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As the Sayer, or Custom in question never exceeded 800 Pagodas per Annum Tippoos bringing forward a claim of 2027 Pagodas Yearly on that account, it too absurd to need a comment He presume therefore, that he will not hesitate to receive from it, when the Business shall have been explained to him by your Lordship &c.

It may be necessary to repeat that the Terms which Captain Close at length judged it advisable to give into alluded to in a preceding paragraph were to discharge the amount of Shroffs &c Dews pecuniary demands by Bonds bearing Interest at the rate of 12 per Cent per Annum one half to be paid on the Spot and the residue at the expiration of two Months provided that the whole of the Bajahs Districts were immediately evacuated.

We have the honor to be with much respect — Your Lordships Gentlemen

Your most obedient humble Servants

Fran.s Lind

/ signed / B.J. Close

Vencatagherry
6th December 1784.

Copy of Letter from Messrs Lind and Close to Abraham Alley Chan at Cudapah dated at Vencatagurry 6th December 1784.

Some time ago Captain Close

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12th upon Shunnier Ud Deen Cawn at Cudapha to determine the dispute that Subsisted between him and the Rajah of Cuncataguury, but Objections having been made to the Restitution of Cocherla cottah and Surlepour, which put a Stop to the negociation he at length returned to this place— The Nabob Tippoo Sultaun being made acquainted with this circumstance, and desirous of clearing the way to an Accommodation, was pleased to transmit to the Governor of Madras, the Duplicate of an Order he had despatched to Shunnier Ud Deen Cawn declaring him to evacuate all the Rajahs Districts in possession of the Cudapah Circar— As he were commissioned by Government to negociate in behalf of the Rajah, it was accordingly forwarded to us— and We in consequence addressed a Letter to Shunnier ud Deen Cawn under [illegible] to the 31st of October, requesting that the Contents of the above Duplicate order, a Copy of which we enclose, might be speedily complied with— and Further desired that a Packet might be sent to us, either here at Rampoor or Soleveir to adjust matter finally there but he having arrived at Seringapatam, before our Letter reached

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12th reached him, has Now at the desire of the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun sent another order to the same effect, addressed to you, which will be found herein, and We make no doubt of your paying due attention to it.—

Every obstacle which occurred in the Negociation, being now happily removed We flatter ourselves it will be soon completed, and to this end, as you are entrusted with the manage: gement of the Circar concerns in the absence of Shummier Ul Deen Cawn, We gladly invite you, to join us, at either of the places mentioned in our Letter to him, as may be most suitable to your convenience, but should the Circar busi: ness, demand your constant attendance at Cudapah, you will be pleased to send us a per: son of Ability, properly authorized in order that a perfect settlement may be effected without further delay— We hope you will favor us with your Answer as early as possible.—

What can We say More.—

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

From Mr. Lindsay
Enclosing Letter to
them from Capt.
Doveton and of their
Reply thereto —

Lord & Gentlemen

This serves purposely to

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12th Cover a Letter from Captain Smart with a copy of our answer thereto. —

I have the Honor to be with Honour respect. —

My Lord and Gentlemen

Your most obedient

humble Servants

Tencatagherry
8th Decr 1764

(signd) Francis Sykes

B. Close

To Francis Lane and Barry Close Esqrs.

Tencatagerry

Gentlemen

I was last night favored with
yours of the 27th ultimo and agreeable to your
directions should any Attempt on your part be
made by the Troops of Travancore to
plunder the Inhabitants or possessors there-
of lands of any Village under my protection, I
shall use every means to repel them, and as
before instructed shall endeavor to take and
secure, as many prisoners as possible — Since
I returned from Dennaveram Pettah the
Porter Sirdar has received from the Villages 78
Pagodas, which by my intelligence of this morning
has given Durwaguntum to the great of them He

has

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Fort St George, December 1784

12th has sent his Confidential friend Cundapah to the Inhabitants threatening them with the most Severe punishment should they in future pay cash to any person but him — This has alarmed them very much, however I shall go down again myself to encourage them to remain in their habitations and shall post Strong Guards in the Villages for their protection — I shall likewise as soon as possible furnish you with an account of the loss sustained by the Inhabitants of each Village specifying the particular Claim of each Individual. — I am Gentlemen

Your most obedient
humble Servant
Signd C Smart.

Cundacoor
4th Decr 1784.

Copy of a Letter to Captain Charles Smart
Commanding
at Candicoor

Sir,

We had flattered ourselves that the appearance of your Detachment at Candicoor & the present Steps you had subsequently taken had restored that District to a State of perfect Tranquility more especially as Durivage Hamta-loo in making his predatory excursions appears

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12th appeared to us, to have acted without permission from the Cuddapah Circar it is therefore with extreme regret that We learn from your Letter of the 6th Current which arrived late last night, that the Inhabitants through the menaces of Cundapah have still cause to be alarmed, but We trust to your Vigelance and address to defeat his designs. —

As you inform us, that he is personally employed in your Neighbourhood by Durwaypuntaloo for pernicious purposes, it must have occurred to you, that the apprehend-ing Him would be satisfactory to Government We are therefore sanguine in our expectations of shortly receiving the pleasing information of his being in your Custody. —

You will observe that as We are in hopes of soon having a conference with Commissioners of Deens Representations wherein, We mean to state and complain of the conduct of Durwaypuntaloo, in particular it would be a Desirable object indeed, to be in possession of the principal instrument, he has made use of in raising and fomenting the Disturbances in your Neighbourhood —

We much approve of your

intentions

Fort St George, December 1784

Letter

12th intentions to post strong Guards in the Villages which are most exposed, and have the strongest dependance on your discretion, and ability that the Detachment will at all times be so judiciously disposed of as fully to answer the purpose for which it has been placed under your Command—

We are
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servants
Joan.d Lind
B.t Close

Vencatagherry
9.th Decem.r 1784.

/ signed /

13th Received Letter from Mr Ogilvie as entered
in the Miscellany Book No / will dispose of the
Paddy in the Garrison of Pautgar to Amboor.

From Mr Ogilvie

Agreed that Mr Ogilvie be directed to sell
off the Old Paddy and to send the Stores that are
worth Conveyance to Amboor or other Places
where they may be wanted / Vid. M. B. No

Remarks thereon

Sent Letter to Mr Palk / as entered in
the M. B. No / Inclosing Copy of a Letter
from the Committee to Col. Sullivan, re-
specting Colonel Burrie's Argument in regard
to discharging the Non-commissioned Officers.—

To Mr Palk.—

14th Received Letters from General Campbell
and Colonel Reynbold / as entered in M. B. No

From Gen.l Campbell

From Col. Reynbold

/ requesting the / proper Allowances to

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Letters

Fort St George. December 1764

14th to be granted to Colonel Fullarton and Captain Wrosbe to enable them to return to Europe—

Ordered accordingly—

15th Sent Letter to the Paymasters at Out Garrisons as entered in the M. B. No

To the Paymaster at the Out Garrisons.

directing them to remit to the Presidency before the 5th January next, the Account of Arrears due the 31st December

16th The General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors Ordered in the Committee of the 6th December to be prepared was this day signed and sent to Colonel Fullarton accompanied by the following Letter—

To Colonel William Fullarton

Sir,

To Col. Fullarton Enclosing dispatches for the Court of Directors and requesting the Committee's favor of his Invoice to the Company—

In consequence of you obliging offer to take Charge of the dispatches of Government for Europe & am directed by the Right Honble the President and Select Committee to send the accompanying Packet for the Honble Court of Directors what they request you will be pleased to deliver as soon as you shall arrive in London—

The Select Committee take this opportunity of wishing you a safe and expeditious

Journey

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16 Journey and of expressing their Sense of your distinguished Services to the Honble Company

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt
humble Servant
(signed) I Gudleston
Secy

Fort St George
16th Decem.r 1784.

To Lt. Copper

A Duplicate of the aforementioned dispatches now sent to Lieut. Copper with a Letter as entered in the Miscellany Book B

17 Received Letter from Mr Welch as entered in the St. B. No (respecting that the amount of Arrears due to the Black Troops is almost finished, when it will be immediately transmitted to the Select Committee —

From Mr Welch

Sent Letter to Mr Digby dated the 15th as entered in the M. B. No (inclosing Extract of a Letter from Col Fullarton to Lord Macartney and directing him to settle the Colonels Account as also Lieut Col. Campbells Lieut Andersons Lieut Pattersons Mr Forbes and Captains Wasebes, without delay

To Mr. Digby

B.k Received the following Letter and Inclosure from Messrs Lind & Close —

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

From Mssrs Lind and Close enclosing Letter to them from Capt Lind Smart advising of his having sent off to the Pearlfishery the two men who had been found making Pagodas to Dumagypuntales

My Lord and Gentlemen

This Morning We were favored with the enclosed Letter from Captain Smart.- We have the honor to be with much respect

My Lord and Gentlemen

Your most obedient humble Servants

Vencatghery
17th Decr 1784

Signed

Fran's Lind
By Close

To Francis Lind and Barry Close Esqrs
Gentlemen
Vencatghery

I have been favored with yours of the 3d Instant and agreeable to your directions sent off yesterday the two persons to Madras with a few lines from myself to the Governor I have reported his Lordship to you for the Sentence of their Crime for they were guilt of going to Dumagypuntales with presents of Cloth and Money — The agreement between

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18th Item and then was that the Villages of Pettalaor and Durmaveram should be called Durmaye. puntaloe they were to cultivate the ground belonging to them and to have half the annual encame, this can be proved if necessary by one hundred people — Inclosed you have an account of the Cash taken from each Village the Name of the people who were compelled to give it and of them that receive it, and the different Sirkars can make it appear that by the depredations of Summer Ud Deen people they have lost two thirds of their revenue. tion Six hundred and fifty Pagodas — I have read over and examined the Country which last year must have produced a great quantity of grain, but at present it is intirely waste — Durmayepuntaloe is still at Puddala and has been joined lately by a Jemadar Chen. naimagoraw with 250 Horse and 700 Sepoys I do not learn that at present they intend being troublesome.

I am Gentlemen

Your most obedient humble Servants

Signed C Smart

Cuddacoor
4th Dec. 1784.

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Cash Received by Cundasah from Timmanz
Comacopoly of Puttalore ... Pagodas. 15 .. ..
Do from Venkatachalam of
Mugachentala ... 20 2/4
Do from Vancana of Timmaveram ... 15 ..
Do from Nanapah of Goor Puddia ... 26/2
Total Pa. 77. 1/4

This man Cundapah is a bosom
friend of Durvaya puntaloo he resides in
Chunta about 3 Cos from Puttaloor and
has been frequently troublesome in the
Company Villages — I am keeping a good
look out for him.
Signed C. S.

Received the following Letter the
Committee of Assigned Revenue —

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

Fort S George

My Lord and Gentlemen

From the Committee of Assigned Revenue recommending a mode to be adopted for the Security of the Balances due to the Company from the different Renters of the Assigned Countries

We have been honored with your Command of the 12th Instant through Mr Benfield, on which you desire us to redouble our Exertions in recovering any Arrears that may be due

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Dear Sir

We have from the beginning of the Assignment to the present time stained every Nerve to fulfill the purposes of our Trust, and we flatter ourselves the general Success of the Collections has been proportionate to those Exertions. Whereit is considered that the assigned Districts were formed out in the midst of a powerful Invasion, and that they were let at their full praeviation, We hope that the deficiency or uncollected Balance upon the whole view of the Assignment will appear but small. Indeed we have every reason to believe that had it not been for the Reports industriously circulated respecting the intended Abolition of the Assignment, first from Bengal and lately from Europe, the Balance would have been smaller than it is, since it is evident from the Letters of Mr Lawrie the Collector at Tinnivelly, that he hasd Nobody the principal Defaulter is a man of undoubted Property, and that he has been encouraged in his obstinate Refusal to discharge his Balance by the Prospect held out to him of a speedy Restorations of the Assignment, and the consequent and very natural Hope which he entertains

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intentions that his present Conduct will in such case enable him to compound with the Nabob for the payment of a half or perhaps a third of his Debt. — But we trust and indeed are strongly induced to recommend that, whatever be the fate of the Assignment, neither Tetrapa Modely nor any other Renter who may incur Balances under it be permitted to account with any but the Company for them, and that a Resolution to this effect be generally communicated to the Renters, with an express Declaration, that no Person confined for such Balances shall be set at Liberty until the Amount of them is fully paid into the Hands of the Company.

We also recommend, if the proposed Resolution be approved, that Mr Irwin be desired immediately to communicate it to Tetrapa Modely and if he thinks it will produce any good effect, that he be instructed to carry Tetrapa Modely with him under a Guard to Tarchinopoly and keep him strictly confined during his / Mr Irwin's / stay there allowing him no Intercourse with his Family or Friends. —

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As there is a Balance due from Mayapetty Bajeva, late Renter of Palmaid for which both he and his Security Virjee Dose are under Confinement, we borrow that Captain Hope, the Commanding Officer at Palmaid/as Civil Servant being at that Place/ be desired to restrain them from any Intercourse or Communication with their Families; such a Severity being absolutely necessary from the little effect which a simple confinement however close, is found to produce upon the Natives of this Country, while they are permitted to see their Relations and Friends.—

We have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most obedient

humble Servants

Chas Oakeley

David Haliburton

Geo. Moubray

Fort St George
17th Decr 1764.

/signed/

Sent the following Answer.—

To Charles Oakeley Esqr

&c Members of the Committee of Assigned Revenue

Gentlemen

I am directed by the Right

Worshipful

To the Committee of Assigned Revenue affairing of the Mirasdars accounts

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by them in the foregoing Letter & Directing that the same be carried into Execution ——

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16th Honble the President and Select Committee to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of yesterdays date and to inform you that they much approve your proposal of publishing to all the Renters the Resolution of Government that no Renter who has incurred or may hereafter in our Balance under the Assignment will be permitted to account with any but the Company for them and that no persons confined for such Balances will be Liberated until the amount of them shall have been paid to the Company

The Select Committee in consequence desire that you will immediately make a publication to that Effect to the Renters in general of the Assigned Countries and that you also agreably to your recommendation desire Mr Irwin to communicate it to Sidrapa Moodely and give discretional authority to carry Sidrapa Modely with him under a Guard to Trichinopoly and keep him strictly confined during his stay there — the Select Committee further desire that you will cause the Instructions you recommend for Captain Hope to be sent to him —

I am

Gentlemen

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Gentlemen

Fort St George

Your most obedient
humble Servant
John Hudleston
Secry

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Signed

Wrote the following Letter

To the Honble Warren Hastings Esqr
Governor General and Council
of Bengal

Honble Sir and Sirs

We have the honor to transmit
you Copy of a Letter which we have received
from the Governor and Council of Columbo and
also a Copy of our Answer
all that has passed between this
Government and the Marquis de Bussy on the
subject of the execution of the definitive Treaty
between Great Britain and France has been com-
municated to you on our dispatches of the 13th
May and the 5th and 10th of July our latest
Instructions from the Court of Directors upon
the subject of the French or Dutch Treaties are
contained in the enclosed extract of their Letter
of the 26th September 1783 and the extracts which
accompanied their Secretary's Letter of the 3d
October

2d Bengal - Register
their Opinion and
Instruction on the
4th Article of the
Preliminaries with
the States General
relative to the
Capture of Negapa-
tam and the depen-
dencies. Inclosing
several Papers on
the Subject

16.th October following.—

You will be pleased to observe that in these Instructions We are particularly directed carefully to attend to the Stipulation by which Trincomally was to be surrendered to us.— an arrangement corresponding with them had accordingly been agreed on by our Commissaries at Pondicherry with those of M.r de Bussy and was on the point of being carried into execution when the French Commissaries produced the Letter from M.r de Cashew of which a Copy is also enclosed and declared that the orders it contained superseded all engagements which the Marquis de Bussy had entered into previous to the receipt of them

On the other hand not having received from our Employers any Information of the Agreement between the two Courts mentioned in the Letter from the Marechal de Cashew and the Tenour of it differing so widely from the late Instructions of our Employers it appeared to us that We would come to no other Resolution than that of transmitting immediately to them a relative of the circumstances that had occurred, and waiting their further Orders— We accordingly wrote

18 wrote at Large to the Court of Directors on the subject and entrusted our dispatches to the care of M.r Staunton who sailed from Pondicherry in the Coventry the 5.th August.—

We shall in all probability very soon receive the definitive Treaty between Great Britain and the States General with the final orders of the Court of Directors on the Object in the mean while We trust you will approve the measures We have taken and that you will favor us with your Sentiments on a point which appears to us to be involved in some degree of doubt— By the 6.th Article of the preliminaries the States General cede to his Britannic Majesty the Town of Negapatam with the dependencies thereof— As therefore all the Dutch Factories on this Coast to the Northward of Negapatam have been considered and denominated dependencies of Negapatam We request your opinion and Instructions whether to retain them as such or whether We are to understand the expression as meaning no more than the Lands and Villages adjoining to and immediately dependent on Negapatam——

We

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We make this application prevous to the arrival of the definitive Treaty in order that no time may be lost afterwards nor any room given to the French and Dutch to complain of delay on our part in carrying it into Execution —

We have the honor to be

Honble Sir and Sirs

Your most obedient

humble Servants

Macartney

&c &c Select Committee

Fort St George
18th Decr 1784

19th Received the following Letter from Captain Cornelius grant.

My Lord

From Capt Cornelius
Grant the two Brahmins
that Capt. St Amant
escaped in their
way to the Presidency
made their escape
Every exertion to be
made after them

I am sorry to acquaint your acquaintance your Ladyship that the two Brahmins which Captain Lennart had secured at Cundicoor escaped two days ago from the Guard under which I was sending them to Madras notwithstanding I had taken the precaution to handcuff them — On hearing of it I immediately sent and recalled the Guard and have

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14 I have punished the guilty persons with the utmost severity — I have also sent in search of the two Bramins and have given Captain Smart intelligence of it in order that he may use his endeavours to apprehend them —

I have the honor to be with the utmost respect

My Lord

Your Lordships

Most Obedient

humble Servant

C Grant

Nellore
15th Dec.r 1784.

