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14th

As you have been so good as to favor us with an abstract Account of your Supplies to us from your Books we beg leave to lay before you in return a Statement of them from ours; solely for the sake of accuracy and correctness, which in matters of this sort are peculiarly necessary, & lest we might be thought as deficient in these respects, as you are some times pleased to think us in greater. And here we hope you will do us the justice to believe, that we mean not on any account to depreciate, in the smallest degree, the assistance formerly given to us. — Far from it. When we have differed the most seriously from others. We never have lost our Candor, or denied the tribute of applause where it was due. Altho we have freely declared our Sentiments as was our duty, (being public Men) of such parts as we disapproved of the Conduct of persons connected with us in Service, yet our records and Writings shew that we have taken a pleasure in doing ample justice to their merits, whenever the occasion was afforded us. — And surely notwithstanding our late disappointments we never were sparing of our acknowledgments to you for Support you gave us.

Wm. Wm.

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With regard to the discredit of Bengal Bills, which now sell here for a discount of 40 to 45 % Lord, we mentioned it to you, as a Misfortune and not a reproach, for as you very justly observe, even if the discount were 50 much greater, yet the bills are certainly on hand of course, as long as people are willing, or can be persuaded on to take them. — and we therefore hope you will not think of depriving us of that resource, nor of any other in your power to afford us.

We have particularly attended to the information you are so good as to furnish us with in your letter of the 15th ultimo, of the remittances thro' Gopals Doshi's house to their Agents here; but whatever those remittances may have been, in order to answer the Drafts which you sent us. It is certain that out of the 330,000 Rs. about 46,000 Pagodas now remain due; that a part of the Drafts was paid till two Months after they became due, and that such part as has been paid, was paid by instalments of, from two to three thousand Pagodas at a time. — We think it necessary to state the fact to you exactly as it is, but we request that you will not construe our doing so into any desire on our part to murmur or complain. On the contrary we hope you will believe that our saying so is with

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We are ever ready to
 leave us of expressing our Satisfaction and thankfulness
 for any mark of your Attention and good disposition to-
 wards us. We are therefore particularly desirous of
 now returning you our grateful acknowledgements for
 the 5 Lacks of Current Rifles, mentioned to be embar-
 ked for us on board the *Lizard*, which, altho' far short of
 what we had hoped for, is yet a reasonable Supply for the
 present, and will contribute considerably to our relief
 till another remittance. — Out of this Money, when
 it arrives, we shall furnish Major General Campbell
 in the manner you desire. — We are much concerned to
 find, on looking over our Correspondence with you, that
 in the hurry of business, we had omitted to give you
 official information of that Gentleman being in the
 Command of his Majesty's Troops here. It devolved upon
 him of course, as the eldest King's Officer, upon Sir John
 Burgess's being put under Arrest on the 31.st December
 last.

We are happy to hear of the safe arrival of part
 of the Bengal Troops on board the *Flamingo* & Lord
 Macartney, & we hope that the rest on board the
Elizabeth & *Marianne* will not be less fortunate.

Enclosed

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11th Enclosed we send you the Embarkation returns together with a List of the Ships provided for the Service.

The latter Paper shews the Conditions upon which the Commanders of the Vessels the Royal Troops were embarked in, agreed to take them on board & to Convey them to Calcutta. In justice to Captain Jamnison's & Mr. Rodbuck's Claim, it may be necessary to establish whether the 8 Annas for each Soldier or Lascars & Day be for Victualling only or for both Freight & Victualling. The former is supported, as it is stated in the Company General's Letter, that Lieutenant Tait & Sericote Commanding His Majesty's Ships Porpoise and Tortoise were paid at the rate of 8 Annas & Day for each Man & it is well known that Freight is never paid or demanded when the King's Ships Convey the Company's Troops from one Port to another. It would therefore seem to follow that the 8 Annas are for Victualling alone, and no Commander it is believed, would undertake it for a less Sum. If this point be admitted, it appears reasonable that Captain Jamnison and Mr. Rodbuck should be paid Freight in addition to the 8 Annas & Day, and as the Captain of the Elizabeth Danish Ship was paid at the rate of 40 Rupees for the Freight

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11th Freight of each Person to Bengal exclusive of Victual-
ling, which was provided by the Agent this Sum. in
addition to the other will possibly be thought an equitable
Price to allow to the Owners of the Hastings, & Lord &
Macartney, for the freight of the Troops they respectively
Conveyed to Bengal.

We have the honor to be
Y^{rs}

(Signed) Macartney J^r
Select Committee

Fort St. George
August 1784

To John Huddleston Esq^r
Secretary to the Select Committee
Sir

I have been favored with your letter of the
3^d Instant in answer to my representation on the subject
of the Sibley and Tyanant Corps. By your will
make my acknowledgements to the Right Hon^{ble}
the President of Select Committee, for their ready &
attention to my wishes, which I must do Colonel
Fullarton the justice to say were satisfied, as far as lay
in his power before their orders, not to reduce those Corps
in the Pinnelly and Mad^{ras} Provinces were
communicated to him. It is my peculiar good
fortune to act in union with an Officer of his Character
and

Mr. Irvine
collected to the Select
Committee for completing
his wishes - is happy
being in concert with
Fullarton

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11th and it shall be my study to merit as far as zealous industry
will go the very flattering and honorable Testimony which
received of the approbation of the Select Committee

Tinnevely
10th August 1784

I have the honor to be
Yours
(Signed) Eyles Irwin

Saturday
14th August

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

Anthony Sadleir Esq^r
Alexander Davidson Esq^r Robert Munnell Esq^r
Lieutenant General Long absent upon Service

The Minutes of last Committee read and
approved

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant
Maurice Hall with the list of Examinations therein mentioned

Sir

Since I had the Honor of addressing you
many People whom I may have occasion to call
Examinations have arrived from Trichinopoly and
I have to enclose you a list of those at present
pending and to observe that at the Quarters I

From Lord Hall mentioning the arrival of several
Examinations since his last
address & proposes that the
depositions of those who
still remain at Trichinopoly
(a list of whom he incloses)
be taken on the spot &
begin his trial may come
on immediately

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have occasion to ask them will be very short, if it meets with the approbation of the Right Honble the Select Committee the Examination of the European Gentlemen and Mahomed Shebar Khan might be taken on the spot. I should be extremely sorry to give unnecessary Trouble and I humbly conceive the calling them to the Presidency would be so.

Permit me to enreat Sir, that my Trial may come on before the Court Martial now sitting if immediately, I shall entertain the most grateful Sense of the Indulgence. By the Time the Prosecution is finished and my Defence Ready I presume the Depositions from Trichinopoly may arrive.

I have the Honor to be
Yr

(Signed) J. Stuart Hall

A List of Evidence residing at Trichinopoly

The Reverend Mr. Pohl	Shaikh Hufam dismissed Car. of
Mr. Simpson	Alon Shit
Lieut. Lawrence	a Barber description not his name known
Captain North	Mosoo
Mr. H. Andrews	Janabata a Gold Smith
Serj. Bloomer	Velidim
Gowindoo Mutchery	Cawder Sub. late Cutwall
McHardy	Shebar Khan
Subramoney	Amappulle
Vincent Royall	Sunker Row

(Signed) J. Stuart Hall

Agreed

Black Town
14th August 1784

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Minute Memoir

Agreed that the proposition contained in the
by a ^{copy of the opinion & decision}
foregoing Letter of the President and Members of the
Court Martial.

Read Letter from Nour Beg Tippoo
Sulthans Officer to the Southward representing that
the Village of Calphatour which formerly belonged
to the Mysore Government had been taken possession
of by the Company's Troops, & that in consequence
of the Peace which is now established between the
English & Tippoo, he requests that it may be re-
stored to its former Owner.

Minute Memoir

Agreed that Enquiry be made relative to
the Village in question and the particulars transmitted to
the Resident at Tanjore with directions to deliver it
to Nour Beg if it shall appear to have belonged to
the Mysore Dominions before the War.

Read the following Letters from the Council
of Masulipatam.

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

From the Council at
Masulipatam enclosing
Copy of a letter from the
Chief respecting the
appointment of Prigun
Mulla

We were deeply honored with your Com-
munications to us by your Deputy Secretary

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date the 16th Instant, a Copy of whose letter was forwarded to the Chief on the 23rd and Ensign Wilcox was likewise informed of your having directed us to appoint him to the Command of Rajahmundry and that he was placed immediately under ^{your} Chief while he remained out in the Districts — This we supposed to be the intention of your Lordship &c in Ensign Wilcox's appointment, but Mr. Hodge has received a letter from Mr. Daniell informing him that he understands this appointment differently and that it is not only your intention that Ensign Wilcox should be under his orders while he is out in the Districts — but also after his return to this place, when he will of course act in Conjunction with the rest of the Board —

As the Chief never has possessed any Separate Command over the Military, since the change of System took place in the Year 1774 — We cannot suppose that you mean in the present Instance to deprive the Chief and Council Collectively of any part of the little authority They now possess by Vesting a Military Authority in the Chief independent of the rest of the Board — More particularly as the

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the Chief has never in any one instance since your Orders
in your Res. Dept under date the 22nd December applied
for the Assistance of the Military without an immediate
acquiescence on the part of all the Board, and on this
proceeding into the Country all the Officers Command-
ing out Garrisons were directed to comply with
whatever directions they might receive from him
while he remained out in the District which ceases
little less than vesting the whole authority of the Board
in himself except so far as related to this place — But
the above there are other Reasons why we cannot suppose
Your Lordship's intent to Vest this Separate Military
in the Chief — Ensign Wiccan is Adjutant of the
the Commanding Officer of which resides here, Altho in
the former has had almost the whole of that Corps with
him ever since the Chief set out on his present tour
Lieut. Baillie who Commands it has not more than
80 Men at this place and we conceive it would be
a contradiction to suppose that the Commanding Officer
of a Corps was to be under the Chief Council, — if the
Adjutant of the same Corps under the Chief Council
Adjutant must at the same time obey his Regimental
Commanding Officer in Matters of detail —

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to observe to your Lordship &c. — that putting Ensign Wilcox under the Chief alone when he returns, is vesting him with the entire direction not only of all the Subbandy under Ensign Wilcox but of any Regular & Companies of Sepoys Mr. Daniel may please to have under him at Rajahmundry — It is moreover an alteration of the present constitution of the Service here, without occasion, and as it appears to us without any use — and seemingly implies a Distrust of our future dispositions to Cooperate with the Chief, which in Justice to ourselves we are compelled to say, is perfectly groundless and what we do not Merit,

Your Lordship &c. will observe that Our different construction of your above orders, relating to their Meaning at a future Period only, and not to the present intention of them which is already in Operation, an inconvenience arose from this Reference which we should gladly have avoided, if it had been possible to reconcile such a Conduct with what we owe to our Station and to ourselves.

Whatever Your Lordship &c. may be pleased to order on this Subject (as soon as you honor us with
Your

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Your Commands, shall be obeyed on our part but
we cannot but lament (if your intention should be as
Mr. Daniel understands it that we should be
placed in a Situation which tho' it leaves us the Name,
at the Same time deprives us of the authority of a
Council

We have the honor to be

Y^{rs}

(Signed)

James Hedges

John Peter Poileau

Tho^s Barnard

W. Dobbins

Masulipatam
30th July 1784

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

Fort St. George

My Lord & Gentlemen

Here with we have the honor to trans-
mit you Copy of a letter which has just been received
from the Chief on the subject of your appointment of
Ensign Wilcox to the Command of Rajahmundry
respecting which we addressed your Lordship &c under
date

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date the 30th ult.

We have the honor to be

^{Y^r}
(Signed) James Hodges

Tho. Barnard

W. Dobbins

Maunipatam
5th August 1784

James Hodges Esq^r

J^r Council

Maunipatam

Gentlemen

Ensign Wilcox having forwarded to
me Copy of your orders to him under date the
23rd Ultimo appointing him to the Command of
Rajahmundry it is necessary I should inform you that
they differ essentially from the Orders received from the
Select Committee under date the 16th Ultimo that the
meaning of the Appointment is subverted until your
Addition to those Orders are taken away - I mean
the words "while he (speaking of me) is in the District"
If the Appointment had not been made in conse-
quence of my application. I could not undertake to
tell you what might have been the meaning of the
appointment but the Services which will be required
of

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of Ensign Wilcox in consequence of which he was appointed under my immediate Orders without the mention of any specific period (agreeable to which Your Orders should have been conveyed to him without any consideration of the purpose for which he was thus appointed) are to be performed after my departure from the district.

Previous to my departure from Manipalam Mr. Wilcox had an order to obey any directions he might receive from me while I was in the district it could not therefore be necessary to repeat them - and if no time was expressed in the Order from the Select Committee, I should not have conceived it a part of my duty as a member of a Board to have fixed its limit.

The order to Ensign Wilcox as it now stands is of little use to me, and should therefore be immediately conveyed to him in the words of the Order of the 16th Ulloa from the Presidency and whiter to save the time which must be lost by a reference to the Select Committee. I likewise wish to save them the trouble of explaining that which in my Opinion can admit

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admit of no doubt - but if after what I have said on
this subject you still think the Order should not be altered,
I desire you will immediately refer it to the Presidency
with a Copy of this my letter.

I am
Gentlemen,

(Signed) James Daniell

Alms Copy
(Signed) A. Scott
Secy

Agreed that the Chief Council of Manipal
be informed that it is not our Intention to establish a sepa-
rate Authority in the Chief but that We have judged it
for the benefit of the public Service to vest him with it
for a time and that We desire he will communicate to them
at a proper season such Orders as he may have judged it ex-
pedient to issue separately from them in order that they
may be entered in the records.

Read the following Letter from the Governor

General and Council

The Right Honble George Lord Macartney
President of Select Committee at Fort St. George
My Lord Gentlemen
In our letter of the 26th February 1782
from

Samuel Colah
2d August 1784

Minute thereon

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From the General
 & Council mentioning
 a request they made in
 a former letter of the 25th
 Feb^y 1783 to have early
 correct estimates of the
 Receipts & disbursements
 of the Presidency but
 which not having been
 complied with, renew
 their requisition, to
 have them as soon as
 convenient & that they
 may be continued to
 annually & also request
 to have Statements
 of the Quick & dead
 Stocks of the Presiden-
 cy on the 30th April
 of each Year.

From our public Department we are sensible by your the receipt
 of our being furnished with the most early & correct Estimates of
 your Receipts & disbursements for the Current Year, calculated
 annually from the 1st May to the 30th April ensuing &
 that the same should be adjusted at the Termination of the
 Year with your Accounts of actual Receipts & Expenditure
 for that Period, a corrected state of which we desired might
 be transmitted to us as soon after words as possible, with
 an Explanation of the Causes for any Increase or decrease
 on each Article contained in the Estimate, for our more
 complete Information. & we had the Honor of transmitting
 to you for the Observance of your Officers, such forms as
 ourselves observed in drawing up the Abstract Estimates of
 Accounts of our Presidency accompanied by a Letter of Ex-
 planation from our Accountant General.

Your Lordship's were pleased to inform us
 under date the 26th May 1782 that we might be assured of
 your complying as exactly as possible, with our desire of having
 Estimates of your Receipts & Disbursements annually
 forwarded to us and that you had consequently referred the
 Terms of the Statement which accompanied our Letter
 of the 25th February with the address to us from our Accountant
 General

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General to your own Accountant for his Sentiments on the
Practicability of framing Statements on the same Plan
at your Presidency. But we have not yet been favoured
with these Statements either prepared in the Form desired
or in any other. We are therefore again to request that your
Lordship will transmit them to us as soon you con-
veniently can. & continue them from Year to Year, and
if they cannot be prepared as we have recommended, that
you will send them to us in such Form as may be more
suitable to the mode of framing Accounts at your Pre-
sidency and shall shew us an Estimate of the annual
Demands on your Treasury & your resources for answering
them. We are also to request that you will annually trans-
mit to us Statements of the Quick & dead Stocks of your
Presidency on the 30th April of each year as soon as after
the Period for which they are formed as can be with that
Accuracy & Circumspection which such Accounts require.

We have the Honour to be

(Signed) ^{Edw.} Wheler
John Macpherson
John Stables

Agreed

Fort William
Polit^l Department
13th July 1784

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Minute thereon

Agreed that the foregoing Letter be sent to the Accountant with directions to prepare as soon as possible every Account and Statement in his power which may be necessary to enable us to comply with the requisitions contained in the said Letter and with the several papers to communicate to us whatever he may judge necessary for our Information on the subject. The Right Honble the President lays before the Committee the following paper which has been delivered to him and of which he has reason to think Copies are handing about the Settlement from the Durbar

Declaration by the Honble Governor General & Council
J^c. J^c

A Paper circulated by the People at the durbar to the prejudice of Government and the Company.

Whereas a Treaty of perpetual Peace and Friendship has taken Place between the Right Honble President & Select Committee of Fort St. George, on behalf of the English East India Company, and of all the Governments of the said Company, and of the Subah Coratie, on one part, & the Nabob Teepoo Sultan on the other part, And whereas it is stipulated & agreed in the said Treaty, That a Copy of it shall be transmitted to the Gov^r. General & Council of Bengal, & returned with their signatures & the Seal of the Company affixed to it by them in token of their acceptance

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Treaty of Peace & Friendship concluded with the Nabob
 Teepoo Sultan Bahader, do hereby declare, that we
 understand the Nabob Wallajah Bahader, to be
 virtually & of consequence included in the said Treaty and
 his Name by the term Carnatic; whenever the said term
 is used in the Treaty, in as full & ample a manner as if
 he was expressly mentioned & declared in the Treaty to
 be a party to it, and we hereby further declare the English
 East India Company, & the Governments, Dependents
 and Servants of the said Company to be guaranties
 and Pledges for the faithful observance of the Treaty,
 taken in that acceptance of it, both for the Nabob Teepoo
 Sultan Bahader towards him the said Nabob Walla-
 jah Bahader, and for the Nabob Wallajah Bahader
 towards the said Nabob Teepoo Sultan Bahader, In
 testimony of which, We the Gov. Genl. & Council afo-
 re said have affixed our signatures & the Seal of the Company
 (Vizt) The Gov. General in the City of Lucknow on the
 Twenty fifth of May 1784 Anno Christi or fifth of
 Rajab A. H. 1198 and the Council at Fort William
 on the of the A. C. agreeing with the A. H.

A true Copy
 (Signed) J. Scott

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and his Claim to Offreckenings for his Battalion during his Confinement.

From Lieut^t Kistiback requesting an answer to his former Letter stating the Venetian Rajahs making difficulties to his taking a sketch of the Country.

Minute on the above Letters

Resolved that Captains Crauford's and Lamotte's representations regarding Offreckenings be sent to General Lang and that he be desired to refer them to the Consideration of a Board of Officers. As Capt^t Lamotte has produced no Vouchers nor authenticated accounts of the Expenditure of the Sum of money he alleges to have carried with him into the Country he be informed it will be necessary in order to its being repaid he take an Oath that it was actually and to no side disbursed to the Garrison on the Company's Account.

Agreed that Lieut^t Kistiback be directed to return to his Station at Mellor.

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Sir Henry Cosby with the papers there in mentioned.

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Fort St. George 14th August 1784The Right Honble Lord Macartney
President & Governor of the Select Committee

at

Fort St. George
My Lord & Gentlemen

Permit me for a few moments to Call your Attention to a Demand I have long had on Government & which from a Knowledge of the distressed State of your Treasury, My Attorneys during my Absence in England forbore addressing you on the Subject. — I trust those Distresses are now nearly at an End & that I shall be excused Troubling you at this Time with my Demand in question —

While with the Army in the Year 1781, then at Oddalore, it was well known to every Officer that the Want of Money was the Principle Cause of our remaining so long inactive. I thought it incumbent on me to Contribute all in my Power to remove this Evil & in consequence lent Mr. Welch the Paymaster the Sum of Pay^{rs} 13456 for his Draft on Mr. W^m Hamilton the then Paymaster General at Fort St. George. — Captain Fenwick at the same Time lent Mr. Welch Pay^{rs} 1200 which he endorsed to me on my Paying him for the same. —

For Mr. Welch men-
tioning that on the dis-
burses for the want of
money at Oddalore in
1781 he lent Mr. Welch
for his Draft on the
then Paymaster General
of Fort St. George &
Pagoda 13456 at the
same time also Captⁿ
Fenwick lent Mr. Welch
Pay^{rs} 1200 which was order-
ed over to Mr. Welch
for the same end.
Copies of these drafts
& hopes the money will
be reimbursed to him
which his Attorneys
had neglected during
his absence —

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for your better Information I take the Liberty of enclosing you Copies of these Drafts which you will perceive from the Time of Acceptance will amount with Interest at 8% Cent *per* Annum to about *£* 6034. 10. 56. it will be needless My Lord & Gentleman to mention to you the great Inconveniences I have laboured under since my Return to India for Want of this Money. you are well acquainted with the Distresses of every Individual for Cash you will readily Credit me when I assure you mine are extremely great. I rest in full Confidence that when you reflect on the Circumstances which has from Cause my Present urgent Application you will be indulgent enough to grant a favorable Compliance.

With the Greatest Respect I have the honor to be
Y^r

(Signed) R. A. M. Cosby

Fort St. George
3rd August 1784

To M^r W^m Hamilton
Paymaster General

at Fort St. George
Sir

At five days sight Please to pay to Colonel R. A. M. Cosby or order the Sum of three thousand four hundred and fifty six (3456) New Pagodas for Value

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Value received here of him for the use of the Army and place
the same to the Account of

Sir

Yours
J. Welch

Paymaster

Accepted & Order of Governor

(Signed) W^m Turing

24th March 1781

D. J. M. Paymaster

Attest Copy

(Signed) H. A. M. Cosby

To W^m Hamilton Esq^r

Military Paymaster General

Sir

at Fort St. George

At five days sight please to Pay to Mrs
Elizabeth Fenwick or her Order the Sum of thirteen &
hundred Star Pagodas for Value received here of Captain
Fenwick for the use of the Army and Place the same to
the Account of

Sir

J. Welch

Paymaster

Camp Near Cuddalore

2^d March 1781

Attest Copy
(Signed) H. A. M. Cosby

Attest Copy

(Signed) H. A. M. Cosby

Signed

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Agreed that the Claims stated in the foregoing Letter amounting to pag. 1756 be allowed with Interest at 8% per cent from the day the Bills became due and the President is requested to adjust with Sir Henry Cosby a mode of discharging them.

