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Fort St George October 1784

Received Letter as entered in MB
N^o 163. from Ensign Byrne respecting his dis-
tress for want of money, and requesting Government
will give him a Bond for a Bombay transfer it
being the amount of his arrears of pay, during
the Time that he acted on the Malabar Coast
with the Madras Detachment under General
Giddard.

Received Letter as entered in MB N^o 164.
from the Commissioners of account enclosing a
Copy of a Letter to them from Mr Viceroy &
Coblet one of their members reporting that on
examining Captain Flint's accounts he has found
them agreeable to the military regulations and
that in consequence of Mr Deputy Secretary
Chambers Letter to them respecting Captain Ball's
claim on account of his late Brothers and stating
their Opinion on the same.

Received Letter from MacKenintosh as
entered in MB N^o 165 / repeating the service
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will admit the propriety of his claims for

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for a salary

Received the following Letters

John Rudleston Esq^r

Military Secretary &c

Fort St George.

From Residents
at Tanjore respecting
the detachments of
the stores imagine
the Committee will
approve of his
Choice of Mr Shippey
as an Assistant in
that Department

Sir.

I have the honor of your Letter
conveying the commands of the Honorable Board
of the 18th instant.

The Accounts of the Resident to the
31st ultimo and of the paymaster including the
Storekeepers to the 30th June are now forwarded
and I have the honor to enclose with this a
Statement of the several loans to the departments
of the stores on which an Interest has been
charged. The very large and pressing demands
of the Southern Army, and its detachments
have at different periods called for every extrar-
-dinary exertions in the provision of Stores, and it
is well known that in the State of the Southern
Countries for a long time every provision of that
Sort required an immediate advance of money.
The advances in the Paymaster and Storekeepers

very

Sort

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12 departments have been for beyond our public means, and called for the utmost exertion of private credit on very large occasional advances supported by my own credit and that of my friends, no interest has been charged to the Company, and on a part only of the Balances to the Storekeepers an interest has been charged at the rate actually accrued on the several loans stated in the account. Some of which have been discharged with the interest.

From the multiplicity and weight of business in the several departments with which I have had the honor to be entrusted it was impossible that I could acquit myself without dividing the immediate charge with my assistants but at the same time without considering that by so doing I could be released from the general responsibility in any of them. The very flattering and well deserved testimonial given by Colonel Fullarton to the indefatigable exertions of Mr Heppesley in the provision of his large demands will I am persuaded satisfy the Honorable Board in my

selection

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my selection of that gentleman to aid me in the particular department of the stores, and as his personal credit, has been conjointly with my own stretched to the utmost in aid of the public service, I have no doubt but I shall be honored with the sanction of the Committee in relieving his private responsibility as I have before been honored with their commands in the instance of another of my assistants.

I have had the honor to anticipate the pleasure of the Committee on the subject of the Villages claimed by Tondimian: having represented to his Excellency, the Rajah, that as the claims of Tondimian appear to be founded I hoped he would not delay, the necessary orders to reinstate him in the possession. Some delay has been made, but I do not apprehend the request will be refused. I shall immediately renew my application and will have the honor to report to the Board the result of it.

I have the honor to be &c

(Signed) John Sullivan

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August 28 1884.

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Fort St George October 2nd 184.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney,

From Mr Devin
respecting the pre-
parations necessary
for the accommodation
of the Bombay
Detachment

H. B. President & Governor of

Fort St George

My Lord

I have been honored with your
Lordships Letters of the 16th & 22nd September relative
to the Bombay Detachment now on its way to
Anging via Trichinopoly & the Province under
my charge. I lost no time in issuing the necessary
orders to prepare for its Reception & have already
written to Lieutenant Wiseman acquainting
him of the measures I am taking for the
accommodation of his detachment and referring
him to Mr Torin for his guidance in his march
thro' the Madras District. I have desired Mr
Torin to send a trusty native to meet and
accompany the Detachment both for the
purpose of seeing it properly supplied and en-
couraging the inhabitants from flying at the
appearance of such a force and habitual timi-
-dity that the good behaviour of the Troops
belonging to the Southern Army has not yet
their

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Fort St George, October 1 1784.

been able to overcome. The same precaution & shall be observed by me on its entrance into this Province

I have taken on me to write to the Rajah of Travancore on the subject of the detachment passing through his countries: and as he has little or no Rice to spare I have recommended the only inconvenience he could apprehend by informing him that the Sepoys shall be furnished with 5 days Rice on their quitting our borders and that a bazar for the officers and Sepoys on their passing for what they take will be as that is requisite. Not knowing whether Mr Hutchinson the Chief of Amoy was apprized of the approach of the detachment I have thought it advisable to prepare him for its accommodation

Should there be any pressing occasion for a further supply to the Detachment in money or Grain on its departure from Travancore notwithstanding the very ample advances that have been made them I suppose the Receipt of Lieutenant Wiseman will

all

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not above 12 or 15 days salt Provisions & Pursuit
remaining & that a fresh supply is necessary.

I likewise have the honor to enclose to
your Lordship &c an account Sales of the Grain
received of Messrs Bayly & Thompson at Fadalore
also an account of Sundry Disbursements out
of the proceeds for the Rice Received of Mr John
Lubman &c.

I have the honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most obedient humble servant

J. Lynd, Geo. L. Hoysard

The several Papers enclosed in the
 foregoing Letter are lodged in the office

Pondicherry

8 October 1784

To John Charnier Esq.

Deputy Secretary

Fort St George

Sir

I am to request you will be
pleased to inform the Right Honorable the
President and Select Committee that after
making very considerable reduction of the
Public

From the trials
requesting to retain
some men in the
Company's Service
proposing a
mode of payment
for the dismissed
Cavalry -

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12th Public Followers belonging to the Army, agree-
-able to their Orders of the 14th ultimo. There are
five Syrangs and seventeen Supernumerary
Tondals as most of them are very, old servants of
the Company, especially the former and have
served with the Army, during the whole War
and behaved themselves extremely, well with
the different Corps they have been attached to
I have not taken upon me to discharge them
the Service I should therefore be glad to know
whether the Committee will permit these men
to be continued in my Returns or be sent to the
Clerks of the Committee of Works to be employed
I by leave also to mention there are four
hundred and thirty nine men who formerly
belonged to the Cavalry and Infantry, but
were discharged at the time the nabobs Regi-
-ments were taken into the Company's Service
they have regularly till this month received
Pay with the rest of the Troops but by the Orders
of Government of the 26th ultimo I could not
issue pay to any, one but for September
for which month they have none due
them

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them they have therefore requested I would represent their case to Government not having any means of Subsisting no Rice being drawn for them from the Public House they are in the greatest distress they therefore beg they may receive a months Pay with the rest of the Troops until their Arrears are discharged. The Pay of these People amount to between 13 & 14 hundred Pagodas for a month I wish to be informed whether the Committee will grant their request or whether they must receive what is due them as the Arrears are paid of

I have the honor to be

Sir

your most obedient servant

J. Welch

Paym^r

Received Letter as entered in M.B.

N. 166 from the Resident at Pondicherry advising of the intended Despatch of the Pullena Frigate for Europe likewise that a merchant ship sailed two days preceding

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Received Letter from the Chief Engineer
as entered in M. B. N. 167. enclosing a
Letter from Captain Byres of the Engineers
respecting the rank held by Major Gills and
requesting the Committee will in consequence
give him the Present rank of major

Received the following Letter and
enclosure from the Deputy agent in Camp

To John Huddleston Esq.

From Deputy agent
in Camp on the
Subject of the
Virtuallizing
Departments

Secretary

Sir

I have received your Letter of the
1th of Inst. desiring me to explain the nature of some
Indents for Rice from this Cantonment the 4000
Mascalls were intended for the use of the
Europeans and indented for in September at the
time I was endeavouring to forward as large a
Stock as possible before the Monsoon and
previous to the orders from Government of
the 24th ult. as will appear from the date
of the Indent; on receipt of those orders I
sent

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Sent Directions to my Conicoply, at Madras to recall the Indents and not to receive any more Arrears or Fees I should any be due on my former Indents as I had then a larger Stock of those articles than would be wanted - In the Indent from Captain Speedman is included all the Bullock men now in his Department and those lately discharged the Service at the particular entreaty of the Masters who represented their inability to pay off their arrears and that without an Indulgence of this kind the discharged Bullocks would be lost or neglected by the desertion of the Drivers, on the same Ground I have been induced to draw out Indents for a Month's Fee for the followers lately discharged from the Corps and from the Victualling Department the amount of which will be deducted out of their arrears. The Bullocks & Victualling servants were discharged the Service the 30th ultimo and I now enclose a Return.

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¹² Return of the latter agreeable to your desire—

The number of Bullock now with Captain
Spudman is Draught 1530 Carriage 5131.

They are employed in laying in a stock of
Rice here and in transporting stores from the
Presidency Captain Spudman is now at Madras
and will be able to explain this matter more
fully to you—

I am Sir

your most obedient
humble servant

J Kenworthy

Duffy agt

Arcot

9th October 1784.

Return of Public Followers in the

Virtualing Department 30th Sept. 1784

2 Writers

19 Scribes

6 Peons

4 Measuring Men

2 Sewing Men

2 Haulers

2 Head & Wood Cutters

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52 Wood Cutters.

25 Bullock Carters

387 Men -

502 Total

(Signed) J Kenworthy

Deputy agent

Dispatched the following Letter to Mr

Irwin -

To Eyles Irwin Esq.

To Mr Irwin
leaving it to his
determination the
evacuation of the
Forts of Tripunavaram
and Palamun

Superintendent of Revenue in the Tanjore
& Madurai Districts

Sir

The Right Honble the President
and Select Committee having received from the
Committee of Assigned Revenue Extracts of your
Letter to the Governor under date the 18 September
I am directed to inform you that confiding in the
experience which your whole conduct has afforded them
of your Zeal and Judgment they leave to your
own determination the evacuation the Forts of
Tripunavaram and Palamun or securing them
with a detachment of regular Sepoys from
the Garrison of Madurai and from the same
motive

experience

evacuating

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no live they empower and direct you to call for & Scrutinize the accounts of the mogul horse and they further direct that whatsoever Balance you shall ascertain to be justly due to them be paid to them by you only, at proper periods corresponding with the payment of the arrears due to the other disbanded Southern Troops.

Fort St George
12 October 1784.

I have the honor to be &c
/ Signed / John Huddleston Secy.

Sent the undermentioned Letters as entered in M B. N^o 168. 169. 170.

To Mess^{rs} Merys. mitchell and Pelly requesting their Sentiments on the Claims made by the owners of the sloop Charlotte the Committee are sensible that an indemnification should be made to her owners: but request their Opinion as merchants, respecting the charges of 25 £ for her Cargo.

To the Committee of Works enclosing there are estimates received from the Commandant of the Black Town of some repairs requisite to be executed & desiring them to comply therewith

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Port St George October 1st 184.

To the President at Negapatam &
enclosing him a List of ^{Gifts} ~~Gifts~~ embarked on board
the adventurer that could not be conveyed over the
Royal Charlotte, and desiring him to discharge the
freight amounting to Payd out 250

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Fort George

My Lord and Gentlemen

desiring

stating

From General Campbell
with Copy of a Letter
to him from the
major part of his
majesty's Colonels in
India representing
how highly injurious
it would be to them
to be superseded
by any more of the
Sempu's Colonels

received

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will see the justice of the Representations therein contained, and that if any such measures they allude to, was ever intended it may be laid aside

I have the honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen

your most obedient

humble servant

Allan Campbell Major

General commanding his Majesty's

Forces in India for the time being

Major General Campbell

Commanding in Chief His Majesty's Forces in
India for the time being

Sir

Having good reason to believe a
promotion is intended to be made in the Company's
Troops of one or two of their Colonels to be Brigadiers
a fresh Instance of Supercession which would
be highly injurious to His Majesty's Colonels serving
here and having already suffered the like

Injury on several occasions We feel ourselves called
on by the respect due to His Majesty's Service and

Madras.

12 October 1784.

To General Campbell
in reply to the
Order of the
11th Oct 84

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and by the Justice we owe ourselves, and our Brethren
Officers of the Army at large to address you as Com-
mander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces in India
for the time being and to request you will be pleased
to make immediate Representation to the Govern-
ment of this Presidency so as will most effectually
obviate what would be so great an Injustice if
carried into Execution.

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No
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Colonel

We have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient humble servant

Signed

J. Floyd Col: in India

John Aphenston Colonel

Turner Straubergie

W. Dalrymple Colonel

Above Copy

Signed

J. H. Campbell Secy to Major Genl. Campbell

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Received two Letters as entered in
No B. 172. 173. the first from General
Campbell representing that some of the private
of his Majesty's Regiments have some money
due to them and requesting their arrears may
be discharged -

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The Second from Mr Gordon Surgeon
requesting permission to remain a short time
to the Southward to adjust the estate of the
late Captain Gen.

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Received a Letter as entered in M.B.
N^o 174. from the Chief Engineer, requesting
Permission for Captain Byron to return to the
Presidency, and Ensign Hemmings to proceed
to Bengal.

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Received Letters as entered in M.B.
N^o 175. 176. From Ensign Walter requesting
leave to Proceed to Bombay, for the space of Six
months.

From Lieutenant Colonel Bruce requesting
an old Soldier may be put on the Invalid List

Dispatched the following Letter to
Major General Campbell

Major General Campbell

Commanding his Majesty's Troops

Sir

We have had the honor to receive
your Letter of the 12th Inst. enclosing one
addressed

To General Campbell
in reply to his Letter
and enclosure of the
12th Inst.

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¹⁶ addressed to you by four of the Colonels of his
Majesty's forces serving in India / three of whom are
Lacks only by local rank here / requesting you to
obviate by your endeavours a promotion which
they say they have good reason to believe is intended
to be made by one or two of the Company's Colonels
to be Brigadiers - This address to you is founded
only on their belief of an Intention, and no
reason is assigned even for that belief which
makes the application in our Idea somewhat
premature nevertheless as you have thought it
necessary to write to us on the Subject We do not
hesitate to assure you that no Intention has
been formed by us of the Kind alluded to in the
Letter from the four Kings Colonels at the same
time however that our personal respect for you
induces us to give you this satisfaction We
must inform you that we think it proper to
reserve to ourselves and to exercise whenever we
shall see occasion the undoubted right which
the Company possess of attesting and amending
their military establishments as it shall appear
most expedient for their service in this Country.

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¹⁵ nor can we admit that any resolution which we may form on this point ought to be considered as injurious to his Majesty's Officers Every power Exercised by the Company is given by the Kings Charter and by Act of Parliament

We have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servants

[Signed] Macartney &
Select Committee

Sent Letter to the Commanding Officer at Chingliput desiring him to detach a complete Company of Sepoys from his Garrison to relieve as entered in W B. L. 177.

Sent the undermentioned Letters as entered in W B. L. Nos 178. 179. 180.

X To Captain Byres permitting him to return to the Presidency.

X To Ensign Humming permitting him to proceed to Durgal

To Ensign Walker permitting him to proceed to Bombay.

Received the following Letter from
Colonel James Stuart

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To John Hudleston Esq.

From Col. Stuart
in reply to a letter
from the Select
Committee 2^d
Sept 1784.Military Secretary W^m G^m

Sir

(Duplicate)

I had the honor the 1st Inst. to receive
your letter of the 2^d September enclosing one for
Mr Digby which I should have acknowledged
the Receipt of sooner but waited for the General
Orders of that date: which did not reach me till
this day.

The Right Honorable the President
and Select Committee having done me the
honor to authorize me to Suspend the publishing
the Orders of that date should I be of Opinion
that notwithstanding the assurances to be given
that those orders might create Suspensions and
discontent in the Troops, untill I should hear
further from them on the subject. I have
therefore not published them, being convinced
that the mode proposed of granting Certificates
to the Sepoys for the Battaues due to 31 August
last, would by no means prove satisfactory to
them, they would conceive the mode of granting

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Certificates as an intention of the deferring the
payments of their arrears rather than the ascertaining
it. — a similar arrangement was lately attempted
by Mr Digby with the public's followers: and was
nearly productive of very serious consequences, which
obliged them to give it up.

This mode may be adopted with the
Officers were they first to receive three months pay
and allowances to relieve their immediate wants
and distresses which are at present very great: and
I am of opinion it might also be adopted with the
Sepoys on the same footing were they to receive
regularly, this pay monthly afterwards and with
every second or third month a month of their
arrears both the Officers and Sepoys are in that
situation that it will require three months pay
to clear off their old scores before they can begin
upon any new system —

I know of no particular promises made
by Colonel Fullerton to the Troops. Only in general
that he would proceed to Madras in order to arrange
the best and speediest mode of getting their arrears
discharged: and for my part —

I have never taken upon me to make
them any. Except that I should endeavour to get

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get them all paid up to the same day, and so soon
as the Paymaster had money sufficient in his hands
that it should be issued to them and they are at present
in anxious expectation of receiving two months

Colonel Fullarton being on the spot
to whom the situation of the troops to the south-
ward is perfectly known makes any further remarks
of mine unnecessary.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient &
most humble servant

(Signed) J. Stuart

Tanjore

3 October 1784

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Despatched the following Letter to Colonel
James Stuart Commanding the Southern Forces.

To Colonel James Stuart

Commanding Southern Forces

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble
the President and Select Committee to acknowledge
the receipt of your Letter of the 11th Instant with
Duplicate of your Letter of the 3rd and inform you

to Col. Stuart re-
specting the Committee
intention of adopting
a mode of for dischar-
ging the arrears
due to the Southern
Forces.

to

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Fort. St George October 1784.

17 you that respecting the officers with whom how-
 ever I am directed to observe that the select &
 Committee will not suppose there could be any
 difficulty it is their Intention Shortly to endeavor
 to fall upon some mode of paying off their
 Arrears and as large a part in money as the public
 exigencies will permit and that with respect to
 the Sepoys the select Committee hope that by
 the assistance of Mr Irwin to whom a Letter
 will be immediately written on the subject it may
 be possible to effect what you mention. The
 previous payment of 3 months arrears and their
 Pay for the ensuing months regularly afterwards
 and every Second or Third Month a month of
 their arrears or in all events the payment of a
 months arrears will be directed to be made to them
 at the time they receive their certificates and
 the payment of a months arrears afterwards as
 frequent as you have stated - this with the
 personal assurances you for Colonel Fullarton
 should he be on the spot will make the Sepoys
 of the Intentions of Government must convince
 them that the mode of giving Certificates is
 meant only for their benefit and the select
 Committee

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Committee hope therefore that there will be no further delay, in publishing the order of the 26th ultimo particularly as it has been already published here and at the Cantonment at Arcot without it is producing any of the consequences you seem to apprehend - as to the public followers I am directed to observe to you that the select Committee find it difficult to comprehend how any mode of payment which can be ascribed to the fighting men can be expected produce serious consequences from the followers and the Committee thinks it highly proper the order should extend to all the natives indiscriminately of the Southern Army, as it does to those of the Troops at Arcot.

I have the honor to be.

Sir

Your most obedient servant

(Signed) John Huddleston

Post Letter as entered in M.B.

N. 181 to General Campbell informing him that the Committee are ready agreeable to his request to discharge the Pay mentioned by him to be due to some privates of his Majesty's Reg^{ts}

Fort St George

17 October 1784.

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Port George October 1784.

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as Stated in his Letter of the 14th Instant

Dispatched Letter as entered in M.B.

N^o 182. / to the Paymaster at Ascot permitting
him to retain in the Service 5 Fundalls and 17
Superannuaries, Fundalls: and proposed a mode
for the payment of the Arrears due to 439 men
formerly belonging to the Cavalry.

Received the following Letters.

John Hudleston Esq^r

Military Secretary, &c. &c.

From Col. Stuart
has sent the sum of
the 78 Reg^t to be
embarked on board the
Swallow for the
Presidency

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge
the Receipt of your Letters of the 2^d & 3^d Instant
which came to my hands this day, agreeably to the
orders of the Honorable Board 50 men of the 78th
Regiment March tomorrow morning for
Mysapatam under the Command of a Colonel
- and Officers in order to take their Passage from
that place for the Presidency to be Embarked
on Board of the Pigot for Europe — I have
communicated the Intentions of the Honorable
Board to the other men who are desirous of return-
- ing to Europe with which they seem perfectly
Satisfied.

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Mr Rolfe late one of the Surgeons of this Garrison in consequence of the Honorable Boards directions of the 2^d has got my leave to proceed to Shewellapatour

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient &
most humble servant

| Signed | J^s Stuart

The Members of the Select Committee

Gentlemen

In consequence of the numerous applications for leave of absence to Bengal & Bombay, the Right Honorable the President directs me to propose to you that a resolution immediately pass and be published. I order that in future the pay and allowances of the Company's Servants civil & military going on leave of absence any where beyond the limits of this Presidency shall cease from the day of their Departure to that of their return except

Tanjore
17 October 1784

Resolution respecting
Civil & military
Servants obtaining
leave of absence

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except on Certificates produce of extreme ill
health Sworn to by the Surgeon

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen
your most humble servant.

14th October 1784.

(Signed) J Hudleston Esq.

John Hudleston Esq.

From Captains
Hudleston respecting
Grain

Military Secretary

Sir

I am favoured with yours of the 26th
Inst Signifying the Right Honble President
& Select Committee's Pleasure that I should
acquaint the Deputy Agent with the number
of Bullocks absolutely necessary to be retained
in my Department.