Sent Letter to Lieut. Harry Gardon
/as entered in the M. B. No / enclosing his
Account delivered in by him to Government; and
the Articles of War, tho' not a usual thing —

20th Dispatches the following Letter —

To Mr Francis Lind
and
Captain Barry Close

Gentlemen

I am directed by the Right Honble the President and Select Committee to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 6th Instant with its enclosure —

To Mr.s Lind and Close the Committee are well pleased to find that there is a Prospect of a termination

The

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of the Difference between Cannoor Cawn and the Rajah – The Rajahs Claims for deduction from his Peishcush for the Port of Goa Gulley to be taken into Consideration – Enclosing Report of the Cawnkoy respecting the Sayer or Customs of Mangalore

The Select Committee are well pleased to observe that there is at length a prospect of a successful conclusion of the Business entrusted to you and they desire you will express to the Rajah their Satisfaction with his acquiescence in your advice and representations for his welfare and inform him that when his accounts with the Circar come to be adjusted the circumstances upon which he claims deduction for his ps hus: cavish Hand the Port of Goa Gulley will be taken into consideration – application will also be made to Tippoo Sultaun for a full discharge under his Signature as soon as the accommodation between the Rajah and his Naik shall have taken place.

Respecting the Claim advanced by Tippoo of Soyer or Customs of Mangalore it has been referred to the Cannongo agreeably to your recommendation and Enclose you Copy of his report to which you are to inform by steadily insisting every demand founded on the said Claim the right Honble the President will also write to Tippoo Sultaun on the Subject.

The Select Committee approve the Letter you wrote to Ibrahim Alley Cawn

and

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and recommend to you to continue your efforts
to effect a speedy and final Accommodation

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient
humble Servant

Fort S.t George
20th Dec.r 1784

/signed/ John Hudleston
Secy

Report of the Canongoe respecting the Sayer or
Customs of Marda. —

In the former account I gave of
the Circar of Cummum it is mentioned that
the Talook of Goculpilly is in the Purgunnah
of Marda in that Circar —

The Custom of Marda where the
Government Sayer or Customs are collected is
situated within the above Talook of Goculpelly
which for a length of time has been part
of the Jaghyre of Vellore and these Customs
belong to the Circar and are formed out
along with the said Talook to the Zemandar
of Cuncatgurry — dated the 1.st of Suffer in
the year of Heggyra 1199 / 15 Dec.r 1784 /

Mhadoo Row
Canongoe

a true translation
David Haliburton
Persian Translator

Bowanny Shunker
Sirishtadar of Canongoes
Acct.s

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To Charles Oakeley Esqr
& Member of the Committee of Assigned
Revenue

Gentlemen

I am directed by the Right
Honble the President and Select Committee to
send you Copy of the Account Current of the
Assigned Revenue in the Nellore District for
the Month of November

To the Committee of Assigned Revenue inclosing an Acct Current of the Assigned Revenue in the Nellore District for the Month of November —

I am
Gentlemen
Your most obedt
humble Servant
John Hudleston
Secy

Fort St George
20th Decr 1784

(signed)

At a Select Committee Present

The Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.
President

Anthony Sadleir Esqr
Lieutenant General Lang
Alexander Davidson Esqr
Robert Maunsell Esqr

Wednesday
22d Decr 1784

The Minutes of the last Committee
read and approved.

Read the following Letter from
the Committee of Assigned Revenue.

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To The Right Honble Geo Lord Macartney K B

President &c. Select Committee

Fort St George

My Lord and Gentlemen

We have been favored with your

From the Committee of Supply and Revenue stating the Mode to be adopted in order to secure a plentiful Harvest and requesting their Sentiments relative to the Discharge of the Boys who entered in the Company's Service Recommending that a Reward be offered for destroying Tygars there Carcases having increased of late to much as to threaten great Mischief

Commands of the 6th Instant, and in obedience thereto have called on the Renter of Arcot to state the prices of all Articles of Provision in the Town of Arcot particularly Slaughter Cattle, Sheep and Rice.

We know of no mode so likely to ensure a cheap and plentiful supply of Provisions at Arcot as giving free Access to the Vendors of the different Articles subject to no other Duties or Exactions of any kind but such as may be authorized by Government agreeably to established usage.

With respect to the Discharge of the Boys who entered as Lascars in the Company's Service for a Subsistence during the late War, we beg leave to observe it will be extremely difficult, if not impossible for those People to procure men to serve in their room but the Company need not suffer any Loss by their discharge as the Bounty Money they received in entering into the Service may be

Stopped

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stopped out of their Arrears of Pay

Herewith we do Convey that almost all the Reports from the Circuit and Stephen Districts mention the vast Increase of Tygers proceeding from the depopulated State of the Country — The Mischiefs which have been already occasioned by those Animals and the constant apprehension in which the Inhabitants live from their attacks call upon us to submit to your Lordships &c the expediency of offering Rewards for destroying them

We have the honor to be

My Lord and Gentlemen

Your most obedient

Humble Servants

Fort St George
13th Decr 1784

Signed { Charles Oakely
David Haliburton
Geo. Foubray

To the Committee of Assigned

Persons in the foregoing Letter have not been sufficiently explicit, respecting the mode of destroying Tygers with Provisions, it is agreed that Letter be written to them, desiring that they will prepare Regulations which may

obliged

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Minute thereon

oblige the Rentor to cooperate with the Commanding
Officer in such manner as may procure a plentiful
Supply of Provisions at a Price conforming at
the same time as much as the present Situation
of Affairs will admit of to the ancient usage &
as they shall have determined upon the most
equitable mode they must be desired to lay it
before the Select Committee for their Confirmation

Agreed that a Letter be also written
to the Commanding Officer at Arcot, desiring
that he will cooperate with the Committee of
Assigned Revenue, and use his best endeavours
in giving effect to the Measures which may be
adopted for the execution of the above mentioned
object

Minute thereon

The Commander in Chief lays
before the Committee the following Extract of a
Letter from Brigadier General Stone to him dated
the 16th Instant also a Letter of the 19th

Extract of a Letter from Brigadier General Stone to
Lieutenant General Sir dated Arcot 16 Dec 1784

I am informed that the Honorable
Committee has decided on the subject of
superseding the Cantonment with Arcot

from Gen Stone it is to be observed that the intended Evacuation will not be if so soon

having

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by him paid proper attention to; and therefore recommend that they be published this major Genl Campbell —

Fort St. George 22d December 1801

Having directed the Regulations of 1791 to be established here this decision instead of being satisfactory, I have the strongest reason to apprehend will meet with opposition from the Gentlemen who signed the Protest, and that as the Soldiers are acquainted with the Sentiments of their Officers on this occasion it is to be feared, that the respect due to the orders of Government, should they not will not be shewn by them on this occasion —

To avoid this inconvenience therefore I request you will move the Presidency before their orders shall be published, and as the Command will then devolve to Colonel Oppenheim more difficulty may be paid to them, should there be —

I take the liberty also of suggesting the propriety of their orders being directed to be carried into execution by Major General Campbell

I have the honor

Joseph Garrow

Secretary to the Comm.r

in Chief —

Lieutenant

Fort St George 22d December 1762

Lieutenant General Lang

Commander in Chief &c &c &c

Sir,

Notwithstanding my reference to Government on the Subject of serving the Troops with Arrack — I understand a quantity has been introduced into the Cantonment by (Deliver Colonel Dalrymples Orders) and who began yesterday to issue Arrack to the Men of the 73d Regiment from that Stock by the Quarter master Serjeant of that Corps without any information or application made to me, nor do I know yet on what terms it is issued to the Men.—

As this is a Conduct of so extraordinary a nature I think it incumbent on me to give you the earliest information of it, that should you deem it necessary to communicate this Conduct of Colonel Dalrymples to Government, it may possibly accelerate their resolutions on the subject of supplying the Troops with Arrack.—

I need not observe how prejudicial

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eal it must on the end prove to the Service of
very Individual Officer commanding a Compy
can have the Power more in hand of supplying their
Men with Spirituous Liquors No Commanding
Officer can then be responsible for preserving
good Order and Regularity in the Station he
Commands —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Math Horne

Cantonments
at Arcot 19th Decr 1706

(signed) A true copy
Joseph Carrew
Secy to the Comtee in Chief

The President informs the Committee
that, with the advices lately received from Europe
some Copies are also received of a Bill which
passed the House of Commons in July last
by which it appears that there will be a new
System or Constitution of Government for this
Presidency the other Members of Committee
having also received the same information from
different Quarters, and taking the same into

Consideration

Committee agree
that in Consequence
of the last advices
from Europe not to
proceed to the immed-
iate Execution of
the whole of their
intended Plans
of Military Retrench-
ments —

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Consideration are of opinion that it would be more expedient not to proceed for the present to the immediate execution of the whole of their intended Plans, at the same time it appears to them that there is one that will not admit of Delay which is the reduction of the Military Expences now much too heavy for the Revenue to bear.

With respect to the usual Emoluments granted by Government, and enjoyed before the War by the Officers in the Garrisons beyond the Coleroon, and by the Officers in the Circars Stationed out of the Subordinate Presidencies & also of the Cantonment at Arcot the Committee are of opinion that no diminution of those Emoluments shall take place for the present, and as the Select Committee in the General Orders of the 21st September last have directed that the Half Batta should be struck off they agree that the respective Paymasters of the Garrisons and Stations where the Half Batta was allowed as also of the Cantonment at Arcot be directed to issue an Allowance equal to it which must be paid, or accounted for in the same manner as the Half Batta has been

Officers to receive a temporary allowance equivalent to the half Batta struck off the 26th Sept. last.

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It is further agrid that the
Officers Commanding Garrisons shall continue
to receive full Batta as usual but as to all
other Charges the Gentlemen at the Subordinate
and the Paymasters be directed to use their
utmost Endeavours to retrench and prevent them

Officers commanding Garrisons to receive full Batta as usual

The Select Committee Conven
ently in Union with the Right Honble
President and it is in Consequence agrid that
Letters be written to the foregoing Effect

The Committee unanimously concur in the foregoing

Read the following Letter from
Bengal —

To the Right Honble Geo Lord Macartney
President &c Council at Fort St George

My Lord and Gentlemen

The Commander of the
Bombay Grab not being able to accommodate
all the Kings Officers and Troops at
Masulipatam with a passage and wishing
to have the party which remains there brought
to Bengal We have requested the Chief
and Council of Masulipatam to Order them
on

From Bengal advising of their requisition to the Chief & Council of Masulipatam for the troops there to be embarked on board the Grey-hound for Bengal that Vessel being wanted to convey dispatches to Europe —

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on Board the Greyhound, understanding that Vessel is Laying at Coringa unemployed and having occasion for her to convey advices to the Honble the Court of Directors.— We beg leave to enclose copy of our Letter for your information.

We have the honor to be

My Lord and Gentlemen

Your most Obedient

Humble Servants

Gen.l Dep.t
Fort William
16.th Nov.r 1784.

/signed/ { Warren Hastings
John Macpherson
John Stables

Agreed that the Gentlemen at Bengal be acquainted that We apprehend they must have been misinformed respecting the Tonnage of the Grey Hound which is much too small for the purpose of Conveying troops and would therefore be unfit for the Service which they desired her to be employ'd upon and that We had, previous to the receipt of their Letter directed the Captain to proceed to Madras immediately after the Monsoon for the purpose of Conveying our Despatches

Minute thereon

to

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you will send the Officers and Men here by
the first Conveyance and on the most reasona-
ble terms you can obtain

We are
Gentlemen
Your most obedient
humble Servants

Fort William
16th Novr 1784

(signed) Warren Hastings
&c Council —

(A true Copy) C. A. Scott?
Secry

To the Honble Warren Hastings Esqr
Governor Genl & Council
of Fort William

Honble Sir and Sirs

We have been honored with the
receipt of your Letter of the 16th Ult. but the
Grey-hound Packet is not under our orders
and we understand from private information
that the Commander has received directions
from the President and Council of Fort St
George to proceed thither immediately, We
shall therefore forward a Copy of your
Letter to his Lordship &c

We &c

(Masulipatam
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La Daniell
&c Council

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

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My Lord and Gentlemen

From Masulipatam with an application from Mr Baine Surgeon to be permitted to proceed to Bengal —

Mr William Baine Surgeon at Ellore having requested that we would apply to your Lordship &c for your permission for him to proceed to Bengal on his private business which requires his presence there we beg to know whether it is agreeable to you that his Request should be complied with —

We have the honor to be very respectfully

My Lord and Gentlemen
Your &c

Masulipatam
14th Dec 1786

(signed) J Daniell
&c Council

Minute on the foregoing Letters from Masulipatam

Agreed that a Letter be written to Masulipatam approving of the answer sent by the Gentlemen there to the Governor General and Council and informing them that the Select Committee have not any objection to Mr Baines proceeding to Bengal provided the Chief and Council are of opinion that his Services can be spared —

The Right Honble President informs

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Substance of a Letter from Mhadoo Row Thudashew to the President—

The Committee that since their last Meeting he has received the mentioned in the Peshwahs Letter from Mhadoo Row Thudashew Jentroduced in C. C. No / containing professions of Satisfaction in consequence of the Treaty of Peace between the Company and the Row Pundit Pudhaun and says before them Draughts answer for their perusal which are approved—

The Right Honble President lays before the Committee a Letter from Tippoo Sultaun dated the 9th Inst Jentered in C. C. No stating that whin Kummur ul Deen Cawn was called upon by him to explain the Complaint against him for enlisting Men at Cundcow he declared he had never sent a single Person into the Companys Districts to raise Men, and that he supposed the Sicbadar who had been taken had gone into the Bellore District through Ignorance, for which however he had been punished and orders had been given to prevent any thing of the Sort in future—

Substance of a Letter from Tippoo

Read the following Letter from Ganjam—

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

My Lord and Gentlemen

We were duly favored with
your Lordships &c Letter of the 25th of October
regarding the expediency of employing Invalid
Sepoys, instead of the Subsidies —
With respect to the Subsidy Corps
in this District the number is too small to
admit its being properly disciplined and accoutred;
that account none of the Renters or Managers
who may have occasion to apply for Sepoys to
assist in the Collections will consent to take them
As only in the Naudly or smaller Zemindaris
in which they are employed which services we are
of opinion might be very ably executed by
either Invalid Sepoys or Peons —
By the General Orders of the 16th October
the force in this District is so considerably reduced
We are apprehensive should any of the Zemindars
be inclined to be refractory the inability of
reducing them on the first appearance of disaffec-
tion may be attended with serious consequence
to the Tranquility of the Districts and by
encouraging

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encouraging others to follow their Example may afforward require as large a force to reduce them to obedience as will more than many expences on the Company — We could wish if possible to keep a body of four or five hundred Men constantly together and ready to march at a short warning, being convinced from experience that the appearance of such a force being collected in the Neighbourhood of the powerful Zemindar will have a better effect in the preserving Tranquility than a much more considerable Number of Troops dispersed or at a Distance —

By the General Orders of the 16th Oct. the Battalion is only to consist of 648 Sepoys out of which the Garrison of Ganjam alone requires a Detachment of at least 250 and pensionents of the Invalids and Coffrys consequently after deducting the number of Men about 120 generally employed in assisting the Renters & Managers in making the Collections there will only remain in Cantonments about 125 Sepoys supposing them all fit for Duty: a force in our opinion too inconsiderable to be of any use in quelling any disturbances that may arise in making the Collection —

Corneyns Manager & Governor

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and Punter of Dewcote &c. a Sergeant having
in consequence of the Season for gathering in the
Crops being at hand applied to us either to
Strengthen the Detachment now with him or to
remove the Battalion to Arka, a more central
Situation with regard to the Country under
his Management and from whence he may
more easily be reinforced with more Sepoys
should their assistance be wanted, We have been
induced after maturely considering every circum-
stance particularly the smallness of our force to
order the Battalion to Arka and have given the
necessary directions to put the Barracks in
a proper State for the reception which
ultimately, we doubt not will be a saving to
the Company, as the charge of Horse Bazar
& Officers will then be reduced and also expence
of batta paid which would otherwise be incurred
by encreasing the Number of Sepoys employed by
Coringue in the Collections

No mention being made in the
General arrangement of the Army of the Company
of Officers doing Duty in this Garrison, which
are thereby entirely destroyed, as many of
them have been a Number of Years in the
Service, and are still capable of Garrison Duty

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take the Liberty to recommend them being ordered to be inspected and such Men as may be reported deserving either incorporated with the Invalids, or retained in a distinct Body by themselves as may be judged most expedient.—

As the present Peace may be judged a favorable opportunity of putting this Fort in a reputable State of defence against an European Enemy We have directed the Engineer to deliver in the present State of the Fortifications and what other works he may deem necessary for that purpose, with an estimate of their expence, which when we receive shall be transmitted for your Lordships &c Information, and if approved, We will recommend that a certain Sum monthly be set aside for the purpose of carrying them into Execution.—

We have the honor to be with respect

My Lord and Gentlemen

Yours

J Stone
R. Munro
D Ruysell

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The Commander in Chief lays before the Board the following Memorials transmitted to him. ——

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

My Lord and Gentlemen

We the Officers in the Service of the Honble East India Company stationed in the several Garrisons and Cantonments in all the Provinces to the Southward of the River Coleroon, beg leave to address you on the subject of an Order issued by your Honble Board on the 26th. of September last, which we deem necessary here to recite. ——

"The Europeans in the Cantonments at "Arcot, and to the Southward are to receive half "dry Batta from the 1st. of October to the 1st. of January "next when all Batta whatever is to cease." ——

We should have done ourselves the honor of addressing you sooner, had not a seeming Ambiguity in this Order joined to our reliance on the Justice and Equity of your Councils made us unwilling

From the Officers to the Southward of the Coleroon & in the Cantonment at Arcot stating their Grievances in having their half Batta Struck off, by which alone they were enabled to subsist & support the Dignity of Officers and Gentlemen; and requesting in the strongest Terms a Continuance of that Allowance. ——

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unwilling to believe that a Measure of this nature could be intended at a time when we trust it will appear the Army has unexampled Claims to favor and Indulgence from Government. —

Under these Ideas we thought it expedient to address our Commander in Chief requesting that he would obtain from your Honble Board an explanation of that Order; and he in his answer having intimated "that the Honble the "Select Committee conceiving the Order alluded to, "to be perfectly clear and explicit they do not think "that it wants any explanation" —

We are now left to construe it in the most literal acceptation of its Words, and to understand from it that it is your Intention that all Batta whatever shall cease from the first of the ensuing Year. —

As this Resolution not only affects what we hold to be the Rights but even strikes at the very Existence of the Military Establishment on the Coast of Coromandel, We beg your attention to the following facts, which we think cannot fail to have much Weight: —

