon^{ble}
Command^r of the 2^d 5th & 10th } 3574¹/₂ - 8
Comp^d of Artillery -

By Amount of Officers Pay and
Batta attached to the 2^d
5th & 10th Comp^d of Artillery } 3456¹/₂ - 8
Receipts -

By D^r - D^r to 2 Conductors 354¹/₂ - 8

By Amount of Abstracts for
one Months Pay & Batta to
the 2^d 5th & 10th Batt^{ns} and 3
Additional Comp^d of Artillery } 12670¹/₂ - 1

By D^r - D^r for Golan daaze 1420¹/₂ - 8

By Lieut Col Elliot Abstracts
for Artificers, Coolies &c for
one Months Pay & Batta } 5563¹/₂ - 10

By Lieut W^m Blendell D^r M^r } 2869¹/₂ - 9
D^r - D^r - - - - - 8432¹/₂ - 7

By Advances to pay off Establishment
on the Detachment leaving Madras

Lieut Col^l Elliot 5563¹/₂ - 10

Lieut W^m Blendell 1851¹/₂ -

M^r Tho^s Geller 721¹/₂ -

Carried over -

137037¹/₂ - 7 44534¹/₂ - 10

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Fort St George 24th July 1784Br^d forward — 137,037. 7 44534. 10By Amount of Abstracts for one
Months pay and Batta to the
12th Regiment — 10444. 11. 3By Dr. Dr. for 10th Dr. — 11348. 1. 11By Dr. Dr. 24th Dr. — 11374. 11. —By Dr. Dr. 25th Dr. — 11352. 2. 4By Dr. Dr. 26th Dr. — 11962. 1. 3

56431. 11. 9

By Captⁿ Dickson V. M^{rs} Gen^l
Abstracts for one months
Pay & Batta to several Resi-
dents &c. —

1334. 11. 4

By M^{rs} Tho^s Giller for one
Months Hospital charges —

7211. —

By Sir Geo Ramsay for balance
due him on Batta Notes
to the 31st December 1783 —

8337. 5. 9

By Amount of Lt Col Edmondson
Blane Elliot, Major
Widdburne Captⁿ Scott
& Pearson 8th Officers of the
Staffs Pay & Batta —

10911. 7. 1

June 7. To Cash rec^d of the Madras Council
Council's draft dated 20th
April on the Chief Council
of Masulipatam in my
favor for A^m 100,000 —

97,297. 6. 9

By Amount of Abstract for
one months pay & Batta
for Golanadarze —

1326. 3. 9

By Amount of Officers Pay
15th attached to the Artillery —

407. —

By Dr. Dr. to 2 Conductors —

354. —

By Lieut M^{rs} Woodrill 2nd
M^{rs} Staff Bill for one
Months pay & Batta to
Lancers &c. —

2869. 8. 9

234331. 5. 4 133229. 10. 3

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First forward	234334.5.4	133229.10.3
By Major Dearie Abstract for one month Pay & Batta to 3 Comp ^d Lascars	1641.5.10	3109.7.10
By D ^r D ^r for Artificers &c		
By D ^r D ^r for 12 th Regiment	10362.11.2	
By D ^r D ^r 13 th D ^r	11147.6.4	
By D ^r D ^r 24 th D ^r	11073.4.4	
By D ^r D ^r 25 th D ^r	11342.10.4	
By D ^r D ^r 26 th D ^r	11794.5.2	55710.5.4
By D ^r of Capt ⁿ Dickson's abstract for Lascars &c	13344.4	
By Mr. Thos. Gillet for one M ^o Hospital charges	7206.---	
By Amount of Lieut Colonel Edmondson & Blane Major Widdenturne, Captains &c Kearson &c Officers of the Staff Pay & Batta	10467.2.9	
18 To Cash rec ^d of Lt ^l Daniell Esq ^r Chief M ^o of Manipulation Madras Pag ^t 30000	122222.3.6	
By Amount of Officers Pay and Batta attached to the Artillery	405.---	
By D ^r D ^r to 2 Conductors	354.---	
By Major Dearie abstract for Pay and Batta for 3 Comp ^d of Lascars for one Month	1641.5.10	
By Amount of L ^o Wm Blundell Staff Bills for 3 Months	2521.10.3	
Deduct Am ^t of Rice	3485.2.11	5096.7.4
By D ^r D ^r for Golan daaze for three Months	4322.5.2	
Deduct Amount of Rice	2432.4.7	1896.1.1

356556.8.10 222761.2.7

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By Amount of Abstracts for 3 Months

Pay & Batta 12, 13, 24, 25, 26. Regiment⁴

of Sepoys — 16,430, 13, 1

Deduct Amt of Officers — 56,366, 6, 11

102,004, 6, 2

By Amount of Captain

Dickson's Abstracts for

2 Months pay & Batta

to Lascar, do. Sepoys &c.