As it will be necessary, to have a consi-
derable stock of Grain here to Supply the Cantonment
& Garrisons Served with Rice from hence during
the Rains. I think it will be indispensably ne-
cessary, to retain the number which I signified
to the Deputy Agent by my Letter of the 24th
Instant till that service is effected when a further
Reduction may take Place which I shall
currently estimate agreeable to the daily Consumption
of

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17 of Rice and other Duties which they may be employed on.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient
humble servant

(Signed) R Speediman

The Right Honble George Lord Macartney

From Captain Watts
requesting his affairs
may be discharged

Presidents and Governors

Fort St George.

Right Honble Sir

I am much obliged to address your
Lordships respecting my Subscriptions being paid me
in a manner that distresses me far more
than I can easily express; I am at the same time
well assured Thousand of Pagodas during the
time I have been refused payment have passed
the Pay Office and one Single Fanam has not
been allotted me Besides this my Tanyore Bills
have been frequently rejected in the most fi-
-volous manner and still remain unpaid.

Your Lordships will much oblige
me by being pleased to order the payment of

Arcot

28 Sept. 1784.

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of the Accompanying Pay notes which will
no more assist but barely to Submit me & pay
off a few small Debts

I shall rest Satisfied your Lordship
will excuse this Intrusion for be assured my
Lord nothing but the greatest necessity obliges
me to be thus Troublesome.

My Lord

I have the honor to Subscribe

myself your Lordships obedient & respectful
Humble servant

/ Signed / Robert Watts.

Madras

24th 1784

To John Hudleston Esq^r

Secretary to the Select Committee

From Mr Prator
with 2122 Pags
being the Amount of
his acknowledged
Debt to the Company

Sir

Having in my Letter to you of the 3^d
ultimo acknowledged that I was indebted to
the Honorable Company; a Balance of P. 4.
Pagodas 2122. 3. 20. in my late Station in
Tinnevely Country I send you herewith that
money on Account of the Company.

I Am &c

/ Signed / George Brooker

of

Fort St George

16 October 1784.

sent the following letters

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Fort St George October 1784.

To Mr George Proctor

Mr George Proctor acknowledging the receipt of the foregoing

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honorable the President and Select Committee to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of this date and to inform you that they receive the sum sent by you with the said Letter of Pagod at 2122. 3. 20. in part of the honorable Company's demands upon you as signified in my Letter of the 6th Instant and repeated in that of the 2^d Sept^r last and that as such Credit will be given you for the amount.

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most Obedient servant.

[Signed] John Huddleston

Fort St George
17 October 1784.

To Charles Cawley Esq^r

of Committee of assigned revenue advising them of the foregoing and sending them the money received from the Order.

President & Members of the Committee of assigned revenue Gentlemen

I am directed by the Right Honorable the President & Select Committee to send you the enclosed Letters from Mr George Proctor

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together with the sum of money, therein mentioned
amounting to Porto novo Pagodas 2122.3.20

Fort St George
18th October 1784

I have the honor to be Sir
Yours
John Hudleston Esq.

Received Letter as entered in M.B.H.F.
from Colonel Reinhold respecting the passage of two
Officers of his Regiment and stating the distress
they must experience provided they have not a
free passage granted them

At a Select Committee Present

The Right Honble Lord Macartney

H. B. President

Anthony Sadler Esq. Lieut Gen. Lang.

Alexander Davidson Esq.

Robert Maunsell Esq.

Minutes of last Committee read
& approved

The President says before the Committee
a Draft of a Letter sent by him to Bengal
the 14th Inst. which Enclosed sundry Statements
forming Sketches of the Revenues Funds arrears
Debts & Credits of the Company
upon this point made up to the 1st July
last which are read and entered hereunder

To

Monday

18 October 1784

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To the Honble Warren Hastings

Governor General & Council &c

Fort William

Gentlemen

To Bengal
enclosing several
Papers containing
the State of
the Presidency
and its Finance
the 1st July 1784.

Enclosed I have the honor to send you

for your Information several papers containing the State of the
Presidency of Fort St George & its Finance on the 1st July 1784 vizAbstract of the State of Fort St George & its Finance 1st July 1784N^o 1. Sketch of the Revenues of Fort St George 1st July 1784.N^o 2. Sketch of the Arrears of Revenue due to Fort St George
1st July 1784.N^o 3. Real & Quick Stocks of Fort St George 1st July 1784N^o 4. Sketch of Arrears due by Fort St George 1st July 1784N^o 5. Amount of Extra Funds provided since the present
War which commenced July 1780 to 1st July 1784N^o 6. State of the Presidency of Fort St George 1st July 1784
for the Current year.To which I have added ^{mentioned} a paperX containing the supposed state of the Company's affairs
at Fort St George calculated to commence to the end of three
years after a General PeaceN^o 1. is a State of all the Revenues supposed to be in course
of Collection from July 1784. to July 1785 but I am of opinion
they will fall short of the Amount stated.In N^o 2. you will please to observe upon what a footing
the several Balances & Arrears due here to the Company stand
I am afraid that under the present Circumstances of
things very little of the Marulipatam balance amounting
to

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to above 18 Lakhs of Star Pagodas is likely to be soon recovered. As to the 12 1/2 % Cent imposed upon several of the Masulipatam Zemindars in 1779 in the Government of Sir Thomas Rumbold it is stated in the account for forms latter but is not taken credit for. The greater part of the balances of Vizagapatam and of Ganjam may be recovered since Sir Rumbold's Arrival at Vizagapatam the balance of that Chiefship has been reduced from Pagodas 300,000. to Pagodas 25000. —

The Nabob's real balance must be settled by the Court of Directors and Credit given him for it in account of the Revenues.

The Rajah of Tanjore at present pleads great poverty on account of the Devastation of his Country & other losses during the War but I think if the peace be not interrupted it will be easily recovered. His proper proportion of expense towards the General defence of the Carnatic as claimed N^o 3. is an account of our real Quilt Stock as it stood the 1st July 1784. It is unnecessary to make any observation upon the Article N^o 4. I hear the enormous Debt due here by this Presidency from the pressure of which you will see how inadequate all our resources (including the Nabob's assignment) are to relieve us. Consequently how necessary to our Support is every assistance you can possibly afford us.

N^o 5. is an account of the Extra funds provided and to be provided for the expense of the late American War, over and above our usual annual Revenue.

N^o 6. is an Estimate of our Revenue and Expenditure for the Current year from 1st July 1784. to 1st July 1785.

By these different Statements together with the annexed paper marked X. you will be convinced of the Impossibility of the Company's existing on the Coast unless the assignment of the Nabob's Revenues were to be now surrendered.

I have the honor to be with great respect

Gentlemen

Your most obedient &
most humble servant

(Signed) Macartney

Fort St George
October 14 1784.

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Abstract of the State of the Presidency of Fort

The Civil Charges of Fort St George Presidency are estimated at 200,000.
The Military Charges including the Establishments and Charges
of the Garrisons of Forts, of the Carnatic and Arcot or Town of Pondicherry are the
Establishments which is now proposed are estimated } 2100000.
To the Nabobs Smith part of the Receipts from the assigned Countries - 300000.
Arrears due by Fort St George as per 4th 4 4312952 5. 28
Amount of Extra Funds provided since the present War which
began July 1780 to July 1784 per 4th 5 9463922 2769
Interest on the Bonded Debt is nearly 7th annum - 100,000
Do^o on part of the Arrears which Provision may be
liquidated by Bonds or Interest notes Interest 7th annum } 100,000
200,000

NB The Rent of the Gunpowder Arms now in the Hands of the
Nizam which is reckoned at 12 Lakhs of Rupees 7th annum
is not inserted in this State neither is the Purchase for
the 5 Arrows being 7 Lakhs of Rupees 7th annum vide
memo to State of Madras 18th 6.

The mode of stating this Account is conformable
to the directions of the Right Honorable the
President the particular accounts referred to have
been examined by / Signed / Geo. Moubray
Accountant

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St George & its Finances 1st July 1784.

Revenue of Fort St George Consisting of the Jaghirs the Farms the Cens the Agrigors Countries and the Subsidy from the Rajah of Tanjore as per Acct¹ } 3607596.9.39

Arrears due to Fort St George from the Jaghirs the Farms the Cens the Nabobs Kists and the Subsidy of Tanjore Acct² } 4528966.6.45

Real Duck Stock of Fort St George Consisting of the Balance of Cash Bullion in the mint Goods in the Import and Export Warehouses Provisions & Military Stores for use and Sale Balances of Cash in the Sea and Land Customers hands and Balances in the Hands of the Employes &c at the Presidency & Subordinates as per Acct³ } 1346483.11.7

NB. The Dead Stock of the Company Consisting of its Fortifications Buildings Military Stores on the Works and for the Defence of their Garrisons. Old Debious & Disparate Debts at this Presidency and Subordinates Stand in the General Books at the Sum which they have actually cost the Company which is upwards of 66 Lakhs of Pagodas: Having no Rule to go by in estimating the Value of several of these articles and the greatest part not being convertible into money they have not been inserted in any of the Statements referred to in the above.

Sketch

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Fort St George 18th October 1784.Sketch of the Revenues of Fort St George 1st July 1784.

Iaghiro & Poonamallu Farm 107700

These districts were entirely laid waste by the enemy during the war they are now let for 9 years commencing from July 1783 & until July 1792 as follows.

1 st year 48400	6 th year 291000
2 nd year 48400	7 th year 322500
3 rd year 50100	8 th year 364800
4 th year 101800	9 th year 394200
5 th year 260000	
	2143400

Beetle & Tabacco Farm

55000

This Farm is let for the term of 5 years & 4 months commencing 1st March 1782 at Rs 69416.24 for that year 55000 for the 2nd year 36000 for the 3rd year

Arack & Taddy License

21000

Privatized Perambore & Egmore

3724

Taddy Fields & Salt Pans

1055

St. Thomas Farm

3531

Measuring duty

4100

Bankah duty

650

Pulicat Farms

820

Sadras

600

Ruby Brokerage estimate

700

Town Brokerage

510

Mint Customs

4000

Land Customs

2500

Sea Customs

22000

Town Corroplis duty

90

Quint Rent & Sawyers duty

11040

Cuddalore Farms Districts included estimate from 15 to 20

20000

Nagore estimate from 20 to 25

20000

Masulipatam Farms

134956.10.25

Vizagapatam Farms

3615.45.57

Masulipatam's Circars

Nagamundry Circle & Mustapha Razas including the

12 1/2 % Circar income in 1778

Deduct the amount of 12 1/2 % Circar

owed to by the government as a butler

the Country cannot bear

Vizagapatam Circar of Chicacole

Gonyam District of Ichapour

Subsidy from Tanyon

Assigned Countries Not Revenues expected from

Them

Lagooras

Geo. Houbrey

Assistant

Sketch

The this is not included

in the above Statement yet the revenue

is considered accountable to the Company

for the whole term from the death of

his Mother as also for his Brothers

debt to the Company for having enjoyed

the Revenue the Circar from the

termite was evacuated by the Com-

pany's Troops the whole is stated

in the account of Arrivals due by

Fort St George No. 6.

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Sketch of Arrears of Revenue due to Fort St George and the Nabobs and Tanjore Rajah's Balances 1st July 1784.

The Nabob has been hitherto Debited on this account Rs 7130.30 the amount of his share to 31st January 1782 at which time the management reverted to the Company, but as it has been found upon investigation that His Highness could not have made any considerable collections since October 1780 these amounts from that period having been laid waste by the Enemy he is now only charged with the sum which ought to have been paid into the Treasury the 30th Sept 1780 altho he certainly received several shares between that time & January 1782 from them but the amount can only be known from himself

Nabobs Arrears on account of
Ponnaswallu & the Jayhind to 30 Sept 1780 } 234180 -

Pappah, Treasurer, formerly Renter of Travancore, Ponnaswallu & Gomon	1550	-	-	Solvent
Teracorty Pillay, formerly renter of St Thomas, Travancore, Ponnaswallu & Gomon	20970	11	-	Insolvent
Nagapah Chetty & Ponnaswallu Chetty, present Renter of Travancore, Ponnaswallu & Gomon	9725	-	-	Solvent
Nagapah, late Renter of Pondicherry	2817	2	12	D ^t
Senesapayah, Renter of Paddy Fields & Salt Pans	527	18	-	D ^t
Ramasawmy, Renter of P. Arack & Paddy, Limer	7000	-	-	D ^t
Padayum, Renter of P. Arack	838	-	-	D ^t
Theravagadam & Chinnappa, Renter of P. Arack & Paddy, Limer	18333	12	-	D ^t
Parayangaray, Theravagadam, Renter of the Messuery & P. Arack duty	3958	12	-	D ^t
Muralabak, Renter of St Thomas	150	-	-	
	294045	19	12	

Balances from the Arcs.

Masulipatam (due from the Farms 30 April 1784)	399575	9	5
(due from the Zemindars & Renters)	1578244	14	24
Subduct 3 years amount of the additional 12 1/2 p Cent imposed by His Highness Rumbold in 1778 now on revenue at Rangoon in consequence of the representation of the Zemindars who allege it to be totally null if they power to bear any additional burthen	1977849	23	29
	114668	15	-
	1862181	-	8. 29
Nagapattinam (due from the Farms 30 April 1784)	7216	27	34
(due from the Zemindars and Renters 30 April 1784)	77301	35	50
	85018	-	27. 4
Ganjam due from the Zemindars and Renters to 30 April 1784	472613	24	-
	2420813	22	33
Nabobs Balance on account Current Estimated to 1 st July	1200000	-	-
Rajah of Tanjore his arrears of Subsidy	614107	-	-

5 Pagodas. 4528966. 6. 45

NB. The the Nabobs balance on Account Current appears to be only 12 Lacks of Pagodas yet his real Balance must be considered much greater for if the Extra Funds provided and the Arrears due for the Support of the late War imposed on the Government amount to upwards of 122 Lacks of Pagodas will Statement 27th of the Request of that Sum may be charged to his Highness's Account, now if he were only Debited for one half his whole Debt to the Company of that half his Balance on Account Current & his arrears for the Jayhind would amount to upwards of 75 Lacks of Pagodas.

The Rajah of Tanjore's Balance must likewise be considered as much more than stated above because he ought also to be charged with a proportion of the Extra Funds provided for the late War in defence of the Carnatic.

E. E. Lynd / Geo. Moubray
Accountant

Real

3943 Fort St George 18th October 1784. Real Duck Stock of Fort St George 1st July 1784

Cash in the Treasury	24939 3 28
Goods for Sale in the Import Warehouse	276364.17.12
Debt due to the Import Warehouse	19744.4.74
Cash in the Import Warehousekeepers hands	1857.12.57
413 There is a Balance of Pagodas 26563.24.2 1/2 due to the Warehouse by the	280193 4 63
late Import Warehousekeepers for Europe	
Goods in the Import Warehouse not included in the above	
Advances on account of the Investment and Debt due to the Warehouse	32510.1 67
Bag 75000 1. 1. 21. Suppose only one half to be good Debt to the Warehouse	
The advances having been made before the War	
Cash in the Warehousekeepers hands	37303 19.50
Value of Garrison provisions in the Garrison Storekeepers hands	1278.10.44
Added the Garrison Storekeepers hands	71291 31. 1
Deduct the amount of Provisions better & longer of the above for which no	197632 24.12.
other has yet been given to the Storekeepers in staff & Staff of the Garrison	3538.3 13
Value of Civil Store in the Storehouse	201211.27.35
Value of Military Store intended for use and Sale exclusive of the Guns on the	100000
Campsite and all other Store necessary for the defence of the Garrison	101241 27.35
Cash in the Sea Customs hands	13755 4 77
In notes outstanding Pagodas 40552.20.33. say 1/2 good Debt many of	263711 11.52
these against whom bills stand being dead gone from the settlement	200
Cash in the Land Customs hands	20276.28 16
Cash in the Military Paymasters hands	20476.28 16
Cash in the hands of the Committee of War	485 11.7
Cash in the Superintendants hands	2818 27.32
Captors of Pondicherry	2945 1 46.
Marulipatam Factory 30 April 1784.	646.22.27
Cash in the Treasury and in the hands of the different Employes	1666.29 24.
Bills receivable for several Bills not yet paid	
Goods in the Warehouse	100769.4.83.
Advances for the Investment of Balances due from the Merchants	17641.28. 6.
Value of Provisions under the Garrison Storekeepers Charges	21496.5.57
Vizagapatam Factory 30 April 1784.	34021.31.8.
Cash in the Treasury and in the hands of the different Employes	42863.18.44
Balances due from the Merchants &c	373521. 15 68
Goods in the Warehouse	29773.27.22.
Ganyam Factory 30 April 1784.	3062.12.36.
Cash in the Treasury & in the hands of the different Employes	37696.17.24.
Value of Goods in the Warehouse	75533 22 2.
Debt due from the Merchants & Mariners	10492 25.10.
Charges of the Detachment due from Zemindars 5602.35. 75. say one half	9875.1 66.
Inguram Factory 31 Dec ^r 1783.	2420 24.75
Cash in the Treasury	230637.77
Value of Goods in the Warehouse	25594. 31.187
Debt due from the Merchants & Mariners for advances made on	2282 3. 46.
account of the Investment	52335.16.64.
	32430.7.51.
	87067.37.1
	134643.11.7.
	Plan 90000.

This Account is stated Agreeable to the directions of the
 Right Honble the President &c articles inserted but real
 Affiant property all which might soon be raised in money.
 Signed / Geo. Moubray
 accountants.

is not included
 in the above
 Calculate it
 being a Garrison
 to be settled in
 Europe

39th Fort St George 18 October 1784

Sketch of Arrears due by Fort St George 1st July 1784

To the Gentlemen of Council and to the Civil servants under Council for Salary including what was due to them from the 22 nd June 1781 about		74300
To the Gentlemen of Council for Gratuity about		14153
To the General and Field Officers for Gratuity		26000
To the Civil Paymaster for arrears in his Department		32342 33
To the former Agent Victualler		17000
To the present do		83000
To the Military Storekeeper		26704
To the Superintendent for Bills accepted which remain unpaid		6000
To do for Bills &c remaining unaccepted		23316 11 10
To the Deputy Agent Victualler of the main Army for Charges Victualling Soldiers & Artillery &c		405863 18
Deduct the estimate Amount of Bullocks delivered over to the Bullock people by the Company		430224
		273644 18
To the Army north of the Coleroon		192826
		1214470 18
Deduct the Amount of Rice issued by the Company in part of the above		31500
		1182970 18
To the Commissioned Messes for Arrears in their Department		50000
To the Garrison of Fort St George for Pay &c		164002
To Hospital Charges at do		24000
To the Military Paymaster for Bills accepted which remain unpaid		6000
To the Civil Garrisoners about		730000
To the Army south of the Coleroon including Bullocks hire &c		1097997 3
Deduct the Amount of Rice issued by the Company in part of the above		100000
		997997 3
And military Arrears		2738091 29 10
To the Accountant of the Mayors Court &c being Deposited in account of the Deceased persons		11201 11
From Creditors for the Amount of Bonds bearing Interest		1185942 3 14
Interest due on do about		65000
		1250942 3 14

To the Cash due to the Nizam for 1777		4449333
1778		500000
1779		500000
1780		500000
1781		500000
1782		500000
1783		500000
1784 to this date		500000
		250000
		3299333

To for the Gunter Arrears from 25 Sept 1782 to this date & back		350000
		3649333
Deduct the Amount of Arrears due by the Nizam for the Gunter Arrears from the year 1792 that Arrears having reversed to the Company upon the Death of Nizam Ali Jung which happened the 9 th October 82 as stipulated in the Treaty of 1763 to this date which from the best Intelligence we can procure he has rented		2100000
At 12 th Dec of 1792 per P. anolam		1549333 @ 375
P. P. 413155 16 64		

From this might also to be deducted the Balance on Account Current due from Nizam Ali Jung at the time of his Decease the Nizam having enjoyed the Revenue of the Gunter Arrears ever since it was evacuated by the English Troops		63438 18 60
		319716 34 4

Errors Excepted / Signed Geo Moubray Accountant
L. Pagodas 4342932 5 28
Amount

3945. Fort St George 18 October 1784
 Amount of Extra Funds provided since the present War which commenced
 July 1780 to 1st July 1784.

Drafts upon England in October 1780	Star Bay?	
D ^o in consequence of the advertisement published in the Smiths Government in January 1781	515,450. 9. 76.	
D ^o of Swallow in consequence of the advertisement of the 28 December 1781	107,349. 14. 35	
D ^o of Governor as of ditto	185,570. 22. 48.	
D ^o of Chapman as of D ^o of 6 April	82,811. 8. 26.	
D ^o of Rodney as of D ^o	259,393. 14. 59.	
D ^o of Pondicherry Transport	241,296. 31. 53.	
D ^o — D ^o	138,727. 23. 58.	
D ^o — D ^o	30061. 12. 31.	
D ^o of Media Frigate	220117. 23. 16.	
D ^o of Magnanimous as of Register October 23	37602. 14. 49.	
D ^o of Antelope Packet 13 th D ^o	14997. —. —.	
D ^o of Bustard 31 January 1784	15373. 10. 46.	
D ^o of Belmore 4 February	80789. 32. 78.	
D ^o of Fortau 5 June	867. 23. 23.	
Treasure Received from Bengal Consigned to the Governor & Council	89284. 14. 65.	2019663. 5. 23.
D ^o Consigned to Bombay kept here by Mr Smith	1229884. 16. 68.	
D ^o to Sir Eyre Costa	89314. 6. 71.	
	703050. 3. 75.	
Draft on that settlement about	2222248. 27. 54.	
Remitted hither by Bills on Loucars &c	2349934. 41. 74.	
Estimate Value of Provisions Received from thence	683929. 15. 50.	
Amount of Military Stores received from thence	1033063. 16. 62.	
Bombay Presidency for Provisions received from thence	250335. 26. 59.	6559571. 19. 59.
Borrowed upon Bond	21462. 12. 32.	
	862291. 26. 35.	
	9462928. 27. 69.	