When the authority of the Honble Company was first established in their present

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Professions an allowance of half Batta to Officers in all Stations South of the Coleroon, and at all Ports depending on the Chiefships in the Circars was thought necessary to enable them to defray extraordinary Expences incurred in these Situations remote from the Source of Supply which so far from having been found superfluous after a length of time sufficient to ascertain the propriety of such allowance the Honble the Court of Directors in the year 1768 were pleased to grant to their Officers in general on this Establishment an additional monthly allowance under the head of Gratuity. —

It may not be improper here to observe that half Batta having been discontinued for a few Months was restored in consequence of a Statement of the Necessary Expences of an Officer calculated by the Commander in Chief and laid before the Honble Board in the year 1776 to which we beg leave to refer. ——

By that Statement you will perceive that an Ensign not on half Batta, with every possible Oeconomy, at the End of the year must be Fifty Pagodas in Debt, although

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although by such Calculation he is not even supposed to Keep a Horse, a Conveyance which we must assert to be indispensably necessary in this Climate, to enable them to keep his health and execute his Duty either in the Field or in Garrison; of this the President and Council of Fort St. George were so fully sensible that on the 29th of August 1770 they were pleased to issue the following General Order. ——

"The President and Council taking
"into Consideration the State of a Subaltern
"Officers Expences calculated at a Medium
"Rate of the chief Garrisons under this Presidency,
"as particularly set forth in the Representation
"signed by Colonel Stuart and recommended by
"the Commander in Chief to the Board on the
"19th instant, and being of Opinion that the distress
"of Subaltern Officers in particular may
"Reduce them to the necessity of employing their
"time and attention to ways and means
"inconsistent with their Characters and Stations
"Ordered, that the half Batta in those Garrisons
"where it used to be allowed be from this

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"date allowed to the Officers and Paymasters
"on this Establishment on the same footing it
"stood before the General Order of the 20th of
"February." ——

Permit us to observe to you my
Lord & Gentlemen that we have made
an accurate Calculation of the Prices of all
the necessary Articles of life at that time and
also of the prices they now bear in November
1784 and we are ready to prove beyond
Contradiction that they are now at an Average
above 120 per Cent dearer than they were at
the time the President and Council of Fort St.
George found it expedient to restore the Batta
Batta by the above orecited General Order, and
this exclusive of Imports introduced since the
Commencement of the late War, and which are
still permitted to be exacted by the ordinary
Powers subject to the British Government, on
our Necessaries passing from the Coast to the
interior parts of the Country. ——

We beg to observe my Lord and
Gentlemen that the Covenants We entered into on
embarking in this Service still binding on us,

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and certainly in proposing Counter Obligation on the part of the Honble Company were in Consideration of Allowances acknowledged to be due to the Military and assigned them by Establishment coeval with the Companys acquisition of Territory, and from the earliest period of their Government in India. —

Nothing short of these Considerations could have induced us to quit our native Country, our Friends, our Relations and every thing that is dear to Man, or to submit to an irksome and tedious Exile in a Climate pernicious to all and fatal to most European Constitutions. —

The Circumstance of Salsette having been struck off on the 20th February 1776 and again restored on the 29th of August the same year by an Act of Government for the very obvious reasons expressed in their Orders, We conceive ought not to weaken our Claims, but to give it Validity with usage and Custom, as far as may be practicable in this Country, the Virtue of a Law, and We think constitutes a Clear and indisputable

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indisputable Right to half Batta. —

But my Lord and Gentlemen were not
this the Case. The Statement of the following facts
will demonstrate that the Military have at
present a very extraordinary Claim to every favorable
Consideration from their Honble Employers. —

In times of War the Soldier is supposed
to reap his Harvest, and very liberal Sums are
overbally carried to the Credit of the Honble
Companys Military on that account by those
who may be interested in circulating such Belief,
but it is well known to those best acquainted
with the late War, that the Case has been
diametrically the Reverse, and to demonstrate
this position, we shall begin with the first
material Operation in it Viz.t. The Siege
of Pondicherry, where from an arduous Service
brilliantly atchieved by the Troops of the Honble
Company, they have not benefited a Single
Shilling. —

The Expulsion of Hyder Ally
from the Carnatic and the Southern Provinces,
was the next Operation to which the Troops
were called, and here we do not blush for the
Reputation

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reputation of the Military. At this time owing to an unfortunate System of politices, a very considerable part of the Troops of this Establishment was absent in detachment on the Malabar Coast; those remaining were scatter'd in different Detachments over an immense Extent of Country; and before they could be assembled in such Force as to deserve the Name of an Army, this Invader had spread devastation over the face of the Land, to the very Gates of Madras; After which period and under disadvantages We beg leave to state, nothing short of Roman Virtue could have saved this Country.—

Entering upon such a Theatre of War where every footstep of the Enemy was marked with devastation and famine, when from the want of a Bazar or Market, which in every War, without exception, untill the last had attended the Army and daily supplied the Individual with every Necessary of life. Officers were under the necessity not only of purchasing at Madras and other Sea ports, where only they could be had

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at an uncommonly high price, a quantity of provisions sufficient to subsist themselves and Followers during the Campaign, but also of carrying that quantity of Provisions, without receiving any Recompence for that extraordinary and unprecedented Expence — Many, either from Infidelity in the Bearers of their Baggage and provisions or Depredations of the Enemy, lost every thing except what they had on their Backs. —

These Circumstances increased Expences to such a degree, that allowances, in every Rank calculated for the Exigence of more liberal times, even with the most rigid Oeconomy, proved so very inadequate that the Individual was obliged to borrow Money at an exorbitant Interest by which the Majority are greatly involved at this day. —

The Fate of those who were so unfortunate as to fall into the hands of the Enemy, and many hereunto subscribing Come under this discreption, was melancholy beyond the powers of Language to express — without the cheering prospect of being soon exchanged or

liberated

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liberated on Parole, as is the Case in Europe, they were without exception led in ignominious Chains into Mahomedan Captivity, where in loathsome and unwholesome Prisons subject daily to every Species of the most mortifying Insult, with allowance barely supporting Nature on the coarsest Food. Numbers were violently put to death some forcibly circumcised, others beaten and whipt, and after thus lingering out three years and upwards in Fetters, it was only in the Month of April last Two hundred Officers and Eight hundred private Europeans were released from that Captivity where several of both Ranks even now detained in the most miserable State of abject Slavery, and abandoned to their wretched Fate, in all human appearance will be left to terminate their future days. —

This my Lord and Gentlemen is matter of extreme uneasiness to us, in no degree alleviated by knowing that those who survived this Cruel Captivity, and returned in nakedness to their own Nation, instead

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of Arrears due to them since their Capture, received only Twenty five Pagodas in Money, a Sum insufficient to enable them to appear in any degree like Gentlemen; And it cannot be unknown to you my Lord and Gentlemen, that those Prisoners as well as the Officers of the Army in general, have been from Necessity and unparallelled length of Arrears, for which no Interest is allowed, obliged to raise Money on Bills granted by Government for these Arrears at the enormous rate of 40 \% Cent discount. ——

From what has been said respecting the Case of these unfortunate Prisoners it will appear that the Military in this Country are in a Situation peculiarly unfavorable. ——

At the moment of writing this the Army is, at an Average, above Twelve Months in Arrears, a Circumstance unheard of before in any Service — We have been told that these Arrears are to be liquidated, but have not had the Satisfaction to be informed in what manner or when that may be expected. ——

It is strictly within the Modesty of Speech to say that no Body of Officers in any Service have ever suffered so much from the want

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want of Pay, as those in the Honble Company's Service during the late Wars, and from its — Consequences still continue to experience ——

We beg to remark my Lord and Gentlemen that our Necessities are great. the Demands of our Creditors urgent and that the younger part of the Army after selling, wearing Apparel and other Necessaries for their immediate Subsistence, find great difficulty in providing for the wants of Nature and in supplying the humble Meal for the day. —

Deprived of half Batta we shall be pinched in our every Existence, and left without the means of supporting with propriety the Stations we have the Honor to hold; under which predicament We cannot answer for that Zeal and Exertion which it may be fairly presumed have saved to the Honble Company their Possessions in the Carnatic. ——

We hope my Lord and Gentlemen that you will take this Statement of facts laid before you without exaggeration into your most serious consideration, and that from your Justice they will induce a Continuance of half Batta in those Provinces where it used to be allowed. ——

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We have the honor to be
most respectfully —
My Lord and Gentlemen
Your very Obedient
Servants. ——

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Rob.t Kelly L.t Col.o
Tho.s Bruce L.t Col.o
Rob.t Gibbings Majr.
J Bilcliffe
5 — D Muirhead Capt.n
Geo. Conyngham Capt.n
Don.d Macleod Capt.n
John Patterson Capt.n
George Clarke Capt.n
Spencer Cochrane Capt.n
Jn.o Bayres — Capt.n
Edw.d Tanner Capt.n Artillery
L.d Pocock — Capt.n
William Blacker Capt.n
Geo: Mackay Capt.n
John Judson Capt.n Artly
Jos: Johnston Capt.n Artly
Rob.t Tutt Capt.n Artly
J Baillie Capt.n
James Stewart Capt.n

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Ur. Vigors Capt.
Wm. Bruce Capt.
Archa. Brown Capt.
P. Mayne Capt.
Noble Sam.l Wright Abbott Capt.
John Slipper Capt. Artt.
Jno. Cudmore Capt.
Charles Carlile Capt. Artt.
Sho.l Dunwoody Capt.
Jack Mc. Kinnon Capt.
Thomas Knox Capt.
John Cox — Capt.
Geo: Waight — Capt.
James Oliver Capt.
Hugh Wheeler Capt.
Fra.s Torrens Capt. Lt. 9th B.n
Edward White Capt. Lt.
C. Lalande Capt. Lt.
Fra.s Cookson Capt.
Sho.l Smith Capt. Lt.
J. P. Attwood Capt. Lieut.
Wm. Anderson Capt. Lieut.
Andw. Read Capt. Lieut.
James Law Capt. Lt.
Lionel Westropp Capt. Lt.
Will Kensey Capt. Lt.
John Spencer Capt. Lt.
+ Thomas Bowser Capt. Lt.
Sam.l Jacobs Capt. Lt.
James Oram Capt. Lt.
Willm. Andrews Capt. Lt.
G: Ure Capt. Lt.

+ Sam.l Peclat Capt. Lt.
+ Jas. Whyte Surgeon
Robert Turing Surgeon
D.d Simpson Surgeon
Micol Mein Surgeon
Sho.s Stowel Surgeon
James Leslie Surgeon
Robt. Rollo Surgeon
A: Blachades Surgeon
Patk. Alexr. Agnew
Edw.d Gibbings Lieut.
Robt. Ogilvy — Lieut.
+ Archibald Gillon Lieut.
D. Evans — Lieut.
Ramsay Jackson Lt.
+ Robt. Cameron Lt.
+ Thomas Coke Lieut.
W. Hammond Lt. 2 B. 2 Regt.
A. Cuppage Lt.
Tho.s Levingston Lieut.
Sam: Jennett Lieut.
Edw.d Ferguson Lieut.
Anthony Beate Lieut.
+ D: Mc. Donald Lt.
G. Smith — Lieut.
F. O Beirn Lieut Artt.
A Bannerman Lieut.
John Cuppage Lieut.
A Hughes — Lieut.
Sho.s Dallas Lt. Cavalry
Geo: Coupland Lt.
+ Alexr. Goudie Lieut.

Willm.

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Will.m Collings Lieut.
85 Arthur Gibbings Lieut.
John Long — Lieut.
Geo: Salmon Lieut.
Thomas Stuart Lieut.
C Campbell Lieut.
90 Alex.r Macleod Lieut.
Alex.r Gordon Lieut.
Wm Orrok — Lieut.
James Horriston Lieut
William Ormston Lieut
95 John Samson — Lieut.
Thomas James — Lieut.
John Munro — Lieut.
Alex.r Grant — Lieut.
+ Harry Gordon Lieut.
100 Robt. Hall — Lieut
Lewis Imale — Lieut.
Gerard Moore Lt. Artly
Tho: Gray. — Lieut.
William Bazett Isacke
Lt Artly
105 Robt. Parkison Lieut.
Tho.s Parkison Lieut.
Jas Arr. Tanner Lieut. Artly
+ Robt. Gahagan Lieut.
Sam.l Godfrey — Lieut.
110 + Wm. Fenwick — Lieut.
Richd. Powis — Lieut.
W.m Limerick — Lieut.

James Rodges Lieut.
James O Loughlin Lieut.
115 John Baillie Lieut.
+ John Latudippe Lieut.
John Campbell Lt. Artly
John Kennedy Lt. Artly
Will.m N. Canan Lt.
Artly
120 Peter Moore Lieut.
W.m D. Dunbar Ens.n
Richd. Fillordin Ens.n
Sam.l Iston Ens.n
John Watkins Ens.n
125 Wm. Sober — Ens.n
Will.m Macleod Ens.n
George Blacker Ens.n
P. Dallas — Ens.n
John Coote Ens.n
130 John Mc. Intosh Ens.n
Joseph Bugh Lieut.
& N. Agt
Foster Dogherty Ens.n
K Webber — Ens.n
Jas. Wellwood Ens.n
135 Jas. Mills Ens.n
Tho.s Munro Ens.n
John Killeyhymon Ens.n
A Allan Ens.n
+ Henry Nash Ens.n
140 John Dyce Ens.n
Al Greenhill Ens.n
+ John Saylor Ens.n
James

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James Kirkpatrick Ens.
+John Gerry Ens.
William Oliphant Ens.
+A.w M.Cally Ens.
John Roth Ens.
B Seale Ens.
James Balfour Ens.
Alex.r Deas Ens.
Tho.s Wallace Ens.
Ja.s Geo: Graham Ens.
J Browne Ens.
+P. W Vesey Ens.
James Dunn Ens.
P Mair Ens.
Henry Blacker Ens.
Charles Godfrey Ens.
Geo: Hadow Ens.
Adam Ormsby Ens.
Lilly Watson Ens.
Alexander Orr Ens.
Charles Alison Ens.
Jn.o Stephenson Ens.
James Jones Ens.
Ronald Macalester Ens.
R.t Hansard Petry Ens.
Hamilton Hall Ens.
Roll.t Robinet Ens.
Robt. Munro Ens.
M. Scoby Ens.
Granby Sloper Ens.

Chas. Cruickshank Ens.
David Cheape Ens.
John Lloyd Saunderson Lt. of Fr. W.
John Betty Lt. of W.
Robt. Munro Lt. of Fr. W.
U Burke Lt. of W.
Benj.a Friend Lt. of Fr. W.
A M.Cally Ens.
David Ogilby Ens.
John Walton Ens.
John Hemmings Ens.
Robt. Ridge Ens.
R G Handley Ens.
Jas. Mac Gfurath Ens.
John Innes Ens.
R. Stevenson Ens.
Robt. Dunbar Ens.
James Read Ens.
James Hargrave Ens.
H. Ward —— Ens.
James Lambert Ens.
Strickland Kingston Ens.
Charles Trotter Ens. 13 B.
Jas. Cranston Ens.
Bennet —— Ens.
John Brodie Ens.
Nicol Young Ens.
John Young

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Edw.d Butcher Ens.n
Geo: Shaw Ens.n
Sam.l Crump Ens.n
Charles Sheridan Ens.n
205 And.w Joyes Ens.n
Palk Joyes Ens.n
James Noble Ens.n
Rob.t M.c Cully Ens.n
Will.m Grace Ens.n
210 Abram Jarvis Ens.n
H. Buchan Ens.n
Pat.k Cruickshank Ens.n
Hen.y W.m Radcliffe Ens.n
215 Jn.o Doveton Ens.n
William King Ens.n
T. K. Crewe Ens.n
Geo.e Davidson Ens.n
Colin M.c Kenzie Ens.n
220 Jn.o Mackae Ens.n
Harry Smith Ens.n
Burnet Rind Ens.n
William Blackburne Ens.n
George Kispen Ens.n
225 Joseph Dickson Ens.n
A. M.c Dowell Ens.n
George Everitt Ens.n
Alex.r Gordon Ens.n

Flewine Goodyer Martin Ens.n
230 John Burton Ens.n
Jno Morton Wooley Ens.n
Orlibar Thorman Ens.n
Wm Davidson Ens.n
Edw.d Stuart acting Surgeon
235 R. Trotter Agt. Surgeon
George Bell Agt. Surgeon
234 Alex.r Brown Ens.n
235 Shem Thompson Ens.n
236 Baker Fennell Lt. Fire W.
240 Th.s Munro Ens.n
Chas. Wright Ens.n
J. Fonblanque Corn.t
Thomas Homer Ens.n
George Neal Ens.n
245 Henry Coomick Ens.n
Peter Casimere Defre Lieu.t
Geo: Philips Ens.n
And.w Boyd Ens.n
Alex.r Baillie Ens.n
250 R. E. Sommers Ens.n
Tho.s Farley Ens.n
George Forbes Ens.n
Rob.t Crise Ens.n

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Ja.s Stevens Ensign
255 - Tho.s Hayes Lieut.t N. Arty
Cha.s Donaldson Lieut.t 74.th Ft

We have the honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your very Obed.t Servants

Rob.t Kelly
Lt. Col.

Tho.s Bruce
Lt. Col.e

Rob.t Gibbings
Major

Captains — 33
Capt. Lieu.ts 17
Lieutenants — 69
Ensigns — 123
Cornet — — 1
Surgeons — — 8
Asst. do — 3

N.o 13.