Read the following Letter from Major

Campbell

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

Fort St. George

My Lord & Gentlemen

I have the honor to represent that the Saddles

& accoutrements of the Native Cavalry are in immediate want of a thorough repair & the Company refuses to admit of any charge on that account since the new establishment took place. Permitted therefore to request an order that the usual Allowance of half a Pagoda each Horse & Month be drawn for in the Contract from the 1st May last. Should your Lordship & Committee think it more for the advantage of the Service to Supply the Saddles and keep them in repair, I beg that the Paymaster may be directed to Pay five hundred Pagodas to each Regiment for the immediate purchase

From Maj. D. Campbell
representing that the saddles & accoutrements of the Native Cavalry are in want of repair & requests the usual allowance of 1/2 Pagoda & Month be drawn for in the Contract from the 1st of May last, or should the Com^{rs} prefer the supplying of the saddles by the Com^{rs} of the Regt in repair that the Regt may be paid 500 Pagodas to each Regt for that purpose, 1/2 Pag^{ts} & Month for the repairing of them.

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purchase of the necessary Materials & that in future
he will pay monthly fifteen Pagodas & hundred Florins
for Oiling & small repairs of the Saddles & accoutrements.
I have the Honor to Subscribe myself with the Greatest
Respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

(Signed) Dug. A. Campbell
Major Commandant

Madras
28th July 1784

Minute thereon

Agreed that half a pagoda each horse & Month
be allowed for supplying Saddles and keeping them in repair
to commence from the 1st May 1784.

Read the following Letter from the Com-
mander in Chief

The Right Honble George Lord Macartney KB
President &c. &c. &c. Select Committee

My Lord & Gentlemen

Enclosed I have the honor to send your

Lordship &c. the resignation of Ensign James Yelding;
and I have further to acquaint your Lordship &c. that

Ensign Yelding's Character is so notoriously bad, that
he has been excluded the society of his Brother Officers &
from the time of entering the Service; and since his
resignation

From Genl. Lang, con-
taining the resignation of
Ensign Yelding which
he requests may be com-
plied with & recommends
certain Promotions

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resignation was sent in by General Bruce in July 1783 he has been one of the Company of the lowest class of vagabonds in the Black Town; and as his Conduct in general has so much degraded the Character of an Officer and a Gentleman, I recommend that he be allowed to resign agreeable to his request.

I beg leave to recommend to your Lordship the following promotions and appointments—

Capt. Lieut Hugh Wheeler to be Captain 2nd Nov^r 1783

Lieut Sam^l Pettitt to be Captain Lieut 8th May 1784

Dr. Eccles Smith Dr. Do 9th Ditto

Ensign Middleton M^c Gee to be Lieutenant 8th May 1784

Dr. Robert Turing Dr. Do 9th Ditto

Ensign James Reid acting Adj^t of the 10th Carn^t Battⁿ to be Adj^t of the 8th Carn^t Battⁿ in the room of Lieut Arthur Gibbins appointed to the Command of the 2^d Tanjore Standys.

Ensign Peter Fraser to be Adjutant of the 12th Carn^t Battⁿ in the room of Lieutenant Kenney resigned.

Ensign David Blair to be 2^d Master of the 1st Battⁿ 2^d Regiment. — in the room of Lieut^l Caton Invalided.

Ensign

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Ensign John Taylor 1st Bⁿ 2^d Reg^t to be
Fort Adjutant of Vellore in the room of Ensign
David Blair appointed 2nd Master 1st Battalion
2^d Regiment.

Captain William Flint to join his
Battalion.

Lieut. Rich^d. Cooke to be Adjutant
of the 1st Detachment Battⁿ of Bombay Sepoys
and Lieutenant Rich^d. Cheke to the 2^d.

I likewise request that your Lordship
will be pleased to order Commissions to be made out
according to the inclosed list of the Native Officers
promoted in the Bombay Battalions.

I have the Honor to be with
respect

Yours
(Signed) Rossling

Agreed that Ensign yielding's Resignation
of the Service be published in General Orders.

Of the appointments and promotions recom-
mended by General Lang agreed that the following
shall take place immediately and the rest to be deferred.

G.O.

Head Quarters
30th July 1784

Minute on Ensign
yielding

Plan the Promotions

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The following Promotions & appointments
ordered to take Place.

Capt.ⁿ Lieut. Hugh Wheeler to be Captain.
Lieut. Samuel Pittall to be Capt.ⁿ Lieutenant.

Ensign Middleton M.^r G. to be Lieutenant - ditto - ditto

Ensign James Read to be Adjutant of the 8th
Carnatic Battalion of Sepoys vice Lieut.
Arthur Gibbings promoted.

Ensign Peter Fraser to be Adjutant
of the 12th Carnatic Battalion vice
Lieutenant Kenny resigned.

Ensign David Blair to be 2^d Major
of the 1st Battalion 2^d Regiment vice
Lieutenant Eaton Invalided.

Lieutenant Richard Cooke to be Adjutant
of the 1st Detachment Battalion of Bombay Sepoys and
Lieutenant Richard Cheeke to be Adjutant of the
2^d Ditto.

Captain William Flint ordered to join his Battalion
Ensign James Yidding permitted to resign the Honorable
Company's Service.

Obstacles having occurred to preparing the
Accounts

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Accounts of some of his Majesty's Troops, owing to these
not having been regular Muster returns of them sent
monthly to the Presidency, the Select Committee are
pleased to direct that in future the Commissary, or
Paymaster or other person, acting as Commissary in
each district or Station, where there are or may be His
Troops, shall muster the said Troops the beginning of
the Month and send separate Muster Returns
of them to the Commissary General at the Presidency.
This Order is to be most strictly attended to.

By order of the Right Honble the
President and Select Committee.

(Signed) J. Huddleston
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Read the following Letter from the Committee
of Assigned Revenue with the papers therein mention-
ed as deposited in the Office papers being the
Accounts of the Public Money defalcated by
Mr. Proctor during his being Employed in the Financely
Country and an account Current with a Balance now
discharged when he left the district Vizt.

N^o 1 Difference between Mr. Proctor's receipts
given to the renter and the Bazar (current) rates of
exchange

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exchange including also a difference on Grain delivered by the
 Rentier Pag^{ts} 944 7 11 40

N^o 2 Mr Proctor's Account with
 the Company Balance left
 undischarged 5491 38 11

N^o 3 Mr Proctor's unauthorised
 Charges } 5500 38 7

Pagodas 20440 4 58

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney
 President of Select Committee

Fort St George
 My Lord & Gentlemen

From Com^{rs} of Assigned
 Revenue, stating the
 account of the Sums
 due by Mr Proctor
 to the Company

In consequence of the letter from Mr
 Secretary Rind last to us of the 6th Instant, we have
 the honor to send you the Papers required by him. We
 likewise accompany them with an Account of unautho-
 rised and unvouched Charges in Mr Proctor's
 Accounts current with the Districts of Tinnevely
 and Madura founded on the Remarks sent by your
 Lordship &c on this subject to Mr Irwin, but to
 which that Gentleman was unable to add himself
 of owing to Mr Proctor having quitted the District
 without

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without submitting his Accounts to Mr. Inver's
Inspection.

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George
11th August 1784

(Signed) ^{Yours} Chas. Oakeley
David Haliburton
Geo. Moubray

Resolved that the above Sums be demanded of
Mr. Proctor in the Letter ordered to be written to him
in the minutes of the Committee of the 25th July

Read the following Letter from the Committee
of Assigned Revenue.

To the Right Honorable George Lord Macartney &c.
President of the Select Committee

Fort St. George
My Lords & Gentlemen

From the Com^{rs} of Assigned
Revenue on the subject
of the Peons Stationed
in Chundergumry.

In Our letter of the 8th Septemb^r
last we had the honor to address your Lordship &c
on the subject of the Peons stationed in the Fort of
Chundergumry, The Calcutty Rajah having now
applied for payment of further Arrears due to them,
amounting

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amounting to the Sum of Pagodas 3733.6 $\frac{2}{16}$ we request your
Orders on this Subject.

We have the honor to be,

Y^c

(Signed) Chas. Oakeley
David Haliburton
Geo. Moubray

Fort St George
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Minute on the
foregoing

Agreed that the Arrears due to the Calcutta
Deans be paid by deduction from the Rajah's Peshcaw
and that they be discharged from any further Service to
the Company.

Read the following Letters and Enclosures
from Mr Francis Lind

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

Fort St George
My Lord & Gentlemen

Enclosed I have the honor to forward

Translations of a Letter and of sundry Documents received
from Hummer Wadur Chan Yesterday morning — an
under

From Mr Lind with
Copy of a Letter and
document from Hummer
Wadur Chan and Copy
of his Letter to Captain
Clayton

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under cover herewith is a Copy of my Letter to Captain Close
in consequence of the Receipt of the above and I shall
be happy if it gives satisfaction -

I have the Honor to be with great respect

Y^{rs}

(Signed) Fr^d Lind

Dear Sir

I have received yours of the 2nd dated at
Cuddapah and I am sorry you had so many difficulties
to encounter before you reached that Place. I have to hope
that the remainder of your journey will be pleasant to
compensate for the hardships you lately experienced and
that you will safely arrive at Cummam on the 6th -

The Rajah was so urgent for your departure that to
effect it speedily, he threw out the false alarm of
Kummar Uddeen Chans being to depart for Syorangapatam
to celebrate Nuptials with the Daughter of the Nabob
Tippoo Sultan and to the end that you might be encou-
raged to commence your Embassy, he assured us you would
have an interview with the Nabob at Cuddapah instead
of being obliged to proceed to Cummam but I perceive
you were disappointed. I could have wished that
Cuddapah

Vencalgerhy
1st August 1784

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Oodapah had been placed upon to transact the business of
 our Mission etc. You are removed at so great a distance from
 hence that our correspondence must naturally be extremely
 tedious, on which account I would strongly recommend
 that you object to all frivolous references either to Tippoo
 Sultan or to Us, which in my apprehension will tend
 to embarrass and obstruct rather than expedite Our
 reciprocal operations in the business. And that he
 will avail himself of such pretences We have every
 reason to apprehend the consequence of which is most
 severely felt by the Rajah - your being invested
 with full Powers from the Rajah to treat and to
 conclude finally with. I hope render any reference
 unnecessary. Yesterday morning I was favored with
 a Letter from Hummer Ud deer Chan accompanying
 sundry Papers the Translations whereof I now
 forward for Your perusal. I thought it unnecessary to
 transmit the Originals, however should You be desirous
 of having them they shall be forwarded - You will observe
 that Hummer Ud deer Chan lays claim to the Tallooh
 of Goolpally as being included in the Rent of Bina-
 gerhy and that he grounds his ill founded pretensions on
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and Agreement entered into by the late Rajah of
 Venkatagerry with Abdul Hufam Chan Naib
 of Cuddapah nearly 23 Years ago, these Papers were
 shown to the Rajah, he acknowledges that they were
 formerly binding on his Predecessor and admits that
 three or four Years Rent has been paid to the Naib
 for those Countries, since when he has regularly paid
 his Rents to his Highness the Natab, amounting to
 Ten thousand Pagodas per Annum. - The Naib
 states the Rent of Goolpolly at 9000 Pagodas and
 Anager by 6000 Pagodas, the latter was only
 5000 Pagodas per Annum and the former ten thousand
 Pagodas You will be pleased to notice this mistake
 to the Naib, as were it allowed to pass unobserved, the
 claim for Arrears of Rent for Anager by would by
 that unfair Statement be augmented 5000 Pagodas. I
 have seen the Receipt which was given on the 22^d
 March 1784 by Mr. Cakely as President of the Com-
 mittee of Assigned Revenue to the Rajah for the payment
 of his Rents for Goolpolly, amounting to ten thousand
 Pagodas + Goolpolly is in the Jaghire of Bellore as plainly
 appears from the Papers which Mr. Haliburton furnished
 to you with before you left Madras, it was arrested from the
 Natab

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Nabob by a Maib of Cuddasah, but the Rajah's Account of that event is so imperfect and defective that I can neither satisfy you when it was taken nor of the Name of the Maib who dispossessed him of it; suffice it to say that the District was returned to him by Abdul Hussain Chan as an act of Friendship, and that it continued in his possession untill it was captured by Kummur Udeen Chan. You are I understand not only furnished with a Copy of the Order sent from the Nabob to the Rajah to deliver up Goolpolly, but with one from the Maib Abdul Hussain Chan to the Rajah, directing him to resign it to the Nabob which he instantly complied with. Since therefore it is an uncontrovertible fact that Goolpolly is only Reserved by the Rajah and by consequence makes no part of his Jaghires Lands and as the Papers in your possession fully and clearly establishes the Nabob's uncontested right to that Tallochy it is, I think, incumbent upon you peremptorily to demand on the part of the Honble Company and of their Ally His Highness the Nabob, immediate restitution of that District in particular. - You have already been instructed by the Honble the

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Select Committee to make a formal demand of the
 Jaghires dependent on the Carnatic; but from the con-
 sideration of his Letter, We have no reason to expect
 that he will restore them prior to a final Settlement
 with him if agreeable to the Line he has prescribed;
 the probability of his retaining possession of those Lands
 till the end of this Month is in itself an alarming
 circumstance; the season for cultivation is near at hand
 and it will require some time to collect and restore
 tranquillity to the Inhabitants. You will therefore
 I am persuaded lose no time to press those claims
 with energy and bring matters to an honorable
 and advantageous conclusion. — Are you of Op-
 -inion that it would be proper to accuse the Nizam in
 direct terms of having violated the Peace, in two
 instances, first by seizing and unjustly maintaining
 possession of the Lands of His Highness the Nizam
 and 2^d by dispossessing the Rajah of 5 Districts
 dependent on the Carnatic and under the protection
 of the Company which might have been settled
 without proceeding to such violent extremities.

For any part as I conceive the Latitude
 of our Commission extends so far, I am clearly &
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and decidedly of opinion that a spirited representation
may be productive of good effects but should you differ
from me in opinion I beg you will not scruple to
adopt that Line of conduct which the most circumspect
and mature deliberation may dictate

Venkatagerry
6th August 1784

I am &c

Thos. Coffey

(Signed) Thos. Lind

The Letters from Messrs Commendin Carr
mentioned in that from Mr Lind are entered in
Country Correspondence N^o 1

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney

President & Governor &c Members of the Select Committee

of
Fort St. George

My Lords Gentlemen

From Mr Lind
with Copy of a paragraph
added to his last Letter
to Capt. in Clove

After I had closed my address of the
6th Instant to your Lordship &c containing a Copy of
my Letter to Captain Clove of the same date, I added
the following Paragraph for his information, and
Guidance — since writing the above I have learnt
from unquestionable Authority, That G. Colpothly and
his

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its dependencies consisting of Mintry Villages, formerly belonged to Mordany Ally Chan, and was Rented by him to a Bramin Family (named Batselwar) for 5000 Pagodas per Annum. Lachmarow who at that period rented Canagerhy disposed of it, and paid the same Rent annually to Abane Kufain Chan. When the English captured Vellore, Mahomed Ally Chan claimed and demanded that District as being included and dependent on the Saghere of Vellore, it was accordingly restored to Him by Abdal Kufain Chan he having quarrelled with Lachmarow. That Tallooh was once the property of Bauber Ally Chan. — The Naib seems displeased with our Style of address as not being sufficiently magnificent but he has in return displayed no great share of Politeness in calling the Rajah, the Venkatagerhy Walla and honouring us with the Title of Company's Men instead of Representatives of the Honorable Company —

I have the honor to be with great respect

Yr^{ts}
(Signed) J^r LinnVenkatagerhy
7th August 1784

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The Committee approve of Mr. Lind's

Minute thereon

Letter to Captain Close and hope the dispute between
the Chincalagery Rajah and Meer Cunnor deen Cawn
will be soon accommodated.Read and approved proceedings of the Committee
of Shares of the 7th Instant as lodged in the Office.Read the following Letter from the Deputy
Accountant,

My Lord

From Mr. Cockburn
to the President respecting
the Negapatam Prize
MoneyUpon Comparing the Account of the Compa-
ny's Debt to the Agents for the Captors of Negapatam,
for sundry Sums of money Advanced by them for Account
of the Company, with the Paymaster Mr. Taylor's Account
Current a very Considerable difference appears which
is occasioned as follows

In November 1781 Mr. Cockburn Debited	} 24,487. 8. 35
the Company for 24,487. 8. 35 & 1/2 p. Cent.	
Whereas Mr. Taylor Credited in December	} 22,032. 2. 72
following for Armt. R. 14,128 1/2 read from him at	
600 & 1/2 p. Cent. the then Cur. Ex. 11,032. 2. 72	
& for Armt. Rupt. 12,769 3/4 of 11,000	
600 & 1/2 p. Cent.	
91,827	

Difference in favor of the
Captors. } 2,455. 5. 13Fort St. George
15th July 1784I have the honor to be
(Signed) Thos. Cockburn
Deputy Accountant

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Agreed that Copy of the above Letter be sent to Mr. Harry Taylor and that he be required to make good to the Company the Difference of exchange therein Stated amounting to Rs. 2455. 5. 43

Read the following Letter

To the Right Hon^{ble} the President
and the Select Committee of

Fort St. George

My Lord and Sirs

From his Majesty's Field
Officers, in relation to their
Claims on the Revenue
Fund

We have before us a Letter of the 22nd Instant, addressed by your Secretary, to Major General Sir John Burgoyne, desmurring to, rather than denying our asserted Claim, to participate, with the Company's Field Officers, in the Benefit of the Revenue Fund, because as you inform us "The General Statement of Allowances to the King's Troops drawn up by General Stuart, and published by him in General Orders the 16th December 1782 contains every allowance you are authorised to grant his Majesty's Officers."

From this Opinion and general Mode of
reasoning

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waving our Claim, we beg leave most strongly, though respectfully, to dissent and that as well for the Reasons assigned in our Address to you of the 1st Instant, as for those which follow. (Viz^t)

First, — Because General Stuart's Statement is only of the ordinary and daily Allowances due the King's Troops, whilst the Benefits arising to our Rankes from the Revenue Fund are contingent and variable, as may be seen by the Company's General Letter to this Presidency of the 23^d March 1770.

Second, — Because it is evident to us, this very Statement of General Stuart includes to the Captains & Subaltern Officers of his Majesty's Forces their respective Quotas of this Fund, as assigned to them by the separate General Letter from the Court of Directors to this Government, dated 25th March 1768.

Third, — Because we observe this Statement of General Stuart's is established by Order of your Board, and countersigned by your Secretary, and therefore, we conceive it to be, not an Act of his, as the King's Commander in Chief, but of yours, as the Company's Representatives, and as such, subject to Revisions by you whenever Errors, or it are pointed out by those whom they principally affect.

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affect, And

Fourth, - Because, as we believe, it is not only the Pleasure, but Contract, of the Honble Company, that the King's Officers should receive every Allowance whatsoever, enjoyed by its own of the same Ranks, We cannot see how the Will of the Employer can fitly be annulled by that of the Employed.

It may not be unapposite in this Place to remark, that thus putting us on a just Footing with the Company's Military Servants in Parallel Ranks, will by no Means interfere with those laudable Plans of Economy so necessary to be pursued in the present State of Public Affairs; but only lessen the separate Dividends on the Army Proportion of this Fund by increasing the Number of its Participants; and unless we are admitted as such, we cannot consider ourselves either on an Equality of Advantage with the Company's Field Officers or even, as it respects this Claim, with the Captains and Subalterns of his Majesty's Service.

Thus viewing the Justice of our Claim, and the Cogency of the Reasons which support it, We do ourselves the Honor to request and require that our

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our Right to participate in the Revenue Fund be
 either admitted, or that no further Dividends be made
 of it to the Company's Sub-Officers until such a
 Time as the final Pleasure of the Directors, and our
 most Gracious Sovereign, to whom we look up with
 Confidence for Protection, can be had thereupon.

We have the Honor to be

Y^{rs}

(Signed) J. Burgoyne: M. G. B.

C. Reinbold. Colonel

J. Flayd. Coll. in Ind.

T. Straubenzee. Colonel

A. Wangerheim M.

H. Barry for the
 Hon. Secy. (Col. Knox)

M. Sterling

Secy. General
 in India

H. Barry M.

J. Cruise. Major

J. Grattan M.

Ordered to be for consideration

Ordered that a Bill on the
 Honble the Governor General & Council be granted

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to Mr. Scottrey for Pay^t 2364 at 3.75 Rup^s pro
Pagoda the amount to be carried to the head of Military
Storekeeper. Agreed that the sums specified in Col.
Cosby's Letter amounting to Pagodas 1756, with interest
thereon at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent from the date on which they became
payable be discharged, the one half by Bills on Bengal,
and the other half in the best manner the president can
settle with Lt Col. Cosby and that the Principal,
be carried to the debit of the Military Paymaster
General & by him to the debit of the Paymaster in
Camp the Interest to the head of Stock.

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Dispatched the following letter to the Secretary
to the Honble Governor General Council

To Edward May Esq^r

Secretary to the Honble the Governor General and
Council in their Political Department

Fort William

Sir

To Mr. May. advi-
sing him that a Copy
of the Correspondence
with the Commissioners
deputed to Tippoo. will
be forwarded without
delay.

I am directed by the Right Honble
the President & Select Committee to acquaint You, for the
information of the Honble the Governor General Council,
that a complete Set of their Correspondence with the Com-
missioners, deputed to the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun, is now ready,
but as it is too bulky to be forwarded by the Tappeal, the
Select Committee are under the necessity of waiting until
an opportunity shall offer by a sea conveyance. Complete
Transcripts of the Correspondence with the Commissioners,
appointed to confer with the Marquis de Bussy, have
already been transmitted to the Government General, and
copies of the last part by the Marianne / of the Proceedings
at large of the Commissioners deputed to the Nabob Tippoo
Sultaun

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14th Sultan — are now preparing for their information —

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I have the honor to be

Yr^o

(signed)

To Mr. Ogilvie

Sent to the Storekeeper of Bellona a letter as entered in M. B. N^o 79) enclosing a list of Military Stores sent for that Garrison —

Court Martial

15th Sent letter as entered in M. B. N^o) to the Members of the Court Martial, desiring to know whether the Examination of the List of Evidence, called upon by Mr. Hall, may be taken to the Southward —

Received letter as entered in Miscellany Book N^o 83) from Mr. Boisdanne from Mr. Boisdanne at Angole, respecting some independent Corps left sick at that Garrison representing that they are a great inconvenience to the Garrison & requesting instructions regarding them.