As this Account is meant to show what the War has cost the
 Company over and above usual resources the Amount now due, and
 of Military ought to be added to the above which Amount to
 as of 1st July

Total Amount of Extra Funds provided & to be provided by 12201020. 20. 79.
 Fort St George 1st July 1784.
 Errors Excepted
 Signed Geo: Moubray
 accountant

Dr.

State of Madras, July 1784 for Current year

To Estimated Military Charges	By Cash
To Civil Charges	2100000
To The Nabobs for the part of the weight to form the Assigned Company	300000
	2700000
To Interest on Bonded Debt	100000
To Do on which part of the Estimated Arrears of 2 1/2 Lakhs due to the	
Cash & military army probably be liquidated by Bonds or	100000
Interest notes say 12 1/2 Lakhs	
To Disburse to the Vizim for the 5 Cansas Rupes	700000
To Balance being the Amount which the Revenue	186666
caused the Exchequer to provide the Investment Pay of the	308666
Arrears of 8 1/2 Lakhs and to Liquidate the Nabobs Debt	840930
to Individuals	
	By Pagodas 3927596

§ 13. Should the Vizim be allowed
 which it is hoped he will not to keep the Guntoor Arrears upon Condition that
 he remit the full Peck of Seven Lakhs of Rupes for the five Arrears in
 that Case the balance of this amount say 840930 will be remitted to Cash
 707596 but if he should retain possession of that Arrears something only
 that Peck of Seven Lakhs stipulated for it and the Company should agree
 to continue the payment of the said Debt for the other four Arrears in such
 Case the balance of this amount being say 840930 for providing
 the investment paying off the Arrears of 8 1/2 Lakhs & the liquidation of the
 Nabobs Debt 8 1/2 will be remitted to the sum of 840930.

3946 Port St George 18 October 1784.

By the Amount of Revenue properly	By Cash
belonging to the Company, say	1407596
By Subsidy from Sanyase	400000
By & Yet Revenue expected from	1800000
the Assigned Countries	3607596
By the Revenues of the	
Guntoor Arrears now in the hands	320000
of the Vizim say 1200000	
	By 1 3927596

Errors Excepted
 Signed, Geo. Murray
 Secretary
 Supposed

3947 Fort St George 18 October 1784.

Supposed State of the Company's Affairs under the

	Pag ^r	L
The Nabobs Part of the Assigned Revenue According to the Term of the Assignment of the 2 ^d December 1781 would be	3,666,666	4,000,000
The Military Establishment may be estimated	2,100,000	8,100,000
The Civil Establishment	2,300,000	1,200,000
The Interest on the Bonded Debt	1,000,000	1,000,000
The Interest on Annuities which it is supposed may be liquidated by Bonds or Interest notes	1,000,000	400,000
The Peshcash to the Subahs for the 5 Circars Supers. 7,000,000	1,866,666	7,466,666
	31,866,666	12,746,666

To Balance being what Revenue exceed the Expenses to pay, off Annuities provide Investment and to Liquidate the Nabobs Debts to Individuals	13,338,778	5,923,551
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P^r 4,520,544 L 180,821

I think if the Government were to command in
that the military Establishment might be reduced
some say this will remain a large sum to be applied
to the Government and other purposes of the Company
I think so -

I have made this Estimate by desire of the
the several Articles inserted in it which are
future period can admit

desired

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Fort St George 13 October 1784.

Presidency of Fort St George Calculated to Commence at the end of three years after a General Peace.

	Pagodas	£
The Company's Jaghirs after the 3 years that is from July 1787 to July 1788 is let for	260,600	
to July 89 Pay ^t 291,000 to July 90 Pay ^t 322,500 to July 91 Pay ^t 364,800 and to July 92 when the present Cess expires Pay ^t 394,200 but afterwards may be estimated from 410,000 to 450,000 of Pay ^t .		
The Home Farms Butts and Tobacco Arrears & Taddy Licenses &c. and the Variable Revenues	141,367	
The Farms are estimated to produce nothing more than the 3 years Rent from this date of the present Cess. The Variable Revenues are reckoned at the average rate of their produce for three years preceding the War.		
Cuddalore Nagore and Devicottah Farms	80,000	
The Rent of these Farms before the war was about 95,350 Pagodas they have suffered so considerably that they will not soon be restored to their former state they are therefore only estimated at 80,000.		
The Northern Arcas		
Marulipattam exclusive of the 12 1/2 % of Rent imposed in 1770	582,451	
Farms at L ^o	134,956	717,407
	232,857	
Wagapattam Chucacole Arcas	3615	2,12,11 1/2
Farms at L ^o		158,698
Tanjore District of Itchapour		160,544
		640,217
The Subsidy from the Rajah of Tanjore		400,000
The Assigned Countries if properly managed may be fairly calculated to produce at the end of three years net	2,200,000	880,000
NB If the Cessions remain in the Hands of the Company they would be considerably increased and might in 8 or 10 years produce from 26 to 28 Lakhs of Net Revenue.		
Guntoor Arcas at present in the Loubahs possession	320,000	128,000
	12,00,000	
	45,20,544	£ 1,80,82,17

The Rajah of Tanjore might contribute to the Defense of the Concession on largely paid my Plan in August 1781

of the Right Honble the President and have carefully examined as nearly accurate as the nature of the State made for

Lynd/ Geo Koubray
Accountant

Read

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Fort St George 18th October 1784.

Read the following Letter from the Governor
General and Council dated 2nd ultimo & from the
Deputy Secretary of the 20th

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

My Lord & Gentlemen

We have been honored with your
Despatches of the 31st of July which contain the
Minutes and Separated Letter of your Right Honble
President your Answer to our Letter of the 8th of June
and your Proceedings and Protest in Committee on
the 31st of July together with Copies of the Correspondence
- dence that has passed between Tippoo Sultan
and your Presidency since the beginning of May
last

2nd our Letter of the 8th of June has not been
Addressed to you in view it has produced for our
Information a conclusive though unwilling Dis-
covery of your own Apprehensions with respect to
the Weakness and Instability of the late Peace
with Tippoo. It has likewise drawn forth
your Explanation of the Sabot Malanjah as

great and dubious question
relative

From Bengal in
reply to the Select
Committee's despatches
of 31 July discussing
on the propriety of
their orders and
making the Select
Committee responsible
to the Company & the
nation for their
disobedience and that
such responsibility
cannot be excused
by the British
misinformation or education
of his truth

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a Party to it your motives for and Sense of that Exclusion have put the Question to you far as your Committee has been or can be concerned in its Determination

3 That your Right Honorable President should resolve to adopt the alternative of quitting his office rather than comply with a Repetition of our Orders in Regard to the Declaratory Clause Annexed by this Government to the Treaty is Sufficient to announce his Lordships Opinion and Determination and the formal Declaration of it afford any Satisfactory Proof that the Communication of the Declaratory Clause to Tippoo would excite him to a new Invasion of the Carnatic is a different Question We wish not to discuss it with a Partial Severity and I shall only observe that unless your Right Honorable President can convince others of the public Consequences which in his Opinion would result from a Repetition of our orders he has only given additional weight to the Haboken Suspicion and Remonstrance

4 We mean not to question the Reality of his Lordships apprehensions or

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as to the Consequences of Communicating the
Declaratory Clause to Tippoo Sultan. His
Lordships must at the same time forgive us
if we do not admit those Apprehensions as
Proofs of the Justice on which they are founded.
We cannot establish our Judgment on a Public
Question of this Nature on the Force of a Single
Opinion or more Opinions however respectable
but on the Ground of actual Circumstances
and established Fact. There as far as they are
exhibited in your late Correspondence with
Tippoo or as far as we can judge of that Chief
Situation and Conduct do not warrant Lord
Mansfield's Conclusion. But were we to admit
that the Nabob Tippoo Sultan is at present
too powerful, so suspicious and so ill disposed
to the English, that the mere Communication
to him of the Declaratory Clause would produce
any open Violation of the late Peace and draw
him to a new Invasion of the frontier it
must follow that any other Discussion or just
Explanation relative to the Treaty may lead to
the same Consequences. These Consequences would
equally result from his Capricious Enmity and
Ambition on any new Subject of Communication.

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I can much therefore have those to answer for
who permitted Tippoo Sultan to acquire and
to establish so dangerous a Power. There was
a Time when better Securities might have
been obtained for the Carnatic against his
Infidelity, Ambition and Enmity. But it
was otherwise managed your Employers will
long have reason to lament your inefficient
Solicitude for Negotiation and that
unfortunate Policy which put the Conductors
of the Negotiation in Tippoo's Hands to be
led about for Months a Spectacle to his
Dominions, till by their orders and his
continued Treachery he carried all his own
objects and stripped you of your tongues
and every ability to continue or renew the
War. Such has been the Source of your
present Embarrassment and hence has arisen
the real Distress of your situation

5 Nothing can be more descriptive
of that Distress among unfortunately hu-
-minating than the Style in which your
Right Honble President has thought
proper

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proper to write to Tippoo respecting the Mission
of General Matthews and his Officers. This
Injury to Humanity and deep Wound to the
Honor of our Country your Governor takes notice
of to Tippoo by calling it the Surprizing Dis-
appearance of General Matthews and his Officers
If these are the Terms in which you thought it
political to remonstrate with Tippoo or as
Solemn a Subject We ought not perhaps to
regret that you deferred any Communication
to him of the Declaratory Clause. That
Communication was meant by us to obviate
a Suspicion that might lie against your
usurpation of the Rights of the Nabob &
Malangans and to conform to Tippoo's original
Requests concerning the Nabob. But Tippoo
must now have the same Opinion of your
Resentment that he has of your Friendship.
you acknowledge the Indignities you have
suffered, you submit to his Violation of the
Treaty in detaining Numbers of our Countrymen
and in making an open Attack on the Rights
of Venkatayerry But you are forward in usurping
the Right of our helpless and a subject

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ally. It was not on such a Principle of Political
Conduct that Great Britain rose to Power or
acquired her Possessions in India. It was by
resenting Injuries by Force to the Subject
and the Maintenance of the Public Faith un-
-violate that the Company have arisen to their
present Rank and Consequence in Indostan and
before the Rulers of the Company in the Carnatic
are obliged from any Plea of Distress to act arbi-
-trarily and Systematically upon the Reverse of
so wise and dignified a Principle it would be more
honorable and more prudent to withdraw our Forces
from the Carnatic entirely and make our Stand
in Indostan upon more advantageous ground.

O The War which has exhausted your
Resources has not added to those of Tippoo; His
Country too has been ravaged. His Expenses must
have been enormous, nor can he be more formidable
from the attachment of his People or the Wisdom
of his Councils than his Prodiges. His Troops
may have the Experience of better Discipline but
Experience has likewise taught you where he
is most vulnerable and where his Invasion of
the Carnatic ought to be instantly averted in
the Event of a Renewal of War, His Cruelty to

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to his Prisoners and his bloody Severity, to his
 own People would in the end make against
 him in a new Contest with our Arms at all
 Events we can never think so formidably of his
 Power or Enmity or so unfavorably of our own
 Force and Resources as to admit it to be good
 Policy to shrink from an open Discussion of
 the obligations of the Treaty or to avoid meeting
 his first Insults with Spirit or repelling his
 first Hostility with Force. The Moment of a
 Truce purchased by an opposite Conduct are
 not a Moment of Advantage to you but to
 your Enemy, and even a temporary unstable
 Peace upon such Conditions has not the
 Benefit which you suppose it bests you into
 a dangerous Security till your natural Enemies
 are ready to join in the Contest. The wonderful
 Exertions of this Government to maintain our
 Influence in the Carnatic have been worse
 than useless if the Prospect of your present
 Security is not better established than you are
 pleased to represent it.

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Pardon us for not entering our
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formal or Serious Reply to the Arguments contained
in your Letter of the 3^d of June or 31st of July. The
use which you ultimately made of the Powers
of this Government for Negotiating is a melancholy
but forcible Justification of the answers which we
repeatedly gave you when you requested similar
Powers for treating with Hyder and Tippoo in the
Heart of the Carnatic; your Argument about our
first Ratification of the Treaty with Tippoo and the
Danger of raising any Suspicion upon the Subject
of it by a more complete Ratification connected
with the Declaratory Clause is merely a hypo-
-thetical Argument, a Contrary Argument
to maintain an opposite Purpose was equally at
your Command our first Ratification might
be declared defection as it wanted the Signature
of the Governor General: Tippoo has only not objected
to it as incomplete He has not declared himself
Satisfied with it nor has he written to the Government
on the Subject of the Peace

To the Peace of 1769 The Nabob Malwa.

-jah was requested but refused to decide as a contracting
Party but he was Solicited to become a Party
and the Ground of his Refusal was approved by the

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The Company, The Maratta Treaty, etc.
 - putates expressly, that his country, should
 be restored to him, and how he could be as
 Party to that Treaty in any other way is not
 very obvious, or how your Committee should
 find a Precedent in either of these Instances
 for excluding him from the late Treaty with
 Tippoo and stipulating that his country
 should be virtually restored to the Company
 is as uncomprehensible to us in fair Argument
 as the Measure itself is inconsistent with
 Justice or warranted by Policy your further
 Reasoning and observations ought indeed
 to have some weight if an unvarnished Repre-
 sentation of the same extraordinary Assertions
 the same Labor of Argument and Perversion
 of Inference upon a plain Subject of Business
 could create attention

It had been fortunate for your Employers
 if this Set of Public Writing had been
 employed with better effect in Discussion
 with Foreign Powers, and not against your ally,
 your fellow Servants in the Public Service
 and

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and the controlling Administration of the
Company's Affairs in India.

9 The Specimen which your Committee
has transmitted to us in your last Letter of your
Solemn Proceedings against the Government is not more
exceptionable for its Failure in the Respect due to the
Superior Government than for the confusion of the
Idea on which it is founded. To quote the words of
your Protest and to mark them will be sufficient
to convince your selves of its absurdity, you say
"your Committee therefore do upon the Presumption
that it may be the Intention of the Governor
General and Council to remove the Right Honble
President from his Station. hereby on behalf of
the Honorable East India Company, Solemnly,
protest against such Act and declare the Governor
General and Council to be Solely responsible for all
Consequences that may arise therefrom to the
British Interests in India"

10 After all it appears that the Intention
which is thus charged to the Governor General &
Council on Presumption and then protested against
as their Act for which they are declared
Solely responsible to the Company and the
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Nature was it seems perfectly unnecessary, for your
Right Honorable President has assured you
that he was to anticipate that Intention & remove
himself rather than comply with a Repetition of
of the orders of his Constitutional Superiors:
Had you remonstrated against a Repetition of
those orders and stated what you sincerely thought
would be the public Consequences of a compliance
with them, your Remonstrance would have had
all the Force of your Protest without its Improp-
riety or Disrespect

11 In the true Spirit of your Protest, your
Committee are pleased to observe that the Governor
General and Council have given an extensive and
"it may be added unnatural Support to the
"Complaint fabricated by the advisers of the Nabob
"notwithstanding the Proof adduced of their
"Folly and Injustice" Here it would be proper
to ask in what Manner the Governor General
and Council supported the Nabob's Complaints
Are his Complaints against your Violation
of the Assignment your Absolute Seizure of
his Country Revenue Jurisdiction and Military &c.
for

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Are these Complaint and Sufferings founded on
 Falldacy or have they been only his Advisers who
 have imposed such Ideas on him and persuaded
 him further that he is excluded as a Party from the
 Treaty which was to restore to him his Country? com

Before your Committee had proceeded to
 these bold assertions and the last Solemnity of a
 formal Protest against this Government, it was
 certainly your Duty to have considered the real
 and only Question in Dispute, you might afterwards
 have looked round you in the Carnatic and you could
 not but have observed that the Authority of the
 Nabob so Supported against you, had been limited
 by you to the walls of his Gardens under the guns
 of your Fort, and that there was no other Spot
 in all his Dominions where his command or
 Power was equal to that of your Native Servant
 or which he could call his own, yet the Nabob
 had by no Transgression forfeited the Friendship
 or Justice of the Company for a Cause of thirty
 years. He was acknowledged in the Treaty of Paris
 as the Lawful Nabob of the Carnatic and was the
 Chief Ally of the Crown and our Nation alluded
 to in the 17th Article of the late Treaty with France course

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The India Company have declared themselves our usual
- allies on all occasions their Ally, and particularly in
their last Despatches to the Government

12 For the progressive Stages of your conduct to
the Prince you wish by Insinuation at least
to reduce him to a comparative Footing with the
Nabob of Bengal forgetting that the Power which
we now possess in Bengal was originally acquired
in Defence of our Rights and by a Force which
was fitted out from the Exchequer and fully sup-
- ported by the Friendship and best Aid of your
Nabob. But you go further for in your Endeavour
to deprecate the dignity of the Nabob, whom you
style a mere Deputy, you forget that you are
invalidating the Rights which you derive from
his Authority and which are conveyed by the
Surrender of Assignment. But we shall conclude
for the present this Subject and every other that
relates to the Nabob, by repeating to you, that
your late Disobedience to our Orders as well as your
former Disobedience has been at your Peril, and
that you are responsible for these Acts to the Com-
- pany and the Nation. The Responsibility passing
Thence

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from such Disobedience cannot be evaded by
your Right Honorable President, either by the
Resignation or abdication of his Trust. A Short
Time must bring us the orders of our mutual
Superiors on the subjects that have been in Dispute
between your Presidency and this Government
and some Special Orders must arrive speedily
from Europe to relieve us from a most unpleasant
Part of our Duty, or to mark with more Precision
the Line of your necessary Obedience. To compel
that Obedience by the Lowest Exercise of our
constitutional authority would be a most un-
pleasant Task especially while you are pleased
to represent upon one Side that we are influenced
by personal Partiality and on the other Declare that
the Loss of the former would be the consequence
of enforcing our Directions

13 It is in this Manner My Lord and
Gentlemen while we are officially charged with the
highest Responsibility of general conduct that
you have established a Independence of that conduct
and exercise an Oppression to which we become
Parties if we permit it, but which we cannot
attempt

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attempt to redress without incurring the most
injurious Imputation from its authors but the
expected Advice from the Court of Directors will
probably relieve you and us from these Embarrassments

We have the honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen

your most obedient
humble servants

(Signed)

Edw^d Wheeler

John Macpherson

Sir you were misinformed when you supposed
that our Minutes and Orders on the subject of
the Treaty with Tippoo were not the unanimous
Sentiments of the Board.

To John Hudleston Esq^r

From Bengal Secretary
acknowledging the
receipt of several
Letters from the
Board & apologizing for the
delay in the
Letter from Bengal
of the 2^d September

Secretary to the Right Honorable the President
& Select Committee at

Fort St George

Sir

I request that you will be pleased
to acquaint the Right Honorable the President
and Select Committee that the letters from your
Presidency under the following dates have been
received

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received

- 4th August from the Secretary
9th D^o from the Deputy Secretary
10th - from D^o with two Enclosures, June 2nd
14th D^o - from the Right Honorable the President
and Select Committee
15th from the Secretary
20th D^o from D^o accompanying the correspondence
between the Madras Government & the
Nabob Tipper Sultanum Behander

I am also under the necessity of requesting that
you will apologize to the Right Honorable the
President and Select Committee for the delay, which
has happened in transmitting to them the letter
of the 2^d Instant from the Honorable the Governor
General & Council which accompanies this address.
It has been occasioned by the indisposition of one
member of the Board and by the absence of another
from the Presidency -

I have the honor to be

Sr

your most obedient
humble servant

(Signed) J. Sumner Subjy.

Fort William
Scrib Department
20 Sept 1st 184.

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Ordered to lie for Consideration

The President begs leave to inform the Committee that he has had repeated applications from different persons, to whom the Company owe large Sums for the payment of the money due to them and that Mr Garrison in particular has represented the great distress to which he is reduced from the non-payment of the Balances due to him - His Lordship being sensible of the justice of these representations requests the Committee with deference upon some mode which may relieve the aforementioned Persons from their present embarrassing Situation

After reverting to the foregoing Sketches furnished by the Right Honble President and observing from the State of the Dutch Bank the impossibility of discharging the great demands upon the Treasury by issuing Cash to the Company's Creditors. The Select Committee cannot advise any expedients for the liquidation of these heavy demands but by granting Bonds on the part of the Company by Drafts upon the Bengal Government & by Bills upon the Joint of Directors -

Signed therefore that the Right Honble
The

reverting

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The President be requested to make arrangements with Mr Garrison contractor for repairs the agent to the Army the Military Storekeeper the different Departments Garrison's & Officers in arrears for a liquidation of their Claims by the modes above mentioned in such proportions of each as may suit the Situation of the Company's affairs and be convenient to the Parties concerned.

Agreed also that the Certificates of Arrears due granted to the Officers by the different Paymasters be discharged upon the same plan to which may be added as a fourth mode notes issued by the Paymaster General payable when the State of the Treasury will admit.

Read the following Letter from Mr Ogilvie

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

Friend Paymaster &c.
Willam Ogilvie certifies that
his Contract for the
repairs of the Granaries
is discharged as the
Engineer has reported
them being finished
equal to contract.