Those marked + were Prisoners in Mysore. and are only 18 in Number. —

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

The Memorial of the Commissioned Officers in Cantonments at Arcott. on behalf of themselves, and the Troops under their Command

Sheweth,

That, by Orders of Government lately Published

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Published the Allowance of Half Batta is to cease after the last Day of December 1784. ——

Your Memorialists beg leave to State the Distress to which they apprehend that they, and the Troops, will be reduced, should that Order take place; and therefore offer the following Reasons to the Honble Board to induce them to Continue the Allowance of Half Batta. ——

1st. From the Depopulated, and impoverished State of the Country around, consequent from the ravages of the late War, provisions of all kinds are uncommonly scarce and dear. ——

2d. That the Wages of Servants from the Scarcity of Grain are Considerably higher than at any former Period during Peace. ——

3d. That the carriage from Madras of Numberless Articles, indispensably Necessary to Officers and Men, is Expensive and Unavoidable. ——

4th. That being Cantoned in an advanced situation, their Services in the Field may be required on very short Notice, wherefore they ought to be at all times prepared for Sudden Movement, and which it will not be in their Power to Accomplish, Unless the Allowance of Half Batta is Continued. ——

Your Memorialists therefore hope that your Honourable Board, will be pleased for

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Arcott
December 16th
1784 —

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for the reasons above Stated to Continue to them the Allowance of Half Batta. —

Detachment of His Majestys 23d. Light Dragoons. —

James Affleck — Capt. Comt.
William Sage — Lieutenant
George Williams — Lieutenant
Robert Ansley — Cornet
5 — John Bangor — Cornet

His Majestys 36th. Regiment

John Knox — Major
John Cruikshank — Capt.
A. Wight — Capt.
10 John Austen — Capt.
G. Fleming — Lieut.
W. Chambers — Lieut.
Tho. Daniel — Lieut.
Jer. Delany — Lieut.
15 J. Knott — Lieut.
Cyrus Lamillure — Lieut.
G. H. Mason — Lieut.
John Crumpe — Lieut.
S. Wade — Lieut.
20 N. H. Gouldsbawke — 2d. Mate
J. Miller — Lieut.
J. Ferguson — Lieut.
D. Brodie — Ensign
Alex. Home — Surgeon
25 — G. C. Misty — Adjutant
Robert Burne — Capt.
Tho. Brownrigg — Lieut.

Detachment of His Majestys 52d. Regiment

John Henderson — Lieut.
H. M. — Lieut.
30 John Hutchinson — Ensign
R. G. Fawcett — Ensign & Acc. Adjt.
John Leonard — Ensign

His Majestys 73d. Regiment

Wm. Dalrymple — Colonel.
35 — John Elphinston — Col.
D. Baird — Capt.
J. Robertson — Capt.
J. Hamilton — Jr. Capt.
J. Borthwick — Lieut.
40 H. Sibbald — Lieut.
Lewis Mackenzie — Lieut.
J. Duncan — Lieut.
John Sinclair — Lieut.
Wm. Chr. Gorre — Lieut.
45 — G. Sutherland — Lieut.
J. Traill — Lieut.
Wm. Johnson — Lieut.
H. Cuthbert — Lieut.
M. Montyn — Lieut.
50 Dan. Bayne — Lieut.
Lewis Moore — Lieut.
G. I. Walker — Lieut.
I. Armstrong — Lieut.
Robt. Gordon — Ensign

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55 Charles Connor Lieut.
Rodk. Chisholm Ensign
J. Ot. Halkett Ensign
G. A. Cochrane Ensign
Samuel Stone Ensign
60 Wm. Horsman Surgeon
John Daley — Asst. Surgeon

Cavalry

Dugald Campbell Major Com.t
Wm. Younge — Capt.t 2d Regt.
J. Stevenson — Capt.t 7th Regt.
65 J. W. Murray Capt.t Lieut.t
Keith Macealister — Lieut.t
Alex.r Watson — Lieut.t
John Macfie — Lieut.t
Cuth.t Wilson — Lieut.t
70 J. Bowles — Lieut.t
Charles Rumley Cornet
John Leonard Cornet
John Grant — Cornet
John Stuart — Cornet
75 A. Grant — Cornet
Robt. Jno. Thredleston Cornet
Thos. Burrows — Cornet
Jno. Geekie — Cornet & Adj.t
Bernd. Delmonte Cornet

Artillery

80 John Rigault — Major
Wm. Leyb.e Lloyde Captain
R. Speediman — Capt.t Lieut.t
G. Sexton — Capt.t Lieut.t
John Davidson Lieut.t
85 Thos. Humphreys Lieut.t
John Bell Lieut.t
Richard Darke — Lieut.t & Fort Maj.r
J. G. Smith Lieut.t & Fort Maj.r
Andw. O'Beirne Lieut.t & Fort Maj.r
90 Andw. Morris Lieut.t & Fort Maj.r
Edwd. Norton Lieut.t & Fort Maj.r
Francis Gasghegan Lieut.t & Fort Maj.r

5th Battn. Sepoys

P. D. Bonnaventure Capt.n
J. Dighton Ensign & Adj.t
95 Alex.r Grant — Ensign
Charles Rand — Ensign
Henry Williamson Ensign

12th Madras Batt.n Sepoys —

R.t Brounker Capt.n Lieut.t & Comm.t
W. Th. Lloyd Lieut.t
100 John Tyrott — Ensign
J. Lawrence — Ensign
John Tolland Ensign
Jno. Smith — Ensign
George Clement Ensign
105 Samuel Hunter Ensign
Alexander Brice Ensign

Detachment 25th Madras Battalion Sepoys —

Edward Bulman Lieut.t

(signed) A. DYCE
Acting Dep.y Adj.t General

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Robt. Gordon — Ensign

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John Bell Lieut.t
Richard Barke Lieut.t Fire Work.s
J. G. Guth.t Lieut.t Fire Work.s
And.w O Beirne Lieut.t Fire Work.s
90 And.w Morris Lieut.t Fire Work.s
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2d Madras Batt.n Sepoys —

R.t Brounker Capt.t Lieut.t Comm.t
W. H. Lloyd Lieut.t
100 John Tyrott Ensign
J. Lawrence Ensign
John Hunt Ensign
J.s Leith Ensign
George Clement Ensign
105 Samuel Hunter Ensign
Alexander Brice Ensign

Detachment 35th Madras Battalion Sepoys —

Edward Bulman Lieut.t

(signed) A. DYCE
Acting Dep.t Q.r Mas.r General

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From the Kings & Company's Officers at Ellore —

To Major Robert Cheshyre Commanding the Cantonment at Ellore —

Sir

From the Kings and Company's Officers at Ellore or the same as the forgoing —

At the time the Orders of the 26th day of September respecting the Batta was issued, we confess we were much alarmed at the prospect of being deprived of so great a part of our subsistence, but supposing Government did not mean by it what we understood, and that it would afterwards be differently explained, we have suppressed our uneasiness 'till now that the period of it taking place is near at hand —

It being a matter of the utmost importance to our future existence, we take the liberty of requesting that you (as our immediate Commanding Officer) will communicate these our sentiments upon the subject to Government

As the Company's affairs are probably so affected by a long and expensive War, as to make economy in every department necessary and prevent the continuation of many advantages that were formerly enjoyed by the Military —

Yet we cannot suppose they are at so low an ebb as to justify the depriving us of the right we have to our accustomed allowances, which

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were granted to us by the Honorable Company when every article necessary to our maintenance was at all a much more reasonable rate than at present, and being now barely sufficient for that purpose, cannot (without destroying us) admit of any diminution. — Altho' there are some Garrisons where half Batta is not allowed, it is well known that Officers in those stations (however frugal) are under the necessity of contracting debts without which they could neither support the Character of Officers or the appearance of Gentlemen, and which by a subsequent removal to half Batta Garrisons they are enabled to discharge —

The Honorable Company are certainly indebted in a very essential manner to their Troops for the extensive dominions they have acquired in India, and to those on the Coast in particular for their late exertions and unwearied perseverance, in protecting the Carnatic under every hardship that could be endured in the field, and at the risk of falling into the hands of a savage Prince who might deprive them of their Liberty for ever —

Such a reflection inclines us to think it never

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could be intended that the Men who have been so instrumental in preserving the Co.s Company from Ruin, should bear alone the weight of their misfortunes; whilst others Servants of the Company enjoy their full and usual allowances.—

The following does ourselves the honor of laying our sentiments before you on a subject which so nearly concerns our future welfare & we have to request (should the Representation meet with your approbation) that you will be pleased to second it with such Arguments as will draw the attention of Government and prevent the evil Consequences to us, which may arise from adopting a cruel & measure—

We also request you will assure Government, that nothing disrespectful is intended by this, and that we place the greatest confidence in their regards to equity and Justice—

We have the honor to be

with Respect

Sir

Your very Humble Servants

The Kings and Company

Officers

in the Cantonments of

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Ordered to lie on the Table —

Read a Letter from Major Genl. Campbell (entered in M. B. No.) dated the 21 Instant enclosing the following Memorial —

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

The Memorial of the Officers of His Majestys 78th. Regiment and of His 14 & 15th. Hanoverian Regiments, at present Serving to the Southward of the Coleroon —

The following Clause in G. O. of the 26th. September Viz.) "The Europeans in "Cantonment at Arcot and to the Southward, are "to receive half dry Batta from 1st. October to the "1st. January Next, when all Batta Whatsoever "is to Cease" / has been Considered as expressing the "Intention of Government to deprive Officers in "Certain Situations of a Material part of their "Established Allowance, and has given rise to a degree of Alarm proportioned to the Evil that threatens them. — Presuming that it could be as little the Inclination, as it is the Interest of Government, to Oppress or injure so Useful and Respectable a Body, as the Military Officers in

From General Campbell; enclosing a Memorial from the Officers of the 78th. Regt. & 14 & 15 Hanoverians complaining of the Intention of Government to deprive them of their just rights; and couched in Terms expressive of their determination not to permit the same to be taken from them, by any Authority short of that of the Court of Directors —

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in this Service, Hoping you will first endeavour to ascertain, that the Order was only Alarming in Appearance, & from the ambiguity of its expressions; but to use respectfull demand for an explanation of its meaning. If you thought proper to give such answer; as leaves the Army in the necessity of supposing the worst, & makes an Application for Redress an Act of duty to themselves, and to all their Successors in the same Circumstances of service —

With becoming respect to those of the Officers of His Majesty's 73d Regiment, and of His 74th and 75th Hanoverian Regiments, now serving in the Southward of the Coleroon, in their own behalf — as being at present equally concerned in the Subject with the Honble Company's Military Officers — and in Cooperation with those Officers, whose Interest & Safety & rights they are as follow — Soldiers bound and disposed to support, — Take the Liberty to represent —

That the Allowance of Half Batta to Officers serving in time of Peace to the Southward of the Coleroon, is as much as

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Matter of right, as long prescription can
confer it. —

That the reasons for which it was
at first established, Subsisted, —— Since, in
so much greater force, That should exist the
power of taking it away by any Authority Inferior
to that of the Court of Directors the acknowledged
the Choice of the present time would render
the execution of it utterly unexpedient. —

That the Allowance was granted
many years ago when the habits of Mankind
Life were less expensive than they now are,
and expressly in order to Counterbalance the
effect of distance from the Europeans Markets
on the price of many Necessary Articles —
A Circumstance that remains still Unaltered. —

In 1776 when the Country was in the
most flourishing State and when all the
Necessarys of Life were in Abundance, The same
Experiment now Intended was made, but after
a Short Trial was by a Resolution of the
Honble Board declared hurtfull to the
Service, as it Induced Officers to the Neglect
of employing their time and attentions to ways and
means inconsistent with their Characters and Stations.

General Order, 29th August 1776 —

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At Present, when the Habits of Expence are greater than ever — when all the necessarys of life are more than doubled in their price — when almost all the Army are labouring under the effect of Debts in the Course of Unfortunate Service, or under the pressure of Debts, incurred for a person that need not be mentioned to the Honble Board — At such a time to make so large a Reduction in an Officers allowance, would be to bring difficulties upon all, and upon the Subaltern Ranks, real and Unavoidable Distress —

Upon this Subject it were easy to enlarge — But the Honble Board are no Strangers to the Truth of what is here hinted at in General, — nor from their Situation, the Army expect that their Representations, when duly weighed, will render further Remonstrance unnecessary —

That your Memorialists are not insensible to the distresses of Government, They hope to have evinced by the Patience with which, after the Meritorious Example of the Honble Company's Officers, they accommodate themselves to the difficulties arising from irregular Payments, and at length of Arrears Unknown in any Service But in this

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Secretary for the Publick Dispatch they cannot
forget that part; or if they could be induced to
do so. It must be for some Consideration of important
Advantage to the Honble Company: not such as
can be expected from the petty Saving that would
arise from the Reduction proposed by the Order,
for the rescinding of which, this Memorial is
respectfully offered to the Honorable Board—

11th December 1784—

George MacKenzie Lt. Colo
Majr 78th Regt
R. Lumsdaine—Capt. 78th Regt.
Hugh Frazer Capt. 78th Regt—
Chas Glendonwyn Capt. 78th Regt.
5 Tho. Mackenzie Lieut. 78th Regt.
G. Innes—Lieut 78th Regt
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John Mc Innes Lieut 78th Regt.
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10 Jn. Macpherson Lieut 78th Regt.
Geo Gordon—Lieut 78th Regt.
Wm Stewart Lieut 78th Regt.
A. Edmonstone—Lieut 78th Regt.
J. A. Stuart—Lieut 78th Regt.
15 Patrick Duff—Lieut 78th Regt
W. Wallie—Lieut 78th Regt.
Jas. Wemyss Lieut 78th Regt
J. Young Lieut 78th Regt.
Jno Stuart Ensign 78th Regt.—

20 Dn Auley Engr 78th Regt.
R. Southerland Adjt. 78th
G. Stuart Surgeon 78th Regt
Jas. Balfour Assistant
Surgeon 78th
A. C. Honey Major of
15th Hanoverian Regt
25 Jos. Droge—Capt of
14th Ht. Regiment
G. Lexfelott Capt
of 15th Regt—
Capt. G. Koney of
14th Ht. Regt
John Nolte Lieut
15th Ht. Regt.
John Glat Lieut.
15th H Regt.
30 G. Isenbert Lieut. of
14th Ht. Regt
J. L. Hauptman Lieut.
15th Ht. Regt.
10 Abanschildt—
Lieut. of 14th Ht. Regt

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that ever existed - he may justly be ruined
in consequence of this obeying those positive Orders
which at various times gave him for the
issuing of Monies from the Sumbrill - which
if he had attempted to refuse would have
proved him ignorant of his duty & would have
had no effect because the exigency & hourly
necessities of Service are such in many
instances that I must in that event have
enforced such issuings as to me appeared necessary.

Mr Jackson I understand still
declares that he knows nothing of a Mr Sullivan,
Nothing of me. Nothing of any Southern
Staff & of Sam rightly informed in some
instances disputes the existence of Officers as
belonging to the Southern Army. Who have
been in the field with us during the whole
War. I have appeared on the face of every
Return I transmitted to your Lordship and the
Board - Had I ever suspected it was the
pleasure of your Lordship & the Board, that
the daily & current issuings of Money in the
Army should never have taken place excepting
by a specific & detail Order of Government.
I should assuredly have endeavored to fulfill

your

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Your intentions with the same willingness of
spirit which I have ever wished to testify in
respect of all your instructions — Although in that
event your Lordship cannot suppose it should
have been possible to have conducted the business
of the Army One Week in that mode — when
all the collective efforts of Civil & Military to
the Southward, with every exertion of their private
credit & Public endeavors were supposed by able
Judges to be inadequate to support the execution of
those operations which were accomplished —
As Mr Jackson seems to regulate his Conduct
entirely by the book of Regulations I should hope
at least that the Latitude in certain cases held
forth in that book will be held as
applicable to the situations of an Army in
the Woods of Annamalay as in any part of the
Carnatic for which latter service I presume they
are more particularly intended — In order to spare
the painful necessity which falls to my lot of
troubling your Lordship with these unpleasant
statements, I beg request that you will give
directions for absolving Mr Degby or any other
Person with the Southern Army from any respon-
sibility or embarrassment for such Expences of Mes
or other official acts as were done by my express
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Order while in Command to the Southward —

For it will be a Matter of Much satisfaction to me. of all transactions originating with me be stated personally & directly to my own account — making me answerable with my Life, — + Characters & fortunes to for every act in the Army while I commanded it — Mr. Digby urges me for a specifick Answer. Order & endorsement on the following points. —

1st for the issuing of all Extra Sums by my Express order. Whether for Staff Allowances under the Sanction of the Board. Working Money. Casual Purchase of supplies for the department of Stores. Pioners Engineers Aduances to Officers & Troops —

2.nd For the hire of Bullocks that were employed in bringing Rice from Dindygull valley on the restitution of that fort to Tippoo, as well as for those bullocks kept up for the Commissary of Stores department at Warriore & for all other necessary service of the Army. — Agreeably to the latitude of my instructions — the necessity of Service & the practice of all Armies in similar cases. —

3.rd Respecting those bullocks which at my

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urgent entreaty & desire, were purchased and employed in the Service by several Officers of Battalions & departments at a time when our means of conveyance was actually inadequate & when they were enabled to move only by the exertion & Zeal of Individuals —

4th For the Field allowances to the Southern Army for the Month of May 84 — Notwithstanding the G. O. of Government on that subject which could not apply to the Troops necessarily continued in the field on Service. Several of the Corps remained in the Dendegull Country & in our own Provinces collecting Grain for themselves & for the Troops encamped on Trichinopoly Plain during the Months of June, July & August — Those Corps are therefore undisputably entitled to field allowances by the book of regulations — & if the continuation of those Corps in the field so long should appear improper I presume that I & I only am responsible to the Board for continuing them in a situation which entitles them to those Allowances — Neither do I conceive that the Conduct of the War nor the Distribution of the Troops nor my measures for executing the Intentions of your

Lordship

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Lordship & the Board are under the Audit
of Mr. Jackson — who certainly appears to
conceive himself the Controul as well as the
Auditor of the Southward —

I request your forgiveness My
Lord for the uncomfortable disquisitions
contained in this Letter, I can assure it is
my earnest wish and endeavour at all times
to remove difficulty or inconvenience as far
as in my power from your observation —
but in the present Instance I should be
guilty of flagrant neglect to your Govern=
ment & injustice to the Southern Army
& to myself, if I did not solicit from you
such pointed orders on the Subject of the
Southern Audit as may ensure equity to
all parties concerned —

I have the honor to be with
the greatest attachment & Respect —

Your Lordships most
faithful and Obed.t Servant

W. Fullarton

Agreed

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17th Dec.r 1784

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Minute on the foregoing Letter —

Agreed that a Letter be immediately written to Colonel Fullarton observing that the System of the Service & the Company's Regulations must be the general rule to be followed by the Paymaster charged with the Audit of Military Accounts, that the Committee are sensible it is impossible to provide by General Regulations for extraordinary & unforeseen Emergencies, & that in such Cases, a discretionary Power is allowed to Commanding Officers when on actual Service; & his orders, when the necessity of the Service requires a Departure from the Regulations, will be admitted as a Warrant for passing extraordinary Payments, but cannot be a sufficient Voucher of itself to the Paymaster for the particular Charges made under those orders, for, if a Commanding Officer on an emergency directs an extraordinary number of Bullocks to be purchased or hired, the Paymaster, as his Voucher must not only produce this order, but must shew that the exact Number charged was