Received letters as entered in M. B. N^o 84.

Col. Fraser

From Col. Fraser advising of the receipt of the Committee's Orders respecting the restoration of Dindyal.

Messrs. Bailey & Thompson

From Messrs. Bailey & Thompson requesting leave to proceed

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15th by the General's Orders the Select Committee desire it may be a standing Rule in future

To Mr. Gilman

To the Baymaster at Vellore desiring him to furnish Insig-
-sign Ryland with what sum he may require to commence
the repairs agreeably to his Estimate - but to be careful
to do not exceed it - No 82.

Col Fraser

To Colonel Fraser respecting the repairs agreed to be exe-
-cuted by Insig. Ryland at Vellore No 81.

Lieut. Boisdun

To Lieutenant Boisdun, referring him to the Instructions
sent to Capt. Montgomery No 96.

Insig. Blount

To Insig. Blount permitting him to proceed to Bengal
for the reestablishment his health No 90

Lieut. Fraile

To Lieut. Fraile, respecting his Passap Money to Europe. No 89

Col Fraser

To Colonel Fraser desiring him to adhere to the Orders
that have been sent him, respecting, Dindigul, Amboor and

Sautgur No 88

Capt. Rolleston

To Captain Rolleston, respecting his Accounts not being
properly authenticated, and informing him that the Commilla
are not the people to whom they should be sent. No 93.

Masulipatam

To Masulipatam, advising that the Committee do
not wish to allow Mr. Daniel a separate Authority for
a continuance yet the present state of Circumstances make
such

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15th such a Plan eligible & proper No 87

Mr. Sp. Clerk

To the Committee of Assigned Revenue representing the impropriety of Bawber Laws levying duties upon Grain carried to Arcot. and desiring such a Measure may be put a Statute No. 99.

Gen. Lang

To General Lang desiring him to appoint a board of Officers to enquire into the justness of the Claims of Captains Laimotte and Crawford - No. 92.

Major Campbell

To Major Campbell, informing him that the Committee are pleased to allow half a Pagoda for the repairs of the Ladders &c No. 91.

Lieut. Kippelbach

To Lieut. Kippelbach; informing him that as the Rajah of Venkatagerry disapproves of his surveying his District; the Committee think it proper he should relinquish the plan, and return to his Station No. 94.

Capt. Laimotte

To Captain Laimotte, acquainting him that his Application is referred to a board of Officers, that in regard to the Money he carried into Chittoor, it will be necessary for him to make an Affidavit of its having been actually disbursed for the Use of the Garrison.

To Captain Bandy desiring him to proceed to

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Capt. Bussy

15th To Land the Stores on board his Vessel at Negapatam, & return to the Presidency with such Troops as Colonel Fullarton may please to embark on his Vessel No 101.

Mr Sullivan

To the Resident at Tanjore, advising him of the Swallow's departure for Negapatam and recommending him to concert Measures with Colonel Fullarton for the forwarding the Troops to the Presidency. No 102.

Capt Little

To Captain Little advising him that Orders have been sent to the Resident at Tanjore to furnish him with as much Money as possibly can be spared to discharge a proportion of the Prize Money belonging to His Majesty's Troops No 109.

Colonel Brathwaite

To Colonel Brathwaite, informing him of the Claim made by Mess^{rs} Amalie & Michell, for Gun Carriages, and desiring to know whether any Carriages were received by him from those Gentlemen as the Committee of Stores have not been able to find any in the Arsenal No 106

Lieut. Green

To Lieut. Green permitting him to proceed to Bengal for the reestablishment of his health No 105.

Northern Subordinaries

To the Northern Subordinaries, desiring they will furnish the Committee with an account of the Amount of the Resources and

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15th

and disbursements of their settlements, including what may be appropriated for the provision of the Investment No. 112.

16th

Dispatched the following letter to Brig^d. General Horne —

To Brigadier General Horne

Sir

To Gent. Horne informing him that the Select Committee agree to the propriety of the supernumerary field Officers being allowed to them in the gratuity fund.

I am directed by the Right Hon^{ble} the President and Select Committee to acknowledge Your letter of the 18th Ultimo and to inform You that they admit the reasoning therein to be very just and have given orders that in future the supernumerary field Officers be not allowed to share in the gratuity fund. Respecting the accounts that are past, and the dividends received, they would not now be rectified without great difficulty and the difference also in the amount of the shares would be but inconsiderable —

I have the honor to be

S^r

(Signed) John Huddleston
Secretary

Fort L. George

16th August 1784

Sent the following letter to the Committee of
a signed

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Assigned Revenue

To Charles Cakley Esq^r

President & Members of the Committee of

Assigned Revenue

Gentlemen

To Committee of Assigned
Revenue respecting
the Chanderagerry Peons
I ordered them to be
discharged

I am directed by the Right Hon^{ble}
the President and Select Committee to acknowledge the
receipt of your letter of the 5th Inst^t and to signify to
you their consent that the arrears which upon regular & authen-
ticated accounts shall appear due to the Chanderagerry peons
be discharged by deductions from the peshkash at such periods
as shall put them upon a footing with the other Troops,
but the Select Committee do not think it necessary to keep
the peons any longer in the Company's pay and they desire
you will communicate the same to the Rajah - Orders are
now sent to the Officer at Chanderagerry for their being discharged.

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I have the honor to be

Y^r

/ signed / John Hudleston

Secretary

Let letters as entered in M. B. N^o 95. 95. 26. 100.

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To
Mr Taylor

16th

To Mr. Barry Taylor, enclosing him a copy of a letter to the President from the deputy Accountant and desiring him to refund 2455.5.43 on Account of the difference of exchange —

Lieut. Sundt

To Lieut. Sundt desiring him to use every exertion towards suppressing the Robberies in his Neighbourhood & to assure the Polygars who assist him that they shall meet with the Companys protection.

Mr Daniell

To Mr. Daniell, enclosing him a letter under a flying Seal for the Resident Hyderabad and desiring him to forward it without delay.

Capt. Montgomery

To Capt. Montgomery commanding at Angole, communicating the purport of Mr. Rossdaunes letter relative to the independant Corps that are sick at that Garrison, & giving him instructions respecting them.

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Received the following letter from General Hornes. with several enclosures as lodged in the Office

The Right Honble Lord Macartney K. B.

President Governor &c Select Committee

of Fort S. George

My

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From Gen^l. Hornes.17th

requesting his Bills for
repairs may be discharged
— describe the situation
of the men in Cantonments
— Cantonment plentifully
supplied with provisions.

My Lord Gentlemen

In consequence of some repairs that
were absolutely necessary to be made at the Commanding
Officers' Quarters, to make them habitable and prevent
the rains bringing a part of them down, I ordered the En-
gineer to do what work was necessary for securing and
making those quarters habitable, and also some little
necessary repairs to the Quarters allotted for my residence
when Gen^l Lang is present in Cantonments. Mr. Jackson
having no instructions to countersign any Bills for repairs
or any other Work. Altho' ordered by the Commanding Officer
pres^t. I take the liberty of inclosing to Your Lordship
The Engineers Bill for these repairs, which being so very
moderate a Sum I am induced to hope Your Lordship
will be pleased to give Orders for its being paid.

Since my taking the Command of this Cantonment
all the Publick Artificers — Lascars &c^a belonging to
the different Corps and Departments that could possibly
be spared have constantly been employed under the En-
gineer in repairing Barracks for the Troops and other necessary
works

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17th Works — The whole of the men are now in good airy and dry Barracks. enclosed I send the Engineers report of the work that has been done. and for which the Company have not been put to any expence. What Palmirast Bamboos have been wanting having been cut near the Hills and brought by the Artillery Bullocks upwards of 20 miles.

I also do myself the Honour of inclosing for Your Lordships ^{His} Inspection a return of the Number of Officers that are in quarters in the Fort and in the different parts of the Town of Arcot — The greatest part of the quarters are now very good and the Officers in that respect much better off then they could have been in any. Out Station, I know on the Coast. But there is a great inconvenience in not having Quarters for more Officers in the Fort where all the European Soldiers are most of the Officers have been at some expence to make their quarters convenient in consequence, of which Lieut Col. Knox addressed a letter to me which I now also lay before Your Lordship ^{His}

I have great pleasure in informing Your
 Lordship

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Lordship Yr^{ty} that the Cantonment is now plentifully supply^d
 with good provisions and at reasonable prices, Mutton to the
 Officers at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ fanam a hind quarter and 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ a fore quarter
 - in the Bazar to the Soldiers at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ fanam a sear. Beef
 at 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ a sear to the Soldiers. but if the Agent was entirely
 to cease Virtualing the Troops, I doubt the Bazar. would
 not continue to furnish sufficient supplies, though for
 20 days that no provision has been supplied by Mr. Kenner-
 -thy's people there has not appeared to be any scarcity in
 the Market. Rice sells now at 12 Arcot Seers a Rupee-
 and would be cheaper if the Marchants were not pre-
 -vented bringing grain from Trinomoly and through the
 districts rented by Bob Rowe who they complain lays hea-
 -vy duties on grain and all other Articles coming to this
 Bazar.

I hope Your Lordships Yr^{ty} excuse for taking
 up so much of your time with a state of this Canton-
 -ment which I have been induced to send as perhaps it might
 be some satisfaction to Your Lordship Yr^{ty} to have a full
 state of it. and more especially as I was under a necessity
 of forwarding Col. Munn's letter.

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 at Arcot August the 14th 1784

I have the honour to be with great
 Respect Yr^{ty}
 (signed) Math^{ew} Horne

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From
Mr Hawkins

17th

Received letter as entered in M. B. N. 103) from
the Baymaster at Boonamallee with return of what
we have been issued since his last return & what
now remains —

Dispatched the following letter to Colonel
Fullarton

To Colonel William Fullarton
Commanding the Southern Forces.

Sir

To Col. Fullarton, de-
siring him to forward
to the Presidency on board
the Swallow, which
now proceeds for the
purpose, as many of his
Majesty's troops as can
be received on board

I am directed by the Right
Honble the President and Select Committee to in-
form You that the Swallow now proceeds to Negapatam
to convey stores for the Southern Garrisons and to receive
on board as many as she can carry of the men of the
regiments ordered home ^{as do yet} chase to enlist in the regiments,
that remain in India.

The Select Committee request therefore
You will be pleased to order them with all convenient
expedition to Negapatam or any other Port that You
may judge more convenient for their speedy embarkation

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I enclose a copy of the orders given to the
Commander of the Swallow -

This letter is sent open to M^r. Sullivan that
he may assist and cooperate with You in the Business

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I have the honor to be

th
[signed] John Huddleston
Secretary

18th Dispatched the following letter to the Resident
at Tanjore -

To John Sullivan Esq^r.
Resident at Tanjour

Sir

I am directed by the Right Hon^{ble} the
President and Select Committee to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 5th Ultimo with its enclosure and to
signify to You their opinion and Instructions on the subject
of it.

Respecting the monies actually advanced to
You for the public service and for the payment of which
in Tanjour You have pledged Your word, the Select Committee
consent

To M^r. Sullivan, gi-
ving him instructions in
reply to his letter of the
5th of last month - en-
closing him Copy of a
letter from Nawab Beg
respecting the Village
of Bathpoor on the sub-
ject of the Rajah propos-
ing himself of two Villages
belonging to Indian en-

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consent that they be discharged there accordingly, but as Money is so much wanted for the immediate payment of other demands, they wish You to do it by Installments so as to leave a considerable proportion of the Revenue for other purposes. —

For the money borrowed of the Captains of Negapatnam and of Sir Edward Hughes, Bonds have already been issued here, and for the other Interest notes the Select Committee have agreed to issue Bonds agreeably to Your recommendation.

With regard to the Storekeepers & Paymasters Departments in which You mention there are large Balances due that are not included in the Account transmitted to the Select Committee, direct me to observe to You, that they have as yet seen no accounts whatever of the Disbursements in either, that they cannot but consider You as responsible to Government on both Departments to whomsoever You may have thought proper to confide them, that to You only they must look for Information and Explanation on the subject and that until they are furnished with the Accounts of Disbursements, and advances, and of the Balances due they can come to no determination with

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18th with respect to allowing Interest on any account.

I am also directed to send You the enclosed copy of a letter from Nawas Beg to the Right Honble the President together with a paper containing the best Intelligence the Committee have been able to procure relative to the Village in question; should the accounts You may obtain correspond with it, the Select Committee desire You will cause the said Village [Calpotoor] to be given up and pay such attention to the other part of Nawas Beg's representation as, on enquiry, it shall be found to merit, an answer to his letter goes enclosed.

I am further directed to inform You that the Vakeel of Tondiman has represented to the Right Honble the President that altho' he has in obedience to the orders of Government delivered up Kellamully & Ardengy to the Rajah of Tanjour, the Rajah has possessed himself of two Villages Nagvally & Eedyatty belonging to Tondiman and refused to restore them. The Select Committee desire You will enquire into the facts and report the state of them and Your opinion thereon with as little delay as possible.

I have

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I have the honor to be

th
(signed) John Buddleston
Secretary

From
Col. Fraser.

Received letter from the Commanding Offi-
-cer at Bellour as entered in M. B. N^o 104/ advising
of his having received a letter in 3 days and 10 hours
from Dindigul. — that Genl. Lang has not as yet given
him any instructions, — requests a month's pay for
the Garrison, the Recruits in great distress —

19th Dispatched the following letter to the Resident
at Tanjore —

To John Sullivan Esq^r
Resident at Tanjore

Sir

To the Resident of Tanjore,
with Copies of the letter
from Capt^m Little &
the Committee's answer.
desiring him to advance
as much cash as will
induce the men to rein-
-list

I am directed by the Right Hon^{ble}
the President & Select Committee to send you the
enclosed copy of a letter from Captain Little with
their answer and to inform you that Bonds have been
granted to Capt^m Little for the whole sum which you
borrowed and received of him, in account of the Southern
Army and the Select Committee desire that you will in
order

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18th order to satisfy the men, and induce them to enlist, use
 Your endeavors to advance Captain Little immediately a sum
 sufficient to enable him to discharge a proportion of
 what is due to them taking his receipt for the same in
 part payment of the separate Bond granted to him on their
 account - and You will, agreeably to what the Select Committee
 have written to Captain Little, discharge the rest by installments
 as soon as the public exigencies will permit.

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I have the honor to be

Sir

[signed] John Wudleston
 Secretary20th

Dispatched this day to Bengal, a letter as entered
 in M. B. N^o 110 to the Secretary to the Supreme Council
 on board the french Snow Tannah, Captain Dayot
 Copy of the Correspondence between this Government & the
 Commissioners deputed to the Nabob Tippoo Sultan.

M^{rs} Bay

At

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At a Select Committee Present

Monday

23^d August 1784

The Right Honble George Lord Macartney K.B.
President

Anthony Ladbair Esq^r.

Alexander Davidson Esq^r Robert Maunsell Esq^r

Lieut^t General Lang absent upon service

The Minutes of last committee read & approved

Read the following letter from M^r William
Jackson Superintendant of the Army Grain Accounts with
the accounts therein referred to, as lodged in the Office

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

My Lord & Gentlemen

Par: 1st I think it is a duty incumbent upon me,
previous to my departure from hence, in Order to attend to
the Office, which The Right Honble President & Coun-
cil have lately thought proper to confer on me, to lay
before Your Lordship & an Account of my Proceedings,
During the Time I have been employed in collecting and
adjusting

From M^r W^m Jackson
Superintendant of Army
Grain Accounts - lays before
His Lordship & the Com-
mittee, his proceedings
in that capacity from the
1st Novemb^r 1780 to the
30th April 1784.

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adjusting the Balances which were due for Grain, delivered out from the Publick Stores for the Use of the Army, from the 1st of November 1780 to the 30th April 1784, for which Purpose, I beg leave to refer Your Lordship &c to the accompanying Paper.

N^o 1. which contains an Account of the Expenditure of Grain &c, as I have taken it from the different Grain-keepers Books, amounting as it well therein appears to the Sum of Seven hundred, and fifty three thousand six hundred and twenty five Pagodas, forty two fanams and Seventy one Cash [753,625..42..71] together with the Sums of Money collected by Sundry Persons on that Account, how the Same has been accounted for, and the Amount of what I esteem to be good Debts, due to the Hon^{ble} Company.

2^d I beg leave to inform Your Lordship &c that notwithstanding I have made every possible enquiry to know what Grain was delivered to the Army, previous to the Month of November 1780, all that I have been able to learn is, that Insign Byde, formerly in the Hon^{ble} Company's Service, acted as Grainkeeper from August 1780, to the 31st of Oct^r following, during which Period, he had

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had not the Charge of any Grain, but was appointed by the then Commander in Chief, as a Check on a Person whom His Highness the Nabob sent with the Army, to supply the Troops with Rice &c; and he accordingly delivered a small quantity to them; in the Month of September 1730. Some Paddy was found in the large Pagoda at Bongiveram, on which the Troops subsisted until their Return to Marmalong, from which Time, the Troops have been supplied with this Article from the Honble Company's Stores.

3^d Your Lordship &c will be pleased to observe in the Paper N^o 1. that the Balance still due to the Company, appears to be forty eight thousand, five hundred and eighty five Pagodas twenty four fanams, and fifty bars / 48585. 24. 50 / of which I do not altogether despair, of recovering a Part, but it is impossible to ascertain at this Time, any specifick Sum, nor will it be in my Power until everything is finally settled having in the Course of my Examination, discovered Errors in Accounts, that is to say, Grain charged to different People of which there are no Vouchers to support
nor

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nor any Documents, to enable me to judge whether the same had been delivered.

4th Some time must necessarily elapse before the whole Accounts can be finally adjusted; in my Absence therefore I beg Permission to recommend to Your Lordship that the Paymaster may be directed to settle the Balances due from the Army belonging to the Cantonments as Pay is issued, and to whom if you approve of it, I will deliver the Accounts properly made out, with the necessary Vouchers, and what remains to be done with the Southern Army, or in any of the Forts South of the Coleroon for Grain delivered whilst the Troops now Stationed in them, were Serving with the Grand Army, I will exert my best Endeavour to bring to a final Settlement.

5th Should Your Lordship think it proper to continue me in my Office of Superintendant of the Army Grain Accounts, I beg leave to offer it as my opinion, that the same Instructions as were published in General Orders in the Month of January 1783 should be repeated, in Order that those Officers now Serving to the Southward, and with whom I may have Accounts to

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To Lettle, may pay due Attention to any Requisition that I may think necessary to make. — The Writers and Conicoplies ^{Hⁿ} who have been in my Service since the Commencement of the Grain Business, are well acquainted with it, and have agreed to accompany me, provided I give them the same Allowances as I have hitherto paid them, which, on Account of the Business being extremely intricate, are higher than is usually paid to common Writers and Conicoplies. I trust Your Lordship ^{Hⁿ} will therefore permit me to continue the same Charge on this Account as You have already been pleased to determine on, and which shall be decreased as soon as the Accounts will admit of it. — with the Assistance they will be able to afford me, in adjusting the Grain Accounts, I shall be the better enabled to proceed in my Duty as a Commissioner. The Person who Your Lordship ^{Hⁿ} may appoint to receive the Balances due from the Army in Cantonments — should be directed to Send me monthly or as often as he may find necessary, the Amount of his Collections, that I may include the same with mine and which will be laid

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laid before Your Lordship &c. so soon as the whole Accounts are compleatly finished.

S^r Several applications have been made to me, to ascertain the Amount of Grain taken from the Enemy in the Course of the War, and delivered to the different Grainkeepers, in Order that the Amount may be paid by me, into the Hands of the Agents appointed for the distribution of the Prize Money; but as I cannot find by the Grainkeepers Books, that there has been a separate Head kept in Order to enable me to render such an Account, neither have those who applied to me, been able to produce any Receipts, the whole quantity whatsoever it may be, is included with the rest of the Grain received from the Publick Stores, and carried to the Credit of the Company.

The accompanying Packet N^o 2 contains my Vouchers and N^o 3 my Account Current with the Mills Company to the 31st August 1784

I have the honor to be
very respectfully

(signed) W^m Jackson
Superintendent of the Army Grain Accounts

Cantonments
at Arcot 12th August 1784

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Minute thereon -

The Committee approve of the several recommendations contained in Mr. Jackson's letter, and it is accordingly resolved that the paymaster at the Cantonment at Arcot be directed to settle the Balances due from the Troops there as pay is issued for which purpose Mr. Jackson must be desired to deliver to him the accounts and Vouchers. — The Paymaster to be directed to send Mr. Jackson monthly, or as often as he shall find necessary, the account of his Collections.

Resolved that the Instructions and powers annexed to Mr. Jackson's original appointment be republished, and declared in General Orders to extend to the Southern Army — also that Mr. Jackson be permitted to continue the charge he has hitherto made for Writers and Scribes, in the assurance that he will not keep them a moment longer than the Business shall absolutely require.

Read the following letters from the Commander in Chief

My Lord & Gentlemen

from the Commander in Chief. objects to Capt. Walters being restored to the Service & only a grant to buy a daily being re-admitted in

I have received Mr. Secretary's letter of the 7th Inst. enclosing an address to the Honble Committee

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into the service on condi-
tion of his entering youngest
of the rank he held where
he resigned

Committee from Captain Lieutenant Walters, and also one
from Ensign Daly upon the merits of which You have desired
to have my opinion.

With regard to the former, Captⁿ Walters
must have been fully sensible of the situation he would
be reduced to on his quitting the Company's Service, pre-
vious to his resigning it, and should have considered well
before he took such a step; ever since the time he was
promoted until the period of his resignation / being near
six months / he was permitted to remain at Madras, as
I know he was rather displeased, but his presence being
necessary with the Battalion, to which, in the course of
the arrangement of Affairs he had been appointed, I ordered
him to join his Corps having been informed that he had
received his allowances up to that time — it is certain
he applied to be removed to some other Corps, this I did
not choose to comply with, if he preferred resigning the
service to a compliance with the orders he had received.
— the general Character of Captⁿ Walters and the
Company he has chosen to associate with during his stay
at

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at Madras, forbid that I should acquiesce in his being restored to the Service, nor can I with propriety recommend that he be put on the Invalid list - by which he may at some future period be in a situation to Command - but should Your Hon^{ble} Committee from motives of Humanity think his distress entitles him to any further attention I should induce You to pension him upon Lieutenants Pay, it would be perfectly agreeable to me - but I cannot think of recommending him to remain either on the Effective or Invalid list.