My Lord & Gentlemen

Engineer Bayland the Engineer having
informed me that he has examined and
reported to the Right Honble the Committee
the

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The State of the granaries furnished by me here
as they are in every respect equal to contract I
hope the Right Honorable the Committee will
be pleased to pay me their amount agreeable to
Estimate being Pagodas 7485.26.20 having
never as yet received a Rupee the Government
were pleased to agree that I should be supplied
with such Sums monthly as the State of the
Treasury could afford

That the whole Space of ground on
which the granaries now stand should be
occupied being the only dry spot of ground
in wetters fit for keeping Grains I water it upon
myself to build them eight or nine feet longer
from north to south and forty feet from East
to West which Engineer Ryland informs me he
has also reported by which resolution they hold
Twenty five thousand Colles more than
contracted for I submit it to the pleasure of
the Right Honorable the Committee whether
or not I ought to be paid for this addition
being Pagodas 643 above the estimated price

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I have the honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen

With very great respect -

your most obedient

Humble Servant

The^r E Ogilvie Baymaster

Vellore
17th October 1784.

agreed that the
amount be remitted
to be discharged

The Engineer at Vellore having reported
that the Granaries built by Mr Ogilvie are
completed agreeably to the Plan upon which
his contract was made, it is Resolved that the
Amount being Payable Rs 7485.26.20 to be discharged
by such modes as the State of the Company's Affairs
may at present admit

The President lays before the Board a
Petition entered in N^o 183 / presented to him
from an Inhabitant of Lacatogi Rajapooram
against Captain George Clark

Ordered that a Copy of this Petition
be sent to Captain Clark and that he be directed
to give the Committee every Information in his
Power relative to it

The Commanding Officer at Chellumbroon
having represented that he is in great want of Rice
for the use of his Garrison, it is agreed that he

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be directed to purchase a Quantity not exceeding
15 Tons

Read the following Letter from Mess^{rs}
Messrs. Mitchell & Pelling

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
President of the Select Committee

From the Gentlemen
appointed to enquire
into the Charges made
by Mr Batley for
the Value of the Goods
Chartered with their
opinion thereon.

My Lord & Gentlemen

On the Perusal of the Landry's
Papers relative to the Demand made by Mr Batley
against the Company for the Value of the Goods
Chartered and his Cargo we are of Opinion that
there is proof of the piece Goods stated in the different
Invoices being on board from 1 to 8 inclusive
but that those from 9 to 12 should be attested by
the persons who sold and shipped the Goods and
we think the Indemnification should not be
to Mr Batley further than his interest, but
to each Individual for the Loss he has sustained
upon making oath to the Justices of his Oath

If there was any part of the Cargo
saved that the Cargo will belong to the Company

As to the Charge of Freight If the Goods
had bona fide been sold at a certain advance on
the Invoice deliverable at Tranquebar and that
Agreement produced there might then be some
foundation for such a Charge but under the
present

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present Circumstances of the Case: We should think if the Company, make good the Post with Interest the proprietors ought to be satisfied

We have the honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen

your most obedient

humble Servants

(Signed)

John Menzies

Henry C. Michell

Thos. Pelling

The Select Committee approve the opinions given by Mess^{rs} Menzies, Michell & Pelling respecting Mr Battlers Claim and it is agreed that a Letter be written to him conformably to the report given in by the abovementioned Gentlemen.

Read a Letter from the Resident at Tanjore as entered in the B. with an Enclosure N^o 137 Stating a Claim from some officers who have commanded Lebrandy Battalions to a participation of the office from their respective Corps and recommending the same to the Committee

The Committee are of opinion and accordingly resolve that the Office Honors be adjudged to be the right of Captain Donald Campbell and Captain Bishop from the Day of their respective appointments to their decease & that

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Since the death of Captain Campbell they are to be
 received by the Officers who have respectively commanded
 the Battalions.

Read Letter from Colonel Dalrymple
 [as entered in MS B N 185] [concerning a demand for his
 allowance at 10 Pagodas & dums as one of the Com-
 missaries at Pondicherry] and requesting an additional
 allowance to the same amount for his Table expenses

Colonel Dalrymple's Battle as Colonel &
 Commanding the detachment of Troops at Pondi-
 -cherry with amount to 6 Pagodas & dums inclusive
 of which it is agreed that he charge of 10 Pagodas
 & dums as one of the Commissaries be admitted &
 that the same be allowed to the other Commissaries
 at Pondicherry and 6 Pagodas & dums to their Secretary
 The Committee also takes into consideration the allow-
 -ances proper to be granted to the Commissaries who
 negotiated and concluded the late Treaty of Peace with
 Tippoo Sultan and it is resolved that they be allowed
 10 Pagodas & dums and their Secretary 6 Pagodas & dums
 from the date of the original Commission to their
 return to the Presidency.

The following minutes having passed in
 deliberation on the above Subject are entered in the
 place.

The allowance of 10 Pagodas & dums
 as a Commission on the Deputation to

Mr Ladd's minutes
 on the foregoing

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I beg leave to decline if I have any, Compensation make
me such an allowance I think by no means adequate
to the Station I hold in Government or the importance
of the Commission

and with respect to the proposed allowance
to the other Commissioners and members of the Deputation
from the predicament in which I am placed it is my
wish to decline giving an opinion, leaving to submit
it to the determination of the rest of the members of the
Committee

Yours &c. S.

The President is
annoyed by the fact

When the allowance to the Deputation was
mentioned by Mr. Mansell at the Committee Mr.
Sadler intimated his own ideas as expressed in the above
note with respect to the matter as it related to himself
& at the same time communicated that what had been
desired by Mr. Mansell to decline the usual
allowance for him, in case it should be ordered by
the Committee But as the other Members of the
Deputation to Lippes may not have the same reasons
or the same ideas which Mr. Sadler has intimated
respectively they may have for declining it I conceive
that it should not operate to exclude them from the
Lippe allowances as those of the Deputation &
Disputation -

Yours &c. M.

I Approve Yours &c. M. D.

I Approve Yours &c. M. M.

The President informs the Committee
that Colonel Fullerton having made advances

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of Cash to the Southern Paymaster amounting to Rs.
10269.34. - for which he has a note from the paymaster
Mr Dyby is desirous of securing a Bill on the
Honorable Court of Directors for the amount and
that he consequently recommends to Col Fullarton
that Mr Dyby should draw a Bill for the same
on the Military Paymaster General which has ac-
cordingly been done and the President proposes
that Bills for the amount be granted to Colonel
Fullarton on the Honorable Court of Directors at
the established exchange for Bills drawn at 965
days Sight which is accordingly agreed to

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Received the following Letters

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

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My Lord and Gentlemen

From W. H. Taylor
This is authority to issue
Ruppes at the Rates stated
in his accounts, other than
that of a verbal direction
from Sir R. Munro.

I have been honored by your order of the 23rd
ultimo desiring me to furnish you with a copy of the order of Major
General Sir Hector Munro by which I was induced to issue the Ruppes
at the Rates stated in my accounts.

The Order I received from the General being
a verbal one, it is out of my power to comply with your Lordships desire.
its however the Ruppes were issued at the rates before mentioned,
hope the Board will take the matter into their consideration and not
me responsible for the difference.

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I have the honor to be

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My Lord and Gentlemen

1st October 1784

Your most Obedient humble servant

(Signed) W. H. Taylor

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney K. B.
President & members of the Select Committee

Fort St George

My Lord & Gentlemen

I had the honor of last addressing you
on the 10th September.

By

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From the Resident
at Hyderabad-Tippoo's
Troops arrived at Gooty,
and make incursions
into the Nizam's
Southern Territories.

Mahabul Jung submits
to Tippoo as does the
Nabob of Kanoul.

Puts a Question to the
Committee with regard
to the Guntoor & other
Tippoo's strongholds his
Force at Cummur, which
indicates that he expects
the French will be
assisted by the English.

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By my intelligence which at all times

is extremely imperfect from causes not left to my power to correct,
it appears that the Nabob Tippoo's Troops are arrived at Gooty
where he is proceeding to join them. Gooty is his most northerly
district adjoining to Adoni. Balharaj is the most northerly
post under Gooty. From thence his Troops have made an incur-
sion into Kancherugate the nearest Zemindare under Adoni,
& have carried off the Zemindar this may be considered as the
opening of Hostilities and probably no further efforts may be
required in his taking possession of the Nizam's Southern pro-
vinces for no opposition whatever seems intended. This understood
that Mahabul Jung the present ostensible possessor of Adoni and
Cayaboe, has by letter submitted to Tippoo as has also Rammurt
Khan the Nabob of Kanoul so that nominally these three Districts
are now under the invader and they probably will soon become
virtually so, altho' he should leave the names of the present possessors
appointing them his agents for these Districts under certain checks
which he may find necessary to establish for the better securing
these acquisitions. The Court here have not taken the shadow of a
measure to repel Tippoo's progress.

Nothing now remains but the Guntoor.
which is on the one hand claimed by the English and on the
other threatened to be taken by Tippoo. The question is to whom
the Nabob will incline to deliver it. It is surmised here that

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when Tippoo's apprehended invasion of it shall be certain, then the Nizam will incline to fulfill his engagements towards us. But it will then be a question of prudence on behalf of the English whether they should accept of so entangled a surrender of what was deposited in the Nabob's hands free of all troubles. The present principles of the Governor General Haunted lead strongly to peace - In case of such a tender being made to me by the Nabob I request the honor of Your Lordships & Sentiments whether I should without Con-
 sideration a resuscitation accept of the Surrender or not. I ask this because if it happens I cannot probably await the immense delay of a reply from Calcutta near two months. and in such case Your Opinion would be a much safer guide than my own imperfect Sentiments.

Tippoo Sultan has deemed it prudent to string them his Camp near Station with 12,000 troops, which is one among other proofs that he apprehends some English auxiliaries and may appear in favor of the Subah -

A small indisposition prevents my being more full -

I have the honor to be

My Lord and Gentlemen with
 Your most Obedient and
 most humble servant

R. Johnson

Res. Hyd.

Respect

Hydrabad

7th October 1784 -

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Sent the following Letter to Mess^{rs} Lind & Close, deputed by the Government of Madras to negotiate with Meer Kummur ud Deen Saun, Tippoo's principal Officer in the Cudapat Country

To Mess^{rs} Francis Lind and Captain Barry Close
Gentlemen

The Right Hon^{ble} the President and Select Committee have received your several Letters particularly that from Captain Close of the 3rd Instant also two Letters of the 13th and 15th from the Venkatagerry Rajah with enclosures, and I now send you Copies of Letters of this Date to Tippoo Sultan, Meer Kummur ud Deen Saun and the Rajah together with one to Tippoo of the 30th ultimo by which you will be fully informed of the sentiments and Intentions of the Select Committee respecting any further negotiation and of the conduct they wish you to pursue

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen

Your most Obed^t Servants

(Signed) J. Hudleston
Secretary

Fort St George
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Received Letters (as entered in the Miscellany
Book Nos 204 - 206)

To Mess^{rs} Lind & Close
enclosing Copies of Letters
from Lord Macartney to
Tippoo & Meer Kummur ud
Deen Saun & the Rajah
which sufficiently
explain the Conduct they are
to observe in regard to the
negotiation entrusted to
them

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From Col. Elphinstone

19th

From Colonel Elphinstone respecting the prize money due to the Captains of Pulicat, requesting that it may be discharged and enclosing Certificates & vouchers of the sums due from the Company on that account.

Answer to the foregoing letter

Agreed, that Colonel Elphinstone be informed that the Court of Directors have already had the subject of the Prize money of Pulicat referred to them, for the purpose of laying it before the King, who can alone decide on it / vide N^o 233 / -

From the Surgeon Major at Arict.

From the Surgeon Major at Arict, requesting that an assistant Surgeon may be appointed to act under him.

Minute thereon

Agreed, that the Surgeon General be directed to send an Assistant Surgeon to Arict.

Sent Letters as entered in the Miscellany Book

N^{os} 212. 207. 209. 210. 211. -

To Mr Edward Markintosh

To Mr Edward Markintosh - referring him to the Deputy Secretary's letter of the 2th August for the final Resolution of the Committee, relative to the Claims contained in his Letter of the 15th Instant.

To Capt George Clark

To Captain George Clark, enclosing a Petition and requesting an Explanation.

To Mr Ogilvie

To Mr Ogilvie, the Committee resolved to discharge the amount of his Contract for Building Granaries in such a manner, as the Company's Affairs may require.

To

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To Lind Copper

19th

To Mr Copper desiring him to purchase for the use of his Garrison four months Rice, not exceeding 13 Cans.

To Mr John Battger

To Mr John Battger - The Committee intend paying to the Proprietors the Cost of the Goods of the Royal Charlotte together with Interest.

To Col. Dalrymple

To Colonel Dalrymple Bills granted to him

From Masulipatam

on Bengal for 830 Pagodas -

Received Letter from the Chief and Council of Masulipatam (as entered in the Misallany Book N^o 205) Mr Weston's Charges have been regulated by an Extract from the minutes of the select Committee, and his Bills have been paid accordingly but in consequence of Mr Secretary Hudleston's Letter of the 14th of August, they are led to suppose, that it is the Intention of the Committee, to make him (Mr Weston) refund what he has received since the arrival of a Surgeons Mate of the 102^d Regiment at Ellora.

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To Masulipatam

20th

To Masulipatam (as entered in the Misallany Book N^o 213) requesting the Sentiments of that Board upon a Plan recommended by the Commander in Chief respecting Invalied Seaports -

From Major General Campbell

21st

Received Letter from Major General Campbell (as entered in the Misallany Book N^o 214) requesting that Captain Sweetnam may be paid the usual allowance of Passage.

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21st passage money, granted to Officers on their return to Europe

Granted accordingly (vide No 215)

Sent Letters as entered in Miscellaneous Book

N^{os} 217. 218 216. 219.

To Bombay

To Bombay - The Swallow dispatched thither
with Sepoys - But to touch first at Anjengo

To the Resident at
Anjengo

To Anjengo - The Swallow Ordered to touch
there in her way to Bombay, to receive the Commands of
the Resident

To the Sec^y of the Sec^y

To the Commander of Swallow - Directing
him to make the best of his way to Anjengo and from thence
to Bombay

To Doctor Falconer

To Doctor Falconer - cannot leave the Presid^y
- sion of the Committee to proceed to Europe, unless he first
resigns the Service

To Claud Russell Esq^r

Chief and Consul

at

Viragapatam

Gentlemen

Having lately taken into Consideration the
State of the Army, and resolved on an Establishment which
has been transmitted to you in the General Orders of the
18th Instant, published at the Presidency, We have now to
request

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To the Commandant
requesting the dis-
missal of that Board,
on a Plan recommended
by the Commander in
Chief respecting
Invalid Sepoys

21st

request your Sentiments upon a Plan which has been recom-
mended to us by the Commander in Chief respecting the
Invalid Sepoys who he is of Opinion may be employed in
the Business of the Revenue instead of the Subindus; upon
this point we are desirous of being favored with your Opinion, &
if you think the measures advisable we request you will
inform us whether there be a sufficient number of Invalid
Sepoys to replace the Subindus that may be dismissed,
this you will be unable to do when the native In-
dus shall have been collected and inspected at your Dis-
cretion conformably to the General Order above mentioned

measure
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Fort St George
21st October 1784

Dear
Gentlemen

Your most Obedient
Humble Servant
(Signed) Macartney &
Select Committee

The same to Ganjam

Received the following Letter from

Masulipatam
To the Right Honble Lord Macartney R. P.
President and Governor & Select Committee

My Lord & Gentlemen

at
Fort St George

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From Masulipatam, 21st
enclosing Letter from
the Resident at Hyderabad
advicing that Tippoo's
Troops have been com-
mitting Depredations
on the Lands inherited
by Mohabut Jung

We have herewith the honor to enclose Copy
of a letter from the Resident at Hyderabad, the first part of which
is in answer to one which we wrote him on the Subject of some
disputes upon the borders of the Nizam's Country, but the last
Paragraph containing some Intelligence respecting Tippoo
Sultann which it is possible Mr Johnson may not have
communicated to Your Lordship &c we on that account think
it necessary to forward this Copy

We have the honor to be

Very respectfully

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most Obedient &

Humble Servants

(Signed) James Hedges

John Peter Moileau

Tho: Barnard

Masulipatam

14th October 1784

To James Daniel Esq^r

Chief of Council of

Masulipatam

Gentlemen

I have been honored by the receipt of your
two Letters of the 11th and 26th September - The Subject of
both shall be immediately laid before the Nabob
with every endeavour on my side to obtain a favorable answer

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your

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21st

The want of a List of the Effects claimed by the Despoilers will possibly cause the delay of a reference for such a List without which the Claim is very indefinite.

A map of the Vizampatam farm would be extremely useful for the complete understanding of a Dispute upon Water Courses; however this deficiency I have partly supplied by the information of a Person named Ragumant Bunt who says that he held the Farm of Vizampatam two Years past.

If you have any maps of the East borders extending from the Godavary to the Pistrak it could be extremely useful in the constant reference regarding those borders.

The Nabob Tippoo Sultan's Troops are gathering in Gootie and have already began Depredations upon the Lands inherited by Mohabut Jung from his Father Bisalut Jung.

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most obedient

humble Servant

(Signed) P. Johnson

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Sent the following Letter to Mess^{rs} Popham

To W^{or} Baker
To Mr Stephen Popham
and Mr Charles Baker
Solicitors of the Honble Company
Gentlemen

The Right Honble the President

& Select Committee having resolved to prosecute Mr George
Proctor late Receiver in the Trimmavelly Country on behalf
of the Honble Company for sundry sums of money
illegally obtained or withheld by him while and since acting
in that Capacity, I am directed to inform you that the
Select Committee have been pleased to confide to you as
the Honble Company's Solicitors the Charge and manage-
ment of such prosecution, and to signify to you their orders
for commencing the same in the Mayors Court on the 13th
of his present Majesty entitled an Act &c upon the following
Grounds, or such other or further grounds as you may judge
stronger or more advisable to be adopted on a perusal of
the several papers & accounts which you will here-
with receive

1st For having whilst the Company's receiver in the
Trimmavelly Country defrauded the public Revenue by un-
warrantably appropriating to his own use various sums of
money

To Mess^{rs} Popham
& Baker informing
them of the Committee's
Intention to prosecute
Mr George Proctor in
the Mayors Court for
certain sums of the
money illegally obtained
& withheld by him, &
that they as Solicitors
to the Company are to
carry on the charge

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24th

money arising from the difference between the Bazar exchange of panams and the exchange at which he granted the receipts to the Renter -

amounting to ster
£9447-11-40

2^d For having altered the established measure for Grain at Palamcottah, and acquired under Advantage by such Alteration -

Amounting to

3^d For having debited in his Accounts as recuser for a Variety of Charges said to be incurred for servants wages house Rent &c not only without Authority, but in many Instances without even any Vouchers to prove that such Charges were incurred -

instances

amounting to 5300-38-7

4th For unwarrantably and illegally withholding the Balance of his Account as recuser of Trinavilly tho' formally required to pay it into the Company's Treasury -

amounting to 5491-32-11

5th For having in a receipt given to Selampu moolah the renter of the Trinavilly Country for Grain sent to him / Mr Broctor illegally withheld or omitted to include Grain to the Amount of Chuchrams 5899¹¹ 34/16 and for having on another given illegally charged the said Grain to the said Renter as an uncollected Mollana of the Jumbundry

To support these Charges you will here with receive various papers and Accounts agreeably to the Annexed List and the Right Honble the President &c &c

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Committee Desire that you will proceed in the most expeditious and effectual manner to substantiate the Charges by such further evidence as the law may require.

You will apply to me for any Information that you may find necessary besides what is contained in the accompanying papers and furnish me with a list of such persons as it may be necessary to order to the Presidency to be examined in support or explanation of any of the Charges.

The papers sent to you are as follow—

N^o 1. proceedings of an Inquiry held at Trinacelly by Mr Eyles Irwin.

N^o 2. Copy of a Letter from Captain Halcot to Mr Light Paymaster at Calamcotah Dated the

N^o 3. Minute of the Right Honble the President in Committee the 19th June.

N^o 4. Copy of a Letter from the Secretary of the Select Committee to the Committee of assigned Revenue Dated the 6th August.

N^o 5. Copy of a Letter from the Committee of assigned Revenue to the Right Honble the President & Select Committee Dated the 11th August with accounts N^{os} 1. & B. C. enclosed.

N^o 6. Copy of a Letter from the Secretary of the Select Committee to Mr George Proctor Dated the 6th August 1784.

N^o 7. L^o L^o L^o Dated the 2^d September 1784.

N^o 8. Copy of Letter to the Secretary of the Select Committee from

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from Mr Proctor dated the 3^d September 1784

N^o 9 Copy of letter from the Committee of Assigned revenue
to the Right Honble the President & Select Committee the 5th
October 1784 with three enclosures

N^o 10 Copy of a Letter from Mr Proctor to the Secretary of the
Select Committee dated the 16th October 1784

N^o 11 Copy of letter from the Secretary of the Select Committee
to Mr Proctor dated the 16th October 1784

You will observe by paper N^o 10 that
Mr Proctor has lately sent in the sum of Pounds 2122. 8. 20.
which the Select Committee received in part of the Florida
Company's demands upon him as signified to him in
n^o 6

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24th October 1784

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Haddleton
Secretary

26th 12
Lind and Closes
To the Right Honble Lord Macartney M^{rs} P.
President & Governor & Members
of the Select Committee
of Fort St. George

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26th My Lord & Gentlemen

From Mr Lind &
Close advising of
their having commu-
nicated to the Rajah
of Venkataquerry the
contents of the Right
Honble Presidents
last letter to Tippoo
Sultann

We were yesterday honored with a letter
from Mr Secretary Huston dated the 19th Instant with
the several Papers enclosed in it

We have communicated to the Rajah, the
contents of the Right Honble the Presidents last Letter to
Tippoo Sultann

We have the honor to be with respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Yours most Obedient

humble servants

(Signed) Fr. Lind

B. Close

Venkataquerry
24th October 1784

Received Letters (as entered in the Miscellany

Book Nos 221. 222. 223.)