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was actually purchased or entertained for the Service. —

By this System hitherto practised Mr Jackson must be governed in auditing the accounts, he has authority to pass disburse= =ments made in Conformity to the Military Regulations, or by virtue of special Order from Government. the other cases the Contingency must appear to us. If if there be any Permission, or after approval of Government, (tho no special Order) to support it, that permission or approval must be stated, and will be considered as equivalent to a special Order by which means sufficient Vouchers will be obtained for the actual expenditure; and where any Vouchers have been lost by unavoidable accident, & impossible to procure, the Oath of the party may be admitted in lieu thereof as has been the practice in Similar Cases —

The giving the Paymaster any thing in form of an indemnification or acquittal upon any part of his accounts before they have under gone the usual Examination would be

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a Proceeding without example. For the System of the Service is reasonable, the Shadows of an objection cannot with Propriety be made to

The Committee have directed Mr. Digby to confine his Payments for the Present to the Subsistence since the 31st August which is absolutely necessary until the accounts are made up, & they know exactly the amount of the Demands upon them; All the Sums than founds to be due on the different Accounts of Bullock hire, Stores &c. will be liquidated, & the speediest method of Payment adapted, according to the facilities of the Company. —

The Committee have not as yet in any respect, had cause to censure Mr. Jackson, & if he has deviated from his Instructions, the instance should be pointed out. Being appointed to audit the Southern accounts it is his Duty to object to unauthorized, or unusual Charges, but with respect to a mitigation of the Rigors of the System it must rest with Government only, which certainly will act in a liberal manner,

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when the occasion requires, & the Companys Affairs will permits. ——

Agreed that the Substance of the foregoing be inserted in the Letter to Col. Fullarton. ✱

Read the following Letter from Mr Sulivan and Colonel Fullarton. ——

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

Fort St George

My Lord & Gentlemen

The desire of elucidating by every means in our power the Accounts of the Southern Expenditure & of expediting the examination of them, induce us to request that you will be pleased to direct the Auditor appointed for the examination of those Accounts to apply to us for Information upon every subject on which he may just it necessary. ——

We have the honor to be, with Respect. &c. ——

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(Signed) L. Sulivan
W Fullarton

✱ From Mr Sulivan & Col. Fullarton, requesting that the Auditor of Accounts to the Southward may be directed to apply to them for Information relative to the Accounts of the Southern Expenditure ——

Agreed

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Ordered accordingly —

Agreed that Mr. Jackson be desired to apply to Mr. Sullivan and Colonel Fullarton for information respecting the accounts of the Southern Army whenever he may find it necessary. —

From the Payr. at Vellore —

Read two Letters from the Paymaster at Vellour Dated 14th & 15th Instant (as entered in M. B. No. 53. 60) the former stating, that he had received 500 Barrels of Gun Powder & desiring to know whether this last supply, or what was before in Store should be first used, the latter informing the Board that there has not been Soldiers Cotts made or repaired for a Year past at Vellore, & Requesting to Know whether he might make them up as usual upon the Quarter Masters Indent applying also for 250 Bayonet Scabbards. —

Agreed that Mr. Ogilvie be informed that the Inspecter of Stores must determine which Powder must first be used, & the Committee consent to his making up Cotts, conformably to the usage

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Proceedings of the Committee of Stores 11th Dec.r 1784 –

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At a Committee of Stores held at Fort St. George 11th December 1784

Present

Lieut. General Lang
Lt. Col.e P. Ross
B. Scottney Esq.r
Lieut. Col.e Jos. Moorhouse
Lieut. Col.e John Kennedy Absent

Read a Letter from Mr. Secretary Hudleston desiring that, as it was the Intentions of Government to withdraw the Garrison of Chittumbrum, the Committee would distribute the Ordnance & Stores in that Garrison in such manner among the Southern Forts as to them might seem most expedient —

The Committee on examining the Return from Chittumbrum, are of Opinion, there is nothing

nothing there which can be of any Service to the Southern Garrisons, except the Gun Powder, which they recommend to be sent to Tanjore, & the other Stores they think it adviseable to be kept there, under a small guard of Sepoys, until Cuddalore shall be restored when they may be sent to that place in Boats at a very trifling Expence — As there are the remains of several unserviceable Gun Carriages belonging to the Company in Store / a List of which it is agreed to lay before the Right Honble Presid.t & Select Committee / the Board recommend that they be broke up & the Iron work brought into the Company's Stores as usual. There is likewise a number of Pondicherry

The Powder to be sent to Tanjore by the first good Opportunity. —

Approved

Price

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Prize Carriages, which are daily growing worse, from being exposed to the weather, & being totally unserviceable, the Committee recommend them to be sold for Public Outcry for the benefit of the Captors. —

Approved to be sold for the Company's till we receive Orders. —

(Signed) Ross Lang, P. Ross, B. Scottney, I. Moorhouse.

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From Mr. C. Baker — Read Letter (as entered in M. B. No 49 Dated 13th Instant with an account from Mr. Charles Baker, stating that, as Attorney for Mrs Hewish Executrix to her late Husband William Hewish he begs leave to request the Payments of Pagodas 820. 30. — due to the Estate of the late William Hewish from the Company —

Minute thereon — This claim being properly authenticated & not having been discharged, it is Agreed that a Bond be granted for the Amounts —

From the Surgeon General — Read a Letter from the Surgeon General (as entered in M. B. No. 64) Dated 18th Instant reporting, that Mr. Robotier is perfectly

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perfectly recovered & in Mr. Andersons opinion likely to stand field Service. —

Mr. Rebotier restored to the Service. —

Agreed that Mr. Rebotier be in consequence restored to his former Rank in the Service. —

Read a Letter from the Paymaster at Arcot Dated 19th. Instant / as entered in Mo. Bs No. 671 / requesting the authority of the Committee to pay Ensign Dighton, his Bills for Subsistence &c. during the Months he was suspended from the Company's Service

Minute thereon —

Agreed that on account of the particular Circumstances of Mr. Dightons Case, Mr. Welch be allowed to pay the abovementioned Bills. — Letter to him in Consequence / Vide M. B. No)

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Read the following Letter from the Committee of Assigned Revenue, with its enclosure / which is entered in the M. B. No

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

My Lord & Gentlemen,

We have the honor to enclose for Your Information. Copy of a Letter from the Renter

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From the Committee of Assigned Revenue enclosing a Representation from the Renter of Trinomalee, & recommending the same to the Consideration of the Committee. —

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Renter of Trinomalee representing that Depre=
=dations are Committed in his Districts by
Colleries from the Tanjore Country and
from Warriore, Pollam, & with submission we
beg leave to Recommend that a Garrison be
stationed in the latter place, as the only means
of Keeping the Polygars in Awe —

We have the honor to be.
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most Obed.t
humble Servants

/signed/ Charles Oakeley
D: Sillaliburton
G. Moubray

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Minute thereon —

Ordered to lie on the Table

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22 Agreeably to the Resolution passed this Morning in Committee the following Letter are dispatched

To Brigadier General Horne

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 21 November, and the 2 Instant with their several inclosures.

It is at all times matter of Sincere Concern to us, to Observe any appearance of dissension between his Majestys and the Company Officers, we consider those in either Service as those Honourable most forward to prevent or remove such dissension as the truest friends of their King and Country.

We Observed therefore with Satisfaction and Astonishment the immediate Attention which you gave to the Letters Addressed to you by the Officers Commanding his Majestys Corps at Arcot, and the General Order you issued in Consequence.

We observe also of the prohibitions which

To General Horne
Approving of his Conduct relative to the Dispute with the Kings Officers regarding the Disposal of Arrack
The Troops to be supplied for the future with spirituous Liquors by Contract

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22d which You published the 3d. Instant,
Against the Laying of duties on Grain
or provisions brought in to the Bazar,
however Sanctioned by long usage or
military Authority. Those measures
Strongly Denote Your Disposition to
Accomodate and Satisfy the Troops,
and We trust they will entertain a
Due Sense of it.

With respect to the Sutlers erecting
Tarrack for your Cantonment, in Order
to prevent all Discontent or misun-
derstanding in future We have deter-
mined to leave the Troops unsupplied
with Spirituous Liquors by Contract
and in Consequence have ordered Adver-
tise to be published here for receiving
Proposals for doing so at the Cheapest
~~Cheap~~ rate. This will effectually remove
every Shadow of Complaints or irregu-
larity.

We are &c.

(Signed) Macartney To

Fort St. George
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To Colonel Fullarton

at

Porto Nove

Sir

To Colonel Fullarton in relation to the Accounts of Mr. Digby Paymaster to the Southern Army now under Examination by your Commissioners

We are to acknowledge the Honor of your Letter of the 17th Instant addressed to our President relative to the Accounts of Mr. Digby late Paymaster of the Southern Army now under examination, upon which we beg leave to observe to You, that the Systems of the Service and the Company's Regulations must be the general Rule followed by Mr. Jackson & every other public Officer charged with the audit of Military Accounts. We know it is impossible to provide by general Regulations for extraordinary and unforeseen Emergencies in such Cases therefore a discretionary Power is allowed to Commanding Officers while on actual Service — And his Orders where the necessity of the Service requires

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29. requires a Departure from the Regula-
tions will be admitted, as a Warrant
for issuing extraordinary Payments, but
cannot be a sufficient Voucher of itself
to the Paymaster for the particular Char-
-ges made under those orders For Ins-
-tance if the Commanding Officer
directs an extraordinary Number of
Bullocks to be purchased or hired
upon any Emergency, the Paymaster
as his Voucher must not only pro-
-duce the Order but he must shew that
the exact Number charged was actually
purchased, or entertained for the Service
Such is the System hitherto
practised, and such is the System by
which alone the Accounts can be
governed in auditing the Accounts
Whatever Disbursements have been
made in conformity to the Military
Regulations, or by virtue of Special
Orders from Government, he has authority
to

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22 to pass— But in all other Cases the Contingency must appear to us, and if there be any Permission, or after Approval of Government (tho' no special Order) to support it, that Permission, or Approval should be stated, and will be considered as equivalent to a special Order.— The Meaning of Government in this respect being only to obtain sufficient Vouchers for the actual Expenditure, and where it appears that any Vouchers have been— lost by unavoidable Accident, or impossible to procure the Oath of the Party may be admitted in Lieu thereof, as has been the practice here, in similar Cases

As to giving the Paymaster any Thing in the Form of an Indemnification, or acquittal upon any part of his Accounts before they have undergone the usual Examination, such a Proceeding would be without Example— We have already explained the System of the Service, which is so reasonable, that— tho

4529 Fort St. George. Decemb.r 1784

22 the Shadow of an objection cannot with
propriety be made to it

Orders were sent to Mr. Digby
to confine his payments for the present
to the Subsistance since the 31st. August
and to issue no other Money without
special Permission. This is absolutely
necessary till the Accounts are Made
up. and We Know exactly the Amount
of the Demands upon us All the
Sums Above ferred to be due on the
different Accounts of Bullock Store,
Stores &c. will be liquidated, & the pre-
-sent method of payment adopted accor
-ding to the Facilities of the Company
Nothing has come before us to
justify any Censure upon Mr. Jackson
If he has deviated from his Instruc
-tions, the Circumstances should be investi-
-gated We have appointed Jones to Audit
the Southern Accounts It is his duty
to object to unauthorised, or unnecessary
Charges & Mitigation of the Rigor of

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22 of System rests only with Government,
which certainly will act in a liberal
Manner, where the occasion requires, &
the Company's Affairs will permit it

We are &c.
(Signed) Macartney

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December 22 1782

22 Dispatched the following Letters

To Eyles Irwin Esqr.

Sir

The Select Committee having
received information, that some Dutch
Men have lately settled themselves in
the Factory House at Kolcary. I am
directed to desire you will signify to
them that we have not yet received the
Definitive Treaty between Great Britain
& Holland, nor the Company's Instruc-
tions thereupon, altho' we daily expect
them & that therefore till that time, we
are not Authorised to restore it to them,
however we wish to shew every Attention
on our part, to renew the Ancient
friendship

To Eyles Irwin;
some Dutchmen
having settled
themselves in the
Factory House
at Kolcary, are
permitted to
remain there
provided they do
not dispute the
rights of Posses-
sion, till it can
be regularly ceded
to them

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22 friendship between our two Nations —

They may be permitted to remain in

the house on condition of their not assu-

— ming any of the Rights of Professions,

till it can be Regularly ceded to them —

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I am Yours &c.

(Signd) John Huddleston

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To Brigadier General Horne

Commanding the Cantonment

at

Arcot

To Brigadier General Horne directing him to prepare such Regulations in Conjunction with the Committee of Assigned Revenue as may secure a plentiful Harvest at Arcot, conforming as much as possible to the ancient Usage

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble the President & Select Committee to desire that you will in Conjunction with the Committee of Assigned Revenue, & the Renter prepare such Regulations as may secure a plentiful Supply of Provisions at Arcot, Conforming, (as much as the present Situation of Affairs will Admit) to the Antient Usage, & after having determined upon the most eligible Mode, You will

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I am directed to submit it to the Select Committee for their Consideration, I am further directed to Signify to you that a Letter to the foregoing Effect has been written to the Committee of Assigned Revenue,

I am Yours &c.

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(Signed) John Huddleston
Secy

To Charles Oakeley Esqr
&c. Members of the Committee of
Assigned Revenue

Gentlemen

I am directed by the Right Honble the President & Select Committee to Acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 18th Instant, and to inform you that your answer to my Letter of the 4th not being sufficiently explicit respecting the Mode of supplying the Garrison at Arcot with Provisions as hereafter been specified by you the Select Committee desire you will prepare such Regulations as may oblige the Renter to cooperate

To the Committee of Assigned Revenue advising of the Contents of the preceding Letter and desiring them to act in Conjunction with Government and the Renter to Carry the Same into Execution

Same

ing

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Co-operate with the Commanding Officer at Arcot in such a manner to secure a plentiful supply of Provisions, Conforming at the same time as much as the present situation of Affairs will Admit, to the Instant Usage, & after You shall have determined upon the most eligible Mode the Committee desire You will report it to them for their Confirmation.

I am directed further to inform You that the Commanding Officer at Arcot has been informed of the Contents of this Letter & that he has been desired to use his best endeavors in giving effect to the Measures which may be adopted for the execution of the above mentioned Object.

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I am Your &c
(Signed) John Huddleston
Secy

To James Daniell Esqr.
Chief &c Council
at
Masulipatam

I am

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To Masulipatam
with Raine per
mittee to proceed
to Bengal —
When answer
to the Governor
General &
Council respec-
ting the Grey
hound approved
of Colonel Braith-
waite appointed
to the Ellore —

Their

I am directed by the Right Honble
the President & Select Committee to —
acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of
the 11th Instant & to inform You that they
Consent to Mr. Raines proceeding to —
Bengal provided You are of Opinion (
which You have not signified) that his
Services Can be Spared —

I am directed further to inform
You that the Select Committee have Recei-
ved Your Letter of the 8 Instant with the
Enclosures & approve the Answer sent
by You to the Governor General & Council
The Select Committee have —
appointed Colonel John Braithwaite to
Command the Garrison of Ellore
I have the honour to be &c

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23 December 1788

(Signed) John Huddleston
Secy

Sent Letters) as entered in the M.
(B. Gr.) To Captain Anderson Com
manding the Greyhound directing him
To Captain
Anderson of the
Greyhound
to Return thither with his Vessel as soon
as possible —

To

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To the Reverend
at Pondicherry

To Mr. Hoisford, Enclosing Letter
for Colonel Fullarton at Paris, Mess, to
be forwarded immediately by Land

From Mr. Thomas Welch requesting to Know if the Committee are desirous of being furnished with an Account of all Arrears whatsoever in his Department — Answered in the Affirmative Vide (Mr. B. Book)

24th Dispatched the following Letter

To Mr. Thomas Welch
Paymaster
at
Arcot

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honorable the President & Select Committee to inform You that as in a very short Time they expect from England a new System or Constitution for the Presidency Conformably to a Bill passed in the House of Commons in July last they had determined not to proceed till its Arrival to the Execution of the whole of the Plans they had formed

But

To Mr. Welch, a new System or Constitution being expected for this Presidency, till it arrives, are allow ance is to be made to the Officers in the Carnatic Council at Arcot equal to the half Batta drawn off the 26th Sept. last

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2d Tho' there is one that will admit of no Delay which is the Reduction of the Military Expences, now much too heavy for the Revenue to bear — I am however to acquaint you, that with Respect of the Officers in Cantonment at Arcott it is not Meant that any Diminution of their Emoluments should take place for the present & therefore the Committee direct that until further orders an Allowance be made to them equal to the Lea[d] Batta, directed to be struck off by the General Orders of the 2d 6 Septr. last, and to be paid or accounted for in the Same Manner Officers Commanding Garrison are to receive full Batta as usual; but as to all other Charges, every Endeavour must be used to retrench and prevent them —

I am Yours &c.

(Signed) John Huddleston Secy.

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Mr. Thomas Palk
Paymaster at Trichinopoly &c

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To the Paymaster at Sangore Secretary, Madura Palamcottah & Warriore informing them that as a new System or Constitution is Expected for this Presidency Conformably to a Bill passed the House of Commons in July the Committee direct until it arrives an Allowance be made to the Officers beyond the Colerroon equivalent to the half Batta struck off the 26th September last

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble the President and Select Committee to inform you that as we a very short time they expect from England a new System or Constitution for this Presidency, conformably to a Bill passed in the House of Commons in July last they had determined not to proceed till the Arrival to the execution of the whole of the Plans they had formed. But there is one that will admit of no delay, which is, the Reduction of the Military expences now remain too heavy for the Revenue to bear. I am however to Acquaint you that with Respect to the usual Emoluments granted by Government, and enjoyed by the Officers in the Garrisons beyond the Colerroon before the War it is not present meant to lessen them and therefore the Committee direct that till further, an

Allowance

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2d Allowance be made to such Officers — equal to the half Batta which was struck off by the General Orders of 26th September last & to be paid or Accounted for in the same manner as the half Batta has been. — Officers — Commanding Garrisons are to receive full Batta as usual In all other points you are to use your utmost endeavors to retrench all expences Whatsoever —

I am Sirs &c.