The plea under which M^r Daly thought proper to resign the Service, was to return to Europe on account of ill health; but his real motive, I am informed, was with a view to better himself at Bengal - for which place & not for Europe, he left this Presidency - but upon his arrival there, finding his Friend on whom he had depended for assistance, was gone home, he returned to Madras, to solicit his restoration to the Rank he had formerly held on this Establishment a person who makes so light of the Service deserves but little attention, nor can I think it a sufficient plea for his being restored to his rank that he was out of his senses when he resigned

I am

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I am of opinion that the Service should not be trifled with — if therefore Your Lordship &c^{sh} should be induced to admit Ensign Daly, to the Service again, he should come in, as Youngest of the Rank he held when he re-
signed —

Vellore

15th August 1784

I have the honor to be

&c^{sh}

(signed) Robt Lang

The Right Honorable Lord Macartney K. B.

&c^{sh} Select Committee

From the Commander
in Chief recommends
that the proposed Estab-
lishment of Cavalry
should be completed with
all expedition. & that
an Officer of experience
should be appointed to
command them

My Lord Gentlemen

I have received Your letter of the 11th

Inst^l submitting to me the propriety of incorporating
the Native Cavalry of my Body Guard in the Regiments of Caval-
ry, by which means the Contracts would be simplified and the
detail be more regular — and observing that should I have occasion
for a Guard it might be furnished by Detachment from
either of the Regiments of Cavalry

I entirely concur in opinion with Your Lord-
ship &c^{sh} that the proposed Establishment of Cavalry should
be

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be compleated with all expedition, and I also think that when so compleated they should be kept as much together as possible and every attention paid to the disciplining them - which object would be less attainable, if the different Regiments were under the necessity of furnishing a Guard for the Commander in Chief, which being removed at a distance from the Corps to which they belonged, would put it out of the power of the Officers to pay that attention to them that they might require - nor do I see in what manner the Contract would become more simple by the incorporating the Body Guard with the Regiments than at present - as the Contract for feeding is the same, and the expence whether as a part of a Regiment, must necessarily be the same also - on the present footing the detail is perfectly regular and clear.

The having an Officer to command the Native Cavalry who may compose a part of the Body Guard for the Commander in Chief, whose abilities have been proved and in whom he can place entire confidence, is another inducement to keep them upon their present establishment - for it must frequently happen from
the

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the tour of duty, that an Officer of very little or no experience may command the Detachment from a Regiment and in whom an equal reliance cannot be placed, as in one, particularly chosen for that station. — the Native Cavalry of the Body Guard are in discipline equal to the Regiment's & will be ready as they have been at all times during the War, to act with them whenever there may be occasion & the only extra expence they are of to the Company at present is the allowance of a Quarter Master, I am therefore induced to hope that Your Lordship will permit them to remain as a Guard for the Commander in Chief on the same footing & in like manner as they have been during the War.

Vellore 18th August 1784

I have the honor to be

S^t

(signed) Robt Lang

The Committee cannot think of burthening the Company with pensions to such men as the General describes Captain Walters to be, and it is accordingly resolved that he be neither pensioned, nor readmitted into service — from the circumstances also of Mr. Daly's resignation of the service

The Select Committee's Minute on the Commander in Chief's letter of the 14th Inst.

related

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related in the foregoing letter the Committee cannot consent to his admission into the Company's Service.

With respect to what the Commander in Chief has urged against incorporating his Body Guard of native Cavalry into the two regiments the Committee are concerned to be under the necessity of differing from him on this point, as they can see no good reason why the Body Guard of the Commander in Chief should be more numerous now than it has ever been heretofore in time of peace: and the incorporating into the two regiments that part of it which consists of native Cavalry, is also consistent with our wishes and intention to bring back the whole military establishment as nearly as possible, to what it was before the war. - Resolved that the above reasoning be communicated to General Lang and that he be requested to acquiesce in the measure of incorporating his Guard of native Cavalry into the two Regiments and to issue the same in General orders accordingly, reserving for his Body Guard the company of marksmen & if he chuses, all that remain of the European Troop.

The Judge advocate General lays before
the

The Committee's minutes on Genl. Lang's letter of the 13th Inst.

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Ensign Dighton sentenced to four months suspension.

the Committee the proceedings of the General Court Martial lately held on Ensign Dighton at arcot of which the Sentence / four months suspension from the service / has been published in General Orders —

The Right Honble the President recommends the proceedings to the serious attention of the Committee and lays before the Committee the following Extract of a letter on the subject from Brigadier General Horne —

Extract from a private letter from Brig^d General Horne to the Right Honble President dated the 10th of August 1784 —

Extract of a private letter from Gen^l Horne to the Right Honble President, advising of his having forwarded the proceedings of the General Court Martial on Ensign Dighton to Gen^l Campbell — he having reserved to himself the power of approval.

I have the honour to inform Your Lordship, that I have forwarded to General Campbell the proceedings of the General Court Martial held at this Cantonment, — he having reserved to himself the power of approval, and in his warrant to me — directed me to transmit him the proceedings for that purpose.

I should suppose such trials as are held on the Company's Officers, he will lay the proceedings off before the Committee, if so I take the liberty of suggesting to
your

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Your Lordship the necessity of Government's issuing an order to clear up a point that seems to have been disputed and indeed occasioned Ensign Dightons Trial, that of a Subaltern of Sepoys having a right to muster the Company, he has charge of, and whose pay Rols he signs. I have always conceived a Subadar of a Company of Sepoys stood exactly in the same light in the Battⁿ he belongs to, as a Captain of a Company does in a Regiment, with this difference, - that European Officers are appointed to Sepoy Battⁿ to assist in disciplining them, and to see the Black Officers carry on the Duty properly, and are guilty of no frauds either to the publick - or the Sepoys, - and also for leading them on and better conducting them on Service than it is supposed Black Officers can do.

Attest Extract

(signed) W^m G. Wasey
Dep^y Secretary

The Committee upon reference to the General Orders issued the 24th Decem^r 1778. find it there directed that the pay Rols of each Company in all the Sepoy Battalions are to be signed by the European Subaltern attached

note on Gen^l
Com^{rs} letter of the
2^d August 1784.

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attached to such company, or in his absence by the European Adjutant, and those separate pay Rolls to be transmitted by the several Paymasters, to the Presidency. — this rule must nodoubt have been established for the purpose of ascertaining the numbers in each company, and checking the Paymasters Accounts. — the Committee therefore cannot but be of opinion that Insign Dighton, in refusing to sign Payrolls which he knew or supposed to be false, acted from the most laudable motives, altho' a necessary attention to the strict letter of the articles of war may have obliged the Court martial to find him guilty. —

Resolved that the above be communicated to General Horne and as Insign Dighton has, in his defence, stated what appears to the Committee to amount to a charge against Captain Bonnevaux, it is further resolved that General Horne be directed to order a Court of enquiry to examine and report to him / the General / whether, what is urged by Insign Dighton, in his defence, or what he may further urge upon the examination, affords sufficient ground for a Court martial on Captain Bonnevaux, and if their answer shall be in the Affirmative, in such case to bring
 Captain

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Captain Bonnevau to his trial before a General Court
Martial —

Read the following letter and Enclosures from
General Sir John Burgoyne.

My Lord Gentlemen

From Sir John
Burgoyne, requesting to
be restored to the Com-
mand of the King's forces
in India with 2 enclo-
sures, one from the Se-
cretary of State: the
other from the Secretary
of War. —

Having this day received letters from his
Majesty's Secretary of State and War, wrote by his Majes-
ty's express commands to signify to me his entire ap-
probation of my conduct relative to those matters which
have been partly the cause of my long confinement, and
mean the refusal to supersede Gen^l. Stuart, & afterwards
to give up the command of the King's troops: I take the
liberty to communicate the same to You, & desire in His
Majesty's name I may be released from my arrest, &
permitted to exercise the powers vested in me, of command-
ing His Majesty's troops in India —

Madras

August 20th 1784

I have the honor to be
Sir

(signed) J. Burgoyne

Enclosed are extracts from the letters alluded to

Sir

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Sir

I take the opportunity of a Ship sailing for India, to write to you a short Letter, to acknowledge the receipt of Yours of the 27th of September to my predecessor Lord North. —

It is impossible to ascribe Your conduct in refusing the Command of the Forces in India, to any cause, but the most honorable one, a sense of the Duty You owed to the King, and His service. I think it however unadvisable, at present, to enter into a discussion upon the propriety of that step, as it might lead me into giving an Opinion upon Subjects, which may be to undergo a future investigation.

The powers which Major General Stuart exercised, and which he still continues to claim, seem to have led You very naturally to form the Opinion which You did, upon his Situation in the Service. You certainly declined a Command, such as must have been the Object of the laudable ambition of every military Man and it would be doing You great injustice not to observe, that

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that the Discretion and Temper, which You seem by all the accounts we have hitherto received, to have shewn in the subsequent parts of this unfortunate Business, do You the greatest honor, and to that judicious Conduct must be ascribed the prevention of the most violent, and perhaps fatal Disputes, which might have prevailed between the King's Troops and those of the Company. — ✓

I have received his Majesty's Commands to recommend to You the continuance of the same Temper and moderation, as well as to communicate to You his Royal Approbation of the very prudent and salutary Measures which You took, to prevent the consequences which were to have been expected from so dangerous a posture of Affairs. —

I should be sorry to conclude this letter without mentioning to You, that I have great hopes, that the measures which are now taking by the King's Servants, in concert with the Directors of the East India Company, are such as will tend to restore harmony amongst those who are in civil and military Authority on the Coast of Coromandel, and prevent in future, those differences and Jealousies, which
while

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while they lessen the weight and influence of the Force of Great Britain in India, render its name both odious and contemptible in that Country

I think it necessary to acquaint You, that the Ships now going out, will be followed in a very short time by others, which will probably convey fuller Accounts and clear proofs of the Regulations intended. —

Whitehall
April 24th 1784

I have the honor to be with
great regard
Y^r

(signed) Sydney
Major Genl. Sir John Burgoyne

Copy

Major General Sir John Burgoyne B^t.
East Indies

Sir

I have had the honor of receiving Your Letters of the 28th and 29th September 1783. with their several enclosures, to all of which I have given the utmost attentive perusal

In pursuance of my duty to the Army at large, I have submitted my Sentiments fully to His Majesty's

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Majesty's Secretary of State, upon such of the Contents
 as could be considered with a view to the mere Rules of Mi-
 litary Service, apart from the great Political Objects which
 are necessarily connected with the Chief parts of your Dis-
 patches: and I have since understood from Lord Sydney,
 that proper arrangements are now forming between the
 King's Servants and the Directors of the East India Com-
 pany, for the reestablishment of harmony among
 the Civil and Military Establishments on the Coast
 of Coromandel, without derogation from the autho-
 rity of the respective Branches, or from the Credit
 of the Officers concerned, and for effectually guarding
 against similar Misunderstandings in future:—

These arrangements however, as well as
 the transactions that have given rise to them, are
 points on which it does not belong to me, as Secreta-
 ry at War, to take His Majesty's Pleasure, or to
 offer any opinion to His Majesty thereupon: But
 I have Authority to say without entering into the
 Question whether You were founded in Your opinion of
 Major General Stuart's right to retain the Command
 of

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of the King's Troops in India after his dismissal from the Service of the Company. / that no doubt subsists in the Royal Breast in regard to the Motives that induced You to adopt that opinion, which could from none but the purest and most disinterested Principles: the wise and moderate Conduct held by Yourself, and by the Officers who acted in concert with You, after General Stuart's dismissal, has deservedly met with His Majesty's entire approbation, and His Majesty relies with the firmest confidence on You for a continuance of that prudence and moderation of Conduct, untill the measures now under Consideration shall have been adjusted, and carried into effect in India.

I have only Sir, to add my own assurances to You, that nothing shall be wanting on my part, consistent with the limits of my Official Situation here, to assert, as occasion may require, the rights of the Officers of His Majesty's Army: and to shew every personal attention, that can with propriety be paid, to those who have demonstrated their attachment to the general good of His Majesty's Service at the hazard of
their

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their own particular Interests. —

War Office
24th April 1784

I have the honor to be

Sir

I signed Geo: Younge

Minute thereon

The Committee upon the perusal of the foregoing letters, observe that those to Sir John Burgoyne from his Majesty's Secretary of state and Secretary at War, refer only to the Transactions of September^{last} and the sentiments they express are founded chiefly upon his own representation of the conduct held by him at that time. — the subject of those Transactions had not been investigated nor does it appear even that all the materials necessary to elucidate it had been before either his Majesty's Secretary of state, or Secretary at war. — Sir John Burgoyne must also be sensible that however culpable his conduct in September appeared to the Committee, yet the immediate cause of his arrest was his subsequent conduct principally in December last, as stated to him in the letter of the 21st of that month of which no account had been received in England when the last advices came away — and here the Committee cannot but express their great surprize that Sir John Burgoyne should have employed
his

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his Majesty's high name without his authority to desire his release from an Arrest of which his Majesty had not been even apprized, before the dispatch of the letters on which Sir John Burgoyne grounds his application. — upon the whole the Committee having referred the case to another Tribunal it is not in their power to free Sir John Burgoyne from his arrest, but in order to obviate any misapprehension from the word "Confinement" which Sir John Burgoyne uses to express the nature of his situation it may be necessary to repeat what he and every person here must know to be true, that in fact he neither is nor has been confined at all. In the letter to Sir John Burgoyne of the 31st December he was assured that by the measure of arresting him, which he had forced the Government to adopt, it was not meant that he should suffer any present Inconvenience or personal hardship — the same was repeated to him by the Adjutant General, and in the letter of the 8th January he was particularly told that there was no objection to his going to England whenever it might be agreeable to him, in consequence of which he has at different times informed the Committee of his Intentions of going home, and named the ships

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ships on which he meant to embark - according to his own suggestion in his letter of the 11th March, a proper person has been provided who, from his late situation here, & his knowledge of the case is particularly qualified, & is instructed to give such assistance as may be necessary to carry on the prosecution against him in England.

Agreed that a letter be written to Sir John Burgoyne from the foregoing Minute -

Read the following letter from M^r. Edward Mackintosh with the account therein mentioned in which is charged a salary of 100 Pagodas per month as Resident at Tranquebar from the 1st October 1781 to the 3^d August 1784. amounting to Pagodas 3536 -

The Right Hon^{ble} Lord Macartney
President & Select Committee

My Lord & Gentlemen

I take the liberty to enclose my
account of Salary from October 1781 when I was last paid as
Resident

From M^r. Mackintosh requesting his salary of 100 Pag^{as} per month as resident at Tranquebar.

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Resident at Tranquebar, which I hope you will be pleased to discharge.

I have also a small account of Disbursements for Kattumaran hire &c^o for forwarding Dispatches, which I will take the liberty to transmit from Tranq^t when I return to my Station again, which with your permission I propose doing in a day or two. —

Madras

20th August 1784 the greatest Respect

I have the honor to be with

(signed) Edw^d Mackintosh

Read also the following letter Enclosure from
W^m. Edward Mackintosh —

The Right Honble George Lord Macartney &c^o
S^r S^r S^r

My Lord

I beg leave to lay before Your Lordship the Accompanying Copy of a Certificate that I have this day had the Honor to receive from Sir Edward Hughes. I have also given every Intelligence of the Enemy of my Nation
worthy

From W^m. Mackintosh enclosing certificate from Sir Edward Hughes of his being of much service to the Squadron —

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worthy of Notice that I could learn, to the Commander in Chief and to all Commanding Officers to the Southward for which I have received letters of Thanks from them. —

Madras

21st August 1784 greatest Respect.

I have the honor to be with the

Y^{rs}
/ signed / Edw^d. Mackintosh

Copy

I do hereby Certify to the President & Council of Madras, and whomsoever else it may concern, that Mr. Edw^d. Mackintosh, the English Resident at the Danish Settlement of Tranquebar, rendered frequent and important Service to the Public in general, and to His Majesty's Squadron under my Command in particular, by furnishing me with constant Intelligence of the Motions, and often of the Designs of the Enemy, as well French as Dutch, and Hyder Ally, and by assisting most essentially in procuring Water & Stores to be sent from the shore at Tranquebar to His Majesty's Ships when in want thereof. and that the said Mr. Edward Mackintosh was employed on the aforesaid Services from the Month of August

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August 1780 till the Month of July 1783 when the cessation from Hostilities took place, I therefore recommend the said M^r. Edward Mackintosh to the consideration and generosity of this Presidency for an Ample Reward for his Services, Given under my Hand on board His Majesty's Ship Sultan in Madras Road the 21st August 1784 —

[signed] Edw^d. Hughes

Minuteg^{on} the fore-
going letter

The Committee cannot admit the Claim stated by M^r. Mackintosh in the above letters, the Hon^{ble} Court of Directors having thought proper to annul his appointment of Resident at Tranquebar, which would have been officially signified to him, of his being forced by the Enemy to leave Tranquebar, just at the time that the orders from England arrived, had not rendered it unnecessary.

M^r. Mackintosh's endeavors to render service to the public Interests the Committee readily acknowledges and the Certificate given by Sir Edward Hughes of the benefit derived from them to the Squadron the Committee are willing to hope may be considered by the Admiral as entitling him to some compensation or reward from his

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his Majesty for his public zeal and exertions —

Read the following letter from Major Lamont with
the letter to him therein mentioned —

To the Right Hon^{ble} George Lord Macartney President
of the Select Committee
Fort L. George

My Lord & Gentlemen

From Major La-
mont respecting the
pay of the 100th
Regiment.

I waited sixteen days for an answer
to the letter which was put into Your President's hands on the
24th of last month. A small duty which I owed to myself
called me to Arcot. Having returned, I am honor'd with a
letter from Mr. Muddleston dated the 9th inst^t. and which
Captain Ralston acquaints me found its way to S^t. Thomas
the 14th or 15th — that is to say five or six days after it
was written. From some lines in this letter I have reason
to believe that the Committee intends it as an answer
to that which I intended should be laid before them on the
24th of last month or some days after.

The paper, separating Subsistence, clothing
and Gratuity I presume is my obedience to the desire of
Your letter. This is the third alteration that paper has
received

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received our money transactions the enclosed official letter from the Paymaster will explain. I have to request you may observe its contents.

Your Regulations requiring that the accounts "for each month shall be certified or countersigned by the Commissary or Officer who mustered the Troops and that Muster Rolls should be furnished by Captains of Companies" cannot be obeyed because Mr Stuart the Commissary was poisoned by Tippoo Saib and all the Field Officers or Captains who came from England with the Regiment, are either Dead, killed or poisoned by the same man.

When Muster Rolls are talked of a plain man would suppose that the Madras Government intends to settle, to check, to adjust and to pay off our accounts. I wish to God you had come to that resolution before the regiment was broke to pieces. Lord Macartney has constantly told me that he referred us to Bengal for a total settlement, and that the money received here was to be accounted for there. When His Lordship in a letter to Mr Burke censured our distresses

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I with every possible respect explained to him, that the mis-
 fortunes of war, not fault, were Responsible, This is a fact.
 Deception to the contrary may be subservient to
 particular political purposes. It may. It does injure
 us, but it overturns not the truth. Suffer me to say
 what I have already said to Your President. Had you,
 after the mistake of bringing the Bombay prisoners to
 Madras, sent (as the Bombay gentlemen expected) the
 survivors of the 100th Regiment to the Presidency under
 which they served, our affairs would have been easily set-
 tled. Instead of that taking place, Instead of even sending a
 return of the men returned from captivity, and whilst the
 Bombay Board had our affairs in consideration and were
 looking for our arrival, an order from General Campbell
 came, directing the Paymaster and myself to proceed without
 loss of time to Madras. The next day we embarked,
 and sixteen days brought us to the knowledge of what
 we now feel and what you, my Lord & Gentlemen,
 know.

I have further to beg that the Committee may
 take into serious contemplation the ill usage, and misfor-
 tunes which now encompass His Majesty's 100th Regiment.
 I do

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I do this for Your sakes as well as my own, as I mean to insert every thing that regards the regiment in a memorial or Narrative which my duty stands pledged shall be sent to His Majesty's Secretary at War.

L^d Thorne

August 20th 1784

I have the honor to be

(signed) H. Lamont

Major 100th Reg^t

Minutes on the
foregoing —

Resolved that in future, no letters nor applications be received from the Kings Officers but through the Channel of his Majesty's Commander in Chief and on the subject of accounts, through the Paymaster General of his Majesty's Troops or his Deputy: it is not meant that this should extend to those of his Majesty's Officers, who are entrusted with separate Commands, and must therefore necessarily correspond with Government.

Resolved that the foregoing resolution be communicated to his Majesty's Commander in Chief and that he be requested to give orders consonant to it.

Read the following letters from M^r. William Collins Jackson.

To

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To the Right Hon^{ble} George Lord Macartney K.B.
President of the Select Committee
of Fort St. George

My Lord Gentlemen

From W. Jackson
requesting an investi-
-gaⁿtion of his Conduct.
During the time he
was Secretary to the
Commissioners

I am exceedingly concerned that
I am under the necessity of troubling Your Lordship
on the eve of a Europe Dispatch, and am well
aware that Business of much more Importance to the
Public Service, must claim Your Attention at this
Moment. — But as a Delay at this Juncture may be
extremely injurious to me, and may involve in its conse-
quences my future Welfare, I shall hope for Your
Pardon on soliciting an immediate Investigation of
my Conduct, while I held the Office of Secretary to
the late Embassy, that I may thereby have an Oppor-
-tunity of Mr. Staunton's Evidence, who I understand is
to proceed for Europe in a few Days.