From Mr Henworthy

From Mr Henworthy, stating the Rates at
which the Bullock owners will engage to let their Bullocks to
the Company in time of Peace

From Mr Hodges

From Mr Hodges - The Bombay Grab not
having touched at Masulipatam to take away the Troops
requests that an other Vessel may be sent

From Masulipatam

From Masulipatam - Desiring to be
informed if Lt Forbes Adjutant to the Detachment of the
73rd Regiment, is to receive the usual Pay, annexed to that office
Sent

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Sent Letters / as entered in the Miscellany

Book Nos 226. 228.)

To Messrs Campbell
Turing Dalrymple
& Gordon -

To Messrs Campbell Turing Dalrymple &
Gordon their Request to be reimbursed for Horses lost cannot
be complied with.

To Committee of Store

To Committee of Store Directing them to
Examine the Coopers Bills, and report their opinion thereon

Read

From Mr Falconer

Recd Letter from Mr. Alex Falconer / as

entered in the Miscellany Book No 224 / Requesting to resign
the Service and to proceed to Europe -

From Mr Howard

Granted accordingly / vide no 225 /

From the Resident at Pondicherry / as ordered
in the Miscellany Book No 230 / the Salt Provisions and
Biscuit in Store at Pondicherry will last till the End of
October

Despatched the following letter to Messrs

Lord & Close
To Mr Francis Lord

and Captain Warrington
Gentlemen

To Messrs Lord &
Close desiring them
to write immediately
to our Commander
even to evacuate the
Place, he is in Possession
of Belonging to the
Rajah of Ponnagum

I am Directed by the Right Honble the
President and Select Committee to send you the accompanying
Translations of a Letter and enclosure just received from
Sippoo Sultan together with the Duplicate order to

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th 26th Your Commurud Deen Cawn of which the Select Committee desire you will forward to him a Copy without Delay with a Letter from yourselves desiring him to evacuate the several places belonging to the Venkatagerry Rajah and to send a person to you properly authorised to settle and finally adjust the accounts between him and the Rajah you may add that should he have any objection to the Business being concluded at Venkatagerry you are willing to meet the person he may appoint any where about half way between that place and his Camp — If he prefers this last proposal you will accordingly proceed together to the place he may name and use your utmost endeavour to bring the Business to a conclusion upon the most favorable terms you can obtain for the Rajah but not ultimately refusing any Demands from Commurud Deen Cawn that shall appear to you not wholly inadmissible

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen

Fort St George
th 25th October 1784 —

Your most obedient servant
(Signed) John Huddleston
Secretary

th 27th

Sent the following Letter to Mr
Digby —

Go —

whole

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To Mr Hendon Digby

Paymaster to the Southern Force
Sir

To Mr Digby to
appropriate all
monies he may receive
to the liquidation of
the account due to
the private and com-
missioned officers to
the Southward -

I am directed by the Right Hon^{ble}
the President and Select Committee to desire that you
will appropriate in the first place all the monies you
now have or may receive to the liquidation of the account
due to the Privates and non Commissioned of the native and
European Troops and native officers, and to make no
payments on any other account whatever till further orders.
I am also directed to desire that you will immediately
furnish the Select Committee with an account of the
money you have received from Mr Inman since the
1st July last and of the disposal of it and that you will
also send one as soon as possible a regular or list of the
Certificates granted to the Officers for their arrears to
the 31st August specifying the respective amounts - as also
as you comply with their wishes you will send immediate
Instruction for your further guidance.

I am Sir

Yours most Obedient

humble servant

(Signed) John H. H. H.

Secretary

Fort St George
25th October 1784

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The Committee having maturely considered
the two last Letters received from the President at Hydrabad, resolve that the following Letter be immediately
dispatched in answer—

R. Johnson Esq

President at

Hydrabad

We have received your letters
of the 10th September and of 1st Instant—

The Intelligence communicated
in these dispatches is important. It strongly marks the
delicacy of Your Situation, and makes us regret that we
have at not in our power to give you our sentiments so
decidedly as we could wish on the Subject of both your
Letters to us— We clearly perceive that you have before
you a Choice of difficulties, and that the Fate of the
Company at this juncture may depend on the Event of
your Determination—

It would now be an unavailing Task
to Recapitulate the Causes which have so long prevented
our entering in the possession of the Guntur Circle agree-
ably to the Nizam's Treaty with us, The Governor Gen-
eral & Council have neither adopted the sentiments

To the President at
Hydrabad, in answer
to his two last Letters
represented from giving
him Instructions or advice
in consequence of their
Ignorance of the political
views of the Government
General respecting the
Nizam. The Committee
give their opinion with
regard to Guntur, founded
on their knowledge of the
Company's affairs on this
Subject which must be
rather conjectured, as they
are not only unacquainted
with Mr Johnson's
Instructions, but are also
uninformed of the situation
of the situation of the
superintending Power
towards the Nizam's State.

decided

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+ Videm Letters
November 1783 to
the Court of Directors
on occasion of Dupleix
Jung's Death

If we agreed to them + nor have they favored us with their own
Reasons for postponing the Demand of it, we had hoped that your wisdom
to that Court, aided by the Conclusion of the Peace with Tippu
Sulthan would before this time have put the Company into our Hands
free from all Claims or molestation.

In regard to the Requisition which you report
from the Nizam of a supply of Troops in conformity with the
6th Article of the Treaty of 1768. — We think it necessary to
remind you that this stipulation is conditional not absolute.
It is left to the Company to determine whether their Affairs
will permit of such aid and upon this Principle only we
should consider it as advisable not to grant it at present for
Two Reasons — First because we are lately come out of a most
dangerous and Expensive war with the Power against whom
our Aid (if granted) is to be employed, and Secondly because it would
be extremely inconvenient to us at this time to replace the
Mettations which might be sent upon such a Service.
These Reasons are sufficient to justify our refusal on the
ground of the Treaty, but when we add that the Nizam the
bound by this Treaty to be in Peace and Friendship with us
was the avowed Patron of the late formidable Combination
against us with the view as he professed of extirpating us
from Hindustan, and that he turned a deaf Ear to all our
Solicitations for assistance, we think that his Claim to our

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27th Friendship or Good offices is still less founded than his Claim upon the Ground of the Treaty—on the Principle of Policy likewise such a Supply of Troops appears imprudent as it might immediately involve us as Parties in the Contest—

With respect to the Question proposed for our Advice in your Letter of the 7th Instant. "Whether in case of a Tender of the Guntur Carior after Tippus apprehended Invasion of it shall be certain, you should without Condition or hesitation accept it we are very much at a loss what opinion to give you,— It is Evident that an Offer of it under such circumstances would be insidious and the acceptance attended with the Hazard of an immediate Repulse with Tippus on the other hand, if you reject the Tender, the Nizam may perhaps think his Engagement fulfilled and that the Company have no further Claim upon him while the Carior conquered as it undoubtedly must be by Tippus if attacked, will probably be lost to us for Ever—

We have it is true a string held upon the Nizam in the large arrears of Puscah due from the Company to him— but do not see with what justice he can ever demand a Rupee of this Balance or of the Current Puscah unless we are put by him in the fore and undisputed Possessions of the Guntur Carior agreeably to the Treaty— and Offer of that Carior under the Certainty of its being immediately attacked

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 Attacked by his Enemy would not be conformable to the letter
 or spirit of that Treaty & to enter on the offer of such
 a Crisis would be almost equivalent to a mere declaration of
 war against Tippu. To embrace a surrender is perhaps
 worse than no Surrender at all.

We therefore upon mature consideration find
 ourselves at present rather inclined to this last opinion notwithstanding
 the strong sense of the value of Guntoor to us & our
 anxiety to possess it but being very imperfectly acquainted with
 your Instructions, unaided by any precise knowledge or communica-
 tion of the plans of Governor General & Council, with what
 they may be connected, & particularly unenformed of the
 Situation with the Marattas whose conduct at this period will
 materially influence the Operations of the two contending
 Chiefs, we cannot offer it as a decided Judgment which ought
 only to be formed on a view of all the Circumstances that have
 any relation to the subject. Your own knowledge of these
 Circumstances and of the present state of the Company's affairs
 must be your chief guide in case you are so suddenly called
 upon as not to be able to wait the orders of your superiors
 but as you doubtless have not omitted to communicate your
 reputed judgment to them at the same time that you
 wrote to us on the subject, we trust your anxiety will soon
 be removed by decisive Instructions from Bengal.

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judgment

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of the papers desired in your Letter of the 10.th ultimo - The following are now sent to you. The rest cannot be obtained. N^o 1. Summud under Seal of Vizari Ally Khan for the five Circars granted in 1766.

N^o 2. Summud / Second / for the same granted in 1768 -

N^o 3. Summud for the Devanms of Carnatic - Malagaut granted in 1768 -

N^o 4. is not mentioned in any of the Records. but considering it of consequence as an Appendix to the Treaty we have thought it proper to send a Copy of it - It is an Argee supposed to have been delivered by the Company's Vakeel praying for some Deduction out of the Nuzzerama to the Vizari's Circar, and superscribed / as we are informed / in his own Hand. Specifying that 15th shall be allowed - provided the English Troops remain with him - The Paper is not dated but is said to have been written after the Treaty of 1768 - We are &c.

Yrs

Your most Obedient humble Servants
(Signed) J. Macartney. Esq. Select Committee

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Received Letters / as entered in the Miscellany
Book . . N^o 229,

From Col: Stuart

From Colonel Stuart transmitting a
Copy of the G.O. published by him in consequence of the
General Order issued by Government on the 26.th September

From M^r. Ogilvie

From the Paymaster of Vellore enclosing
Letter to him from M^r. Hancock for money due to him
by the Company for Sugar & Medicines purchased by him
for the Garrisons of Amboor & Sausgur for the Month of
September -

Sent Letters / as entered in Miscellany Book N^o

To the Deputy Agent in Camp directing him to discharge all the
remaining Bullocks at the End of Month -

To the Resident at Tanjore directing him to send his
Accounts as Storekeeper to Tanjore up to the 31.st August last

To M^r. Anderson Surgeon General, enclosing him Copy
of the late medical Regulation and desiring him to recommend

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an Assistant Surgeon for Asst.

20th

Mr. Macintosh the Attorney to Mr. Matiger
having delivered in the Invoices and Vouchers properly
attested according to the Resolution in the last Committee
The Right Honble the President proposed to the select
Committee by Letter from the Secretary sent in Circular
that Mr. Matiger's Exemption of the Demand upon
this Government be discharged by a Company's Bond for
6000 Pagodas and Billo in Bengal for the remainder
being Pagodas 5647. 31. which was agreed to—

Thursday

28th October 1784

At a Select Committee Present

The Right Honble Lord Macartney, P^{re}sident

Anthony Sadler Esq^r Lieut. General Lang

Alex^r. Davidson Esq^r Robert. Haunsell Esq^r

Minute of last Committee read & approved

The President
proposes that a
letter be written to
Bengal on the subject
of their late Com^{ms}.
condence with the
President at Hydrabad

The Right Honble the President
proposes to the Committee that a letter be written
to Bengal, enclosing Copies of the two Letters
lately received from the President at Hydrabad
together with the Reply from the Board, and
stating to the Governor General and Council
the inability of the select Committee to give
Advice to Mr. Johnson from their ignorance
of the Instructions, which the President at
Hydrabad may have from Bengal & of the political
views of that Government Observing also that as it

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is a matter of considerable moment, the Committee would be much concerned if Mr. Johnson found himself under the necessity of acting upon any other authority than the explicit Orders of the Governor General & Council.

Agree to

Ordered that the Secretary prepare a Letter to the foregoing Effect, and that the Gentlemen at Bengal be also informed of Tippoo's having given an order to Commandeen Cawn for the delivering up of those Places which were detained from the Rajah of Venkatapur, & of the evacuation of Mallapaddy, & some other Villages bordering on the Carnatick, which has made a free Communication for the return of the Inhabitants to their own Country, as appears by the following Letter from Mr. Ogilvie to the President.

My Lord

Captain Salis writes me this morning from Ambur that Tippoo has at last opened the Barrier which he had made across the Valley between Ambur and Mallapaddy, and withdrawn his Guards which were posted there to prevent the Inhabitants from returning to the Carnatick. Now that there is a free Communication, there is no doubt but our Villages will fill fast, and the good effects of it will be soon felt in this part of the Country.

From the Paymaster at Vellore Tippoo opens the Barrier across between Ambur and Mallapaddy and leaves a free Communication for the Inhabitants of either Country to pass and repass.

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The people at Ambur & Saint George are
very sickly. Ensign Mealey came in here yesterday at the
point of death, & Ensign Sturvell is dangerously ill
my Store Sergeant died day before yesterday at Ambur,
and all most all the surgeons at Saint George are sick

Vellore

27th October 1784

I have the honor to be My Lord

with very great respect

Your Lordships most obed^t humble servant

(Signed) Tho^s Ogilvie

The President lays before the Committee a
copy of a Letter addressed to the Military Paymaster
General at this Presidency from the Military Paymaster
at Bengal, and copy of a Memorial addressed to
the Governor General & Council by Capt Francis
Gowdee, & Lieutenant Macaulay of this Establishment
[as entered in the Mesullany Book N^o 936]

The Letter contains a demand of 5000 Sicca
Rupees having been advanced to Capt Gowdee and
of 3000 Sicca Rupees to Lieut Macaulay, for what
sums the Military Paymaster General at Bengal has
debited this Presidency

The Memorial states, that Capt Gowdee
and Macaulay were captured with the Detachment under
Lieut Colonel Brattle, & were three years confined

Macaulay

Report of a letter from
the military Paymaster
General of Bengal, to the
military Paymaster
General of Madras

Macaulay

Substance of memorial
addressed to the Hon^{ble}
Governor General and
Council by Capt Gowdee
and Macaulay

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their release they applied for their arrears at Madras which, from the low state of the Treasury could not be paid to them, that in consideration of their hardships they hope the Governor General & Council will order their arrears of full Batta to be advanced to them.

Minute thereon

Ordered that the military Paymaster be informed that the money which has been advanced to Messrs Goudie & Macaulay at Bengal be carried to their Debit in the account which they have with the Company at this Presidency.

Read the following Letter from Bengal
To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney
President of Council
at Fort St. George

My Lord and Gentlemen

We have received your letters of the 2^d, two of the 9th, and one of the 11th Ultimo.

The Extract of your General orders enclosed in your Letter of the 9th, has been published in General Orders to the army, and in the Calcutta Gazette, to give it effect.

We are surprised that you did not

From Bengal. Expressing their surprise that the Bombay Troops were not marched overland to Anjengo; shall advise for proposals to carry them round by sea.

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not resolve to march the Bombay Sepoys at
your Presidency across to Anjengo, from whence they
might have been transported with ease & at little expense
to Bombay, but as you have applied to us to engage
Vessels for that purpose, we shall either send an Indiaman,
or advertise for Proposals to carry round the remainder of
what the Admiral Hughes may not be able to convey to
that Presidency.

We have the honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most Obedient

humble Servants

(Signed) John Macpherson

Fort William

The 28th Septemb 1784

Minute Thomson

Agreed that a Duplicate of our
Letter to Bengal of the 25th Ultimo be sent to the
Governor General & Council, & that they be informed
that the only reason which prevented our adopting the
Plan of sending the Bombay Troops by Land to
Anjengo, was, that it appeared more expensive
than the sending them by Sea.

Read the following Letter from the Secretary
at Fort William with an Enclosure

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Charles Freeman Esq

Secretary at Fort St George

Sir

I was the acting
Secretary at Bengal
enclosing copy of a
Letter to the Supreme
Board from the military
Paymaster General at
Bengal relative to
Advances made to the
Officers of Artillery
belonging to Colonel
Pearce's Detachment
while acting under the
Presidency of Madras

I am directed by the Honble the Governor
General and Council to transmit you the enclosed copy of a letter
from this Military Paymaster General, & to request that you
will procure and send round as soon as possible the account
he has occasion for and as the Rule proposed by him is fraught
with regularity & advantage to both Presidencies I am to
signify the desire of the Honble Board that it may be
attended to & complied with in all cases of this Nature

I am

Sir

Your most obedient
humble servant

(Signed) J. L. Surriol

Act^y Secretary

Council Chamber

the 6th October 1784

The Honble Edward Wheler Esq

Acting Governor General and other Members of the
Supreme Council

Honble Sir & Gentlemen

I beg leave to represent to your Honble

Board

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Board that many of the officers of Artillery &c who have lately arrived here from Colonel Pearson's Detachment have had advances made them previous to their leaving Madras by Lord Macartney of which I have had no official information except from the Officers themselves.

As I am settling the arrears due these Gentlemen by the Honble Company and as many are appointed up the Country with whom it may occasion some difficulty hereafter to settle the Demands there may be against them I hope you will excuse the liberty I take in requesting that application be immediately made to the Madras Presidency for an account of these Advances.

I would recommend it to be a Standing Order in future that when advances are made by the Gentlemen of any of the other Presidencies to Officers belonging to this Establishment that their Paymaster General or whoever advances it be directed to give me immediate information of such Advances being made which I shall likewise do to them.

Military Paym^t Gen^l
Office 28th October 1784

I have the Honor to be
Hon^{ble} Sir & Gentlemen
Your most Obed^t Hum^l Servant
(Signed) Claud Alexander
Military Paymaster General

Attest
J^r White
Act^g Sec^y

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Minutes shown

Ordered that copy of the Letter from the Military Paymaster General at Bengal be sent to our Military Paymaster, & it is Agreed that he be directed in future to observe the rule therein recommended.

Report from the Field Officers assembled by order of the Commander in Chief relative to a Claim made by Capt. Arthur Stuart, of a Demand made by the administrator to the Estate of the late Capt. John Macalister.

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board a Report from the field officers assembled by his Order, containing their Opinion on a Claim made by Capt. Arthur Stuart to the off reckonings of the 17th Battalion during the time he was doing duty as Senior Officer in it, & also upon the propriety of a Demand made by Lieut. Ruth Macalister on the on the stoppages made for cloathing in the 4th Regiment of Cavalry Commanded by his late Brother Captain Macalister.

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The Opinion of the Field Officers with regard to the above

The Report which is lodged in the Office states the Opinion of the Board of Officers that Capt. Arthur Stuart can have no Claim to the off reckonings of the 17th Battalion, and that if Capt. Macalister who held & Commanded the 4th Regiment of Cavalry did actually cloath the Regiment for the year in question, his heir is entitled to the stoppages without further Demand, but if the Regiment has not been cloathed the Board of Field Officers is nevertheless of opinion that the stoppages

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are

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are the property of the late Captain Macalister,
 His, who must cloath the Regiment agreeable to order,
 and so as to be approved by any Officer, who may be
 ordered to receive the cloathing.

The foregoing opinion
 approved by the
 Committee

The Committee approve the sentiments
 of the Board of Field Officers, and it is accordingly agreed
 that they be confirmed.

The Commander in Chief delivers
 in the following Minutes—

Minutes of the
 Commander in Chief
 relative to Deputy
 off Reckonings

The opinion which the Board of
 Field Officers have given perfectly coincides with mine
 with regard to the person entitled to the offreckonings. &
 as I am fully convinced, that Government will at all
 times attend to the situation of an officer commanding
 a Battalion in the Service, & that no officer will be
 appointed to supersede one already nominated, unless, the
 necessity of the Service requires it. I would propose
 in order to put an end to all further claims or references to
 this Committee upon the Subject. that a G. O. which
 may apply to all cases whatever either past or that
 may hereafter occur, be immediately issued & have
 drawn up one which if approved of I conceive will answer
 the purpose—

G.O.

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G.O.

The Right Honble President & Select Committee are pleased to publish the following resolution respecting Sepoy Offreckonings, that no disputes may hereafter arise, or claims be preferred for them by any persons but such as by this order are declared to be entitled to them— The Captain of the Battalion who has been appointed to the Command of it by Government, to draw the Offreckonings in all cases whatsoever— whether present with it, or absent on Command or with leave, unless it shall appear to Government necessary to appoint another Officer to the Command of the Battalion during the absence of the Captain, in which case alone, such Officer, so appointed is to draw the Offreckoning until the return of the Captain but no Officer who is not either appointed by or confirmed in the Command of the Battalion by Government in G.O., be considered as having any Claim whatever for offreckonings

(Signed) Robt Lang

The Casualties of the War having occasioned instances of Battalions being commanded by Officers, particularly appointed in the Field some of whom have had decisions in their favor, as intitled to the Offreckonings of the Battalion to the prejudice of the

Absent,

Minute of the
Committee on
the foregoing

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about, (the regular) Captain, and great inconvenience to the Service being apprehended, if such Claims be allowed in future, the Committee concurs in the Opinion of General Lang, & resolve that the General Order be published accordingly.

The Commander in Chief delivers in the following Minute with Enclosures as lodged in the Office

Minute of the Com-
mander in Chief
relative to Supply
Cloathing

I have the honor to lay before the Committee a letter which I have received from Major Chepshye enclosing an address from the Captains of the 2^d & 11th Battns of Sepoys, complaining of the Cloathing furnished by the Agent for those Battalions, and representing that the Jackets are made up on so small a scale as to be totally useless. As Major Chepshye has received the Cloathing & found it to be as represented by the Captains - I would recommend that it be returned to the Agent who supplied it, and that he be ordered to make up other Cloathing & forward it immediately to those Corps.