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(Signed) John Shannon
Actng Secy

NB the same to all the Paymasters South of the Colroone

To James Daniell Esqr
Chief & Council
at
Masulipatam

Gentlemen

I am directed by the Right Hble the President & Select Committee to inform you that in a very short time they expect from England a New System or Constitution for their Presidency, Conformably to a Bill passed

To Masulipatam Vizagapatam and Ganjam as the preceding Letter but the Officers stationed in the Circars part of this Establishment

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2d Received on the House of Commons in
July last they had determined not to
proceed further in the execution
of the whole of the Plans they had formed
last Year is one that will Admit of
no delay which is the reduction of
the Military Expences and Must be
too heavy for the Revenue to bear, I am
however to acquaint you that with
respect to the Officers of the Circars,
Stationed out of Masulipatam, Gan-
jam & Vizagapatam, it is not Meant
that any Arrangement of these Establish-
ments should take place for the pre-
sent, & the Select Committee therefore
direct, that no Allowance until fur-
ther Orders be made to them equal
to the Half Batta directed to be
struck off by the General Orders of
the 26 September last & to be paid
or Accounted for in the same Manner
as the Officers Commanding
Garrisons

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2d Garrisons Are to receive full Batta as Usual, but as to all other Charges I am directed to desire you will use every Endeavour to retrench & prevent them, & the Select Committee desire you will communicate the contents of this Letter to the Paymasters in your District Accordingly

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

The same to Colonel Russell Esqr
Chief & Council
at
Vizagapatame

The same to
John Maxwell Stone Esqr
Chief & Council
at
Ganjam

To the Honble Warren Hastings
Governor General & Council at
Fort William

Gentlemen

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To Bengal inform
ming them that
the Greyhound
had been ordered
to return hither
from Coringa
in order to convey
Dispatches to the
Honble Court of
Directors and
that she is to —
sail as soon as
Troops to Bengal may

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Letter of the 16th Ultimo, in which you
inform us of your having written to
the Chief & Council at Masulipatam
desiring that the Greyhound may
be dispatched to you with the Remain
-der of the Bengal Troops, whom the Boun
-dary
Prab had been unable to Accom
-modate.

We apprehend you have been
well informed respecting the Tonnage
of the Greyhound, which is much too
small for the purpose of Conveying —
Troops & could not therefore execute
the Service you designed for her; &
we must beg leave further to inform
you that previous to the Receipt of
your Letter Directions had been given
to the Captain to proceed to Madras
for the purpose of conveying our —
Dispatches to Europe, and this Con
-veyance is more particularly Necess
-ary

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2d Necessary to us since notwithstanding our reiterated Request that you would direct the Commanders of the Packets which you might from time to time send to Europe to Call here for our Dispatches you have not been pleased to give such Directions, which would have rendered it some times unnecessary, to dispatch a Seperate Packet from this Presidency —

We understand from the last Advices from Calcutta that the Surprize Packet was under Orders to proceed to Europe immediately, And, as you have not Communicated to us your intentions respecting her, We apprehend she will not touch at this Settlement —

We have the honour to be &c.

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(Signed) John Macartney
Holroyd
Cornwallis

Sent Letters (as entered in Vol B.
To Mr Commissioner Jackson &c) To Mr Commissioner
Jackson

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2d Jackson, and Mr. Kendall Digby,
enclosing Copy of the Committee's Letter
to Colonel Faulkerton of the 2d Instant.

To Mr. Kendall Digby

To Mr. Faulkerton enclosing two
Letters for Travah, to be forwarded by
Horse —

To Mr. Ogilvi, Paymaster at Vellore,
informing him that the Inspector of
Stores at Vellore must Decide what
Bandies ought to be once first Cotts
to be made use by him, agreeably to
the Quarter Master's Indent, & the
charge of the Service to attend to the
Military Storekeeper General for
Bayonet Scabbards —

To Paymaster at Vellore

At a Select Committee Present
The Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.
President
Friday
24th December Anthony Sadleir Esqr
Lieutenant General Craig
Robert Maxwell Esqr
Mr. Davidson absent

Minutes of last Committee
read & approved

The Board now take into
Consideration

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General Horrocks Letters relative to his Dispute with the Kings Officers on the Cantonment at Arcot about Arrack now taken into Consideration

Consideration the Letter from General Horne of the 21 November & 1st Lieutenant Cantord inc Com: the 6th Lieutenant also his Letter of the 11th & 19 Inst Cantord inc Com: the 27 Inst and After particularly Adverting to the 4th Section of the Articles of War, inc Advise no Attacks for Supplying the Garrisons & Cantonments with Spirituous Liquors which will not be liable to objection & to the probable Cause of Occasioning Men Desarters with the Kings & Companys Officers Unless the Committee Should Contract for the Same for which case every Abatement of Consumption will be reserved

The Committee to Contract for Arrack for the use of the Troops

Agreed Therefore that and Advertisement be Published, expressing that the Committee will receive Sealed Proposals on or before the 15th January next for supplying by Contract the European Troops at all the Out Garrisons & Cantonments on the Coast with the best Batavia Arrack for the Term of one Year Commencing the 1st February next the Quantity to be agreed

Advertisement for supplying the Troops belonging to this Establishment with Arrack by Contract

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issued to each European not to exceed two Drams pr. Day, and each Gallon to have two Drams for which, ready Money is to be paid by the Troops at the Time of receiving them —

The Proposals may be either for the whole of the Out Garrisons & Cantonments on the Coast Collectively or separate for those in either of the three Divisions of the Coast, namely, the first Division including from Palamcotah to the Colerroon, the second Division from the Colerroon to the Kistnah, and the 3d from the Kistnah to Ganjam —

If a War should break out before the Expiration of the Year (as in that Case the Europeans who go to the Field will as usual receive their Drams from the Company the Arrack belonging to the Contractor in each Cantonment or Garrison from whence Europeans may be ordered to the Field, or such Part as may be wanted in proportion to the Number of Europeans with Drams to

to

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be taken by the Company at the Contract

Price

The Committee to grant to the Person
or Persons contracting, the exclusive Privi
ledge of selling Arrack to Europeans,
And positively to prohibit the Sale of any
Description Liquors in any Garrison
or Cantonment, or which no Liquors to
be permitted to enter excepting what may
be for the private Use of the Officers stati
oned thereon

Scale of the Black Troops and
Followers or Servants on the Cantonments
& Garrisons who are Batta'd Arrack
to be permitted to purchase at the
Contractor, and of Rice only at the Con-
tract Price, subject to such Regula-
tions may be Established by the Com-
manding Officers to prevent Irregula-
rities

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The Committee taking into
Consideration the Conduct of the Officers
who signed the late Memorials entered on
the Records of the last Committee Are

of

This Conduct of the Officers who signed the late Memorials taken into Consideration

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of Opinion that it is highly reprehensible
The same must
is deserving of particular Animadver-
deserve censured of
sion if the Subalterns of the Army are
Censurable for signing this Memorial.
what Name shall be given to the Con-
duct of the Field Officers, some of whom
not only sent their Names to the Paper,
but all of whom must have been
wanting in those exertions which they
the field Officers ought to have made on the first appear-
in particular highly culpable
ance of a Combination, since they
Could not have been ignorant that it
is the particular duty of Officers of
Rank to watch over Carefully the slight-
est appearance of discontent or faction,
& to use the most effectual Means to
suppress it —
The Commander in Chief Con-
curs entirely in Opinion with the
The Commander in Chief entirely
Concurs in the sentiments above
expressed by the other Members of
the Committee
Committee, respecting the Censure, —
which the Conduct of some of the —
Field Officers has desired, Particularly
Lieut. Col: Kelly, who has headed the
first

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List of Subscribers to the Memorial from the Southward

The Right Honble President in Consequence professes that Letters exprss of the Sentiments of the Committee to be written by the Commander in Chief to Lieutenant Colonel Kelly to Brigadier General Horne, & to Major Cheetham (by whom three Memorials were transmitted to General Abercromby) which Letters being drafted by the Secretary are entered here under

To Lieutenant Colonel Kelly

Sir

As a new System or Constitution of Government for this Presidency is expected in a short time (conformably to a Bill passed in the House of Commons in July last) the Select Committee had determined to postpone any further discussion of the Plans they had formed, but there is one that will admit of no delay, which is the Reduction of the Military Establishment

The President proposes that a Letter be written by the Commander in Chief to the Field Officers who transmitted the Memorials to him

From Genl. Abercromby to Colonel Kelly Officers to receive an equivalent equal to the Half Batta struck off the 26 Septr last his Conduct in signing & transmitting the Memorial highly approved to be always careful in suppressing every Appearance of Discontent or Faction

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Expences, now made to bear for the
Revenue to bear — I have however author-
-ity to acquaint you that with respect to
the usual Emoluments granted by Govern-
-ment, and enjoyed before the War, by the
Officers in the Garrisons beyond the
Coleroon, it is not at present meant to
lessen them, and the Committee have
in consequence directed that until fur-
-ther orders, an allowance be made to
such Officers, equal to the Half Batta
which was struck off by the General
Order of the 26th September last and to be
paid or accounted for in the same man-
-ner as the half Batta has been. Com-
-manding Officers of Garrisons are to
receive full Batta as usual, but as to
all other Charges, every possible endeavour
must be used to retrench and prevent
them. The Memorial signed by you
and the other Officers to the Southward,
has been ordered to lie on the Table
Before I quit this Subject I
must

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must Sir make a few observations on the part you have taken on this Occasion, and express to you my disapprobation of your Conduct, which has been unjustifiable and unmilitary; and I must besides inform you that the Select Committee concur with me in holding you exceedingly culpable in having permitted, encouraged assisted, and transmitted to Government such a Protest, as the Letter from the Company's Officers to the Southward.

The Quest and the Imputes of such a Proceeding, on Officers of a certain Rank (who cannot pretend to suffer Inconveniences of which the Subalterns complain (and the ill effect to be apprehended from it, ought to have stared you in the Face, upon the first mention of such an Idea, and I cannot too strongly impress You with the sense, which Government entertains of your Conduct upon this occasion.

I must further add that I expect for You cannot be ignorant that it is your

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Your Duty, and that of every Commanding Officer as to do) You will watch carefully over every Appearance of Discontent, or faction, and use the most effectual — means for suppressing it and if it shall appear that your best exertions in these Cases are not used, You may be assured that Government will Consider you, and every commanding Officer, or — others, failing in this respect as un — qualified to fill Your and them Stations, and responsible for the mischiefs which may accrue —

I am Yours &c.
(Signed) Ross Lang

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To Brigadier General Horne

Sir

Genl Lang to Genl Horne on the same

As a new System, or Constitution of Government for this Presidency is expected in a short time) — conformably to a Bill passed in the House of Commons in July last (the Select

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Select Committee had determined not to proceed until the arrival to the succession of the whole of the Plans they had formed; but there is one that will admit of no delay, which is the reduction of the Military Expences, now much too heavy for the Revenue to bear. I have however authority to acquaint you that with respect to the Officers in Cantonment at Arcot, it is not meant that any Diminution of their Emoluments should take place for the present and therefore the Committee have Directed that until further Orders and Allowance be made to such Officers, equal to the Half Batta which was struck off by the General Orders of the 26th September last, and to be paid or accounted for in the same manner as the Half Batt is to have been. Commanding Officers of Garrisons are to receive full Batta as usual, but as to all other Charges, every

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every possible endeavour must be used
to retrench and prevent them — The
Memorial transmitted from Arcot —
has been ordered to lie on the Table —

Before I quit this subject
I must express to you the Displeasure
of the Committee at the transmission
of the Memorial and I confess I per-
fectly concur with them in thinking
that if the Officers of a certain Rank
who have Signed it (and cannot pre-
tend to suffer the inconveniences of
which the Subalterns complain) had
properly exerted themselves, such a Com-
bination, as appears to have formed it
might have been prevented, and the
Contents communicated in a Different
manner — You will therefore most carefully
watch over any appearance of dis-content
or faction & use the most effectual means
for suppressing it and assure every Officer
under

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under Your command sailing in three
Point. That he will be considered as
unqualified to fill his Station and
responsible for any mischief that may
arise

I am Your &c.
(Signed) Ross Lang

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To Major Cheshyre

Sir

As a new System or Constitu-
tion of Government for this Presidency
is expected in a short time (conformably
to a Bill proposed in the House of Com-
mons in July last) the Select Com-
mittee have determined not to proceed
until its Arrival to the execution of the
whole of the Plans, laid proposed, but
there is one that will admit of no
Delay which is the reduction of the
Military Expences, now much too heavy
for the Revenue to bear. I have however
authority to acquaint you that with
respect

Lieut. Ross Lang to Major Cheshyre on the carrying the Board will at a future Day resume their deliberations upon such steps as may be necessary to take with regard to the Officers who have signed those Memorials &c.

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respect to the Officers in the Circars stationed out of Masulipatam, Vizagapatam and Ganjam, it is not meant that any Diminution of their annual Emoluments should take place for the present, and the Committee have therefore directed that until further Orders an Allowance be made to them Equal to the half Batta ordered to be struck off by the General Orders of the 26th of September last, and to be paid or accounted for in the same manner

Commanding Officers of Garrisons are to receive full Batta as usual, but to all other charges every possible endeavor must be used to retrench and prevent them - The Memorial transmitted by you from the Officers at Ellore has been ordered to lie on the Table.

Before I quit the Subject I must express to you the severe displeasure of the Committee at the transmission of the Memorial, and I confess I perfectly concur with them in thinking that of you and

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and other Officers of a certain rank (who cannot pretend to suffer the inconveniences complained) had properly exerted Yourselves the Combination which appears to have formed it might have been prevented and the contents communicated in a different Manner. The strong impression of it and the ill effects to be apprehended from it ought to have struck You on the first Limit of such a Measure. You cannot be ignorant that it is Your Duty and that of every Officer to watch carefully over the slightest appearance of faction or discontent and to use the most effectual means for suppressing it and if it shall be found that your best exertions are not used in such cases, You may be assured that Government will consider You and every Officer failing in this respect as unqualified for their Stations and responsible for all the Mischiefs that may arise

I am Yours &c.
Signed Ross Lang
Recd

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Read the following Letter from Mr.
Commissioner Jackson

To John Chanmier Esqr.
Deputy Secretary to the Select Committee

From Mr. Commissioner Jackson requesting Instructions on certain Points relative to his Departure—

I have duly received Your Letter dated the 15th Instant— containing a Copy of an Extract of one from Colonel Stuart— dated the 26th September 1783 with its Enclosure, and the Answer of the Select Committee thereto, dated the 17th October 1783.

As You have been pleased to inform me, that upon Application I should be furnished with Copies of all such Orders and Instructions, as the Select Committee may have sent to the Southward, I beg leave to avail myself of their Permission, And to request that You will— acquaint the Right Honble President and Select Committee that Captain Byres of the Engineer Corps, has made an Application to me to pass some— Accounts belonging to him, which—

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were incurred whilst he Served with the Southern Army And Amongst other Bills he has presented Several Abstracts for Pay to a Body of Pioneers, consisting of one Hundred And Sixty Non Commissioned and Private — upon my requiring of him, by what Authority he had entertained them, he has produced a Letter from Colonel Fullarton bearing Date the 4th of February 1781, in which the Colonel acquaints Captain Byres, that As it was likely the War would be renewed, he desired him to raise two or three hundred Pioneers with all Expedition independent of those under the Command of Lieut Cunningham; being unacquainted with what Orders the Select Committee may have given to Colonel Fullarton regarding the making any Addition to a Corps established by their Direction at the Commencement of the late War, I am to request

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request, You will furnish me with a
Copy of their Instructions to Colonel
Fullarton on this Head — And as it
will greatly expedite the Business, I am
now employed upon, I am further to
request, that You will inform me,
whether the Select Committee ever
Authorized Sulivan Mr. Jackson the Resident
at Tanjore, to make civil Appointments
with the Southern Army, or to give his
Sanction for the Payment of Charges
which he thought proper, I am induced
to make this Application in consequence
of my having Observed in the Accounts
of the Paymaster to the Southern Army,
Payments made by Order of Sulivan
Sulivan Esqr. as if the Powers of the
Select Committee were delegated to him
I have likewise been informed by Mr.
Digby, on my questioning him about
forging certain Charges in his Accounts,
that he was directed to do it, by that
Gentleman — I hope the Right Honble
President

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President and Select Committee will be pleased to give Directions, to furnish me with Copies of those Instructions to Mr. Peter Sullivan as far as relates to the Subject. I have now addressed to you —

I have the honor to be &c.

Signed W. Jackson

Commissioner of Accounts

Warriore
18th Dec. 1784

The following Answer being drafted by the Secretary & approved, is ordered to be dispatched —

To Mr. William Jackson
Commissioner Accounts

Sir

Letter to Commissioner Jackson without Explanation of the Points required by him in the foregoing Letter —

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 18th Ult. to inform you that the Orders of Colonel Sullivan where in the Chief Command to the Southward desiring the War Must be Considered when proceeded, and which must be prosecuted for the Inspection of Government as sufficient Authority to Cashiere Bypres —

for

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for entertaining the Nos of Pioneers which the Colonel for the Service but the Committee are at a loss to understand how the Captain Byrne became the Paymaster if it were judged expedient by Colonel Scullarton to direct the raising of an Additional Number of Pioneers those Men when raised were doubtless Mustered by the proper Officers, after which pay may have been drawn for them According to the Customs of the Service - The Select Committee therefore desire you will procure satisfactory information on these points. After which you may pass the Accounts

With respect to Civil Appointments Made by Mr Sullivan I am directed to inform you that as the means of Communication by Land between the Presidency & Sangor were during the War almost constantly interrupted it was thought expedient to empower Mr Sullivan to use a discretionary authority

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authority & to employ his assistance &
Mr Orton in such Manner as would
best carry on the Service Without waiting
for the special Orders of the Committee
but as the the Select Committee from
the Situation of Affairs at that place
have entrusted the Resident of Tanjore
with the power of making there Assignment
-ments & ordering particular Disburse-
-ments necessary for carrying on the
Service they expect you will not pass
any Accounts, unless you shall be
well assured that the Payments were
Actually made & the Sums Charged
Really disbursed for which purpose
you will Cause Vouchers to be procu-
-red and if there should be particular
Cases where they have been lost &
unavoidable accident or where there was
an impossibility of procuring them
in which Circumstance you must
yourself be well convinced, in such
Cases the Parties Claiming Must
take

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take Oath of the truth of the Charges made & the Select Committee hereby Authorize you to Administer it.