I therefore, my Lord & Gentlemen, earnestly request
You will be pleased to order this Inquiry to be made,
that I may thereby be enabled to receive that Benefit,
which

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which the Absence of Mr. Staunton would debar me from. —

I should not at this Time have made a second Application to Your Lordship &c but for the Information I this instant received, that it was Mr. Staunton's Intention to quit India. —

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26th July 1784

the greatest Respect

I have the Honor to be with

&c

(signed) William Collins Jackson

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney &c

President &c Select Committee

of Fort St. George

My Lord & Gentlemen

Once more beg leave to solicit the Pardon of Your Lordship &c for presuming so often to trouble You, but I am encouraged in the Hope, that by laying before Your Honble Board the two enclosed letters, I shall be fully justified by You for taking the Liberty.

I trust My Lord & Gentlemen that the Perusal of those letters, will fully satisfy You of the Integrity

From Mr. Jackson understanding that Mr. Staunton means to leave India request an enquiry may take place before his departure —

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Integrity of my conduct, while I acted in the Commission to Tippoo Sultaun. But Your Lordshipth will do me the Justice to bear in Remembrance, that I have solicited an Investigation, and I feel myself happy in being able to assure You, and my Friends in England, that I am now and shall be always, as ready to meet the Charges of my Accuser, as he can be to bring them.

But if Your Lordshipth shall be of Opinion, that the enclosed Declarations of a Majority of the Gentlemen deputed to Tippoo Sultaun, afford sufficient Testimony of the Rectitude of my conduct, I hope You will be pleased to order the same to be signified to me, for which I shall be most gratefully thankful.

I take this Opportunity to inform Your Lordshipth that no Provision whatever was made for me, for acting as Secretary to the Commission; and I was under the Necessity of being at a considerable Expence to enable me to proceed on it — If therefore my Conduct shall have merited the Approbation of Your Lordshipth I hope You will think me entitled to a reimbursement and Salary. —

I have

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Fort S. George

4th August 1784 greatest Respect

I have the honor to be with the

S^r

(signed) William Collins Jackson

To William Collins Jackson Esq^r

Sir

It gives me much Concern that there can be no Opportunity for my declaring personally, and in detail to the Select Committee, my Sense of the manner in which You acquitted Yourself of the Office of Secretary to the late Embassy to Tippoo Sultan; because I fear that a general Declaration of Your assiduous and honorable conduct throughout, will not do You as much Justice as would follow from a more circumstantial Account. But I wish to convey, what I feel, the fullest approbation.

I am

S^r

(signed) George Leonard Staunton

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July 28th 1784

A true copy

(signed) William Collins Jackson

To

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To William Collins Jackson Esq^r

Sir

I am favored with your Vote of this
Date, in Answer to which I with great Pleasure
give my Testimony to the Rectitude and Integrity
of every Part of your Conduct, while I acted in the
late Commission to Tippoo Sultaun, and I do most
sincerely believe you incapable of acting upon any
other Principles.

I have the Honor to be with great
Esteem

Madras

29th July 1784

(signed) J^r Huddleston
A true Copy

(signed) William Collins Jackson

Ordered to lie on the Table

Read the following letter from a Major
Galt.

To the Right Hon^{ble} George Lord Macartney K^t.
President & Fleet Committee

of Fort St. George

My

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From Major Geils,
advising of his Arrival
& requesting it may
be published in G. O.

My Lord Gentlemen

I have the honor to acquaint you of
my Arrival at this Place & beg leave to request that my
Return to the Service, with my Rank may be notified
in General Orders.

I am with great respect
Yr^o

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21th August 1784

(signed) Thomas Geils

Minute thereon

Resolved that Major Geils be given out in orders
as Major of Engineers agreeably to his former Appointment
by the Honble Board of Directors

Read the following letter from the Committee
of Assigned Revenue with a letter to them from the Paymaster
of Vellore.

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney &c.
President Yr^o Select Committee

Fort St. George

My Lord Gentlemen

From Assigned Revenue
on the Subject of the
robberies committed
in the Pollars -

We beg leave to enclose for Your
Information Copy of a letter from M^r. Agilvies representing
the irregular behaviour of the Poligars in the Environs of
Vellore

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Vellore, upon which We recommend that Orders be immediately issued to the Commanding Officer of Vellore, and other Stations in the Neighbourhood to exert their utmost vigilance in suppressing an evil which threatens so much violence to the Lives and Properties of the Inhabitants. —

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George
18th August 1784

/ signed

Ch^r
Chas. Cakeley
David Haliburton
Geo: Moubray

Minute thereon

Agreed that Copies of the above letter and enclosure be sent to General Lang and that he be desired to take measures for remedying the evil complained of.

on Officers of the
100th Regt^t requesting
attention during the time
they were employed
the Court Martial.

Read letters / as entered in Miscellany Book / from
Lieut^t Suddon on behalf of the Officers of the 100th Regt^t
quartered at St. Thom^s, requesting to be allowed Battle for
attending as members of the General Court Martial.

From Lieutenants Wiseman M^c Donald and
Baker of the Bombay Establishment requesting to be paid
Offreckoning for the Bombay Sepoys under their com-
mand Art 116.

agreed

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Agreed that Lieutenant Siddons be informed that his request cannot be complied with as it is incompatible with the rules of the Company's Service for officers serving on Courts Martial to receive Batta unless they are ordered for that purpose from another Garrison or settlement.

Agreed that the Bombay Officers be informed that we cannot enter with them into a detail of the circumstances set forth in their letter - that we are concerned at their distress but the situation of the Affairs of Government is such as renders us unable to relieve it - that every assistance in our power has already been given to the Bombay Troops an account of which will be sent to the Select Committee there who must settle with them on their return.

Read the following letter

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

My Lord Gentlemen

Peace being again established in the Carnatic, We take leave again to represent to Your Lordship &c our situation with respect to the heavy Debts due to

From Cavalry Officers stating their claims on the Nabob request Security from the Company

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to us from the Nabob, in the hope that You will be shortly enabled to give us some relief, in order to put it in our power to discharge the Debts incurred on that account.

When the President and Select Committee took the Cavalry into the Company's Pay, although we were deprived of the means of recovering our arrears for feeding ^{on} from the Tanjore country. We cheerfully acquiesced with the Resolution of the Select Committee, to wait some time longer in the confidence of the President and Select Committee engaging however to see that Provision be made by the Nabob to satisfy them. — But the bounty from whence the Payment of the Contract was to have been paid, being now under the Management of the Company. It is from Your Lordship ^{on} that we must request relief.

To keep the Cavalry under our command in good order for the Field, we were necessitated to borrow from our Friends, and had we not done so, the Cavalry would not have been able to join the Army in 1780. Small as the Corps was, it was universally allowed to have been of great service.

In January 1781 we represented to the President
and

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and Committee our great Distress, requesting relief, but the situation of the Company's Finances would not admit of granting us any money and the same cause operated when we addressed Your Lordship &c in August 1781.

During the time the Cavalry was in the Tinnevely Country, we from time to time collected in money, which enabled us to satisfy our Creditors — and even when the President and Council took the Cavalry into the Company's Pay, the Nabob's letter, and the Promise of the Select Committee the 28th of Septem^r 1780, that Provision should be made for the payment of our demands, enabled us to quiet our Creditors; But seeing so considerable a Time hath elapsed without our having received any money whatever they are become clamorous for Payment —

We have so often troubled Your Hon^r Committee on this Subject, that we are unwilling to enumerate all the Difficulties we have suffered but trust Your Lordship &c will refer to the Committee of the 28th of September 1780, and to the letters which have passed between the Board, & the Nabob, as also two letters of January and August 1781 which we had the honor to write —

While

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While the Dishevelled by the Support of the War continued, we could not expect relief by Money, but now that Peace is restored, We intreat that Your Lordship & Select Committee will take our Request into consideration, and we hope the situation of the Company's Affairs will shortly admit of Your giving us some Assistance.

We are aware of the great demands Your Lordship &c have to provide for, but as We only at this time request the Interest, or such part as can be spared, we hope through Your Lordship &c to have the means of giving some kind of satisfaction to our Creditors.

If Your Lordship &c cannot at this time grant us any money, we beg leave to suggest another mode, which is granting us Company's Bonds that we may be enabled to settle our Accounts, and as the Nabob has requested we might be paid by the Company or the Select Committee in 1780 also engaged, that Provision should be made by the Nabob to satisfy us, and the whole Country being under Your Lordship

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Lordship &c it is from You only, we can receive assistance -

But if after all Your Lordship &c should think, that You cannot relieve us in the manner we have taken the liberty of pointing out, hope, as these Debts have been openly contracted with the Circar, for Account of Troops for the Defence of the Country as the Nabob hath acknowledged them, and fixed upon the Revenues at the Tinnevelly Country for their discharge, that You will do us the favor to make such representation to the Court of Directors by the next Dispatch, of the justness of our demands, and of the circumstances of the Nabob's Request, and the engagement of the Committee the 28th of Septem^r 1780, as may induce the Court to give to these Debts the preference over many Transactions, seeing they were contracted for the Defence of the Country -

Madras

August 18th 1784

We have the honor to be

Y^r
S. A. M. Osby Lt Col:
signed { Hugh Campbell Major
Edward Courdan
Captⁿ

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Minute thereon

The Committee cannot make the Company answer-
ble for the claims on the Nabob stated in the foregoing
letter, but it is resolved that a copy of it be sent to
the Hon^{ble} Court of Directors and that it be recommended
to their favorable consideration.

From Capt^m Flint
respecting his accounts

The Secretary lays before the Committee copy
of a letter from Captain Flint to the deputy Military
Paymaster (as entered in M. B. ^{Vol 126}) stating the Difficul-
ties he is in from his accounts not being yet exami-
ned and passed, and requesting a Bengal Bill in part
payment.

5000 Pay^l to be advanced
Capt^m Flint in Bills
on Bengal.

Agreed that 5000 Pagodas be advanced to Captain
Flint in part payment of his accounts by Bills on the
Governor General and Council.

Read the following letter from the deputy
Judge advocate of the Court Martial now sitting.

From deputy Judge
advocate, respecting
Mr. Hall's evidence

Sir

I am directed by the President and Mem-
bers of the General Court Martial now assembled, to
acknowledge the receipt of your letter with the
enclosures

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enclosures from Lieutenant Stuart Hall. With the most serious concern they learn, that the removal of evidences from Trichinopoly will be attended with inconvenience to the Public service but they trust that the reasons, which induced them not to admit depositions in the manner prescribed, will appear equally forcible to the Right Honourable the President and Select Committee.

1st Because they conceive a chain of pointed questions may be propounded to establish a fact from a variety of evidence each tending to elucidate a particular part, when the fact itself may be unknown to the whole, or the inferences to be drawn from their collected answers different from their individual sentiments.

2^d Because it deprives the Prosecution, of the undoubted right to cross examine evidence produced by the prisoner, and also prevents the Court from asking questions for their own information, and to elucidate points, they apprehend not sufficiently clear.

For these reasons, and to be as guarded as possible in a cause, that may be cognizable by the civil power, I am directed to inform You for the information of the
Right

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Right Honble the President and Select Committee that
the Court have determined not to admit of any depositions
unless taken in their presence.

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August 19th 1784

I am

Y^r

(signed) L. Archmuty

Minute thereon

In conformity to the opinion of the Court
Martial as expressed in the above letter, it is resolved
that orders be sent to the Southward for the evidence
mentioned in Mr. Hall's List to proceed to the Presi-
-dency: if he persists in his desire that so great a num-
-ber of persons should be summoned; but if it should
hereafter appear that their testimony was unnecessary,
or of no Importance to his Justification he will
be considered as having summoned them for the purpose
of creating delay and obstructions to his Trial and incur
our displeasure accordingly - agreed that a letter to
this effect be written to the Deputy Judge advocate

Read the following letter from the Chief of
Council of Masulipatam -

To

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

My Lord & Gentlemen

From Manuscript
unacquainted with Mr.
Daniell's Charges against
them. Mr. Daniel has not
adhered to the Regulations
in furnishing their board
with his correspondence
with this Government.
- It always was with the
acting Chief to permit
Company's Servants
to quit their Station. -

We have received two letters from
Your Secretary under date the 14th Inst^t as it would
appear from the tenor of these letters that certain Charges
have been laid against us by Mr. Daniell during his
absence, with which we are left entirely unacquaint-
ed. We hope Your Lordship &c will be pleased to
order such part of his Correspondence as in any respect
affects this Board to be transmitted to us. It being
our utmost wish that anything of this kind should
be brought forward in the most Public manner
from a through conviction that when our conduct
with respect to him has been explained, it cannot
fail of meeting with Your approbation. -

We have ever attended during Mr.
Daniell's present Tour, to the orders we received
when he set out on his former Tour, tho he has failed
on

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on his part in not sending his Correspondence with Your Lordship &^r thro' this Board, agreeable to the directions he then received; and we are not only not consulted in anything which respects the Revenue Branch, but also kept in the most profound Ignorance in every thing regarding it. —

With respect to Your orders that no Person should leave their Station without the Chief's Concurrence, We beg leave to observe that it has been a constant Rule in this Subordinacy for the Person in charge of the Settlement to grant permission to Company's Servants whether Civil or Military, residing here, to proceed to any place within the District on their private affairs, because from being on the Spot, and having the immediate Superintendency, he is a competent Judge whether their Services can be dispensed with or not, & with respect to our Garrisons the Commanding Officers give leave to those under them to go to any place in like manner within the District, and indeed unless it be to come to Masulipatam, it often happens that the Civil Power is not applied to by the Commanding Officers.

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Officers themselves - We should therefore suppose it to be
Your meaning that no Civil Servant / for the Military
neither apply to nor thro' us / proceed to the Presidency
without the Chiefs Concurrence, were it not an invari-
-able Rule of Service that no Chief even when on the
Spot, ever possessed this authority the concurrence of the
Majority of Council, and not that of the Chief alone being
in every case necessary to carry a measure -

We entreat Your Lordship to ex-
-cuse the trouble we have given You on this occasion - but
as we are perfectly unconscious of any failure to the
Chief, or any misconduct in the affairs committed to our
Charge, and are persuaded that without some imputa-
-tion of this kind, Your late orders which could then
have had no object, would not have been issued, We have
been compelled to make this appeal to You -

We have the honor to be

Very respectfully

Y^r

Masulipatam

11th August 1784

signed { James Hedges
John Bates Poileau
Tho^s Barnard
W. Dobyns

The

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Minute thereon

The Committee readily admit that the chiefs concurrence may not be necessary to enable the Council to give permission to any servant civil or military belonging to their settlement to leave his station for which was meant leaving the district where he is stationed or coming to the Presidency; but they cannot, without being wanting in proper attention to their Chief, grant such permission without his knowledge. — with regard to Officers leaving the district the Council may inform the Senior Officer of the troops acting under their authority should they see it necessary that no officer must be permitted to leave the District in whatsoever part of it he may be stationed without their previous knowledge and concurrence. —

Minute thereon —

Should Mr. Daniel exhibit any charges against the Council, such charges will of course be communicated to them but it will be proper to recommend to both, the cultivating an amicable intercourse with each other and cordially to cooperate for the advancement of the public service.

The Right Honble the President lays before the Committee the following papers from Vizagapatnam
Extract

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Extract of a letter from Claud Russell Esq^r to
Lord Macartney dated Vizagapatam 11th August 84

From Vizagapatam
have communicated to
Col. Bearnse the propo-
-sal of embarking as
many of his Detachment
as are willing to pro-
-ceed by sea but have
received no answer. —

My Lord

Immediately on Receipt of the
Committee's Commands We wrote to Colonel Bearnse request-
-ing to have as early notice as possible of the Numbers
that might be prevailed upon to go by sea, but we have
yet no Answer, nor do I suppose that a single Man will
go, for I well know their Prejudices, and they besides are now
comfortably hatted. —

signed / Russell
of Council

Extract of a Letter from Claud Russell Esq^r
to Lord Macartney dated Vizagapatam 12th August 1784

From W^m. Russell
with note from Col:
Bearnse —

My Lord

We have received Colonel Bearnse's An-
-swer and I do myself the honor to enclose a Copy, by which
Your Lordship will perceive that my Conjectures concerning
Prejudices have not been ill founded. —

Read

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Irregular Cavalry request
payment of their arrears

Read Petition from Leaders of irregular Cavalry
(as entered in Miscellany Book ^{Vol. 118.} setting forth their distresses
and requesting payment of their arrears. —

Minute thereon

These arrears are considered as part of the Army
arrears and must be paid with them. The Committee have
already written to Captain Rolleston on this subject. —

Read the following letter from Arthur Jones

To the Right Honble Lord George Macartney.

President and Select Committee,

My Lord Gentlemen

When I did myself the honor in the
month of May last to address You for a Trial, it was
to have ~~my~~ Character clear of a cruel and unjust ~~aspiration~~
it then lay under. My accusers by no means were able to
prove what they had been at so much pains to make the world
believe, and the Court has acquitted me of the charge, but
sentenced me to be dismissed the Service for some indiscre-
tions which were sworn to by my prosecutors, the greatest
part of which are absolute falsehoods. There were many other
charges brought against me highly injurious to my Honor
as

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as an Officer and abhorrent to my feelings as a Briton, and a lover of my Country, all which Charges the Court have acquitted me of. The proceedings of my Trial must plainly show to any impartial mind, what a load of accumulated malice and invidiousness I was beset with, and to what length my enemies were carried by it, when they were proposed depriving me of life, and one of them offered to be my executioner, by strangling me when I was asleep. I shall make no remarks upon this horrid business, only that I believe, had unanimity prevailed, what now only remains intentional would have been carried into execution; I now beg leave to address to you my Lord and Gentlemen, that I have served the Honble Company as an Officer eighteen years with Credit, and always gave satisfaction to the Army, whenever I was employ'd, having made the Theory as well as the practice of my profession my continual Study: and if, my Lord and Gentlemen, you are pleased to reinstate me to that respectable rank I so lately held, you will make me exceedingly happy, as I shall have further Opportunities of serving the Honble Company to the best of my abilities, and shall be the better enabled to provide for a virtuous

woman

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woman and three Children —

I am

My Lord & Gentlemen
with the most profound respectY^r^a

[signed] Arthur Jones

Monday

17th August 1784Mr. Bingham requests
leave to Resign the Service

agreed —

Read letter from Cornet Bingham / on leave at
Bengal / requesting leave to resign the Company's service
on this Establishment. Agreed that his Resignation be
accepted.Mr. Toner requests
to be put on Lord Clive's
CountryRead letter from M^{rs} Toner (as entered in M.
B. 114)
P. / repeating her request to be put upon Lord Clive's
Land as the Widow of a Surgeon in the Company's
Service —Agreed that a copy of it be transmitted to the
Honble Court of Directors. —

Read letters as entered in M. B. Nos

Mr Irwin

From M^r. Irwin, Surgeon with his Accounts and
requesting they may be discharged —

Mr Buchanan

From the Superintendant of Medical Stores requesting
to be allowed an European Assistant No 120.

Mr Daly

From M^r. Daly, requesting to be reinstated in the service

From

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Mr Simpson

From Mr. Simpson requesting leave to proceed to Madras. ^{No. 123}

Mr. Moreton

From Surgeon General proposing that Assistant Surgeons Moreton & Hewright be appointed the former to the Mount the latter to Ganjam ¹²⁴.

Lieut. Clarke

From Lieut. Clarke of the Artillery requesting to be allowed Batte, during his stay in the fort. ¹¹³

Mr. Yelding

From Mr. Yelding, stating his conduct and reasons for such Proceedings, and requesting to be reinstated with his rank. ¹⁰⁷

Mr. Davies

From Commanding Officer at Bernacord, stating their distress for quarters, & enclosing an Indent for tents. ¹¹⁵.

Resolved on the foregoing letters, that Mr. Innes must settle his Accounts to the Southward —

That the Superintendant of Medical Stores be allowed an Assistant agreeably to his Request.

That Mr. Dalry's request cannot be complied with on account of a Reference having been made to the Commander in Chief respecting him ^{who} objected to his being reinstated.

That Mr. Simpson be permitted to proceed to Madras.

That in consequence of the Surgeon Gen^l's Proposals, Mr. Moreton be appointed to the Mount & Mr. Hewright to Ganjam.

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Gangam

That Lieut. Clarke's request cannot be allowed -

That in regard to Mr. Yeilding the matter has been already settled, and the Committee see nothing in his letter to give them reason to alter their determination.

That Capt. Dawes's indent, be sent to the military Storekeeper.

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Diary

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Received the following letter
from the Commissary to the Army -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney R.S.
Governor &c &c &c

My Lord

The Debark that Genl.
Horne secured, in consequence of my
Address to the Select Committee, dated the
12th Ultimo, has at length acknowledged
that he is himself indebted to the Honble Com-
pany in the Sum of two thousand, Seven,
hundred and Seventy two Pagodas eighteen
fanams (2772.. 18..) on Account of Stop-
pages, which I have proved, he had
at different Times made, from the Public
followers attached to the 73^d Regiment, for
Rice Served them from the Public Stores.
I have taken his promissory Note for
the Money, and have likewise the
Security of two Men to whom the Com-
pany owe above double the Amount for
Bullock

From Mr Jackson
the debark secured
by Genl. Horne
as acknowledged
himself indebted
to the Company
(2772.. 18..)

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24 Bullock Hire - This Business being
now concluded, as far as can be done at
present. I only wait the Determination
of the Select Committee on my letter to
them of the 13th Instant. to proceed on
my Duty to the South of the Coleroon -

I have the Honor to be
with the greatest Respect
My Lord

Your Lordship's

Most Obedient humble Servant

(Signed) W. Jackson

Arcot

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Received Letter as entered in M. B. Nos
131. 132. 133. 134.

From Col. Reinbold

From Col. Reinbold A
requesting Permission for Capⁿ Ruler to
proceed to Europe for the benefit of his health.

From Gen. Lang

From Gen. Lang advis-
ing that Captain Crawford and Lamotte
have his permission to proceed to Bengal
for the reestablishment of his health and
proposing that Lieut. Griffin proceed
on the same purpose -

From

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21.

From Mr. Palk

From the Paymaster at
Trichinapolly return of Stores -

Mr. Johnston

From Paymaster at
Madura with Indent for Stores wanted
in his Garrison and requesting it may
be complied with -

From Mr. Revenue

Sent Letter to the Committee
of Assigned Revenue as entered in M. B. No. 143.
desiring them to debit Mr. Irwin for
the Sum of 300 Pagodas which was ad-
vanced him when he proceeded to the
Southward -

25 Sent Letters as entered in M. B. No.
143. 144.

Mr. Anderson.