In order to prevent such abuses in future & to remove all cause of Complaint I would propose that no Jackets whatsoever be furnished the Sepoy Corps, but such as are in every respect answerable

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to a muster to be shown to, and approved of by me - That, that
muster be carefully preserved and previous to the agents
dispatching any Cloathing from hence that it be compared
with the muster, by three Officers to be nominated for the
purpose of inspecting the Cloathing - & that none but what
may have their approbation (which should be signified by
certificates to the Commanding Officer of the Corps for which
it is intended) be received,

At any time that the agent may have
Cloathing ready to be sent away, upon application to me the
Officers to examine the same will be nominated

(Signed) Thos Lang

The Committee coincide in opinion

with General Lang respecting the means of preventing future
causes of Complaint against the Agent for Sepoy Cloathing,
to which it is agreed that copies of the Letters from Major
Chepshere to General Lang & from Captains Edmonds,
and Macpherson to Major Chepshere be sent to the late
Agent for Sepoy Cloathing and that he be directed to
retrieve back the Cloathing which will not suit and
Send a fresh Supply to Allore without any additional
Charge to the Company

Agreed that the Agent for Sepoy
Cloathing

The Committee
approve of the
proceeding minute
and adopt the
proposals contained
therein -

Resolution in consequence

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Leathery be directed to conform in future to the regulations
proposed by the Commander in Chief in the foregoing
Minute

General Lang lays before the Board
the following Letter addressed to him by
his aid de Camp and Secretary
Lieutenant General Lang
Commander in Chief

Sir

From General Lang's
Staff requesting to
be allowed to take as
long as the staff of
any other Person.

Upon applying to Mr Jackson the Comptroller
for his signature to our Chits, he informed us that he could not
sign our Ratta Chits without the order of the Committee, as
we therefore request that you will be so good as make our letter
known to the Honble Committee, as we cannot suppose it is the
intention of Government to strike off our allowance of full Ratta
when we are under the necessity of being always prepared to
proceed with you to Ainet or elsewhere upon public business,
at the same time that the Staff of Major General Campbell
have always & continue still to receive that allowance altho
residing in Madras & not liable to be called upon as we have
been & must be during your continuance in the command of
the Cantonment at Ainet. We are sorry also to be under the
necessity of troubling you on this occasion but without
having the matter decided it will not be in our power to

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Settle our Accounts as directed by Government & we have every reason to hope that upon your representation the Committee will not hesitate not only to allow our Ratta until this time - but also to continue it as long as it may be received by the Staff of any other Persons -

We have the honor to be

Sir

Fort St. George

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(Signed)

Your most Obedient humble Servant

Joseph Little

aid de Camp

Joseph Garrou

Secretary to the Com^d in Chief

To be allowed Ratta till the 1st of January

Agreed that the Staff of the Commander in Chief be allowed to draw full Ratta until the 1st of January next -

The Commander in Chief begs leave to recommend to the Select Committee the following Promotions, and Appointments -

The following Promotions recommended by the Commander in Chief

Artillery

To complete the new Establishment

Lieut William Lantwer to be Captⁿ Lieut

Date of Rank
18th October 1784

Lieut Lieut^{nt} John Campbell to be Lieut

18th Dec^r "

Lieut^{nt}

The Commander in Chief recommends that the Promotions and recommendations mentioned in his minute do take place -

Loss

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Lieut. Lieut. John Kennedy to be Lieut.	Dates of rank
D ^o W ^m Hyle - - - to be D ^o	19 th October 1784
Mr. Montague Cosby to be Lieut. Lieut.	20 th D ^o "
Mr. Timothy Kennedy to be - - - D ^o	18 th D ^o "
Mr. Truslet - - - to be - - - D ^o	19 th D ^o "
Mr. Ronald MacDonald to be - - - D ^o	20 th D ^o "
Mr. Nelson - - - to be - - - D ^o	21 st D ^o "
Mr. Geoghagan - - - to be - - - D ^o	22 nd D ^o "
Mr. West. Rose - - - to be - - - D ^o	23 rd D ^o "
Mr. Hampson Richards to be - - - D ^o	28 th D ^o "
Lieut. Lieut. W. N. Coman to be Lieut.	29 th D ^o "
Vice Rutledge struck off - - - }	21 st D ^o "
D ^o W ^m Hays to be Lieut.	
Vice Spudiman struck off - - - }	22 nd D ^o "
Mr. Christian Hayne to be Lieut. Lieut.	
Vice Campbell promoted - - - }	24 th D ^o "
Mr. Charles Dallas to be Lieut. Lieut.	
Vice Kennedy promoted - - - }	25 th D ^o "
Mr. Hugh Mackay to be Lieut. Lieut.	
Vice Hyle promoted - - - }	26 th D ^o "
Mr. Walter Finnell to be Lieut. Lieut.	
Vice Coman promoted - - - }	27 th D ^o "

Infantry

Lieutenant Aubrey omitted by mistake in the Promotion

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of the 8th March 1784, to be Captain Lieutenant, to rank
from the 21st December 1783, next below Captain Lieutenant
Oram -

The following Appointments recommended by
the Commander in Chief

Captain John Skjor to Command the Battalion
of Native Artillery.

Captain Robert Croker to the Command of the
1st Battalion, now Lamotte deceased -

Cornet J. Gochie to be Adjutant to the 2^d
Regiment of Cavalry -

Lieut. William Hayes to be Adjutant to
the Battalion of Native Artillery -

Lieut. Robert Turing, to be confirmed in the
Command & Adjutancy of the Corps of Marksmen,
from the Time of Lieutenant Ferguson being appointed
Fort Adjutant of Trichinopoly - the 15th November 1783

It being necessary to fill up the Vacancies of
Inspectors of stores in the Garrisons of Tanjore and Trichinopoly,
by Lieut. Sanderson is recommended for the former, and Lieut.
John Campbell for the latter Appointment -

Having been informed that the Cavalry to
the Southward are rather deficient in point of Discipline

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It is recommended that they be assembled without delay at Trichinopoly under the command of Lt Thomas Dallas to be fed & Disciplined by him until further Orders.

The following Recommendation by the Commander in Chief

That the 2^d Madras Battalion be ordered to proceed to Angole.

The Detachment of the 11th Battalion at Angole to be ordered to Nellore.

The three Companies of the 19th Battalion now at Chellumbrum to proceed to Ballamistak.

The Detachment of the 35th Battalion at Chingleput to join its Corps at Ariet.

The 4th Batta to take the duty of Permanent Chingleput & Chellumbrum agreeable to the following Distribution until further orders.

Captain Daws with four Companies to Command at Chellumbrum - three Companies at Permaicil and two at Chingleput.

The Detachment of the 18th Batta at Tripatore to join its Corps at Ariet.

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(Signed) Robt Lang

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approved and ordered
accordingly

The Committee approve the foregoing
Promotions & Appointments recommended by General Lang,
and it is Agreed that they be published in General
Orders.

Read the following Letter from

The Deputy Agent
To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney K^t. B.
President &c Members of the Select Committee
of Fort St George

My Lord & Gentlemen

From the Deputy agent
in charge, representing the
the distress of the servants
belonging to his Department
and desiring to know
what is to be done with
the remaining Elephant
under his care

A very considerable Number
of Mullachs having been lately discharged the Service,
the head Masters have requested of me to represent to
your Lordship &c their inability to pay off the arrears
due to the Drivers and to satisfy the Demands of their
Several Creditors without a greater advance Monthly from
Government either in Money or by Bills on Bengal.
The arrears due to the Victualling Servants after deducting
Grain issued and Money advanced at different Periods
Amount to Rs 10053. 23. 16. as per the enclosed accounts.

I request to be favoured with the orders
of your Lordship &c in what manner the Arrears are
to be settled, as this People are the only discharged Followers
who

these

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who have not yet been satisfied. When the Army
was at Cuddalore in 1781 seven Elephants were purchased
on the Company's Account by Order of Sir Eyre Coote five
of them died on service and presented to Tippu Sahib and
one is now here as the Monthly Expense for feeding and
keepers is considerable, I request to be favored with your
Orders in what manner I am to dispose of her.

I am with the greatest Respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most obedient and
most humble Servant

(signed) J. Renwick

Deputy Agent

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18th October 1784

Minute on the foregoing
Letter

Agreed that Mr Renwick be informed
that the arrears due to the British People will be liquidated
as soon as Funds can be provided for the Purpose
and as much attention paid to their wants as shall be
consistent with what is due to the other numerous Bodies of
men who have demands upon the Company. Their accounts
as well as those of the Detaching Servants must be
settled to the 31st August & Certificates granted agreeably
to the General Orders of the 26th ultimo.

I read the following Letter from the Company's

Said Officers

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To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney
President &c and the Gentlemen of the select Committee
My Lord and Gentlemen

From the Company's
Field officers respecting
the claim of the Honble
Field Officers to share
in the gratuity allowed
by the Court of Directors
to certain of their
servants civil and
military

We have been honored with a sight
of Your Answer to Colonel Braithwaite's Letter of the
1st Instant. written in behalf of himself and the Field Officers
in the Honble Company's Service on this establishment,
communicated through Mr. Secretary Huddleston who
also enclosed to him by Your Orders the Correspondence
between this Government, and his Majesty's Field Officers
doing duty here; in regard to the distribution of a gratuity
granted some years since by the Honble East India
Company to their Senior Civil and Military Servants
on this establishment all which we have read and considered
and for which we beg you to accept our thanks.

We the undersigned Field Officers on this
establishment beg leave again My Lord and Gentlemen to
draw Your attention, and to signify to you that it appears
to us from the Papers you have done us the honor to
transmit to us, as an established fact, granted by his Majesty's
Field Officers that the Honble the Court of Directors
did send hither an Order, peremptorily and expressly signi-
fying that with that a certain percentage of the net revenue

Should

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Should be left apart, to form a gratuity or donation to certain of their servants specified. Their order can only be considered as a positive injunction from the proprietors to their Agents here, to dispose of a certain part of their property here, to dispose of a certain part of their property here, in the manner and proportion and to the particular servants specified for the time being, and to their Successors. under certain conditions till their Order, should by themselves be revoked.

From the period of the date of this order granting certain rewards to certain servants of the Honble. Company here, to be paid at certain fixed periods, as an inducement to such servants to render certain services, we may conclude the servants bound to render such service, and the Masters to issue such rewards without impediment or diminution, if nothing has happened to render either unable to fulfill that part of the Compact. Yet, we find that the Dutch Officers in his Majesty's Service have asserted a claim to receive a share of that part of this reward, long since specifically granted to us by an act which, as yet remains unrevoked and noway altered or amended. To this claim no authority has been given by any act of the Proprietors that we know of, nor is any urged in the supposition of any failure of

compact

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Conduct on our parts, nevertheless, we learn by report—
that in consequence of this claim and a protest entered by his
Majesty's Field Officers, a resolution has passed your Board
suspending the former order of the Honble the Court of Directors,
in regard to the disposal of the Honble Company's property,
and barring the Payment of what has already become due in
the course of one Year, and is growing on in consequence of the
unrevoked order of the Court of Directors, which order as far
as relates to any intention of the authors of it is in full force
both as to the thing designed and the manner in which it
is to be executed.

The Resolution of the Right Honble the
President and select Committee on this occasion, if what
we have heard is true, we cannot but say astonishes
us, and with all due respect and submission we say, it
appears to us, as if our immediate protectors alarmed
at the protest of his Majesty's officers, have contrary to
their own declared opinion been led into what litigious
men, might term an illegal measure towards us, to avoid the
issue of a legal process on the part of his Majesty's Field
Officers from which they could have nothing to apprehend, and
they have thereby taken the whole burden of the Claim
made by his Majesty's Field Officers on the Military
Establishment

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Establishment immediately under their protection, while
the Honble Company's Field Officers in the other
Presidencies enjoy all their Privileges to the full
extent, that is without delay or impediment, and this
resolution renders our Situation and prospects in this
Country so much inferior to those promised to us by
liberal act of our Employers, and to whom we have given
no cause to repent of their liberality, and who as far as
we know have not repented of it, or in any shape changed
their Sentiments or their Services held out to us, that
we cannot help troubling you with a few observations,
and a request that you will reconsider the Subject here,
and forward our respectful petitions to the Honble the
Court of Directors. We find ourselves under the indispens-
able necessity of controverting an argument advanced by
his Majesty's Field Officers on which they seem to
lay much Stress, but which we must suppose they
would not have advanced but from misinformation namely,
that General Stuart's Statement is only of the ordinary
and daily allowances due to the Kings Troops. Such a
Statement could never have been given in as the ordinary
and daily allowance due to the Kings Troops, because
it would greatly exceed the ordinary and daily allowance

advanced

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granted to the Honble Company's Officers of the same Rank. His Majesty's Field Officers here, do therefore receive an additional Sum monthly as required by Major General Stuart in line of gratuity and we find by enquiry at the Paymaster General's Office that it is actually issued as such in the following proportions to a Colonel and Lieut. Colonel $\text{£} 121$ To a Major $\text{£} 84$ which makes the pay received here by his Majesty's Officers in each Month of 30 Days to amount to a Colonel to $\text{£} 150$, 35 to a Lieut. Colonel $\text{£} 132$, 3. 40, to a Major $\text{£} 84$, 33. 20 besides arrears growing on to them in Europe - while the monthly pay received by the Honble Company's Officers, who have no arrears, in their Ranks is as follows a Colonel $\text{£} 93$, 31. 40, a Lieut. Colonel $\text{£} 75$, - a Major $\text{£} 56$ 10. 40, besides which we are informed that the General and Field Officers of his Majesty's Service holding local Ranks only, do receive gratuity as Field Officers monthly - whereas it has been the uniform custom of this Government in regard to their own Officers never to make any extra allowance, Butta excepted, to such as held British Rank.

We beg leave to observe that his Majesty's Troops have now been doing duty here several Years, particularly his Majesty's 73rd Regiment, that the footing they were upon in regard to the emoluments of the

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Field Officers has been doubtless duly attended to both here and in Europe, by the parties themselves and the Honble Company's Government and appears till very lately to have been cheerfully acquiesced in, and we cannot help supposing that the present claim made by his Majesty's Field Officers, in the manner it is made, has been ill advised, and brought forward for want of proper information, for should it be acceded to, and their present gratuity stopped as it is reasonable to suppose it will be, if ours is, it will in the first instance be attended with great present loss to them, and should it in the end be ordered (which we cannot for a moment however conceive it will be) that the Five per cent charged on the revenue, in the proportion granted to Field Officers, shall be tantamount to all gratuity for Field Officers doing duty here, and equally shared between his Majesty and the Company's Field Officers according to the Rank they hold, their situation in regard to maintenance will be injured beyond what they have any idea of. His Majesty's Field Officers do now receive a very considerable allowance monthly as a gratuity, which

allowance

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allowance being a fixed sum to be paid at all winter places then as times are upon a much more eligible footing than the Honble Company's Field officers, whose allowance from the gratuity fund is precarious, certainly has been declining, and is at best only paid annually and if the Right Honble the President and Select Committee will examine the distribution made to the Honble Company's Field Officers for the twelve months included between the Month of September 1782 and the Month of September 1783 which is the last the Company's Field Officers have received they will find that the Honble Company's Colonels received very little more than twelve hundred Pagodas each for that Year paid in Bengal Bills discounted at very great disadvantage, while the Colonels in his Majesty's Service received in cash in the same year about one thousand Pagoda's in twelve monthly Payments, the Lieut. Colonels of his Majesty's Service, the same as the Colonels and paid in the same manner, and the Lieut. Colonels in the Company's Service, one thousand and Twentyfour Pagodas in Bengal Bills. The Majors in his Majesty's Service four hundred & twentytwo Pagodas paid monthly, the Majors

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Majors in the Company's Service five hundred and twenty nine Bago's paid a twelve months arrears in Bengal Bills, his Majesty's Field Officers have continued to receive the same ever since, while those in the Hon^{ble} Company's Service are now more than one year in arrears. His Majesty's Service therefore in India, as it is more honorable in every point of view, particularly from the Great local Rank granted to every Many of his Majesty's Military Servants in India, is also upon the whole as the times are not less advantageous - The Ranks granted to his Majesty's Officers generally speaking is permanent, and the local ranks excepted both permanent and availing in all parts of the world - while on the contrary that in the Company's Service is confined to the Country and ceases whenever health or our private Affairs may compell us to leave India, nor can Officers in the Hon^{ble} Company's Service ever realize the value of their Commission or retire upon half pay, and must be at great expense to return to their native Country.

The Magnitude and nature of his Majesty's Military Establishment, and the extent

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of his Military Operations, is such, as presents awards & fairfield to excite and reward the laudable ambition and exertions of his Military Servants, while the views of the Officers engaged in the Service of the Honble East India Company are necessarily so confined that the Honble Company has thought it expedient to make a liberal pecuniary donation to their Senior Officers, as a compensation for the small prospect they have of rising to any of those eminent Ranks in life, which in the Service of the Crown, stimulate to and reward the meritorious endeavours of his Majestys Servants, nevertheless, the Honble Company have also agreed to pay to his Majestys Officers in India, on account of the uncommon severity of a military life in these climates a gratuity very nearly equal to that paid to their own Officers in the times they have acted together, and which if investigated will be found to amount to more than that realized by the Honble Company's Officers since the war began. Deprive the Honble Company's Senior Officers of the liberality of their Employers, and their situation already so much inferior to that of his Majestys Officers of the same rank, would become an object unworthy the pursuit of any man of Ordinary talents even - for Talents are only to be exerted by those who possess them with the view of acquiring lasting dignity and honors or a comfortable independency, both which prospects are finally closed to the Honble Company's Military Servants

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Servants here, if the liberality of their Employers which has been pledged to them should be now done away—

The Field Officers of the Hon^{ble} Company's Service are truly sensible of the great merits and exertions of his Majesty's Field Officers in the course of the war, and do most readily acknowledge that they are justly entitled to every mark of attention and consideration in the power of the Hon^{ble} East India Company to bestow, without prejudice to their own servants who are allowed to have deserved well, and they trust that when all things are fairly considered it will be found to have been the constant endeavour of the Government here to establish that Idea even in the most extensive and liberal sense as it relates to his Majesty's Officers—

That so many Captains have what are called separate Commands, is owing to severals of the Army being composed of native Troops, formed into Four Regiments of Cavalry and 37 Battalions of Foot, commanded by Captains. The Captains commanding such Regiments or Battalions, cannot it is imagined for a moment be supposed to be partially placed, they are the Company's Captains commanding the Company's Native Troops with whom they have long served, and with whose manners, languages and prejudices they are acquainted,

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of these native Troops also, the Small Garrisons are intirely composed, so many of the Companies Captains and therefore thus plaied, from propriety and necessity and not mere choice, and was there not the necessity for thus employing the Companies Captains so many would not exist in the Service, they are on the Service and in the situations for which they have been Commissioned and are paid - whereas the Captains in his Majestys Service, to be so employed must be taken from the Service and Situation for which they were Commissioned and are paid. In regard to Officers of superior rank, without meaning in the least to hint a Complaint, we are convinced that no imputation of partiality can be laid to the Hon^{ble} Companys Government here in regard to their own servants.

To sum up all we beg leave to represent that we do not believe it ever to have been the intention of our most gracious Sovereign, that the Field Officers in his Royal Service, should be rewarded from a fund long since appropriated by the Proprietors, the Hon^{ble} East India Company, as a reward to their own specified servants, that the fund from which the Gratuity has been hitherto issued to the Hon^{ble} Companys Field Officers is under this circumstance is acknowledged.

It is not according to our Ideas, consistent with the Character of their most gracious and beneficent

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beneficent Royal Master, whom in fact we all serve, to think that in order that some of his meritorious subjects may be rewarded, others not culpable, should be deprived of that which they legally possess—

And it is not according to our experience, consistent with the hitherto known liberality of the Company that we should suppose that they will not devise, if they already have not, some means whereby to give to their Royal Sovereign, Patron & Protector ample satisfaction in regard to his military servants, serving in India, without any such essential prejudice to their own, upon these grounds for the sake of his Majesty's Field Officers, as well as for our own sakes, we trust and hope that no impediment or change whatsoever may be directed here to take place in regard to the gratuity, but that it may be continued to be issued to his Majesty's Field Officers and to us, according to the positive, unrevoked and unrevoked orders of the Hon^{ble} the Board of Directors—

And in support of this request, we beg leave to make use of the very argument urged by his Majesty's Field Officers in support of their opposite demand and protest, namely, "that it does not depend upon the will of the Employed, to annul the will of the Employer?" with the Idea we have of a necessary discretionary power to be used occasionally by the Hon^{ble} Company's Governing

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Servants in India we should never have had recourse to this argument but we cannot help, as it has been brought forward, availing ourselves of its force in our favour—grant us my Lord and Gentlemen that argument, and it will establish in us a legal right to demand, that which we have the honor with great respect, as yet, to request only—

Authorized by your communication through Mr. Huddleston, we have taken up much of your time, to communicate to you our sentiments on a matter of much importance to us, which we are convinced will be to you my Lord and Gentlemen a sufficient plea, and have only to add our united request that these our arguments, should it be necessary to transfer the question to the Honble the Court of Directors or elsewhere, may have the same chance with those urged by his Majesty's India Officers, as far as it may depend on you to give it them.— We hope that it will appear evident that we have confined ourselves merely to such arguments as tended to establish a legal property in ourselves to the distribution of the gratuity from the revenue fund in the manner and proportions ordered by the Honble the Court of Directors and to evince that nothing like partiality to their own military servants has at any time actuated the Government here to do any thing to the prejudice of his Majesty's officers—

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We have the honor to be with the greatest
respect

My Lord

and Gentlemen

Your faithful and
obedient servants

Fort St George
23 October 1784

(Signed)

John Brathwaite Colonel

Eccles Nixon Colonel

Patrick Rolt Lieut Colonel

Thos. A. M. Cosby Lt Colonel

John Kennedy Lt Col. Artillery

W. Keating Lieut Colonel

George Banks Major

James Livingstone Major

Dugal Campbell

Major Commanding of Cavalry

To be on the Table

Ordered to be on the Table

Representations of the
Officers in the Garrison
of Trichinopoly requesting
that the barracks
may be repaired

The Commander in Chief lays before
the Board a Letter from Lieut Colonel Bruce, enclosing
an address from the Officers in the Garrison of Trichinopoly
(both entered in Miscellaneous Book No 237) representing the
ruinous state of their Quarters, & desiring they may be
repaired before the monsoon.