It would be a very difficult task to send you all the Orders which were given to Colonel Fullarton during his Command to the Southward & Copies of the Directions which were at different times transmitted to Mr. Sullivan as it would include almost are whole Correspondence with him these Orders & Directions were Occasioned as the varying exigencies of the Service required However I shall endeavor to furnish you with such of them as you may particularly point out The points most essential to ascertain will be Actual expenditure of the Sums Charged & the Certainty of their having been employed according to the Orders given.

The Select Committee desire you will apply (when you may think it necessary) to Colonel Fullarton, and

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and to Mr. Sullivan for information respecting the Accounts of the Southern Army in many Cases they will be able to assist you in liquidating them

I am Yours &c.

(Signed) John Chamier
Acting Secretary

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Read the following Letter from the Commissary General at Fort William

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

My Lord and Gentlemen

From the Commissary General at Fort William requesting to be furnished with an Account of Arrears due to the Kings Troops sent from hence to Bengal

Several Detachments of His Majs Troops having arrived at this Presidency & having presented various Claims for Arrears of Pay &c. Contingent Allowances, without producing Certificates of the Periods to which they were paid up by the Governments, under which they served and it being impossible to adjust their Accounts accurately without ascertaining what was due to them & they left either of the Coast Garrisons to

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to request the Favour of you to desire the
proper Officer to furnish me as soon as
possible with the most complete & parti-
cular informations in his Power respecting
the Troops already sent or to be sent to this
Place by your Government, and it will
add greatly to the obligation, if you will
be pleased to direct a Memorandum to
be sent to me of the Amount of the Pay
& Allowances of each Rank for one Month
distinguishing that was considered by
your Government as payable by His
Majesty out of the £2.000 — Stipulated
for each Regiment of 1000 Men from
what was payable by the Company to
each Officer & Soldier, in Order to put
them on a footing with the correspon-
ding Ranks upon your own Establish-
ment — I take this opportunity of
returning to your Lordship the my best
thanks for the information communi-
cated to me in your Secretarys Letter of
the 7th of January last which has been of
great

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great use to me in Auditing the Accounts
of Bengal Troops serving on the Carnatic

I trouble you with a Memorandum
of further differences between the
Statement of Fort St. George Allowances
furnished by Sir Eyre Coote & the Seapoys
&c. not noticed by Colo. Wilson in the
Remarks of the 20th of November 1783

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signed) John Murray
Commy General

Commissary
General's Office
Fort William
29th Nov. 1781

Ordered to lie on the Table

Read the following Letter from
Colonel Stuart with Proceedings of a Com-
mittee for invaliding & pensioning
lodged in the Office

To John Huddleston Esqr
Military Secretary &c &c

Sir

Enclosed I have the Honor to
transmitt to you the Proceedings of a
Board that Sat at Trichinopoly the
2nd for Invaliding the Aboo-
Commissioned Officers and Privates of
the 2d Battalion of Sepoys Which

From Col. Stuart enclosing the Proceedings of a Board of Officers for invaliding Sepoys and requesting to know what to be done with those Sepoys who are unfit for

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for any Duty—
And with the
Capt. Cunningham
& Ensign Ole-
phant are to be
tried—

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I request you will lay before the Right Honble The President and Select Committee

The 73d Battalion were Collecting Grain in the Trichinopolly Country when the Board sat at this place last September for Invaliding the Native Troops to the Southward, and never Received the Orders, Which made the ordering of the present Board Necessary on Account of that Battalion only—

I Observe by your Letter of the 8th that as many of the Invalids to the Southward as are fitt for any Duty are to be Sent to Negapatam and from thence to Madras for Shipping when the Weather will permit— What does the Board Choose to have done with those who are not fitt for Some time ago I had the Honor to transmitt to you Copys of Crimes given in Against Ensign William Alexander One of the 73d Madras Battalion and Ensign Olephant of the 73d who Layd before the Right Honble the President And Select Committee—

Colonel.

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Colonel Kelly on his Letter of the 12th Inst.
me that Captain Conyngame And En-
-sign Oleophant had Settled their Busi-
-ness and Wished to have the Charge
With drawn this Board not Consent
to having Reported / Be so good as to
inform the whether the Right Honble
the President &c. desire to have those
Gentlemen Dismissed

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signed) J. Stuart

Tanjore
December the
19th 1791

The President Lays before the Board
the following Extract of a Letter from
Lieutenant Dyce to his Lordship

Extract of a Letter from Lieutenant Dyce
to Lord Macartney dated Runjen Ghur
14th December 1791

My Lord

I had the honor of addressing
your Lordship on the 23 of October last
by which I hope I have cleared myself
of those charges brought against me by
Motabar Khan. who has since done
me the honour of writing me Kind of
apology

From Ensign
Dyce to the
President mentions
that Motabar Khan makes an
apology and
sends him a
Draft

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apology, accompanied with a present of
Tea, Sugar and Sweetmeats

The President Lays before the Com-
mittee Several Letters & Papers relating
to his Lordships Letter to the Governor
General & Council dated 11th October —
from this Department which are ordered
on the Minute of the Civil Depart-
ment, & which he requests may be
also entered on these Proceedings

(Duplicate)

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

My Lord & Gentlemen

We have repeatedly called upon
you in the course of these last two
years to furnish us with Authentic
Accounts of your expected annual
Receipts and Disbursements, also of
the Arrears due to the different Depart-
ments under your Presidency both Civil
and Military but are Concerned to observe
that

From Bengal, repeating their requisition for an Account of all Arrears Civil and Military due to this Establishment and positively instructing their Government from Drawing more Bills on that Presidency

this

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that you have hitherto neglected to send them. We are now to acknowledge the receipt of a Letter from the right Honble Lord Macartney under date the 18th inst. — not accompanied by Accounts as apparently intended to be those applied for, but those bear no Authentication nor if they did could We receive such a Communication from your President alone as — official Authority —

The Amount of your Drafts between the 1st January & 31st October including the five Lacs of Specie sent by the Lizard, (called the Sum of Sixty five Lacs of Rupees — It is Impossible for this Government any longer to support such enormous Drains from its own Resources to the ruinous of your Presidency alone, and particularly as when your Neglect of our repeated Orders leaves us totally unacquainted with the real Extent of your Wants & consequently precludes Us from ascertaining the Appropriation which We ought

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ought on such Grounds to make for
the general Relief of all the Concerns
Dependencies, which was the principal
Motive of our first Application to you.

We now again repeat to you
our Desire first communicated on the
15th February 1782. That you will im-
mediately comply with the Requisition
which we have so long waited for
positively & Officially Authenticated. &
do hereby most strictly & peremptorily
prohibit Your drawing upon us any
more Bills after the Receipt of this
Letter until You have obtained our
express Permission for that purpose, as
We are fully determined neither to
accept them, nor to admit of any Excep-
tion or Deviation from this Resolution
upon any Plea of Necessity whatsoever
The Positiveness of this Injunc-
tion arises not only from your former
Inattention to our Orders by keeping
from us the Documents We required

but

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Lest Observance from the actual State of
our Finances which renders it abso-
lutely necessary for us to withhold
any further Assistance for some time
& because you propose equally with us
the Power of Drawing Bills upon the
Company & We are given to understand
that such a Mode of Payment would have
been equally satisfactory to Many of
the Officers of your Establishment, who
have Apprehended your Drafts upon
us to the Prejudice of Remittance & Con-
sequence to receive them even now with
a View to negotiate them at our Trea-
sury Whenever it may again be Opened

We have the honor to be
Warren Hastings
John Macpherson
John Stables

Fort William
the 7th November
1791

(Signed)

December 4th 1791

Minute in Council on the Letter
from Bengal of the 8th November 1791

A Short narrative of what has
past between the Government of Bengal &

Lord Macartney
Minute in Coun
cil on the fore
going Letters

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Our Secondary on the subject of Accounts
Estimates will bring before the Board
at one view the whole business, and ena-
ble our Honorable Employers to judge of
the justness & Candor of the reasons con-
veyed in the Letter now received

On the 25th February 1782 the
Gentlemen of Bengal addressed a Letter
to the President & Council of Fort St. George
desiring early and correct Estimates of
our Receipts & Disbursements for the
Current Year, calculated annually from
1st May to the 30th April ensuing and
inclosing Copies of the Bengal forms
for drawing up their Estimates and
Accounts, and requesting us to use
the same in preparing our Statements

The above Letter & forms were
referred to our Accountant Mr. Mowbray
for his opinion, by a Letter from the
Secretary in which our wish was ex-
pressed of complying as nearly as pos-
sible with the Requisitions of the
Governor General & Council Mr. Mowbray

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in his answer informed the Council that being then employed in preparing the Books & Statements for the Stock annexed dispatch to Europe it would not be in his power to take the matter in to Consideration till that business was finished some time after. He informed the Council that having considered the matter he found it would be impossible to make the Estimate required with any degree of certainty, because the success of the War was then very doubtful, and on the success depended almost the whole extent of the principal resources viz.t the Collections from the Assigned Countries and then in the Enemys possession, which had been rented for about 12 Lacks of Pagodas, & the Subsidy from Tanjore of 4 Lacks. Of these principal resources, no man could say with any certainty that a fourth of the Stipulated Sums could be depended on Now for the South nor Circars could entirely us, also Depended

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a good deal on the Movements of the Enemy with regard to the expected Reinforcements ico proper Estimate could be made because from all the out Garrisons the Accounts were from 12 to 18 Months behind which was owing to the want of Money to pay the Arrears the field Paymasters Accounts were for the same Reason, Ten or Twelve Months back. Besides there was intelligence received of large reinforcements of Troops from England, expected in the course of the Year Under these Circumstances, Mr Mowbray thought that no Estimate could be made to answer the purpose for which it was required.

Nevertheless that the Government of Bengal should leave every assistance that was possible to give them, (altho' we could not for the reasons mentioned by Mr Mowbray, furnish the previous Accounts Demanded,) I had taken care to have forwarded to them Per Dispatch of

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1st May 1782. the Accounts which I had laid before the Select Committee & which being made up in my own Manner & by my Directions from the most authentic Documents and best information, that I could procure gave to the Bengal Government as full and clear an Account of the State of the Finances of this Presidency as was then possible up to the 1st of March 1782. Added to these were also sent in a 1st of June 1782 Month after. the Statements and Proceedings of the Assigned Revenue Committee

I flattered myself that these papers would have appeared and had appeared satisfactory. and enabled the Governor General and Council. to form almost as good a judgement of our affairs as we could ourselves, because I do not recollect their mentioning the subject again from that time till the Select Committee received early in August last a Letter from Bengal dated 13th July 1782. containing of our not having complied with

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with the Orders of 25th February 1782, and desiring that if the Accounts & Estimates could not be prepared in the Manner they had recommended we should send them in such Form & as was more suitable to the mode of our Presidency, & might show to them our Estimate of the annual Demands on our Treasury & our Resources for answering them. They also desired that we should Annually transmit to them the Statements of our Quick & Dead Stock.

On Communicating this Letter to the Accountant, He informed me that if an Estimate of Receipts & Disbursements were demanded for this Year that is to say from 1st May 1784 to April 30th. 1785 He could soon furnish the first (the receipts) but as to the latter (the Disbursements particularly the Military) It was necessary that the respective Paymasters should each send in an Estimate, their Accounts being so far behind that he had not the means of estimating the present

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present Amount of their Charges.

To procure the necessary materials for enabling the Accountant to perform the Service required, every exertion was used by me & I repeatedly wrote to the Principal field Paymasters, and Garrison Paymasters upon the Subject, but the Southern Army being then separated & mixed with other Troops in different Garrisons, & both being greatly in Arrears, It was a considerable time, before I could obtain their distinct Accounts; At last as they arrived, they were applied to the purpose of making out such Statements as with any explanatory Notes were best calculated fully to satisfy the Bengal Government & give them at once a clear & Distinct View of all the Revenues and Resources, as also of the Expence of our Establishments Civil & Military, with every other probable Reimbursements these papers inclosed in my letter of the 12th October were dispatched with all expedition to Bengal

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I were laid before you on a few days after
I are now on Your Table — I beg leave also
to observe that as very Solicitous was I
that Bengal should perfectly Know our
Situation with regard to Military expence
that any Minute in Select Committee
of the 31st August was immediately trans-
mitted to them All the Statements now
on Your Table which the Gentlemen
of Bengal Professs were made use to the
9th July the latest period possible under
my own Eye & by my Direction in the
Accountants Office from his Books in the
form you see them being clearly under-
stood by every body in our Office Accounts
are not easily intelligible except by
Technical Accountants I beg leave to ob-
serve here that I did not send in any
of my papers to Bengal a particular of our
Dead Stock as it is called, because a great
part of it, I knew to be more than
shown, at the rate in our Books at above
60 Lacks of Pagodas &c if stated, could
not

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only serve to mislead — etc to the
Quick Stock. I only marked as such
what I conceived to be real and convert-
-ible into Money omitting every article
that could not be reckoned upon, only
meaning was to give to the Bengal
Government a true State not an Inac-
-curate State of this Presidency and
I will venture to say it is the most
accurate & most intelligible that has
ever been digested. Judge then of my
astonishment at finding the Bengal
Government say in the Letter now
before you that they are totally unac-
-quainted with the real extent of our
Wants & in order to gratify themselves
for with holding their assistance they
allow[illegible] to aver that the abovementioned
Accounts &c bore no authentication
& that if they did yet such a Com-
-munication from me could not be
received as official authority as if such
assistance could hold water for a moment,

or

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or un certain business be even alluded
to or an arrangement. There could scarcely
have been a more delusive Notification
of the State of our Affairs. than My Letter
of the 15th October inclosing the Accounts,
for in that Letter I expressly told them
that the Accounts were sent for their
Information. I explained to them seve-
ral particulars I declared that the Debt
of this Presidency was so great all our
resources including the Nabobs assign-
ment were inadequate to relieve us
from its pressure, and consequently that
that every assistance which they could
possibly afford us was necessary for our
support and concluded with an assertion
that the Company could not assist us
the Coast in case the Nabobs Assign-
ment were thus surrendered.—

However to take away the slightest
pretext for Complaint from the Bengal
Gentlemen, I moved that a Copy of the
above papers which are all authenticated

by

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by the Accountant together with a Copy of my Letter of the 11th October on which they were inclosed, to be now sent to the Governor General & Council under the Authentication of your Secretary - & that an Account of the whole Dead Stock and Quick Stock as they stand on your books be added on a separate Number - but accompanied with an observation upon the nature and fallacy of that Account. I also move that the Accountant be called on to know whether it be in his power to make up any Statements at present that would more clearly shew the real financial State of this Presidency, than those now before You. & if so that he be ordered to prepare them without delay

Signed Macartney

To Mr George Mowbray
Accountant

Letter from Mr Secretary Macartney to Mr Mowbray in Consequence

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble the President and Council to desire

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Desire You will inform them whether it is
in your Power to make any Statements
at present which would more clearly shew
the real pecuniall State of this Presidency.
that those which You lately prepared and
authenticated by the Directions of the Right
Honble the President — If You are of opinion
— on You can frame them in a more clear
& satisfactory Mode the Board desire that
you will Adopt it and furnish them
without Delay with the Statements so
improved —

I am &c.

(Signed) Chas Stevenson
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24th Decr 1782

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

My Lord & Gentlemen

Mr Macartney to Mr Stevenson in Answer

I have received Mr Secretary Stevenson's Letter of Yesterdays date signifying your desire to be informed whether it is in my Power to make any State-ments at present which would more clearly shew the real State of the Finances

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of this Presidency than those which I
lately made by the direction of the Right
Honble the President and that if I com
prove them in a more clear and Satisfac
tory mode you desire I will adopt it and
forward you without delay with the State
ments so improved —

I beg leave to assure Your Lord
ships &c that the Statements you receiv
ed were made from the most recent
and Authentic Accounts which were
carefully examined by me, and stated
in the mode directed by the Right
Honble the President. I should be glad
to be enabled to Adopt the mode recom
mended from Bengal but our Accounts
are so far behind owing Chiefly to the
want of Money to discharge Arrears
that I cannot see a possibility of adopt
ing a Similar plan, until Your Lord
ships &c shall have been enabled either
to pay off the heavy Ods of Arrears or to
fix certain periods for their discharge by
instalments

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establishments

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I have the Honour to be &c
(Signed) Geo: eMaubray
Accountant

To the Honble Warren Hastings Esqr
Governor General &c Council
at Fort William

Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter to Bengal in Answer to the one received from them dated the 5th Instant

We have been honored with your Letter of the 5th Instant, requiring to be your Power that We should furnish you with authentick Accounts of our respected Annual Receipts and Disbursements also of the Arrears due to the different Departments under this Presidency both Civil and Military and acknowledging the Receipt of a Letter from our President under Date the 12th October accompanied by certain Statements.

The inclosed Copy of a Minute delivered us by Lord eMcCartney containing a Detail of what has passed on the Subject of those Accounts together with the Copies of the Papers referred to by that Lord's

wife

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We the Subscribers conceive Sirs to your Satisfaction that the particular Circumstances of our Situation not admitted Justification to your Requisition have prevented our transmitting to you the Statements drawn out in the Form you desired. The Accounts which were enclosed with our Precedents Address to you of the 14th October were prepared in the Accountants Office under two Subalterns immediate Direction, were a few Days after the Dispatch of that Letter to you laid before us for our Inspection have been authenticated by the Signatures of the Accountant and have since been declared by them to be the most clear and distinct View of the State of the Finances at this Presidency which he can at present possibly collect.