To the Surgeon General
advising him of the Appointments of Mr.
Moreton to the Mount and Mr. Seecurt
to Ganjam -

Mr. Bingham

To Mr. Bingham permi-
tting him to resign the Service -
27 Dispatched the following Letter to Genl. Horne

To Brigadier General Horne

To General Horne

Sir

The Right Honble the President
having

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respecting the sentence against
Ensign Dighton,
his accusation
against Cap.
Bannerause to
hold an enquiry
on the said Charge
and if well found
ded to try Cap.
Bannerause by
a General Court
Martial -

Having laid before the Select Committee
an extract of your Letter to his Lordship
of the 10th Instant, I am in consequence
directed to furnish you with the enclosed
copy of General orders issued the 24th Oct.
1778. and to inform you that the Select
Committee are of opinion that the rule
for the payrolls of each Company of
a Sepoy Battalion, to be signed by
the European Subaltern attached to
such Company and the payrolls to be
transmitted by the several paymaster
to the Presidency must have been esta-
blished for the purpose of ascertaining
the number in each Company and
checking the paymasters' Accounts; the
Select Committee therefore cannot but
be of opinion that Ensign Dighton
refusing to sign Payrolls which he
knew or supposed to be false, acted
from the most laudable motive, altho
the necessary attention to the Strict &
Letter

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27 Letter of the articles of war may have obliged the Court martial to find him guilty - Ensign Dighton having in his Defence stated, what appears to the Select Committee to amount to a charge against Captain Bonnevause, they think it proper, & accordingly direct that you order a Court of enquiry to examine and report to you, whether what is urged by Mr. Dighton in his defence, or what he may further urge upon the examination, affords sufficient ground for a Court Martial on Captain Bonnevause, and if their answer shall be in the affirmative, the Select Committee direct that in such case you bring Captain Bonnevause to his trial before a General Court Martial.

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obedient
and Humble Servant

(Signed) John Audliston
Secretary

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Received Letter as entered
in M. B. Nos 154. 155. 156. 157.

From Paymaster of A
Poonamalle with return of Stores in that
Garrison for July -

J. M. M. M. M.

From Mr. Mitchell
requesting leave to quit Pondicherry and
proceed to Nagore -

M. Mitchell

From Ensign Loy request-
ing to be reimbursed for the expences
of his horse killed in Col. Brathwaite's
Action -

Ensign Loy

Capt Dupres

This day Capt. Dupres
entered into an Agreement as entered
in M. B. (Nos) to quit the Compa-
ny's settlements and their Service, within
the space of 6 Months from this day on
Account of the Charges preferred against
him for his Conduct when in Captivity
in the Mysore Country -

Dispatched the following
Letter to Major General Sir John
Burgoyne

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To ²⁷ Major General Sir John Burgoyne Bart

To Genl Burgoyne
respecting the
letter he has
received from
his Majesty's
Secretary of
State -

Sir I am directed by the Right Honble
the President and Select Committee to
acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the
2th P.M. Instant with its Enclosures -

They observe that the letter
to you from His Majesty's Secretary of State
and Secretary at War, refer only to the Trans-
actions of September last, and the Senti-
ments they express are formed chiefly upon
your own Representation of the Conduct
held by you at that time, the Subject of
those Transactions had not been investiga-
ted nor does it appear even that all the
materials necessary to elucidate it had
been before either His Majesty's Secretary
of State or Secretary at War, they remark
also that you must be sensible that however
Culpable your Conduct in September
appeared to them, yet the immediate cause
of your Arrest was your Subsequent Conduct

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 27 Principally in December last, as stated
 to you in the letter of the 31st of that Month
 - of which no account had been received
 in England when the last advices came
 away: and here they cannot omit to
 express the great Surprise they feel
 that you should have employed His
 Majesty's high Name without his
 Authority, to desire your Release from
 an Arrest, of which His Majesty had
 not been even apprised before the Dis-
 patch of the Letters whereon your Appli-
 cation is grounded -

Upon the whole I am ordered
 to acquaint you that the Right Honble
 the President and Select Committee having
 referred your Case to another Tribunal,
 it is not in their power to free you from
 your Arrest, but to obviate any mis-
 apprehension which might arise from
 the Word confinement which you use
 to express the Nature of your Situation
 they

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24 They think it necessary to repeat, what, you
and Every person here must know to be true,
that in fact you neither are nor have been
confined at all. — In the letter to you of
the 31st December you were assured that
by the Measure of arresting you, which
you had forced the Gov^t to adopt, it was
not meant that you should suffer any
present inconvenience or personal hard-
ship — This was repeated to you by the
Adjutant General and in the letter of
the 8th January you were particularly told
that there was no objection to your going to
England whenever it might be agreeable
to you. — In consequence of which you
have at different times informed the Com^{ee}
of your Intention of going home and named
the Ships on which you meant to embark
According to your own suggestion in your
letter of the 11th March a proper person has
been provided, who from his late situation
here and his knowledge of your Case, is
particularly

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27 particularly qualified & instructed to give such assistance as may be necessary for carrying on the prosecution against you in England -

I have the Honor to be

Sir your Most Obedient
and Humble Servant

(Signed) John Hudleston
Secretary

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August 26 1784

Received the following letter
from Colonel Fullerton -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
H. B. Governor and President
and Select Committee

of Fort St George

My Lord and Gentlemen

From Colonel
Fullerton has
delayed the
trial of Lieut.
Gibbings and
Ensign Wellwood
Col. Stuart and
the 70 Regiment
marched into

I had the Honor to receive your
Orders respecting the trial of Lieut. Gibbings
and Ensign Wellwood in consequence
of a complaint against these Officers on
the part of the Rajah of Tanjore and
immediately adopted the necessary

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Tanjore - no
demand as
yet made for
dindigul -

Measures for that purpose. But as I
have been requested by Mr. Sullivan
and Mr. Whippisley to defer the proce-
dings of a Court Martial on this business
untill they shall have stated to your
Lordship & the Board the particulars
of this case and untill they shall be
made acquainted with your farther
pleasure in consequence of that statement,
the Courtmartial by which Lieut Gibbins
and Ensign Wellwood are to be tried
will proceed on other business till such
time as an Answer can arrive from
the Presidency. - Colonel Stuart
will move immediately to Tanjore with
the 70th Regt. and will take upon him-
self the Command of that Garrison. I am
hopefull that the Ability and good
conduct of that Officer will enable him
to prevent any military impropriety
or irregularity from happening hence-
forth

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27 forth within the territories of the Rajah
and it will be extremely conducive to
the Peace and comfort of his Excellency's
Government, if His Highness & Ministers
will be pleased to refer in the first
instance at least, any Subject of mili-
tary complaint, to the interposition &
and direction of Colonel Stuart. who
is not less qualified than desirous of
doing every justice that can be expected
or required -

Since my letter of the 15th to your
Lordship and the Board on the Subject
of Dindigul. I have heard very fully
from Captain Macleod: & there is
not as yet, any appearance of a demand
on the part of Tippu Sultan, of a
restitution of that Place - The Garri-
son will be subjected to much embarra-
ssment in point of provisions, unless
the transaction shall be speedily &

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27 Concluded or a Magazine formed there;
but before I take any measures in this
business, which could not fail to be labo-
rious and expensive at this Season and
shall wait the event of the negotiation
or your instructions on the Subject. -

I have the honor to be

My Lord and Gentles
Your Most Obedient and
very faithfull Servant -

(Signed) W. Fullarton

Dispatched the following

Letters -

To Colonel William Fullarton

Commanding the Southern Forces

Sir

We have had the honor to receive
your letter of the 20th Instant After the
answer which we wrote to the complaint
from the Rajah of Tanjore the letter of
which you were furnished with an A

To Colonel Full-
arton restoring
the Committee's
Orders for the
Trial of Lieut
Gibbins and
Ensign Wellen
and much

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astonished at the breaking
up of the South
ern Army
cannot admit
of the
appointment
of Col. Stuart
to the Command
at Tanjore -

20 Extract We could not with propriety
consent to revoke our orders for the
Trial of Lieut. Gibbons and Ensign A
Wellwood, upon any representation of
whatsoever, and the delaying the proce-
dings could therefore produce no other
effect than to induce suspicions in the
mind of the Rajah with regard to our
real Intentions of doing him Justice;
suspicions which he may the more
readily entertain from his having expe-
rienced a delay or defeat of effectual re-
dress on occasions of former referen-
ces and complaints made by him to
this Government. We must therefore
reiterate our request that you will
cause the Officers above named to be
brought to trial without delay, which,
if they are innocent will give them an
opportunity of clearing themselves of
a charge that, until disproved, cannot
But

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28 but materially affect their characters.

We are now to inform you that the Letter which you mention to have written on the 15th Instant has not yet reached our hands, a circumstance that gives us both concern and embarrassment as doubtless, that letter must furnish us with lights and explanations respecting a measure that we are at present wholly at a loss to account for, &c. —
 mean the breaking up of the Southern Army and distribution of the Troops to different stations, without our previous knowledge, and before the delivery of Dondigul or our being ^{at} any certainty with regard to the Issue of our transactions with Tippoo Sultan.

In Respect to the breaking up of the Army the zealous and exemplary attention which you have on every former occasion manifested to our Instructions

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28 Convinces us that it must have been a measure of absolute necessity and arising probably from the difficulty or impossibility of any longer supplying the Troops while collected, with provisions. — But we are much concerned that you should not have seen the Inconvenience of making a distribution of the Troops that should involve any appointments to a Command without giving us previous Notice and obtaining our concurrence which would have prevented the unpleasantness of removals hereafter, and saved us the pain of reversing any measures of Yours. — particularly respecting the Command of Tanjour which is intended to be differently arranged & on which our concern is much increased by the high sense we entertain of the merit of the Officer whom you have appointed to that Garrison — We hope

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28 Hope however that in your orders publishing the distribution of the Troops, you have expressly referred to us the final confirmation of it, and should this have been omitted, We request you will publish an order to that effect without delay. — Our Secretary wrote to you yesterday of our late transactions with Tippoo Sultan respecting the mutual delivery of Dondagul and Ambour & Satgur. —

We have Honor to be

Sir Your Most Obedient &c

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(Signed) Macartney &c
Select Committee

To Major General Sir John Burgoyne Bart.
Colonel Reinbold
Colonel Haubenzie
Colonel Floyd
Lieutenant Colonel Wagenheim

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The Honble Lieutenant Colonel Knox
Lieutenant Colonel Sterling
Lieutenant Colonel Barry
Major Kruse and
Major Grattan

Gentlemen

To his Majesty's
Field Officers on
the Subject of their
Claim to a Share
of the revenue
fund -

I am directed by the Right
Honble President and Select Committee
to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter
of the 20th Instant and to inform you that
the Company's Donation of a certain
Gratuity to the Field Officers of this
Establishment was made at a time when
there were no Kings Troops in India.
The reason alledged for the grant is, to
excite their zeal and attention to the
preservation of the Company's Revenues.
It is not a fixed allowance of so much
to each Officer but arises from a varia-
ble Fund set apart, and divided into
Shares, a certain Number of which
are

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are appropriated to the Field Officers. Had the Honble Court of Directors, when they sent the Orders respecting the King's Troops, intended that His Majesty's Field Officers should partake of this Fund, their Instructions would, as the Select Committee conceive, have been pointed and particular, because such a Design would affect the original purpose of the Institution, by considerably reducing the Gratitude of their own Officers and thereby rendering their Situation much worse in point of Emolument than it was before. - The Select Committee cannot for a Moment suppose that such was their Intention, because it would be injurious to a positive Right derived from their own Grant, and would bear peculiarly hard upon the Company's Field Officers on this Establishment, where all His Majesty's Officers of high rank happen at this time to be situated

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28 situated. — The Argument drawn by His Majesty's Officers for the Gratitude, & allowed to the Captains and Subaltern & Officers of His Majesty's Service: does not hold, because this Gratitude, tho' ordered to be paid out of the unappropriated Shares of the Commission Fund (should any remain) is yet to be allowed at all. — Even to and in case the whole Commission Fund be appropriated, the Gratitude is to be paid out of the general Fund of the Company's Cash. — This therefore may with propriety be considered as a first Allowance, similar to that of Pay, and as the granting it to his Majesty's Captains and Subalterns does not in any shape diminish, or affect the Shares derived by the Company's Field Officers from the Gratitude Fund, the Select Committee have judged it to be within the meaning of the Company's Orders —

Upon the whole the Select Committee do not think themselves authorized

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28 : and in the Circumstances above stated, to admit his Majesty's Officers to participate in the Gratuity Fund, or to withhold the Shares allotted by the Company to their own Officers, untill the final pleasure of the Court of Directors can be obtained, and it is their firm opinion that if the Court of Directors shall determine to grant His Majesty's Field Officers a Gratuity similar to that enjoyed by the Company, such Gratuity ought to be paid from their Treasury and not from a Fund expressly set apart and appropriated for their own Officers. -

I am also directed to observe to you that his Majesty's Troops in general are on a much better footing & than the Company's in this material respect, that the former receive their Subsistence 2 Months in advance while many of the latter are often 10 to 12 Months in Arrears -

I have

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20 I have the Honor to be very respectfully -

Gentlemen

Your Most Obedient
and Humble Servant

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August 20 1784

(Signed) John Hudleston

Secretary

To Lieutenant Col. Sir Hurry Cooby
Major Dugald Campbell
Captain Edward Tourdan

Gentlemen

To Cavalry Offi
cers, cannot make
the Company as
answerable for
their Claims
on the Nabob
will send their
Letter a N^o in
the next dispa
ch.

I am directed by the Right
Honble the President and Select Committee
to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter of
the 10th Instant and to inform you that they
cannot make the Company answerable for
your Claims on the nabob therein stated, but
that they will send a Copy of your Letter to
the Honble Court of directors and request their
favorable attention to it -

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25th August 1784

I have the Honor to be
Sir your Humble Servant
(Signed) John Hudleston

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To ²⁸ Mr. Frances Lind

at Venkatagerry

Sir

To Mr. Lind
with Instructions
to be furnished
to Captain Close
for his guidance
in his Negotia-
tions and Con-
ferences with
Meer Commere-
dien Chan.

I am directed by the Right Honble the President and Select Committee, to acknowledge the receipt of your ²²⁶ Letter of the 22^d and 25th Instant with their encl-
sures from Captain Close, and to inform you that they entirely approve of the decided line of conduct adopted by Cap-
tain Close in his conferences and transac-
tions with Meer Commeredien Chan, and of the concurrent sentiments and advice contained in your Letters to him. —

The conduct and language hitherto observed by Meer Commeredien Chan, while they sufficiently explain his views, point out the only Instruc-
tion that can with propriety be sent to Captain Close, ^{should be persisted in} namely, that if they,
he

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28 He will in the first place intimate to Commurdien Chan that they are not consistent with the fair and equal footing on which alone he can consent to negotiate with him as the Representative of the Company and the English nation; he will then with firmness and respect recapitulate the substance of the arguments he has already urged and which it is manifest Commurdien Chan is conscious of being unable to oppose and in the conclusion require of him a categorical answer, whether he will or will not withdraw his troops from Yoculpilly and restore it to the Rajah, and if his answer should be either a refusal or an evasion of the question Captain Close will then repeat what he before intimated to Commurdien Chan in a Message that the subject is too serious to be longer delayed and must now be referred to be

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28 decided between the Company and his Master Tippoo Sultan, unless immediately agreed upon, adding, that for the consequences, whatever they may be he (Commurdien Chan) will be answerable, and to him alone, it will be imputed that the sincere desire and endeavors of this Government to establish a perpetual peace and friendship with his master have been ineffectual. -

The Select Committee would by no means have Captain Chase proceed to the adjournment of any other matters, while Commurdien Chan continues to refuse to deliver up Goul. fully nor shew any further solicitude for an audience should he refuse or object to granting him one, but in either case apprise him by Message or Letter, as above directed and intimate his Intention to return to his superiors

Yours

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You will be pleased to forward
this Letter to Captain Close without
delay - I have the Honor to be

Sir
Your Most Obedient
and Humble Servant

(Signed) John Audleston

Secretary

Fort St. George
28 August 1878

To Major General Campbell
Commanding his Majesty's forces

Sir We think it proper to lay before
you the enclosed Copy of a Letter which
we have received from Major Lamont
of his Majesty's 100th Regiment and to
inform you that in order to preserve the
regularity of the ^{service} ~~service~~ we have resolved in
future not to receive any Letters or
applications from the Kings Officers but
through the Channel of his Majesty's
Commander in chief, and on the
subject

To Genl Campbell
the Committee
will receive no
Letter on the
subject of appli-
cations what
came thro' him
of Accounts
thro' his Major-
ty's Paymaster

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20 Subject of accounts. through the paymaster
General of his Majesty's Troops or his
Deputy. -

We request therefore you will
be pleased to issue orders consonant to this
resolution, observing however, that it is not
meant to extend to those of his Majesty's
Officers who are entrusted with separate
Commands and must therefore necessarily
correspond with Government. -

We have the Honor to be

Sir Your Most Humble Servant

(Signed) Macartney & Select
Committee

Fort St George
25 August 1784

From
Ensigns Cunningham
& Healy

Received Letters from Ensigns
Cunningham and Healy enclosed Certifi-
cates of their ill health as entered in
M.B. and Requesting leave of
Absence for there Recovery -

Dispatched the following
Letter to Colonel Sillerton and the
Commandant of Trichanapolly Tanjore

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20 Tanjore, Madura and Polarcottah

To Colonel Fullarton

Sir

To Southward Ga.
risons desiring
them to issue
in G. O.
whatever Mr.

Jackson may
conceive ne:
cessary respec
ting the grain
Accounts -

I am directed by the Right Honble
the President and Select Committee to desire
that should Mr. Jackson the Superinten
dant of the Army Grain Accounts see
occasion to have anything published in a
General Orders tending towards settling
the Grain Accounts, you will be a
pleased to order the same to be published.

I have the Honor to be

Sir Your Humble Servant
(Signed) John Hudliston

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August 29 1784

The Same to

The Commandant at Trichonapoly

Do Tanjore

Do Madura

Do Polarcottah

Dispatched Letter To the Paym^r

of the Southward Army as entered in a

M. B. (V^{rs})¹⁶² respecting the Accounts

of the 1st Army -

To Mr. Digby

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Received the following Letter
from the Committee of Assigned Revenues
To the Right Honble Geo. Lord Macartney
President &c Select Committee

Fort St. George

My Lord and Gentlemen

From Committee
of assigned Re-
venue requesting
that some
mode may be
adopted to qui-
et the minds of
the Renters on
Account of the
Reports pre-
valing of the
assignment
being restored
to the Nabob

We take the liberty to repre-
sent to your Lordship &c that we observe
with Concern the effect already occasioned
by the Report which has been industri-
ously circulated since the arrival of
the late advices from Europe, that the
Assignment is shortly to be restored
to the Nabob. - As we are apprehen-
sive it may operate materially to the
dis-advantage of the Company by ren-
dering the Farmers backward or inca-
pable of fulfilling their Engagements
we beg leave to submit to your &c
Lordship &c the expediency of taking

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28 Some Steps to quiet the minds of the
renters, and encourage them to persevere
in the faithful discharge of their duty to
the Company -

We have the Honor to be

My Lord and Gentlemen

Your Most obedient humble
Servant -

(Signed) Charles Cadeley

David Haliburton

Geo. Moubray

To the Right Honble Geo. Lord Macartney

K. B. President of Select Committee

Fort St. George

My Lord and Gentlemen

from the La
me respect
ting to the
Nellore Accou
nt -

Agreeable to your Instruction
of the 16th June the Nellore Rumany Accou
nts during the Management of Vincent
Rou for part of the Phazelles Years 1791
have been again Carefully examined and
there does not appear to be the smallest

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20. Foundation for the charge of Embezzlement
alleged against Venkat Rao by
Conepaurauze Sunevasa Rao — We
beg leave to enclose for your Information
an Extract of our Minutes containing
among other Papers, the Declaration
delivered into this Committee by the
Company's Serishtadar of Muttased
at the Presidency and by Ram
Rao the Serishtadar at Nellore, and
we request that these Minutes may
be annexed to our former Proceedings
on the same Subject, that the whole
may be Complete and appear at one
view —

We have the honor to be
My Lord and Gentlemen
Your Most Obedient
humble Servant

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27th August 1784

(Signed) Charles Cakley
David Haliburton
Geo. Moubray

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Sent Letters as entered in M. B. No
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To Lieut. Clarke.

To Lieutenant Clarke
informing him that his request cannot be
granted -

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Col Reinbold.

To Col. Reinbold. inform-
ing him that upon an application being
made to the proper Officer Capt. Reedem
and Handenbey will receive the Allow-
ance of passage Money agreeably to
their Rank -

Mr Superintendent.

To the Superintendent
of Medical Stores allowing him an
European Apotant agreeably to his
Request -

Ensign Cunningham
and Healy

To Ensign Cunningham
and Healy permitting them to proceed
to Bengal for the Reestablishment
of their health -

Sent the following letter to
the Committee of Assigned Revenue

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To Charles Oahely Esq.

Esq. Members of the Committee of
Assigned Revenue

Gentlemen

To Committee
of assigned Re-
venue in reply
to their letter
of the 25th Inst.
respecting the
pending report
regarding the
Assignment.