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Agreed that Lieut^{Col} Colonel Bruce be desired to send an Estimate of the Expence which will be incurred by the repairs of the Quarters in Trichinopoly, and report to the Committee what has usually been allowed for similar purposes with every other information in his Power.

Read the following Letter from

Mr Ogilvie

The Right Hon^{ble} Lord Macartney K^t, Sec^y of State

President & Governor of the Select Committee

My Lord & Gentlemen

From the Paymaster of
Vellore Proposes to
continue his contract
for supplying the
garrison of Vellore
with Gun powder

Our Stock of Gun Powder being reduced to two thousand Barrels, altho the quantity ordered to be kept up in Garrison is three thousand five hundred Barrels -

If the Right Hon^{ble} the Committee thinks proper I am ready to continue my Contract for Powder making on the same terms as before, and will engage to deliver into store 24 Casks per 200 barrels every month or more if required.

I have the honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen

with very great respect

Your most Obedient servant

(Signed) Tho^s E. Ogilvie

Paymaster

Vellore

18th October 1784

Agreed

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Referred to the
Committee of Store

Agreed that Mr Agelwies proposal
be referred to the Committee of Store, and that they
be desired to report on the proposal, and on the expediency
of complying with it.

Read the following Letter from Mr

Menzies

My Lord & Gentlemen

From Mr Menzies
Attending the Court
now at the Estate
of the Honble George
Cadogan Esq by
the Company

As Attorney for Richard Dighton
Esq^r Administrator to the Estate of the Honble George
Cadogan Esq^r Deceased. I take the liberty to acquaint you
that his account with the Honble Company has been
delivered into your Honble Board by which there
appears a Balance due to him of P^{rs} 3813. 34. 2. 3
There is likewise stated to be due

to him for Draft Warrants

and for Warrants lost

Also for 20 Private Tents delivered to
the Presidency of Madras

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I request you will be pleased to
take these accounts into Consideration and give the
necessary directions for their being settled.

I have the honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen

Madras

28th October 1784

Your most obed^t humble servant

(Signed) John Menzies

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Referred to the
Committee of
accounts—

Agreed that the Demand contained
in the foregoing Letter be referred to the Committee of
accounts—

The President proposes
that Mr Ewing be paid on
the Sloop Charlotte
be discharged by
a company's Bond
and by a Bill on
Bengal—

The President informs the Committee
that Mr Ewing has delivered to him the Invoices and
Vouchers respecting his loss on the Sloop Charlotte,
properly attested according to the Resolution in last
Committee, and the President proposes in consequence
that Mr Ewing's Demand being Pag^d. 1819^{rs} 11^{sh} 6^d
be discharged by a company's Bond for Pag^d 1500, and by
Bills on the Governor General & Council for Pag^d 319^{rs} 11^{sh} 6^d.

Agreed to

Ordered accordingly

Read the following Letter from
Captain Spediman—

My Lord and Gentlemen

From Captain
Spediman
requesting to be
allowed to draw
the arrears of pay
due to his Brother
now a Prisoner
with Tippoo
Sultann.

Having been under the necessity
from the present unhappy Situation of my Brother Lieut
James Spediman, to assume the management
of his Affairs, & to discharge Debts to a considerable
Amount which he had been under the necessity of
Contracting previous to his being taken Prisoner,

I

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I presume to request your Lordship you will be
pleased to permit me to draw his arrears of Pay from
that Period till the time of the Return of the other
Prisoners from the Mysore Country.

I have the honor to be with the
utmost Respect

My Lord Gentlemen
Your most Obedient &
most humble Servant
(Signed) R. Speidman
Capt. Lieut. 20th

Fort St George
12th October 1784

To be on the table

From Mr Howel
closing his accounts
for Mysore Prisoners
R.

Minute thereon

Ordered to be on the Table
I read a Letter (as entered in their Meeting

Book) from Mr Howel, Surgeon dated the
9th Instant enclosing his account for Pay & medi-
cines & necessaries supplied to the Southern army
amounting to Rs 7621. 32

Agreed that Mr Howel be informed
that his accounts must be laid before Mr Jackson the
Commissary of accounts to whom he must explain
the Reasons why his Bills are not made out agreeably
to the established Regulations.

Read the following Letter from
Capt. Suppage, enclosing his Bills.

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To the Right Honble
Lord Macartney K^t, B^t, W^t, W^t, W^t
President and Select Committee
My Lord and Gentlemen

John Cuppage
writing his Bill
for Survey Service
while at Villon

I have the honor to lay before
your Lordship and Select Committee an account
of the expenses I have been at in paying Thacoras
and gaining intelligence of the Enemy during the
time I commanded the Garrison of Villon Vind
from the 6th of November 1781 to the 24th of
May 1784 being two Years and Seven Months,
and for which I request your Lordship and Select
Committee will be pleased to order me to be
reimbursed either in Company's Bonds or Bengal
Bills.

Fort St George
29th July 1784

I have the honor to be
with great respect —

My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

(Signed) John Cuppage

Agreed that Capt. Cuppage be
reimbursed

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Minutes on the
following letter

were

informed that upon his making oath before the Chief of Gangjam
that the several sums for which he has debited the Company for
Secret Service were actually, and bona fide disbursed by him
on that account, the Committee will order his Bills to be discharged
in such manner as the State of the Company's affairs will admit.

Mr James Walther
allowed a Pension
of 15 Pagodas per month

The Commander in Chief represents to the
Committee the distressed situation of Mr James Walther late a
Captain on this Establishment in consequence of which it is agreed
that he be allowed a Pension of 15 Pagodas per month.

Mr Peter Halmyre
of Gardner allowed
the pay of an Invalid
Sergeant

The Commander in Chief recommends that Mr
Peter Halmyre of Gardner formerly in the rated Service but who
served with the Company's Troops all the year & in consequence of the situation
of his Highness's Troops are in a great distress be in consideration of these
circumstances allowed the pay of an Invalid Sergeant.

Agreed to and ordered accordingly.

Capt Hinds
accounts to be disbur-
sed by our Company's
Bills in Bengal

The Committee of Accounts by their letter sent
in the Miscellaneous Book 4th Vol having reported that there appears to be
no objections to Capt Hinds accounts of military Paymasters at
was Newcastle it is agreed that they be discharged with the interest at 5% Cent on the
sums advanced half in Bonds & half in Bills on the Governor General & Council.

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Sent the following Letter to the
Military Paymaster General -

To John Turing Esq^r

Storekeeper

To Mr Turing.
directing him to
receive from Mr
Living several Goods
the property of the
Company, saved
from the Sloop
Charlotte -

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honourable
the President and Select Committee to inform you
that Mr Living has sundry Goods under his Charge
which were saved from the Sloop Charlotte, and
to request you will immediately receive them
from him as they are the property of the Company.

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I have the honor to be &c &c

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Received Letter from Mr Macaulay

From Mr Macaulay

(as entered in MB. No. / shall consider her leave
of absence to Bengal as extending to the 1st March
in consequence of a General Order issued, that, all
Officers absent on leave at Bengal, are to return
in six Months -

Sent Letters (as entered in the

MB. No¹

To Mr W^m Balfour, appointing

To Mr W^m Balfour

him Deputy Commissary General, vice Mr W^m G.
Wacey resigned -

To Com^r of Stores

To the Committee of Stores enclo-
sing Copy of a Letter from Mr Ogilvie, relative
to

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To supplying the Garrison of Vellore with Gunpowder
and requesting their Opinion thereon -

To the Commissioners
of Accounts -

To the Commissioners of Accounts,
enclosing Copy of a Letter from M. Menzies, and
requesting their Opinion thereon -

To M^r Howell

To M^r Howell, Surgeon, directing
him to lay his Accounts before M^r Commissary
Jackson, and explain to him, why they are not
made out agreeably to the established Regulations -

To M^r Moubray

To M^r Moubray, enclosing Copy
of a Letter from the Captains of the 2nd & 4th Madras
Battalions, complaining of Sepoy Cloathing, and
directing him in consequence to send such
Cloathing as may be considered as serviceable -

To Capt. Cuppage

To Captain Cuppage, informing
him that the Sums he has debited the Company
for Secret Service will not be admitted, unless he
makes Oath before the Chief of Gangam that
such Sums were actually and bona fide disbursed
by him -

To L^t Col. Bouce

To Lieut. Colonel Bouce, desiring
him to state to the Commisette what Sum will
be necessary to advance for repairing the Officers
Quarters in the Garrison of Trichinopoly -

To M^r Kenworthy

To the Deputy Agent at Arcot
the Amount due to the Bullock & victualling People
will be liquidated as soon as Funds can be provided
for the Purpose -

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Dispatched the following Letter -

To the Honble Warren Hastings Esq^r

Governor General Council.

of Bengal

To Bengal. enclosing
Copy of the late
Correspondence
between this Govern-
ment and the
Resident at Hyderabad
with Comments
thereon -

Honble Sir & Sirs.

We have the honor to transmit you
Copies of two Letters which we lately received from
your Resident at Hyderabad & of our reply to them.

The first of these Letters is couched
in terms too vague to enable us to form any decided
Judgement as to the actual Intentions of either
of the parties mentioned in it. Tippoo Sultaun
excepted. In the other your Representative at the
Subah's Court seems in expectation of being shortly
in a predicament that may render his Conduct,
whatever choice he makes of the difficulties before
him, decisive of the future Welfare of the Company,
and under that expectation he for the first time
applies to this Government for Advice -

We think it very probable that
the Subah in the circumstances described by Mr
Johnson - finding that he must at all events lose
the Guntoor Circar, may, in the hope of entangling
the Company in his Quarrel, make a tender of
fulfilling his Engagements - whether or not the tender
under such circumstances should be accepted is a
question upon which it would be the utmost
sincerity

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30. Minorsity in us to presume to decide imperfectly informed as We are, and have ever been, of your Instructions to the Resident at Hyderabad and of the political views and plans, with which they may be connected. As far as We could be competent to judge under so material a disadvantage We have stated our Sentiments in the enclosed Letter, but in a matter of such infinite moment We should be extremely concerned were Mr Johnson to find himself under the necessity of acting upon any other Authority than the explicit orders of your Board.

We have the satisfaction to inform you that Tippoo Sultan has at the requisition of our President sent an Order to Mr Commer dien Caion to deliver up the places which he had detained belonging to the Rajah of Venkatagerry and to give him credit for the Revenues collected during the time they have been in his Commer dien Caion's possession - so that We hope the disputes on that Subject are in a train to be speedily accommodated. We enclose copies of the Letter to Tippoo and his Answer - the evacuation the Muttward on the borders of the Carnatic, is completed, and the Barrier across the Valley near Ambour opened, which has made the communication free for the return of our Inhabitants.

We

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We have had the honor to receive your letter of the 28th September addressed to the civil Department -

Our letter of the 25th Ultimo will have informed you that the whole of the Bombay Detachment (except about 200 Sick) marched from hence for Anjingo the 22^d of the same month - our only reason for not adopting that plan at first was that it appeared to us a more expensive one than that of sending the Troops by Sea. of the Sick a part were sent to Bombay lately on the Swallow -

Agreeably to your Acting Secretary's letter of the 6th Instant We have directed our Military Paymaster to furnish yours with an account of advances made here, to the Officers of your Establishment, and We shall in future observe the rule recommended by your Military Paymaster -

We take the liberty to enclose copy of another General order which we have found it necessary to issue here and request you will cause it to be published at Calcutta -

We have the honor to be &c &c

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Macartney
V^c Secy to the Gov^r

Received the following Paper
from the Committee of Stores -

At

Letter

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From the Committee
of Stores with their
Proceedings of the
30th October.

At a Committee of Stores Present
Lieut General Ross Lang
Lieut Colonel Vatricks Ross
Lieut Colonel John Kennedy (independ)
Bryan Scottney Esq^r
Lieut Colonel Moorhouse

The Committee proceed
to examine the Tents recd
from Bengal in the Ship
Alert and find them agree-
-able to the report of the
Commissary General of Stores
which they lay before the
Hon^{ble} the President
and Select Committee

Read two small
Indents from the Mount
which the Commissary
General informs the
Committee have been
copied with

Approved

Read Letter from
Mr Dep^y Secretary Chanier
desiring that in conse-
-quence of the Military
Storekeepers having objected
to the Payment of the
Copies till the Board
will

papers

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It will examine them and
report their opinion thereon
to the Select Committee -

M^r Lancelles having
sent in proposals which
he said were agreed to by
Government, but which
do not appear upon the
Records of this Committee
it is agreed that the Clerk
to the Committee of Stores
shall write to M^r Secretary
Fruman to know if the

above proposals were accepted
of by Government and that

a Copy of them as also of
M^r Lancelles letter be laid
before the Right Honble
the President & Select Com-
= mittee -

No resolution appears on

record, relative to M^r Lancelles's

proposals -

Let the Committee of Stores

settle what advances, if any,

they think reasonable on those

proposals -

The Commissary
General of Stores informs
the Committee that in
consequence of their Proce-
= dings of the 6th of July ap-
= proved by the Right Honble
the President and Select
Committee he began
dismounting the heavy
Artillery on the Works

but

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but on examining the
Cannons allotted for the
preservation of the Gun Car-
riages he found most of
them occupied by Troops
or filled with Stores. - he
begs leave to lay before
the Committee a Statement
of the expences the Company
has been at for the Gun
Carriages on the Fortifi-
cations and gives his opinion ^{to be put under cover and}
that if they are not put ^{Col. Hope & the Commissary of Mous}
under cover they will in ^{to arrange & remove & eventually}
the course of a year be ^{Stores for the Carriages. The Committee}
rendered unfit for a long ^{may contain various Articles}
^{now in the Bombproofs}

The Commissary ^{Orders in the Arsenal}
General lays before the Com-
mittee List of Stores re-
ceived from the Military
Storekeeper in August &
September, also a List of
Stores shipped on board
the Royal Charlotte and
Snow Adventurer to be
landed at Negapatam
for Trichinopoly again
the same be laid before
the Right Honourable the
President

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To President & Select Committee.

The Commissary

General of Stores lays before
the Committee a list of
ordnance & stores landed
from His Majesty's Ships
which were intended for
the Siege of the Cape of
Good Hope - Agreed to
lay the same before the
Right Honble the Pres-
ident & Select Committee
and to request their orders
regarding their being re-
ceived on the Military
Storekeepers Books -

Order to be passed

The Committee are

having examined six new
24 Pounder Garrison Trail
barriages received from the
Contractor, find them
according to Contract &
direct that they be taken
into the Company's Stores -

Approved -

Ross Lang
Patrick Ross
B. Scottney
J. Moorhouse -

Sent

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Sent the following Letters -

To James Daniel Esq^r

Chief &c Council

of Masulipatam

To Masulipatam

In answer to a

Letter received from

Thence dated 17th Ult^o

- states the opinion

of the Select Committee

in, to the dispute

between Mr Weston

& the Surgeon's Mate

of the 102^d Regt

and desires that

no Reference might

be made hither

again on this

Subject -

Gentlemen

I am directed by the Right Honble
the President and Select Committee to acknowledge
the receipt of your Letter of the 12th Ult^o -

It appears from the Acting Secretary's
Letter which you have quoted that the Select
Committee directed that Mr Weston should con-
-sue to attend the 102^d Regiment under the
Idea that the expense of a separate Hospital
would thereby be prevented - The Select Committee
therefore consent that the Detachment of that
Regiment shall be considered as under his care
till the Arrival of Mr Raine at Elloor but
not longer as Mr Raine was then the only
Surgeon appointed to that Garrison of which
the Detachment of the 102^d was the only Euro-
-pean Corps -

Respecting the Claims preferred
by the Surgeon's Mate of the 102^d Regiment, if it
shall appear to you that he ought in Justice to
have participated in any advantage arising from
the care of the sick of the detachment of the 102^d the
Select Committee authorize you to decide finally upon
the Subject and Mr Weston is to abide implicitly
by such decision -

regard

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1. M^r Weston's former Claim was by you referred to the Select Committee at his desire in consequence of M^r Gardiner's having objected to paying his Bill. and the Committee hope you did not fail to furnish M^r Gardiner with their decision upon it as signified to your Board in my Letter of the 7th May last.

The Select Committee again desire that you will settle the disputes and Claims of your Surgeons agreeably to Justice and the established regulations without reference to them.

Fort St George I have the honor to be &c. &c.
1st Nov. 1784.

Wadleston
Secretary

2 To Lieut Ruth Macalister

Administrator to the Estate of the late
Captain Macalister

To Lieut Ruth Macalister - on the subject of his Claim on the part of his deceased Brother, relative to Cloathing the 4th Reg^t of Cavalry.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honourable the President and Select Committee to send to you the following Extract from the Report of a Board of Field Officers, respecting your Application on the part of your deceased Brother, together with the Opinion of the Committee on that Extract.

"If Captain Macalister, who held
"and commanded the 4th Regiment of Cavalry, did
"cloath the Regiment for the Year in question, his
"H^{rs} is entitled to the Stoppages without further
"demonstr

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2 "demur, but if the Regiment has not been clothed,
"the Board of Field Officers is nevertheless of Opinion,
"that the Stoppages are the property of the late
"Captain Macalister's Regt. who must cloath the
"Regiment agreeable to Orders, and as to be approved
"by any Officer, who may be ordered to receive the cloathing"

"The Right Honble the President
"and Select Committee entirely approve the Sen-
"timents of the Board of Field Officers, as ex-
"posed in the foregoing Abstract, and it is acce-
"dingly agreed that they be confirmed."

The Select Committee direct
me further to inform you, that the foregoing
Report and Opinion are to be considered as an
Answer to your Letter to them of the
and therefore ^{desire} you will act conformably thereto.

Fort St George
2^d Nov. 1784

I am Sir &c &c

Middleton

Sent Letters (as ordered in the

To the Military Paymaster Genl.
enclosing to him Copy of a Letter received from Bengal
& desiring his strict Attention thereto.

To the Agent for Sepoy Cloath-

ing - enclosing Abstract from a Minute delivered
in Committee by the Commander in Chief relative
to Sepoy Cloathing, and directing him to act
conformably thereto.

To Mr. Turing

Mr. M^{rs}.

To Mr. Kingdon

At

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Wednesday
3^d Nov^r 1784.

At a Select Committee Present
The Right Honble Lord Macartney K. B.
President

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

The Minutes of last Committee
read and approved -

Read the following Letter from
Brigadier General Horne -

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

My Lord & Gentlemen,

A few days ago Lord W^m Murray
came to Arcot and in consequence of information
he had received that Captain Baird of the 73^d Regt
had traduced his Character in company of several
Gentlemen - his Lordship called Capt. Baird out -
they met and after firing their first pistols - some
conversation ensued, and the parties agreed to refer
the cause of the quarrel to the decision of a number
of Gentlemen to be chosen by each party - and then
parted - Lord William having changed his Mind
that evening again challenged Capt. Baird insisting
on terminating the Affair that Way - Col. Dalrymple
having some intimation of this put Capt. Baird
in Arrest - the next day his Lordship sent a letter
to

From Genl. Horne.
Lord W^m Murray
fights a duel, and
dangerously wounds
Lieut Waugh - J^r
Watson put under
an Arrest by Capt.
Baird, for commu-
nicating to Lord
W^m Murray some
thing Capt. Baird
had said tending
to the prejudice
of his Lordship's
Character -

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to Baird accusing him of Cowardice, & threatening to chastise him with his horse Whip the first time he met him. Colonel Dalrymple informed me of this Circumstance. I immediately directed the Acting Deputy Adjutant General to go in search of Lord William, and to put him in Arrest. Unless his Lordship would give his Parole of Honor, that he would take no further steps with respect to Capt. Baird, and that he would procure the Peace during the time he should remain in this Cantonment. His Lordship gave the Parole demandd, but confined it to the time of his remaining in this Cantonment only.

That morning previous to my sending to his Lordship he had met Lieut. Waugh of the 73^d Regt in the Street, and had struck him with the Butte end of his Whip as he rode past him. This circumstance was unknown to me. Mr Waugh that evening sent Lord William a Challenge, his Lordship refused meeting him at the place required in consequence of the Parole he had just given, but said he would meet him any where out of the limits of the Cantonment, it was settled to meet half way to Villore, where they met on Friday morning, each carrying a Second and a Surgeon also with him. Lord William shot Mr Waugh through the Arm and the Ball lodged in the Body - he was brought to Arrest, but I understand from the Surgeons there is very little hopes of his Recovery.