2660, 2, 8

Deduct Amt of these — 475, 6, 3

2,193, 2, 5

By Mr Tho¹ Gillis for one

Month's Hospital charges

6, 22, —

By Mr A. Mounin on account

of Batta Rolls

2,251, 13, 7

By Amount of Lieut Colonel

Edmondson & Blane,

Major Wedderburn,

Captains Cott, Pearson

&c Officers of the Staff

Pay and Batta —

6, 762, —

By Balance due the Monthly

Company —

7,282, — 1

356,556, 8, 10 356,556, 8, 10

To Balance due the Monthly

Company —

7,282, — 1

E. C. Geo. Tyler

Paym^t to Col¹ Pearson's Detachment

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To the Right Honble Lord Macartney M.P.
My Lord,

From the Chief of
Vizagapatam enclosing
letter from Col. Barre.

The Bengal Detachment has been
here ten days in our Neighbourhood and have lately
received Orders from Bengal to remain in the district
untill the Season is favourable for marching thro' the
Cuttac province so that we are likely to have them with
us for several months, which is not much relished by the
Raja; for we have not been here much accustomed to the
Harack and Destruction occasioned by a Camp and
its followers, as well as the Elephants Camels &c. - The
Colonel after sending two Quarter Master Generals every
where to reconnoitre, has fixed upon a Spot near
Tartoor about 2 Coss inland from Bimlipatam,
where he has ordered a Rice Vessel that had lost
her Passage from Bengal for Madras, to land her
Cargo for the use of the Detachment - as Grain is a
scarce article with us and a dear one, for which
reason it was my wish he had pitched upon a
more northern Situation where Rice is in greater
plenty, and from whence I fear the Raja will be
obliged to draw the greatest part of his Supplies
at a great Expence of Carriage -

The Colonel has attacked me
about Money matters, but I pleaded Poverty & want
of Authority - he has however thought it necessary to
apply in form and I do myself the honor to send
your Lordship copy of his letter enclosed - our Finances
are low at present, but at any time they must be in-
adequate to these Demands which are near a Lack
of Rupees p Month - I have the honor to be &c
Vizagapatam
16th July 1784

Claud Russell

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To Claud Russell Esq^r.
Chief of Vizagapatam,

Sir,

Before I reached the Envoys of your district, I understood that a lack of Rupees was on its way to Ganjam for my Detachment, within a day or two I find that Bills could not be obtained in that place or Cuttack, and consequently the money which I relied on for next Payment is not forth coming.

The last Payment I made was on the 19th June, therefore the Troops have a natural right to expect another Month's Pay at the expiration of a Month; and when we consider the very high price of Provisions, & the Expence they must be at to build Cantonments if they pay for the materials, our own feelings will point out the necessity of a supply of Cash to Men, who are now in Arrear of six Months and the Current one.

Our Board have authorized me to draw money if I could get it I would do it; but to this time I do not see any prospect of obtaining any thing in proportion to our Wants.

By bringing a small balance of Cash, the Rice & what I have got from Individuals to account, I find that I shall need fifty thousand Arcot Rupees to enable me to pay the Troops and regular Establishments; & it requires Twenty two thousand more to pay the Officers.

In this extremity It behoves me to make my application to you for a supply of Cash for the purpose.

The Officers are to my certain knowledge in a very great distress, I therefore do earnestly

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earnestly wish to make a payment to them, but if so large a supply should exceed the finances of your District, I must still request enough to pay the Troops; not only because I know they are in want, but because they may grow discontented if they do not get anything -

I think I may assure you that this will be the only application of the sort; if I can get this money by the first of August I shall have time to look about and certainly may expect that Cash will be sent by Water before we shall need another Payment -

I therefore request that you will be pleased to let me have, for the payment of my detach-
Arcot Rupees seventy and two thousand; that I may be enabled to pay them on the first of August -

Sobaurum
13th July 1784 -

I am &c
(Signed) T. D. Pearse Esq.
Comd^g Bengal Detachment.

By the Account received with the above letter from Col. Pearse, it appears that the Bengal Detachment under the Command of Col. Pearse consisting only of about 2000 native Troops with Europeans Officers has received a lack of Rupees 1/2 Month since it marched from hence, & is nevertheless now greatly distressed - the Surgeon's charges alone amount to about 6000 Rupees 1/2 Month, tho' there is no European Corps in the Detachment - Agreed that a letter be written to Colonel Pearse informing him that our utmost efforts were exerted to supply him with Cash previous to his departure, and that considering also the orders issued for furnishing provisions for his Troops on their March we hoped there would be no necessity for any further application for money to this Presidency. especially as We hoped he would have already paid the Garisain district - that it is absolutely out of our power

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power to comply with his present demand for money
nor are the Chief & Council more able to relieve his wants
- that We have already conveyed to his Paymaster
our Sentiments and orders respecting the Appropri-
-ation of the advances, and that in our present
distress the only Aid We can afford the Bengal
Detachment will be to repeat the Orders already
given for their being amply supplied with Pro-
-visions -

Agreed that Copy of the letter
to Colonel Pearce be sent to the Chief and Council
of Vizagapatam with directions to supply the
Bengal Detachment regularly and amply
with Provisions. -