I am directed by the Right
Honorable the President and Select Committee
to Acknowledge the receipt of your letter
of the 25th Inst. and to acquaint you
that the Select Committee have received
no Advices whatever from the Honorable
Court of Directors which afford the
smallest reason to conclude that the
Assignment is shortly to be restored to the
Nabob. and they desire you will assure
the Renters of this, and inform them at the
same time that the Company will at all
Events take care that the Engagements
which they have entered into for the Lease
of the Assigned Countries shall be punctu-
ally fulfilled to the best of their Power -
Gentlemen I am, Sir, your Humble Servant.
(Signed) John Huddleston

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(At a Select Committee & present. The Right Honble George Lord Macartney President & Anthony Sadler Esq^r & Alex^r Davidson Esq^r Robert Mansell Esq^r - Lieutenant General Lang absent on Service the Minutes of last Committee read & approved -

The President lays before the Committee a General Return of all the Troops under this presidency, his & Majesty's Troops included, amounting in the whole to -

The president also delivers in the following minute and Statement, which are read accordingly -

(Minute in Committee August 31st 1784

(As amboor and Sautgur will in a few days be delivered up to us, and Dindigul restored to Tippoo Sultan, the & Orders being respectively issued for that & purpose, and as it is to be hoped the differences may

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May soon be accommodated between Cum
mited deer and the Venkatacherry Raja
from which latter's folly and obstinacy &
they have arisen to their present height not
a Moment should be lost to reduce the
Army and its concomitant Expences to
the lowest possible Standard -

With respect to the Establish
ment necessary to be maintained for
the due protection and defence of sointen
sive a tract of Country it seems to be
the decided opinion of those Military &
Officers with whom I have consulted, &
that the Force kept up before the late &
War is insufficient, and in this opinion
I am myself disposed to concur. But in
forming our future Establishment we
must be guided altogether by the Extent
of our Resources, taking into the
Calculation the heavy Burthens which
the late War has entailed upon them

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and the great length of time that will be required (even with every Advantage & that can be derived from the Assignment of the Carnatic) to remove the public Distresses and restore any degree of Prosperity to the Affairs of the Company -

Upon this principle I consider it as utterly impracticable for the Company, with the means they now possess on the Coast, to provide for more than their former Peace Establishment, with the addition of the Nabob's Cavalry lately taken into the Company's Service, and perhaps a few more Artillery and I do not hesitate to declare it as my Opinion that this Force, tho' perhaps and inadequate to all the purposes required, will yet be much more formidable than our Army has been at any former period and for this plain reason that it is united & under one head - The Assignment having

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Having enabled the Company to dismiss all the useless and tumultuous Rabble formerly intermixed by the Nabol the Troops now kept up will be what they always should have been under the sole Command of the Company as Protectors of the Country and thus an internal Strength will be given to a System which was before so incongruous & obscured as to be in constant danger from its own Weakness — The Invasion of Hyder in 1780. over threw it almost without a struggle and left upon the Company the whole Burthen of recovering the Country with no other Consolation than that they had acquired by their Exertions the strongest claim to regulate it in future upon principles of better Security and sounder Policy than those they had before adopted — I have the less difficulty in proposing

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proposing this Peace Establishment as the Assistance derived from His Majesty's Troops while they remain in India and under our direction will considerably augment our Strength at the same time that the Subsistence of these Troops being paid out of our Revenues is no small additional burthen operating against any present Increase of our own Establishment -

The regular Force of this Presidency before the War was as follows -

- 1 Troop of European Cavalry
- 9 Companies of Artillery
- 4 Battalions of Infantry
- 16 Carnatic Battalions of Sepoys
- 5 Battalions do. for Tanjore
- 8 do. do. for the Circars

The Pay of these Troops with all other Military Charge ordinary and extraordinary amounted as per Account to Pag^{rs} 1587. 4. 99

* These two regiments: * (To this must be added the Nerbabs Cav.)
 10000 of Cavalry in
 including officers and
 the black troops and
 Cavalry now in their
 Companies Service

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doing duty with
the Generals &
body guard am-
ount to about 850
men and 800 Horses

Consisting of 2
Regiments but
to be augmented
to 4 Reg^{ts} of 500
each. Contract
for feeding Hor-
ses included about
275.000

Subsistence of 4
regiments of foot
of 1000 men each
officers about

His Majesty's Tro-
ops which suppo-
sing them to consist
of 4 Regiments

Gratuity to do 74.000

Cost 36.52.73 and
70 Infantry of
1000 each and the

Subsistence of 11th
of Dragoons (the
kings 23rd) men &
officers in all 1,12

23rd Regiment of
Dragoons of 1,12
Contract
2.92.580

Gratuity to do 8664 for feeding Horses

Contract for fee-
ding 416 horses

£: included will
42.4.32 if complete amount
to for subsistence
paid here & Gra-
tuity exclusive of
arrears to be acco-
unted for at home
by the Honble &
Company

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£ 2 Regiments of Ho.

Hanoverians of 1000
men each with off^r
pay 8: —

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£ 2 Regiments of Ho.

Hanoverians complete
gratuity included

1.60.04 1/4

Gratuity to 24932

The Whole Mil.

tary Charges of

this Presidency

will then exclu

sive of extraordi

naries for the Co.

valry Kingstroo

and Hanoverians

amount to —

23.15.12

To large a Sum
for Military Charges
only to be paid from
the Resources of the
Carnatic and Coasts
after a long and destr
uctive Invasion must
prove the necessity of
every possible Replen
ishment. since besides
this Article. We have
to provide for the
Arrears of the Army the
Civil

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Civil Charges Interest
upon the Company's Bo-
rrowed debt the amount of
Investment for Europe
and the Debts of the State
of which the Compa-
ny tell us by the last
advices they have now
under Consideration

All these Burthens
united from such an
enormous Load upon
the Revenues that the
most zealous and
faithful management
in the Collection and
the utmost frugality
in the Expenditure of
the public Money
affords little more
than a gleam of Hope
that we shall be able

to sustain it -

But if we lose the
Assign.

Altho the Expence
is above stated at 23
Lacks of Pagodas

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Assignment and the upwards It is not to
 Revenues of the Nabobs supposed that we can
 Country fall into the time by any means bear
 that Assignment was made such an Establishment
 de no System of Management I think the utmost that
 can be thought of should not exceed 20 Lacks
 as from that Moment I And I presume that
 consider our Interests considering the Deficiency
 as desperate in the Corps of Horses & proper Reinforcement that may be
 Carnatic — made the general plain

Proceeding then of the peace Establishment
 upon the foregoing I think may be comprehended within 20 Lacks —
 as I would propose
 that General Lang
 with the assistance
 of General Horne
 and Colonel Brathwaite
 be desired to form a
 Plan for the Military
 Establishment
 within the Limits of
 about Eleven Lacks
 of Pagodas & Annas
 in which some
 what

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what exceeds the former
Peace Establishment
comprehending the
following Articles ex-
clusive of extra Garri-
son and contingent &
Charges

Pay of European Artillery

Do Infantry

European Troops

Sepoys

European Invalids

Do Pensioners

Sepoy Invalids

Ditto Pensioners

Ditto Recruits

Sappers

Gratuity to Field Officers

Pay to the Commander in Chief

Governors Guard -

To this must be added the
Nabobs Cavalry now incorporated
on

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On the Establishment and forming a new and additional Expence of about Pagodas & Annam and that the same Officers be desired also to propose a plan for the necessary reduction and disposition of the Troops on the peace Establishment.

I would simply submit whether it would not be better that the Sibbendy Corps entertained by the Company for the Collection of the Tanjore Revenues be disbanded and that the Rajah be left to Collect them by his own People with such occasional Assistance as may be required from our regular Troops it being entirely contrary to my Idea of propriety that Sibbendies Armed & Clothed by the Company and Commanded by European Officers should be dispersed thro' that Country for the ordinary purposes of Collection nor do I conceive it to be within the meaning of our Agreement with the Rajah in 1776. that the Expence of such a Sibbendy & should be deducted out of his Subsidy of £. 1,00,000 to be paid for the Protection and defence of his Country - All other independent Corps should also be reduced excepting however the

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Sil. Hardy Pions entertained by Mr. Irwin at
 Tinnevely for the protection of the Corps against
 the constant depredation of the numerous
 Polygars in that Province. This Corps is rep-
 resented by Mr. Irwin to be so indispensably
 necessary for the purpose of the Assignment
 that I think no alteration should take place
 respecting them. — In regard to all conten-
 gent and extraordinary Military Charges
 it will be the Duty of the Committee of Accou-
 nts to keep them within the most reasonable
 Bounds and I think after the new Establis-
 hment is formed that Committee should be
 directed to revise the Book of Military Reg-
 ulations and to make such Correction and
 alteration as may appear wanting to make
 it conformable to that Establishment. The
 proposed Establishment which I laid
 before the Committee on the 29 March
 last. It may be useful to advert to it
 altho it should not be intirely adopted —

Macartney
 (Signed)

The

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Pay of the Military and Sepoy Establishment
 : idency of in the Carnatic and Tanjore Coun
 Circars in time of

8 Companies of Artillery Pay and Gra tuity at 400.20.10 P. Month } 3910.12.0	P. Month P. Year
4 Compleat Battalions of Inf antry at 3236.35.10 P. Mon } 12917.31.0	
th each	16352.10.20229912
European Invalids	19600
Ditto Pensioners	1930
16 Companies of Muzars	2100 25200
16 Compleat Battalions of Sepoys in the Carnatic at 2061.21.10 } 32986.32	
P. nth each	
5 Ditto at Tanjore at 2061.21.10 Carnatic } 10308.11.40	
2 Battalions of Sibbundy at 22.50	15545.10.1051654210
Sepoy Invalids	11000
Ditto Pensioners	10300
Ditto Recruits	1200
Gratuity to the Field Officers	11127
Pay to General Munro as Comm :ander in Chief } 5000	
Pagodas	27019930.0

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Complet Abstract of the Military Charges of the Presidency Tanjore Garrisons in the Carnatic and Peace -

Pay of the Troops & Account particulars	8701,99,30 ..
Pay and all other Military Charges in the Circars	31,8000 ..
Expences of the Nabol's Garrisons exclusive of Pay & to the Troop	170000 ..
Deduct the Amount of Europe Stores no Money being disbursed for such	2,6000 ..
D ^o of the Garrison at Tanjore	81,000 ..
Deduct the Amount of Europe Stores no Money being disbursed for such	12,000 ..
Charges Garrison at Fort St. George	72,000 ..
Hospital Charges at Ditto	10,000 ..
Charges General and Extraordinary under which Heads are Charged the Staff of the Army Peon, Oil and Stationary Allowances to officers and Bounty Money to Soldiers the Expences of the Garrison in the Jaghire Viz Poonamatter Chingleput and Trisaspore &c &c	30,000 ..
Batta to Europeans Sepoys and Muzars over and above what is Charged in the Nabol's and the Tanjore Accounts	60,000 ..
At Cuddalore the Garrison Hospital and other Military Charges	10,000 ..
At Nagore and Karical Ditto exclusive of Batta to Sepoys which ought to be paid by the Renters	7,000 ..
All such Military Stores Gunpowder &c as are made and paid for in the Country and such in the Company's Acc ^t	6,000 ..
Total Estimated amount of Annam Pagodas	30,000 ..
	15,874,99,30 ..

Ordered to lie for consideration until the mutual restitutions of demingul, Satgar and Ambcor shall have taken place, when it is resolved that Generals Long and Horne shall be ordered to the Presidency to form with Colonel Brathwaite, the Board proposed in the President's minute.

The President also lays before the Committee the following letter from Col. Fullarton, received and read in Committee some time since, but not then entered in the Proceeds.

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Proceedings, in order that it might be brought & forward at the same time with the general military arrangements.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K. B.
Governor and President and Select Committee
of Fort St. George
My Lord and Gentlemen

From Colonel
Sutherland
stating the Num^{rs}
of men
necessary for
the defence of
the Southern
Country, the
expense atten-
ding an Estab-
lishment
proposing re-
ductions on
the present
disbursements

In obedience to your Orders of the 15th April, I have considered with the utmost attention the important objects held forth by your Lordship and the Board, and I beg leave to assure you of my best efforts to suggest and to promote such measures and arrangements, as may tend most effectually to establish a permanent system of protection and defence throughout the Southern Countries, to reduce as much as may be practicable the Military expenses of the Southern Establishment, and to enable the Army to assemble and to move with effect on any emergency. — These I conceive to be the essential points on which you direct me to lay my sentiments before you. — With respect to the allotment of Troops for the different Garrisons of the Southern Establishment, I beg to inform that

two

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Two compleat Battalions in Tanjore, and
One in each of the Forts of Trichinopoly
Madura Polamotta. Ramesad and
Kaliccil, including Tripatore, will be
sufficient for the ordinary duties of the Place.

It is not in my power at present to
consult with Mr. Sullivan & Mr. Irwin
on the proportion of Troops that they may
judge necessary for the collection of Revenue
in the different Districts. I must therefore
beg leave to refer in this particular, to
the opinions which they may transmit to
Your Lordship & the Board. Should
Mr. Sullivan state that the ^{five} four Battalions
of Tanjore Subbendies are adequate
to the purpose of Collection in that Country,
and should Mr. Irwin be satisfied
with two Battalions for the current transactions
of the Provinces under his Management,
it will next remain to be considered,
what Sepoy force in Contonment will
ensure the Safety and defence of these extensive
Territories. It must not be forgotten
that

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that the Countries of Trichinopoly, Madaravally and Marava, contain above one hundred thousand Gallies and Polygars in Arms, Naturally brave and habitually impatient of all regular Government. The English possessions and resources to the Southward, have been so recently endangered and ^{im}paired by the rebellious spirit of these Savages that I shall never presume to be responsible for the efficacy of any arrangement of defence untill the most refractory of them are disarmed, their Woods and strongholds laid open, and their Forts occupied on the very first appearance of disobedience or disrespect to the Vicar. — in conjunction with this primary measure of Security I have no doubt that Six Battalions of Sepoys Canton'd with an efficient force of Europeans near Trichinopoly & ready to be detached as occasions might require, would fullfill every public purpose that could occur within the Provinces. — Here I must

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I must observe that many eminent advantages will arise to the Service from this proposed mode of answering all requisitions for Troops by Detachments from the Cantonments, instead of appointing Battalions to permanent stations which impairs their Discipline and is productive of various inconveniences. — Considering the Public Interests no farther than as internal and defensive arrangements are in question, it will appear to your Lordship and the Board by this statement, together with the enclosed return of regular & irregular Corps serving South of the Coleroon that four Battalions, including the Detachments of the 12th and 18th can be withdrawn from hence and that a Body of Mogulley Independents, Irregulars and Troops belonging to His Highness The Nabol, amounting to Ten thousand Men may be immediately reduced. Such horses of the Mogulley as are fit for duty
might

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might be purchased for the regular Cavalry and the Horsemen, who are in General Men of high Casts and long service, may be provided for in such manner as may seem best to your Lordship and the Board. A proportion of the Independents, Irregulars and Nabal's Troops might be enlisted or draughted in to the regular Battalions and their Black Officers permitted to remain as Supernumeraries on the strength of these Corps.

Thus the hardships that would befall the Individuals by reduction, may be obviated and the regular Battalions which have suffered so severely during the late Contest may be effectually recruited, even to the present War Establishment of one thousand Men per Battalion. — From this reduction alone, exclusive of the retrenchment of all field allowances an Expenditure of more than twenty five or thirty thousand Pagodas

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Per Month may be saved to the Company

Were these arrangements to take place
a rigid system of discipline to be maintain-
ed among the Troops, the decayed parts of
the principal Forts to be repaired & parti-
cularly a constant and scrupulous atten-
tion to be paid to the state of Grain, &
stores, ordnance and Ammunition in
the different Garrisons. I should presume
that little would seem wanting to the
well being of the Provinces, as far as the
Military are concerned. Provided a suf-
ficient fund were appropriated to the
speedy discharge of those large Arrears so
long due to the Troops who have fought &
patiently and bravely under an accumu-
lation of difficulties. — I am persuaded
that nothing short of such a Provision can
secure to us the confidence of the Sepoys
on whose adherence and attachment
our permanency in this Country must
ultimately depend. — Your Lordship
and the Board are so fully impressed
with

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with the necessity of dedicating the moments of Peace to the purpose of preparation in order to guard against the uncertainty of future events, that I cannot ~~not~~ fulfill the duty you have imposed upon me, without some observations on the mode by which the Southern Troops may be enabled to assemble and to move as an Army whenever a renewal of hostilities shall render that measure necessary. -

If it should appear to your Lordship and the Board, as it does to me, that there is not any place on the Coast of Coromandel from whence an Army could commence its operations with more advantage against the Mysoreans or indeed against the French at Pondicherry, than from Trichinopoly; that a Garrison will naturally become the Repository of all the field and battering train, Ammunition and stores of every denomination necessary to equip an Army for the field — and for the same

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Some reason, as well as for the convenience of the Troops to be cantoned in its vicinity a very ample magazine of Grain and other Provisions should be formed there. But the determination of the Renter to counteract any measure of this Nature will require the Most positive orders from your Lordship and the Board to give it effect.

In order that the Troops in Cantonments may at all times be ready to move, I conceive that every Captain commanding a Battalion should be directed to entertain at the usual allowances, a number of draught and carriage bullocks compleat with Masters Drivers Gun: may bags nose ropes and Saddles, agreeable to the proportions Specified in the regulations, for the conveyance of the Brigade of Guns and their train, the tents, Stores and Ammunition belonging to his Corps. Some Gun and tent Lacars and Artificers ought also to be attached to the Battalions and a sum might be allowed

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Allowed to the Officers for furnishing and repairing their own tents, which would greatly relieve the embarrassments of public conveyance in the Army. — But should any Officer ever abuse these indulgencies, a Court Martial and dismissal from the Service would soon remedy the Evil. —

A Corps of Artillery, compleat in Europeans, Gularans and Lascars. A under the Senior officers of Artillery to the Southward, and a proportion of draught and carriage bullocks, for the field of battering train, artificers belonging to the Commissary of Stores Department Dooly Coolies, and public followers of all descriptions, sufficient to equip the Army. According to the Strength you intend it to consist of should constantly be compleat in the Cantonments — and as well as the Bullocks thus proposed to be maintained upon the Peace Establishment, these followers may be occasionally employed in

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in the carriage of grain & other business of the Circar, on requisition from the Senior Civil Servant of the station, taking care always that the bullocks shall be attended by a Guard of the Corps to which they are attached. — I also conceive that a Corps of Pioneers under the Chief Engineer is extremely necessary to remain upon the Establishment.

The Expence attending Cavalry, and the difficulty of procuring an efficient body of them, almost preclude me from any observations on that subject, but if it is your intention to augment that essential constituent of an Army I shall be happy to have your instructions to procure horses from Mysore and other places, and at all events I flatter myself that you will judge it expedient to increase and to form into one Regiment the three troops of regular horse now serving to the Southward.

Should

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Should these arrangements take place, implying a reduction of ten thousand Men, and a removal of four regular Battalions from hence it would be necessary on the renewal of hostility to reinforce this side of the Coleroon with a force equal to that now supposed to be with A. drawn, and to order an additional body of Troops to be raised for the purpose of Country duty and collection, otherwise it would be impossible to render the Southern Army at all equal to its present strength. — but in this event, it will I prove of eminent utility to raise regular Corps in preference to the rabble of Peons, Independents, Synacts, and other Idlers, who infest the Country, disgust the Sepoys, and impede the recruiting of the Battalions. — With these precautions My Lord and Gentlemen I cannot think that any Indian Enemy could ever

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ever gain such advantages over us as have
on a late occasion endangered the existence
of the English. in the East, for it is evinced
by severe experience that a number of troops
alone, is of little avail, unless the Means,
conveyance and departments that constitute
the Essentials of an Army, are mainta-
ined on such a footing of effect as your
Lordship & the Board seem determined
to Establish. - I send this letter to Mr.
Sullivan that He may forward it with
his remarks and emendations - I shall
only farther intreat your indulgence
for the tediousness of this Detail. -

I have the Honor to be with
great Respect -

My Lord and Gentlemen
Your Most Obedt.
and Very faithful S^t

(Signed) W. Sullivan

agreed.

Camp at Dindigull
April 26th 1784

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Agreed that the foregoing letter from Col: Sullortan, which contains a very clear detail of Arrangements for the disposition of the Southern Troops, as likewise the military paymaster's statement be referred to the consideration of the Board of officers to be appointed as recommended by the President. —

Read also the following letter from the Military paymaster with the Statement, authenticated by him, of the military expences on a peace establishment. —

To the Right Honble Geo: Lord Macartney K. B.
President and Governor &c Gentlemen of the
Select Committee —

My Lord and Gentlemen

In Obedience to your Lordship's
&c Command communicated to me in a
Letter from Mr: Surg: Wasey of the 4th Inst: I
have now the Honor to lay before you a
Calculation of the Pay and Gratuity for the
proposed

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Proposed Military Establishment on this Coast,
agreeable to the number of Men mentioned
in the Statement, for One Month and for One
Year -

I am with Respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your Most Obedient Humble Serv^t

(Signed) John Surin

M^{rs} Pay^r Gen^l

Fort St George
17th May 1784

Estimate of the Pay and Gratuity of a Military
Establishment of the following Strength for One Month & for One Year

		For 1 Month - for 12 Months
European Cavalry Troop		
1 Captain		66.23.50
1 Lieutenant		11.10.10
1 Cornet		33.31.10
1 Adjutant		18.31.10
1 Dr ^l Master		21.23.50
3 Sergeants	ad 9 Pags ^r ea	27
3 Corporals	ad 7 Pags ^r ea	21
2 Drummers	ad 7 Pags ^r ea	14
50 Troopers	ad 5 Pags ^r ea	2.50
64 Horses Feeding	ad 8.21 ea	5.11
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Native Cavalry 4 Regiments

4 Captains	@ 66.23.50. ea	266.10.10
16 Lieutenants	@ 41.10.40. ea	660.
16 Cornets	@ 33.31.40. ea	510.
32 Sergeants	@ 9. ea	288.
4 Adjutants	@ 18.31.40. ea	75.
4 Dr. Masters	@ 21.23.50. ea	86.10.10
4 Sergeant Majors	@ 4. " "	16. " "
4 Dr. M. Sergeants	@ 4. " "	16. " "
4 Black Adjutants	@ 5. " "	20. " "
4 Drill Havildars	@ 3. " "	12. " "
4 Dr. Naigs	@ 2. " "	8. " "
4 Commandants	@ 52.21. " ea	210. " "
16 Subadars	@ 31.10.40. ea	580. " "
16 Jamidars	@ 10.31.40. ea	516. " "
120 Havildars	@ 6.21	832. " "
120 Naigs	@ 5.21	704. " "
4 Trumpeters Major	@ 9. " "	36. " "
32 Trumpeters	@ 3.21	112. " "
4 First Carriers	@ 12.31.40	51. " "
16 Second Do	@ 6.21	104. " "
1552 Privates	@ 3.21	5132. " "
16 Linemen	@ 1.3	17.6. " "
8 Wabals	@ 5	40. " "
20 Puchallies	@ 3.0.32	64. " "
2044 Horses Feeding	@ 6. " "	12264. " "

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For 1 Month For 12 Months

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European Artillery & Regiment

1 Lieutenant Colonel		79.22.
2 Majors	@ 61. 10 ca	122. 1.
8 Captains	@ 53. 21. 10 ca	428. 1.
16 Lieutenants	@ 28. 11. ca	453. 11.
8 2 ^d Fireworks	@ 18. 31. 10 ca	150.
1 Adjutant		10. 31. 10
12 th M ^{rs}		15
1 Sergeant Major		11. 21.
1 2 ^d M ^{rs} Sergeant		11. 21.
1 Drill Sergeant		11. 21
10 Corporals	@ 6. 10. 10	300.
1 Drill Corporal		8
10 Sergeants	@ 7. 21	300
2 Drummers & Pipe Major	@ 5. 11. 0.	10. 22.
16 Drummers & Pipes	@ 4. 3. 10 90.	..
80 Gunners	@ 5	400. .
32 Matrosses	@ 3. 31. 10	1620. .
10 Puchallies	@ 3. 0. 32	57. 25. 16
		<u>1095. 30. 56. 19. 112. 32. 32</u>

Native Artillery & Battalion

1 Commandant		50. .
9 Subidar	@ 20	180. .
10 Amadars	@ 8	80. .
50 Havildars	@ 4	200. .
50 Saigo	@ 3	150. .
10 Drummers	@ 2. 21. ca	25. .
2 Pipes	@ 2. 21	5. .
60 Sepoys	@ 2	120. .
2 Concofelys	@ 5	10. .
Clothing		129. 13.
10 Puchallies	@ 3. 0. 32	92. .
		<u>2107. 13. 26367. 30.</u>

Artillery Lascars & Battalion

1 Commandant		15
8 Syrangs	@ 7. . .	56
24 Findals	@ 2. 21.	60
100 Lascars	@ 2	200
1 Vaheel		6. . .
		<u>937. . 1121. .</u>

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Brought Over Pag For 1 Month For 2 Mo
European Infantry 2 Regiment 31137.29.36.373630.29.