Lord

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Lord William after the Affair went
towards Vellore, but last night he arrived at Arcot,
and came to my Quarters to surrender himself - And
expressed a desire that in case Mr. Waugh died
he might be tried by a Court Martial - I have
ordered Guards over him at the Officers Quarters
where he resides and I request your Lordship's
Instructions how to act should Mr. Waugh die -
The cause of his Lordship's striking Mr. Waugh
I am told arose from some expressions he is
said to have made use of at the Adjutant's General's
Office reflecting on Lord William's Character.

Captain Baird has applied to
me to put Doctor Watson in Arrest, being the
Person who gave Lord William the Information
of what Captain Baird is reported to have said
prejudicial to Lord William's Character; which
Captain Baird declares he does not remember to
have said, and he has given in a Charge against
Mr. Watson, a Copy of which I have the Honor
to enclose -

Cantonment
at Arcot 3^d Dec.
1784

I have the Honor to be Sir

Mat^r Horne

Alexander Watson Surgeon in
the Honble Company's Service put in Arrest by
Brigadier General Horne on Complaint of
Captain Baird of the 73^d Regt for behaving un-
becoming the Character of a Gentleman in the
following instances - Viz^t

For,

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For propagating a Conversation
said to have passed at Captain Spudimans House
six weeks or two months ago, in which he relates
certain very harsh expressions said to have fallen
from Captain Baird highly reflecting upon the
Right Honble Lord William Murray, alleging
that Captain Baird should have said that Lord
M^{rs} Murray was a Blackguard, who was embog-
-ling the Effects of certain decaied Officers of the
73^d Regiment, with the infamous, or villainous
intention of defrauding their Heirs of the same, and
carrying the Amount off with him to Europe, or
words to that effect, which expressions, Captain
Baird does not recollect having made use of, as
above alledged, and has the greatest Reason to believe
he did not -

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Admitting that such Discourse
had taken place in a private Company at a Gen-
-leman's House over a bottle of Wine, it was highly
unbecoming the character of a Gentleman in Doctor
Watson clandestinely to report the same, at this
distance of Time to disturb the peace & endanger
the lives of those concerned, he having quietly per-
-mitted such Discourse to take place, without at-
-tempting to stop it, at least it is so alledged on
the part of Captain Baird, since he cannot
recollect that M^r Watson ever addressed him
on this Subject any more than he does his having
used any such Language at Capt. Spudimans as
has been alledged -
Arct^{us}
29th Oct. 1784

Signed / D. Baird
Capt. 73^d Reg^t The

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The President lays before the Board the following letter from Gen^l Horne to his Lordship -
To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

My Lord

From Gen^l Horne.
Lt. Waugh dies in
consequence of the
Wound received from
Lord M^{rs} Murray -
requests Instructions
how to act -

Yesterday I addressed your Lordship &
the Committee informing you of Lieut Waugh of the
73^d Reg^t having been dangerously wounded in a
Duel by Lord M^{rs} Murray, and that his Lordship
apprehending M^{rs} Waugh's life in danger had sur-
rendered himself, and desired he might be tryed by
a Court Martial if M^{rs} Waugh died -

I am sorry to inform your Lordship
that I have just received information that M^{rs} Waugh
is dead - I shall order an Inquest of Surgeons to sit
on his Body - And I request your Lordship to be so
good as to let me have the earliest Instructions how
to act in this critical Situation - Lord William
being now only on half pay, has suggested since
he has been at Arcot that he was not amenable
to Martial Law - however since the unhappy Affair
with M^{rs} Waugh, he of his own accord surrendered
himself and desired in case of that Gentleman's
Death to be tryed by a Court Martial -

Arcot

J. Horne Esq^r & Capt. P. M.

I have the honor to be &c &c

Mat^r Horne

Minus there is

The Committee are of Opinion &
accordingly agree that Copies of the foregoing Letters
be sent to General Campbell, and that he be
requested to give such directions to Gen^l Horne,
as

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as from his Situation as Commander in Chief
of the King's Troops in India from whom all
Warrants for holding Courts Martial issue, and
from the nature of the Case he may judge it
expedient -

Genl. Horne to
regulate his Conduct
with regard to Lord
Murray, by
instructions from
Genl. Campbell.

Agreed also that General Horne
be informed that he must regulate his Conduct
in conformity to the Directions, which he may
receive from General Campbell -

The following Letters being in
consequence drafted, are approved & dispatched -

To Major General Campbell

Commanding His Majesty's Forces
in India

Sir,

To Genl. Campbell
enclosing copies
of the foregoing
Letters from Genl.
Horne, & desiring
him to communicate
- case to that General
his Sentiments thereon.

We have the honor to send to you
copies of two Letters received from Brig^d General Horne
Commanding at Arcot, relative to an unfortunate
Affair that has happened there between Lord William
Murray & Lieut. Waugh, both Officers in the Majesty's
Service - you will please to give such directions to
Genl. Horne upon the occasion as from your Situation
as Commander in Chief of the King's Troops in India
for the time being, from whom as such issue all
Warrants for holding Courts Martial, you shall
think the nature of the Case may require -

We send you a Copy of the Paragraph
from the Honble Court of Directors Letter to us of the
13th July 1783 relative to Lord William Murray -
Fort St George We have the honor to be Sir
3^d Nov. 1784

Macartney
Secy. Secy. Council

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To Brigadier General Horne
Commanding at Arcot

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble

To General Horne,
advicing of the
contents of the
foragoing letter
to Genl Campbell.

the President and Select Committee to acknowledge
the receipt of your Letters of the 31st Oct^r and 1st Inst^t
and to inform you that they have judged it proper
to refer the matter on which you request their In-
structions to Major General Campbell His Majesty's
Commander in Chief for the time being, whose di-
rections must accordingly determine your conduct
with regard to any trial to be held on Lord William
Murray -

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3^d Nov^r 1784

I have the honor to be &c &c

Wm. Pitt Rivers

The President lays before the
Committee a Letter addressed to him from Captain
Cornelius Grant with his Answer, together with a
Letter from his Lordship to M^r Lind & Capt. Clow -

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney

My Lord

I had the honor to acquaint your

Lordship on the 23^d Inst^t that some of M^r Commis-
sioner Al Din's Horse had plundered 3 or 4 Villages near
Cundicoor and carried away some of the Inhabitants
I am this moment informed that they took away
the principal people of those Villages & confined them
and

From Capt. Grant
M^r Commis-
sioner Al Din
Cawn takes possession
of some Villages

near Cundicoor and
carries off the Inhabi-
tants - requesting
Instructions how
to act -

Cornelius

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and that they have left Sepoys, Pions and a Rocket
Man with a Colour in each as a Mark of Sovereign-
ty alledging that they formerly belonged to the
Manigherry Country -

The Amildar of Cundicoor having
represented that in consequence of this the country
people are very much alarmed as they have only
two Guards of Sepoys to protect them; I have this
day sent off a Semidari Party to Cundicoor in order
to quiet the minds of the Inhabitants & prevent
them from running away - I have not taken upon
me to give any orders with respect to the Villages
already taken possession of and shall wait your
Lordship's Instructions respecting them -

Nellore
28th Oct. 1784

I have the honor to be &c &c

C Grant

To Captain Cornelius Grant

Nellore

Sir

I have received the favor of your
Letter of the 28th inst referring to a former from
you of the 23^d which never reached my hands - You
have acted perfectly right in sending the Semidari
party to Cundicoor in order to quiet the Minds
of the People, and if necessary you will please to
increase it, - I have ordered every enquiry to be
made here, from the proper persons with respect
to the Villages which are pretended to belong to
Crickherry, It is proper that this point should
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To Capt. M. Grant
in answer to the
foregoing letter.

be well ascertained before any further steps are taken, in the mean time, I desire you will forward without delay to M^r Lind and Captain Cloos every Intelligence relative to this business that has happened or may occur in consequence, as they being appointed to settle other matters with Hummer and Dins. may obtain Satisfaction on this Account. You know that the Information of every transaction given by the Black people is inaccurate and always much exaggerated. I should therefore hope that this may be the case in the account of the Affair near Cundicoor, whilst I am writing this letter I am told that the Incursion of the Hore was in pursuit of some Thieves who had fled from Cumbam and taken refuge at Cundicoor and that Jogey Pandit, Tippoo's Amildar had given the order for seizing them in this manner, because the Cundicoor people would not give them up, as is the usual Custom; but of this you will be able to ascertain the Truth, and whether Jogey Pandit's people be actually now in possession of the Villages.

You will continue to send me regular Intelligence of every thing in your Neighbourhood, and believe me to be with great truth -

Fort St George
1st Nov. 1784

Sir R. H.

Macartney
To

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To Francis Lind Esq^r

Captain Barry Close

Gentlemen,

To Captain Close
 & Mr Lind, enclo-
 -sing copies of the
 two foregoing
 letters; & desiring
 them to inform
 Commr de la
 Crou, that
 taking possession
 of any Village
 by force of arms
 will be considered
 as an Hostility -

Enclosed I send you copies of a letter
 from Captain Grant commanding at Nellore,
 together with my Answer and desire you will pay
 particular attention to them in the Settlement
 of the business now entrusted to you - You are
 to tell Rummur ud Dinn that if any Injustices
 be done or any Villagers detained by us which of
 right belong to his Master, he must apply
 for them to the Government, and not take
 possession by arms as in the case of Nizicherry
 - That any thing of that kind will be consid-
 -ered as an Hostility, and that he must be ans-
 -werable for all the Consequences -

In our last letter you received
 Tippoo's Order to him - We shall judge of Tippoo's
 Sincerity, by the Conduct of Rummur ud Dinn in
 consequence -

Fort St George
 2^d Nov. 1784

I am Gentlemen &c &c

Macartney

The foregoing
 letters approved
 by the Committee

The Committee entirely approve
 the Answer, which the President sent to Captain
 Grant, and his Lordship's letter to Mess^{rs} Lind and
 Close in consequence -

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The Commander in Chief delivers in
the following Minute -

Minute of the
Commander in
Chief, recommending
some Black Officers
to the Committee
to be rewarded
for their Services
during the time
the Enemy were
Blockading Vellore.

And conceive it to be highly ne-
cessary to reward such persons, as during the
late Troubles exerted themselves for the Service of the
Company, and incurred an attachment at the
risk of their Lives, I have now the honor to mention
to the Committee the names of four Havildars who
during the time I was confined in Vellore, ran
every hazard in order to bring me Supplies of
Money from the Presidency, at times, when the
trust committed to their charge, was what I
had alone to depend upon for the support of the
Garrison under my Command, and when the
temptation to betray their Trust was very great
- Men who have uniformly behaved well in
their respective Stations and whom independent
of the singular Service performed at the period
above mentioned, have a claim to attention from
their length of Service, having been all in the
pay of the Company for fifteen Years - Their names
are -

Kullander Chawri - near twenty years Service
Fakur Mahomed - near fifteen years
Armozum Guntos - Ditto
Sardar Chawri - Ditto

Altho' it is at present rather
out of the common line of promotion, I never-
theless, when I reflect upon the essential Service
these

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these Men have performed (and which is particularly known to the Right Honble President by whom they were usually dispatched to Vellore) do not hesitate to propose their being immediately promoted to the rank of Jemidars in the Service, as a reward for those Services and being also fully persuaded that to hold forth rewards to those whose behaviour would entitle them to them is the surest mode to render them zealous Servants. I would also propose that in the General Order by which they are promoted, that it should be particularly noted that their present promotion was given them in consequence of their good behaviour during the time that the Enemy surrounded the Fort of Vellore.

A Naigue of the name of Abdul Diamond who was also employed in the same line as the above mentioned Havildar, and who was in the Enemy's Camp for the space of 23 days with Nag 500 in his charge and which he brought on in safe, being now from age and anxiety rendered incapable of active Service any longer, I would recommend that he be invalided on the full pay of an Havildar.

There are two other persons Havildars who were constantly employed in conveying money to Vellore & to the Prisoners confined in Bangalore, for whom I shall should they return again from the Mysore Country endeavor to interest the Committee, as I in a great measure was indebted to the exertions of these men for the preservation of Vellore.

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Minute Motion.

The Committee approve the recommendation of the Commander in Chief, & agree that a General Order be issued in consequence.

The President lays before the Committee (as entered hereunder) a Note received by his Lordship from the Nabob, with his Answer, together with a Letter written in consequence to Ensign Dyce with that Officer's Answer to the President, also a Letter from M^r Commissary Jackson supporting the assertions of Ensign Dyce in his vindication against the Complaints preferred by the Nabob.

Marthabur Cawn having represented,

From the Nabob to Lord Macartney, desiring his Lordship to send him a Letter for the Commanding Officer of the Fort of Rajanguddah to discontinue some Irregularities which have been committed by him -

That his Houses in the Fort of Rajanguddah are destroyed and laid in ruins by the Company's Troops garrisoned therein -

The Nagarrath they have broken to pieces & carried away the Iron work & sold it -

They are plundering the Gardens.

His Highness the Nabob requests Lord Macartney will be pleased to give him a Letter to the Commanding Officer of that Fort directing him to put a stop to such Irregularities - This Letter, if his Lordship is so good to grant it, His Highness will send by one Marthabur Cawn's own People.

To in Answer send His Highness the Letter required -

Lord Macartney presents his Compliments to the Nabob Wallajah and has the honor to send the Letter which His Highness desired for

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for the Commanding Officer at Ranjanguddah
Fort St George
15th Oct^r 1784

To Ensign John Dyce

Commanding at Ranjan Gurr

Sir,

To the Officer com-
manding at Ran-
jan Gurr, desiring
him to push a step
to the irregularities
mentioned in the
Nabob's Note to
Lord Macartney,
copy of which is
enclosed.

Inclosed send you the Copy of a
which I received from the Nabob this Morning, and
desire that in case such irregularities as are therein
complained of, have really been committed, you will
punish the guilty persons and give the strictest
directions for preventing any disorders in future.

Fort St George
14th Oct^r 1784

I am Sir &c &c

Macartney

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney
President & Governor &c

My Lord

Fort St George

From Ensign Dyce
no such irregular-
ities as mentioned
in the Nabob's
Note, were ever
committed by him,
or the people under
his Command.

I had the honor last night of
receiving your Lordship's Letter of the 14th Instant, enclosing
a Copy of a Note from the Nabob, which I am
surprised me very much, for so far have I been
from committing or allowing to be committed the
disorders therein complained of, that I have made
it my study from the day I came here not only
to avoid giving offence to any of Mootabar Khan's
people, but to do them every good Office in my power
of their and of my Innocence of those Charges. I hope
I will be able clearly to convince your Lordship.

The

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The first charge of my putting down his Houses is a most absurd one indeed, for I assure your Lordship, that I have been at considerable expence in repairing and new roofing those Houses occupied by the Sepoys and myself which otherwise would by this time been in ruins - One old Mud-house which was actually tumbling down, and threatened destruction to the Sepoys in its Neighbourhood, I at their request allowed them to pull down - As to the second Charge after expressing my Surprise how such an idea could enter into his Highness's head, I am happy to have it in my power to refute by means of M^r Jackson, who was here two days ago on his way to Trichinopoly and fortunately for me as he was going round the Fort he stopt to admire the vast size of that very Nagara my Enemies are pleased to say I have broke to pieces and sold - I have wrote M^r Jackson requesting him to clear me to your Lordship of this malicious charge - and here I cannot help observing, that as I have thus by a singular Accident been able to disprove this charge I hope your Lordship will do me the Justice to believe the whole to be equally false as it is plain that this charge is maliciously invented -

If by the Gardens mentioned in the third charge His Highness means those in the Fort, I declare to your Lordship that they are now in better order than when the Nabob had them, and I have been at the expence of fitting them with Europe Vegetables - His Gardens without the

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The Walls of the Fort, being five in number, were
when I came here full of Limes & Oranges, part
of which I offered to purchase for my own use but
the chief Gardener said he had orders from Mr. Major
Khan to supply the Company's European Officers
with what fruit he might want from his Gar-
-dens, accordingly I have been in the custom of
sending to these Gardens at different times for
Limes &c and by agreement with the head Gardener,
I always send my Sword in my Messengers hand
to ascertain that he comes from me, giving him
at the same time orders not to help himself but
to ask from the Gardener the fruit I send him for

I hope what I have said will con-
-vince your Lordships of my Innocence and of the ma-
-licious intentions of my Enemies, which tho' the
consciousness of the rectitude of my own Conduct makes
me sure, yet it gives me considerable uneasiness
to think that your Lordships should even for a moment
suppose me guilty of such mean & such unwarrant-
-able practices, an uneasiness which nothing can
compose but the satisfaction of knowing that your
Lordships is convinced of the falsity of those charges.

I shall only add that had I been
the guilty person I am represented to be by the Major
I would have merited punishment, & I cannot help
saying, that I thin to it an hardship that a man
who endeavours to blot from the Character of an inno-
-cent person should escape with impunity.

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I have now to beg your Lordship's Indulgence for encroaching so much on your time, but these cruel Apertions have so hurt my feelings that I was resolved to vindicate myself and I hope your Lordship will now look upon me as an injured Man.

Rangunghur

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

23^d Oct^r 1784

J. Dyce

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney Kt.

My Lord,

From M^r Jackson
conforming the above.

I have the honor to acquaint your Lordship that I arrived here the 22^d Instant, and presently beginning immediately on the Account of the Southern Army, commencing from the time, it was first formed.

It has occurred to me, that it will be necessary to publish in G. O. as follows -
"The Commanding Officer of the Troops stationed to the South of the Coleroon, is hereby directed to furnish M^r Jackson, with authenticated Copies of all such Orders as he may think proper to apply for, commencing from the 1st of May 1782." Should your Lordship see no Impropriety in what I think should be published, I request it may be done, as soon as possible.

In my Journey hither, I shall be a day at Rangunghur (called by some, Volconda,) at which place, I took particular notice, amongst other curious Machines, of a very large Nagara, which I was informed belonged to the Nabob & Mootabar Cawn. I beg pardon for troubling your Lordship

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Lordship with such trifles, but I am unwilling
to do so, in consequence of a Request from Mr
-sign Dyce, who is the Commanding Officer
there, and has informed me, that a Complaint
had been made against him to your Lordship
by Mr Highhouse, for having sold this very Nar-
-gara - if ocular Demonstration can have any
weight, I shall upon me to inform your
Lordship that this Complaint is not well found-
-ed, nor are the others mentioned in Mr High-
-house's Notes, to the best of my Knowledge.

Tritchinopoly
25th Oct 1784

I have the honor to be &c &c

M^r Jackson

Read the following Letter
from Captain Muirhead.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney &c.

President &c Select Committee

My Lord & Gentlemen,

I this day received a letter from
M^r Irwin, Receiver of the Revenues of this, and the
Tinnevely Countries, requesting I would detach
Sergs from this Garrison to relieve Soldiers in
the Forts of Tipperanum & Pallamerry. I have
taken upon me to do so, as I think it may be
an hurt to the service waiting for your Orders
to detach them, which I am strictly certainly
ought to have done, as those Forts were once
under my Command, and are out of the Madras
Districts

From Captain
Muirhead ad-
-vising of his
having complied
with the Request
-action of M^r
Irwin, for Troops
to garrison the
Forts of Tipperanum
& Pallamerry.

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District. I have continued the Naloli Killidars in them as before, untill I have your orders relative to them, which I hope to receive with your Approbation of what I have already done; I have for the present only sent a Native Officer and twenty men into each place; I should be glad to know if you would wish them to be further reinforced, this Garrison is very weak at present by so many of the 20th Battalion being on Command.

Madura

22nd Oct. 1784

I have the honor to be D. Y.

D. Muirhead

Agreed that Capt. Muirhead

be informed that he must attend to the requisitions which may be made by M^r Irwin for the purposes of managing and collecting the Revenues under his Charge; with respect to the increase of the Garrison in the Forts of Tippuram and Pallimery, or the removal of the Killidars he must apply to M^r Irwin and follow his directions on the Subject

Read the following Letter

from the Surgeon General

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney

President &c Select Committee

My Lord & Gentlemen,

I have been favoured this day

with your Resolutions regarding the Surgeons, & in General Orders on the 17th Instant agreeable to

Minute thereon.

From the Surgeon General recommends M^r Harris as an Assistant Surgeon for Assist; & requests that the Assistant Surgeons at the Presidency may receive an additional Allowance in consequence of the services they are rendered the necessity of increasing.

K.B

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to your directions to Deputy Secretary McChamist
as well as of the Requisition of a Recommendation for
an Assistant Surgeon for the Cantonments at
Arcot and am happy to observe an attention in
you to those of particular merit and distinguished
Services, as the most likely mode of producing
a laudable emulation throughout this department
of the Service.

In canvassing the list of Assistant
Surgeons I find only one already stationed namely
Mr Harris and Mr Boswall the former of whom
I should be happy to recommend to the honor
of your Appointment at Arcot, on account of
his ample Education for the Station, but my
entire ignorance of his Views enables me only to
submit it to you to determine whether he should
be sent there or not.

The Three Assistant Surgeons who
should here it is my duty to observe are exposed to
greater expence than those in any other Situation
in the Service, and if 30 Pagodas per month is
allowed to Assistant Surgeons in out Stations and
Garrisons, it will surely not be denied them when
it is considered that every one of them attend the
Civil and Military Officers in sick Quarters in the
Fort, the Black Town and environs - one of them
likewise is the oldest and for several years has
diligently attended the Hospital on 15 Pagodas
per month, another has linguished nearly
four Years a Prisoner in Mysore, and the third