2 Colonels	@ 94. 44. 1.0	188.29.
4 Lieut. Colonels	@ 75. 25.	302.16.
4 Majors	@ 56. 35. 1.0	227.16.
36 Captains	@ 49. 14. 1.0	1776.13.
48 Lieutenants	@ 26. 10. 1.0	1260.
32 Ensigns	@ 18. 31. 1.0	600.
4 Adjutants	@ 18 31. 1.0	75.
4 Dr. Masters	@ 15	60. . .
4 Serjeant Majore	@ 10. 10. 1.0	11. . .
4 Dr. W. Serjeant	@ 10. 10. 1.0	41. . .
100 Serjeant	@ 6. 10. 1.0	675. . .
8 Drum & Fife Majors	@ 6 7. 70	119.21.
68 Drummer and Fifers	@ 4. 21. 20. ea	30717.10
112 Corporals	@ 4. 21 20. ea	666.24.
1948 Privates	@ 3. 5. 20. ea	6087.21.
72 Puckallies	@ 3. 8. 32. ea	230.16.61.
		<u>12538.21.21.151062.39. 18.</u>

Coast Sepoys 30 Battalions

30 Captain	@ 49. 14. 1.0. ea	1126.15.
90 Lieutenants	@ 31. 10. 1.0. ea	2812.21.
210 Ensigns	@ 22. 31. 1.0. ea	11777.21.
30 Adjutant	@ 17. 1.	510.30.
30 Serjeant Major	@ 9. 10. 1.0	277.21.
30 Dr. W. Serjeants	@ 9. 10. 1.0.	277.21.
150 Serjeants	@ 7. 10. 1.0	1087.21.
30 Commandants	@ 32	960.
240 Subadars	@ 17	1590. . .
300 Jemedars	@ 5	1500 . .
1500 Havaldars	@ 3	1500. . .
1500 Saigs	@ 2. 14.	3500. . .
360 Drummers	@ 3	1080.
300 Puckallies	@ 3. 8. 32	960. . .
19500 Sepoys	@ 1. 29. 20	33000.15.
		<u>61293.29. 736727.6.</u>

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Pioneers & Corps of 2 Companies

2 Amadars	@ 6	12
10 Havildars	@ 3. 21	35
10 Naigs	@ 2. 21	25
190 Sepoys	@ 2	396
2 Pichallies	@ 3. 8. 32	6. 16. 64

Tanjore Sybendies & Battalions 171, 1664, 5692, 33. 13.

3 Lieutenant	@ 31. 10. 4. 0	93 34. 10
3 Ensigns	@ 22. 31. 1. 0	68. 10. 10
3 Adjutants	@ 17. 1	51. 3. ..
3 Sergeant Major	@ 9. 10. 1. 0	27. 31. 1. 0
3 Sergeants	@ 7. 10. 1. 0	21. 31. 1. 0
10 Subadars	@ 16	288. ..
10 Amadars	@ 11. 21	81.
36 Havaldars	@ 2. 31. 1. 0	99.
36 Naigs	@ 2. 7	78.
1680 Sepoys	@ 1. 21.	264. 0.
32 Pichallies	@ 3. 8. 32	96. ..

Clothing 260. 30.

300 5. 12. 1. 0. 1, 566 3. 2. 1.

Engineers & Corps

1 Major		66. 10. 1. 0
1 Lieutenant Colonel		75.
5 Captains	@ 19. 11. 1. 0 ca	21, 6. 30. 1. 0
3 Lieutenant	@ 26. 10. 1. 0. ca	78. 34. 1. 0
10 Ensigns	@ 18. 31. 1. 0	187. 2. 1.

61. 4. 9. 1. 0 7730. 30

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Brought Over — For 1 Month To 12 Months
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Governors Body Guard

1 Lieutenant	1.2.
2 Cornets @ 36	70.
1 Subedar	30.
2 Semidars @ 10	10.
1 2 ^d Adjutant Allowance	4.
4 Havaldars @ 6	24.
4 Naigs @ 5	20.
1 Waker	5.
1 Farrier	6.
2 Drummers & Trumpeters	6.
54 Privates @ 3	162.
70 Horses Feeding at 7	4.90
2 Puckallies @ 3.8.32	6.16.64.

Light Infantry

1 Ensign	22.31.10
1 Adjutant	17.1
1 Subadar	17.
2 Semadars @ 5. ea	10.
5 Havaldars @ 3	15.
5 Naigs @ 2.10.10. ea	11.10.10
2 Drummers @ 3	6.
97 Privates @	165.5.10
1 Puckallie	3.8.32

1152.31.56.19033.2.32

Pagoda 11.106.34.20.139.24.37.

(Signed) John Turing
Military Pay^r General

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Read the following letter
from the Council of Maoulipatam
with the Letter therein mentioned from Lt
Captain Lieut. Mackay (as entered
in Mr. B. N^o.) stating the unci-
-circumstances of his appointment to the
Brigade Majorship by Major Lynght
and requesting to have the allowances
granted him from the time of his being
so appointed.

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

of Fort St. George

My Lord and Gentlemen

from Maoulipa-
tam enclosing

Letter from Lieut.

Mackay request-

ing his Pay as

Brigade Major,

when serving
with Major Lynght
requesting to be
informed if Ensign

We have the honor herewith
to enclose Copy of a letter from Lieut.
Mackay, being an application for
his allowances as Brigade Major
during the time he acted in that capacity
in this District previous to his appoin-
-tment

willcox who com-
mands at Rajam
and is to receive
adjutants Pay -

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 In pursuance of the appointment by your Lordship & in General
 Orders Captain Lyaght who was
 at that time Commandant of
 the Troops in the District, nomina-
 ted Lieutenant Machay to this
 Office without communicating any
 thing on the subject to the Board
 here, or to the Person in charge of the
 Settlement, consequently he could
 not receive the Pay of Brigade
 Major from the Paymaster but
 as the blame in this instance lay
 with Captain Lyaght, and not
 with Lieutenant Machay, who
 necessarily acted by his orders, and
 as the office of Brigade Major
 was afterwards judged necessary by
 your Lordship &c. who were pleased
 to confer the appointment on
 Lieut. Machay we beg to be
 honored with your Commands when
 then he should receive the usual

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Allowances from the time he actually
did Duty in consequence of
Captain Lysaght's nomination, altho
that nomination was entirely irregular
and without the knowledge of this Board.

In our address of the 17th Feb^y
last, we informed your Lordship &c
that as there was no appointment of
Commandant of the District since
the death of Major Lysaght. We
conceived that the Office of Brigade
Major, which depended on the former,
became extinct, as a matter of course,
and that we had given directions for
discontinuing the allowances of this
office from the time the Detachment
arrived at Ellore from Commam. —

We received a Letter from
your Acting Secretary, under date
the 23^d February, enclosing Copy of
the G. O. whereby Lieut. Mackay
was appointed Brigade Major of
this

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this District, and informing us that this Order had never been revoked, by which we suppose that it was your intention we should continue to pay Lieut. Machay the Allowance of Brigade Major; but as your Lordship &c have so repeatedly Commanded us (particularly in a late letter) to abridge our Expences as much as possible, and as we understand a G. O. was lately published, limiting the Number of Staff Officers, which makes no mention of a Brigade Major, being allowed for this District, we must conceive this appointment annulled unless we have your Order to the contrary, and we hope you will excuse our again mentioning the difficulties which we so frequently Experience owing to our not being furnished with Copies of the General Orders especially such as

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as can in any respect effect our Paymaster's
notwithstanding your having so often
acquainted as that you had given directi
ons for their being regularly transmitt
ed to us. — We beg your Lordship
if will likewise be pleased to inform
us whether Ensign Wilcox, who is A
new appointed to the Command of A
Royal Infantry, is to receive also the Pay
and Allowances of Adjutant to the A
Sabbendy Corps.

We have received an ap
plication from Cornet Kilton for Arms
and accoutrements for 100 Men of the
23rd Regiment of Light Dragoons &
reintisted from the Detachment of
the 102nd Regiment at Ellore, as also
an Abstract of Pay for 90 Private^s
Corporals and one Serjeant of the 23rd
delivered to the Paymaster at Ellore by
Cornet Kilton amounting to Mad^{rs}
Pagodas 532. 19. 10. and transmitted
by

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this District, and informing us that this Order had never been revoked, by which we suppose that it was your intention we should continue to pay Lieut. Machay the Allowance of Brigade Major; but as your Lordship &c. have so repeatedly Commanded us (particularly in a late letter) to abridge our Expences as much as possible, and as we understand a G. O. was lately published, limiting the Number of Staff Officers, which makes no mention of a Brigade Major, being allowed for this District, we must conceive this appointment annulled, unless we have your Order to the contrary, and we hope you will excuse our again mentioning the difficulties which we so frequently Experience owing to our not being furnished with Copies of the General Orders especially such as

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as can in any respect effect our Paymaster's notwithstanding your having so often acquainted us that you had given directions for their being regularly transmitted to us. — We beg your Lordship will likewise be pleased to inform us whether Ensign Wilcox, who is now appointed to the Command of the Rajahmundry, is to receive also the Pay and Allowances of Adjutant to the 1st Sebendy Corps.

We have received an application from Cornet Kilton for Arms and accoutrements for 100 Men of the 23rd Regiment of Light Dragoons & recruited from the Detachment of the 102nd Regiment at Ellore, as also an Abstract of Pay for 90 Private^s, Corporals and one Serjeant of the 23rd, delivered to the Paymaster at Ellore by Cornet Kilton amounting to Mad^{rs} Pagodas 532. 19. 10. and transmitted by

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by him to us for our Orders. But as we have heard that a General Order was published by your Lordship &c directing or implying that the 23rd Regiment should not be recruited, we beg to know if we are to comply with Cornet Kiltons Application for Money Arms &c or with those of any other Kings Officers, who may come to Ellore to enlist Men from the Detachment of the 102nd Regiment Stationed there, into other Regiments; and whether such officers are to be paid full Patta & while on this Service. —

We have received your Secretarys Letters of the 7th Instant also one from your Lordship &c under date the 31st Ultimo to both of which due attention shall be paid so far as depends on us —

We have the Honour to be

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be Very Respectfully -

My Lord and Gentlemen
Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant -

(Signed) James Hodges
John Peter Boileau
Tho^s Barnard
W. Dobbyn

Maoulipatam
17th August 1784

Read also the following letter
from Major Cheshyre in the same sub-
ject with the foregoing -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K^B
President and Governor
of Fort St George

My Lord

From Major Cheshyre
requesting a Staff
Officer may be ap-
pointed for the

Some time ago I did myself
the Honor of Addressing your Lordship
and the Committee Respecting the
absolute Necessity of having a Staff
Officer to this Cantonment and the utter
impossibility of observing and Maintai-
ning

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ning that regularity so very Necessary in
Military Discipline without one among

So large a Body of Troops / composed
of so many different Corps / as are now
stationed here. The Letter agreeably

to the orders of Government I forwarded
to the Commander in Chief, in Order
that it might go through the regular
Channel to the Board; but this Mor-

ning it was return'd to me Accompani-
ed by a letter from the General wherein
he inform'd me it was the Determina-

tion of Government that no Staff
Officers should be Allowed here, at
least for the present; for which Reason
He thought it unnecessary to lay my
letter before the Board previous to this

I had requested Lieutenant Mackey,
the former Major of Brigade, who is
here on Leave of Absence, to take upon
him the Charge of that Office, of which
I inform'd the General; but as I find that
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No Appointments will take place untill
the general Arrangements are made, and
as I cannot do without the Assistance of
some Officer to act in that Capacity untill
then, I have requested of Lieutenant Mac^y
to continue to act in that Character, but as
the Corps to which he belongs, is now doing
Duty in Madras it will be Necessary
I should have your Lordship's Permission
for detaining him untill that Period, &
which I hope your Lordship will be so good
as indulge Me in, as Lieutenant Mackay
has long officiated in the Staff Line and
is thoroughly acquainted with the Duty of the
Troops in the Circars

I have the Honor to be

With the most perfect

Respect —

My Lord

Your Most Obedient

and Most humble Servant

(Signed) Robert Chesbrey

Agreed that the Council at
Maulipatam be informed that Ensign Wilcox's

Ellore
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Letter from
Masulipatam

appointment to the Command of Rajamun-
dry, being only temporary, it need not deprive
him of his appointment with the Sibbundy
Corps, that as to the application from Cornet
Kilten, we apprehend that the men who
recruited from the 102^d Regiment brought
with them their Own Arms and Accoutre-
ments, or should have done so; the Compa-
ny do not supply the King's Troops with
those articles, nor has to our knowledge
any application been made for them before;
that the pay of the men must of course be
discharged, paying due attention to the
General order of the 25th August last; no
full Battery is at any time or under any
pretence whatsoever to be paid, in cases
where it is not established in the Book
of regulations, without a special order
from Government.

The other subject of the Masulipatam
Letter ordered to lie for consideration —

The President lays before
the Committee the following letter which he

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Received some time since from the Resident
at Tanjore, with a request that his
Lordship would bring it forward at wha-
tever season he should judge the most
proper for a discussion of the contents.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney R. B.
President and Select Committee

Fort St George

My Lord and Gentlemen

From the Resident
of Tanjore on the
subject of future
arrangements
and regulations
in the several
Departments
to the Southward

As the present cessation of
Hostilities may afford some moments of leisure
when the Consideration of future domestic
Arrangements may find place in the
deliberations of the Honble Board. I presume
to intrude a subject, which tho' of press-
ing exigency as far as concerns the Depart-
ment which I have the Honour to be entru-
sted with, I have never theless withheld till
the appearance of Peace should point to a
speedy termination of still greater pub-
lic embarrassments.

2^d However clearly the respective

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Charges of the Presidency and the Command of the Garrison may appear to be defined in the Institutions of Government, Experience has evinced that something yet is wanting to complete the line of Separation and to secure to each of those Departments the Respect and Efficiency so necessary to Public Representation in the one & to Military Discipline in the other.

3. In addition to the inconveniences which are daily felt from the almost invariable chattering of these officers - a third and not a small source of embarrassment is presented itself in the present Constitution of the old Sibbendy Corps, which tho' attached exclusively to the Revenue Department having been formed before the Presidency was established is placed under the Separate and independent direction of a Commandant totally unconnected with the Commandant of the Fort, except in the present Casual instance of Captain Campbell and

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and not yet officially connected with the [&] Residency, the the Subbendies in all the other Departments of the Service and as these lately raised at Tanjore are placed immediately under the Civil Authority. To detail the particular subjects of controversy which result from this Complicated System, would be to waste the time of your Lordship &c with a narrative of all the Evils and Grievances that can be supposed to arise from the interference of unlimited military Power, with undefined Civil Authority; for to this length do the exaggerated Compliments of the Rajah's Ministers too frequently go, and I am sorry to observe that some of the Representations made by Officers who have been in the Command of Tanjore, have been little more measured.

5. With such Dispositions it can hardly be expected that the Resident who has been constituted the sole Channel of Public Communication with the Rajah, can

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Can at all times give satisfaction, more especially as the Town of Tanjore in which the Raja resides, is considered to be as much a part of the Garrison as is the smaller adjoining Fort where the Commandant has established his Residence. —

b For the reason I have had the honor to premise to the Honble Board, I have further to refrain from obtruding on their attention, the only measure which in my reflection could obviate these evils infuse and render the situation and authority of His Excellency the Rajah, so respectable and efficient, as the orders of the Company have directed. The Separation of the Two Forts as to their internal Government, seems alone to involve this desirable object leaving to the Rajah the sole and uncontrolled authority in the Place of his Residence, and constituting the smaller Fort a Military Station, subject in every respect to Military ordinances, but with

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With express and pointed instructions to the Commandant not to interfere with the Pagoda and its Ceremonies, without the assent of the Rajah, nor to obstruct the Passage of the Inhabitants of the Town or larger Fort, to the Tank within the precincts of the same.

If such an arrangement should meet the approbation of the Honble Board, the Quarters of the Sibleindy Corps might be established in the Town of Tanjore the Gates of which might be entrusted to their guard, and the Keys to be deposited either with the Rajah, as in the Carnatic Forts, with the Nabob or his Shilladar, or with the Resident, as might be thought most advisable. —

8. By an Arrangement of this kind all interference between the Troops in Garrison and the Subjects of the Rajah would be provided against in the Place where the greatest abuses for the most part obtain, and there can be little room for disagreement in the Country) where the Sibleindies are
sent

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Sent to assist the Revenue Officers of the Rajah / if it is established as a standing order that no European Officer shall be sent on such Service but at the particular desire of the Rajah, under such regulation it will necessarily follow that all European Officers of the Subbendary Corps will be resident in the Town of Tanjore where they might be employed for the benefit of the Service in disciplining such part of their respective Corps, as were not on Country Duty & thus returning from time to time from their respective Stations. - the nature of the Service requiring a greater or less number of Subbendys and their distinctions varying as Circumstances occasionally Govern. Such a Corps with proper Attention & would necessarily form an efficient Nursery for regular Sepoys, when the Public Service might call for their aid. and in time of Peace be equal to all the service that could be required in the Town of Tanjore -

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& confirmation of the same We the Gov^r Gen^l & Council
aforesaid have for the sake of Peace affixed our signatures
of the Seal of the Company to a Copy of the aforesaid Treaty,
in Testimony of our acceptance & confirmation thereof, and
as a firm sanction, binding & obliging all the Governments
and Dependencies of the Company and of the British
Nation to the faithful and perpetual observance thereof.

But having carefully examined and con-
sidered the form & construction of the said Treaty, and
having observed that the Nabob Wallajah Bahadur, who
is the Subahdar of the Carnatic, is not by Name inser-
ted as a Party thereto, altho the Subah Carnatic, which
is his Subahdary, is specifically included, as the first
and immediate Object & Subject of the Peace, and as it
may hereafter be suggested, by weakighted & evil designing
minds that the same is not binding on the said Wallajah
Bahadur, nor on the Nabob Tipoo Sultan Bahadur,
with relation to the Nabob aforesaid, and as such a distinc-
tion would if admitted defeat & frustrate the essential
purpose of the said Treaty; We the Gov^r Gen^l and
Council of Bengal aforesaid, from our earnest desire of
obviating such a consequence, and for a manifestation of
the sincerity & good faith by which we have agreed to the
Treaty

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The Committee are of opinion that the publishing the above paper at this juncture may be attended with detriment to the public Service and they cannot but lament that such papers should find their way into this Settlement from Bengal through any other Channels than the constitutional ~~eyes~~ of the President and Select Committee

minute
thereon

from the Nabob

Read Letter from his highness the Nabob with enclosures as entered in Country Correspondence No 1 being copies of a Letter to him from the late Emperor of Germany dated the 24th March 1776 and of his answer dated the 21st July 1784 - the Letter from the Emperor the Nabob mentions to have been delivered to him by Colonel Jermyn in his Imperial Majesty's Service who has resided for some time in this Settlement

Capt Crawford

Capt Laroche

Read Letter as entered in Miscellaneous Book No 70 from Captain Crawford stating his Claim to Officiations for the 4 Companies of Grenadier & Sepoys he has commanded during the War - From Captain Laroche repeating his representation concerning the Money (750 Pag^{as}) he carried into Chittoor and

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proceed to the Southward

From M^r Lind

From M^r Lind advising of his Intention to proceed to Ventagagerry with Lieut^t Kopenbark: and that the Venter of Mellow refuses to receive the cattle ordered to be sent him —

Capt^t M^r Humphries

From the Captain of the Lapwing butler pointing out his reasons for having deviated from the Orders of Government, and requesting to be furnished with fresh instructions respecting his Vessel; that the disheps he met with at sea, has done the Vessel much damage & begs to know whether he may execute the necessary repairs —

Sent Letters as entered in M^r B. A^{rs}

Gen^l Horne

To Gen^l Horne informing him that his Account of the Troops being well situated in Cantonments has afforded the Committee much pleasure: that the Accounts for repairs the Committee are pleased to approve of. & have in consequence given Orders for their being discharged — desiring him to furnish the Committee with his sentiments relative to Col. Knox's demand and as such repairs as have been executed by him, should have by