The Right Honble the President accompanied these Papers with this explanatory Remarks in each and after so full and unreserved a Communication

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expressly declared by his Lordship to be for
Your Information as a Public Board We
can only Lament that You should consider
Yourselves Fatally unacquainted with the
real Extent of our Wants, and use it
as an Argument for with holding Supplies
as You Intimated We have Authority received
from You — But least any imagined —
Defect in Form either with regard to
the Authentication or Communication
of the Papers in Question might pre-
clude Us from the Benefit of Your Asse-
stance We cannot venture to content
ourselves with a reference to the Copies
of the Papers already sent to You — but
leave herewith the Honor of enclosing —
other Copies of the same Documents —
under the Signature of our Secretary —

You will there in Benefit of
the Packet be in Possession
of Materials authenticated in the manner
You prefer either which to form Your
Judgment of the Nature and Extent of

your

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our Resources & could clearly perceive how inadequate, even excluding the Produce of the Madras assigned Countries, they are to relieve us from the Pressure of the heavy Debt due by the Presidency — Lord Macartney in his Letter of the 18th October last justly called your Attention to the absolute Necessity which evidently Appears of an Exertion of your Assistance for our Support: and upon an impartial Review of our Situation We are induced to hope that you will again admit us to the Privilege of Drawing on your Treasury which in many Instances has proved the only Means We possessed of Satisfying such urgent military Demands as it was indispensably necessary to Liquidate — We know not the Views of the Officers who accepted Bills on You in Payment of their Arrears whether they appropriated them to Remittances to Europe or to other Purposes — but We sensibly feel that

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That We had no other possible Method of discharging several most forcing Claims on Us, & We thank that on numberless Instances our Drafts on Europe would probably have been refused when our Bills on You were received

We have the Pleasure to trans-mit enclosed an Account of the Drafts made on You by Us from the 1st Janu-ary to the 29th Ultimo the Day on which Your Letter of the 2d arrived The Amount You will perceive is Lcs Rupees Sixty five (65) Lacs of Current Rupees and when added to the Two Lacs sent by the Lizard makes the Sum of about Sixty (60) Lacs, not upwards of Sixty five (65) Lacs drawn between the 1st January and 31 October, as observed in Your Letter

We shall do Ourselves the Honour of forwarding to You in a few Days the Accounts of our Cash & Sold Stock to the 31 April last which on a Comparison with the Accounts

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Herewith enclosed will serve to prove how much exhausted to deceive such State-
ments are when made out on the esta-
blished Scale

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(Signed) Macartney & Council

Read the following Letter from
General Horne

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

My Lord & Gentlemen

From Genl Horne
inclosing his late
correspondence with
Colonel Dalrymple
where in the latter
—— the mea-
sure of his subsist-
ing the 73d Regmt.
with Arrack

I am sorry to be necessitated to
address you again on the subject of my
last letter —

Having fruitlessly requested the
Commander in Chief to lay before you
my letter to them of the 14th Instant I
have only now the honor to transmit you,
Copy of a Letter to Colonel Dalrymple,
Accompanied with his perusal of the mea-
sure of subsisting the 73d Regiment
with Arrack —

I have the honor to be &c

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(Signed) Matw Horne

&c

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To Brigadier General Stuart

Camanore

Arcot

Sir

I have received a Letter from you
contributo to the recovery of my health I
have to request your permission to go to
Madras — I have the honor to be &c

Arcot
28th Dec. 1781

(Signed) Wm Dalrymple

Colonel Dalrymple

Sir

Although by the standing Orders
of this Service no Officer can have per-
mission to go from his post Station to the
Presidency without the Sanction of the
Commander in Chief, yet I have at
times presumed to deviate from them
in Cases where health was concerned, and
I have therefore no objections to your
quitting this Cantonment agreeable to
your request on that account — But
as I understand that Admiral Hughes has been
authorised to this Station and ispected to
the

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The 73d Regiment on its Formation to the Rules of that Service I Found it necessary to request You will inform me whether Measures are taken by Your Authority and Orders As it has a connection with the Reformed on that Head now under the consideration of the Honourable Committee

I have the Honor to be &c

(Signed) A Hume

Arcot
28th Dec. 1782

To Brigadier General Hume
Commanding at Arcot

Sir I have to acknowledge the receipt of Your Letter of the 26th of December and in Answer to it am to inform You that the Arrack issued to the 73d Regiment is by my Authority at the requisition of the Officers and at the original Price which, comes to about 20 Chuckrums

I conceive I act agreeable to a British Act of Parliament made for the better Government of the Troops in India which is Evaded and imposition done the Soldier when less allowance of Arrack is issued to them at an Advanced Price for the benefit of any individual whatever

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wise lower, altho' it has been the rule of your

Service —

I would be informed where the

Authority is in this Country that com-

-mands a Commanding Officer of any of

the Kings Regiments from the unnecessa-

-ry enlargement of the Regiment Hosp. Cer-

-tificates — I beg leave to observe that the

Reference made to the Select Committee

was by you solely, and that the Com-

-manding Officers of the Kings Regi-

-ments and Detachments at Arcot did

not think themselves entrusted in the

least, as they conceived it impossible

that the Company would endeavour to

establish any regulations in contradiction

to an express Act of Parliament for

the better Government of the Troops in

India —

I have the honour to be &c.

(Signed) Wm Dalrymple

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The Committee having resolved

that the Garrison and Cantonments shall

hereafter

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hereafter be dispatched with Expedition
by Contract any observation upon the Cor
correspondence between General Howe and
Colonel Delgarno to become unnecessary

Read a Letter from Mr.

From Mr Comm. Paymaster and Commandg the Bombay Detachment

Commissary dated at Anjengo 11th Instant
entered in the Miscellany Book 1874
stating that he is Paymaster and Com
missary to the Bombay Detachment
and has been sent in Irons and ill
treated by Lieutenant Shannan

Read a Letter from Mr. Sobre

From Mr Sobre Assistant Surgeon of the Bombay Establishment

dated 22 Instant (entered in Miscellany Book 1871) stating that he
is Sub Assistant Surgeon to the Detach
ment of the Bombay Detachment and is
only in the Receipt of 10 Pagodas
P Month and requesting that he may

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To allowance to Purser of Vessels which
is now going on the Bombay Establish-
ment

Agreed that there be an Instance
made thereon
permitted to draw 50 Rupees per Month
if it appears that he be entitled to it as
to rate set forth

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Received the following Letter from

Mr Digby —

To John Stanier Esqr

Depy Secretary

Sir

I have this day been honord with your Letter signifying the orders of the Select Committee to transmit my accounts of arrears due the 31st Instant before the 5th of January next, and they may depend upon my best Endeavours, but as only four days are allowed and an equal number is required for the Packet to bring Letters from Some of the Stations of the Troops to this Place I presume a Statement is what they require and as they do not allow of passing the audet of the Commissioners as directed in the last Letter I had the honor to receive from the Military Secretary —

From Mr Digby, Tow will not allow of his sending any thing but a Statement of arrears due the 31st Instant before the 5th of January next —

I Remain

Sir

Your very obedient

& Humble Servant

(Signd) Kenelm Digby

Pay. A. A.

Fruchenopolly Plain

20th December 1784

The Right Honble the President

Sends in Circulation the following Extract of a letter from Colonel Forbes to John Sullivan Esqr —

Extract

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From Mr Welch, enclosing an Estimate of Arrears due to the Black Troops in the Cantonment of Arcot, & requesting that a G.O. might be published for the Officers to send to the Pay.r all Bills unpaid previous to the month of September

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dated the 26th of September last, I have now the honor to enclose you an Estimate of Arrears due to the Black Troops belonging to the Cantonment at Arcot, and I shall without delay deliver to such Officer a Certificate of the most Ballance due him agreeable to the Form you sent me the other Day; as I understand by the Above Order that the Non Commissioned and Private Soldiers are not to have Certificates granted them for their Arrears the Sum being very small I therefore have not included them, and before I can ascertain the exact amount due to the Officers an Order must be issued for them to send me all the Bills they may have unpaid previous to the Month of September as I may either take an Account of them or grant Certificates for the Amount, many of the Officers Bills are held by Shopkeepers and others who ought also to be desired to send me an Account of the Bills they may have belonging to Officers of the Army lately in the Field

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signd) T. Welch
Paymaster

Arcot
26th December 1784

a G.O. to be published

Agreed that an Order be issued agreeably to the Requisition of Mr Welch

Sent the following Letters

To Mr Thomas Palk
Paymaster
at
Trichenopoly

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Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble the President & Select Committee to inform you that the allowance which you will issue to the Officers after the 1st January next (conformably to my Letter of the 24th Instant) must be brought to account in your Books under the Head of Temporary allowance

I am
Sir
Your most Obedt
(Signed) John Chamier
Dep. Secretary

To the Paymasters of Tanjore, Trichinopolly, Pallamcottah, Madura, Warriore, and Arcot, directing them to bring to account the allowance ordered to the Officers in Letter of the 24th Instant, under the Head of temporary allowance

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N.B. The same to Mr Sullivan Paymaster at Tanjore
The Do ..... to Mr Wasey ..... Do ..... at Palamcottah
The Do ..... to Mr Johnson ..... Do ..... at Madura
The Do ..... to Mr Digby ..... Do ..... at Warriore
The Do ..... to Mr Welch ..... Do ..... at Arcot

To James Daniell Esqr
Chief Wm Council
at
Masulipatam

Gentlemen

I am directed by the Right Honble the President & Select Committee to inform you, that the allowance which the Paymasters in your District are to issue to the Officers after the 1st January next (conformably to my Letter of the 24th Instant) must be brought to account in their Books under the Head of Temporary allowance

I am
Gentlemen

To Masulipatam, Vizagapatam, & Ganjam on the same as the preceding Letter.

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Gentlemen

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

(Signd) John Charnier

Dep.y Secretary

Fort St George

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The same to Claud Russell Esq.r

Chief & Council at Vizagapatam

The same to John Maxwell Stone Esq.r

Chief & Council at Ganjam

To John Murray Esq.r

Commissary General at Fort William

To the Commissary General at Fort William respecting the arrears due to the Kings Troops sent from home to Bengal

Sir

I am directed by the Right Hon.ble the President & Select Committee to acknowledge the Receipt of Your Letter of the 29th ultimo, & to inform You that the Committee apprehend all the Arrears respecting the Troops which were sent from this to the Malabar Coast were stated & drawn for by Bombay immediately on this this Presidency upon Bengal their Demands could not be ascertained by the Select Committee as the allowances on the two Establishments were different

As soon as I shall receive from the Kings Paymaster an Account of all the Monies paid here to him by this Government & by him to the Troops I shall do myself the Honor to send it to you, with the other papers necessary for Your Information, in the mean time I am directed to reply as fully as possible

to

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to the different parts of your Letter—

With respect to the 100th Regement which arrived originally at Bombay, & served on the Coast there, The Select Committee were totally Strangers to it or its affairs, until it came in different divisions to their Settlement a few months ago, and the Committee could not obtain any regular Account it being urged, that the Regiment must be together to effect it, this You will be able to accomplish, as the whole Regiment is I believe now in Bengal— From Mr Burke the Kings Paymaster I expect to know accurately what was paid to the 100th Regement on account of this Government & I shall have the honor to inform you thereof—

That You may be acquainted with the Manner in which the Business relating to the Kings Troops has been Conducted here I am directed to enclose a Copy of Regulations which Major General Stuart was Directed by the Select Committee to publish in the General Orders of the 4th December 1782—

The Select Committee are at a Loss to know what the Demands are without Certificates they draw upon Bengal for what appears due by them to the Officers for Pay Batta, & Gratuity from the Certificates they produced, but those were Accounts of Contingent Charges made by some of the Officers to the Southward of the 98th, 101st, & 102d Regements which were not paid because they had not passed the Auditor they are now under Consideration by him.

I have the honor to be &c.

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(Signd) John Chamier
Dy Secretary

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To the Honble Warren Hastings Esqr
Governor General &c Council
of Fort William

Gentlemen

To Bengal — Stating the distresses of this Government for want of Resources to discharge the many Demands on it, and earnestly requesting a Speedy Pecuniary Relief — Representing the dangerous Tendency of the several Memorials received from the Kings and Company's Officers respecting half Batta — that shortly answer their Letter of the 24th November —

Having learned by the last Accounts from England, that a new System, or Constitution of Government for this Presidency was to be very soon established, Conformably to a Bill which had passed the House of Commons & had been three read in the House of Lords, We had determined not to proceed to the immediate execution of Certain plans in our Contemplation, lest the new Government, which might possibly entertain different sentiments from us, should find itself embarrassed by the measure we had adopted —

For this reason, & to remove the discontents occasioned by our military retrenchments and œconomy, which discontents have since arisen to a very alarming height, & been communicated to us from large Bodies of both Kings & Company's Officers in some memorials, of the most dangerous tendency, of which We now send you Copies enclosed, we have thought it absolutely necessary to direct for the present the Issuing of a temporary allowance to the Troops in certain Stations equal to the half Batta which was enjoyed by them before the war & which we judged proper to stroke off —

As this Expence is not inconsiderable, as our Arrears are heavy, as Demands are pressing us from all Quarters as you have interdicted us from drawing Bills upon You, & as an unusual backwardness of Payment

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28th has appeared in some of the Renters of the assigned Countries
sowing in a great measure to export / however ill founded &
improbable, yet confidently spread by the Purchasers of having
received Letters from their agents in London containing
positive assurances that the Nabobs assignment would be
very soon annulled by Orders from England, & that consequently
the Country upon which the Company depends for a consider-
-able part of its resources would be restored to the Nabob and
the Company's Renters delivered over to his mercy We must
earnestly request that you will take our situation with these
circumstances into your immediate Consideration, & send
us by the speediest Conveyance such pecuniary relief as you
can possibly afford to us—

We have received the honor of your
Letter of the 23d November / together with its several inclosures /
which tho of so old a date did not arrive here till the 25th Instant.
We shall take an early opportunity of writing to you upon the
Subject of it In the mean time we beg leave to inform you
that our Right Honble President had communicated to us his
Seperate Letter of the 29th October to your presidency on the 3d
of November being the first Committee held after it was written
which Letter was at his request entered upon our records as
you will Observe by the inclosed extract from them—

We have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient &
very humble Servants
(Signd) Macartney &
Select Committee

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Wednesday 29th Dec.r 1784

At a Select Committee Present

The Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

and the other Rest

Lieut General Long

Alex.r Dalrymple Esq.r

Mr Maunsell Absent

Minutes of last Committee read & Approved

Read the following Letter from Bengal

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney K.B.

President & Governor &c. &c. Select Committee at

Fort St George

From Bengal are of opinion that the winter of the Guntoor by the Nizam, when Tippoo should be about to invade it ought to be declined. Respecting the Resident's Separate letter to their Board of the 29th October last. Inclosing Copy of a Letter from Hirza to Mr Bussy, with Proposals for carrying that Part of the Treaty into Execution which relates to India

My Lord & Gentlemen

We have had the Honor to receive your Letter of the 29th of October with its several Enclosures

The Advices which your Lordship &c. have received from our Resident at Hyderabad correspond generally with those which he has transmitted to this Government, but we have not thought it necessary to send an immediate reply to them because we are led to expect further details from Mr Johnson on the Subject of his Negotiations & think it proper to wait for them. If we should afterwards see it expedient to furnish the Resident with any new instructions, we shall do ourselves the Honor of communicating to your Lordship &c. such parts of them as may be necessary for your information

With regard to the Question proposed in Mr Swinton's letter to your Lordship &c. of the 7th of October, whether or not we should accept the Guntoor Sircar if a tender of it be made by the Nizam when he shall have certain information that Tippoo Sultan means to invade it, it is our decided Opinion that such tender ought not to be accepted, since it could not be

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offered at such time, but in manifestevasion of the spirit of the Treaty existing between the Company & his Highness, who is Gomes to be Deemed responsible for having so long withheld the Guntoor from us in expres Contradiction to his engagements—

We are concerned to have occasion to acquaint you that we have lately received a very extraordinary letter from your Right Honble President, in reply to that which we addressed to you on the 2d of last September a Copy of this letter is enclosed for it is possible that it may not be yet on your Records.

As we know of no authority which your President professes of addressing us Separately from the other Members of your Committee, & as we deem the terms in which his Lordships letter is couched highly disrespectful to the Superior Controlling authority in India, we shall not condescend to make any formal reply to its Contents, but refer you for the Circumstances to our Common Superiors, by the first dispatch, not doubting but the Impropriety of the address to which we allude, will impress them as strongly as it does us—

A Letter which we have lately received from the Governor & Council on the part of the States general of the united provinces at Columbo has drawn our particular attention to the Negotiation carried on by your Presidency with the Marquis de Bussy relative to the execution of the Stipulations contained in the late Treaty of Peace concluded with the Court of France and we have duly considered also the correspondence between your Right Honble President & the Governor of Columbo in respect to the execution of the Preliminaries with Holland.

After the most attentive perusal of these Papers & notwithstanding the wish we had that your Lordship & Council should give effect to the Stipulations in the Treaty with France without

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without reference to this Government we see it necessary to pay
a due respect to the appeal that has been made to us from
Columbo against the delays that have arisen & to an application
that we have received from the Governor General & Council of
Batavia & as it is our decided opinion that the Interest of the
Company & the State require, that both the French & Dutch
should be put in possession of their respective establishments in
India as speedily as possible & that we should make it evident
to all States in Europe & India that every opposition to such
repossession is created by the French & Dutch wholly or separately
& not by any of the English Governments

As the Dutch complain & have a just
right to complain that the Suspension of the Treaty concluded with
their Nation is imputable solely to our perseverance in demanding
what the Marquis de Bussy the Representative of the French
Power has no Authority to yield & is commanded not to yield.
as the point in which you have insisted is only to be put in
possession of the Fort & Territory of Tellicherry previously to its
cession to the Dutch & for the purpose of enabling them to make
that Cession as the only reason for insisting on this point is founded
on the right of the Dutch to actual possession which if left to the
Government of France might be frustrated — as the Dutch
have themselves waved their Claims to this attention on our
part to their rights, & desire to receive possession immediately
from the French agents. As the Treaties themselves stipu-
late that all the Cessions shall be made in the same epoch
which expression, whether it be construed Period or Point of
time equally entitles the Dutch Company to immediate
possession as every protest for withholding or impeding the
execution of the Treaties is precluded by the 19th article of the

Treaty

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Treaty of Paris which is the basis of both Treaties & declares that all places taken in the Course of the War shall be mutually restored without difficulty & without requiring any compensation" & the 20th Article of the Same Treaty requires in the Same Spirit of liberality & good faith, that the general restitution shall be made "in six months after the ratification of the Treaty or Sooner if it can be done. As the adherence of the representatives of our Nation to the Claim of being put in possession of Trincomale no Treaty in terms requiring it may furnish if not a Suspicion, at least a pretext to allege it, of an intention on our part to keep possession after it shall be obtained & may thereby furnish a just Argument for the French to withhold it entirely - And as it cannot fail to impress the Natives of India with a false opinion of the decline of the British power to see the French its great Rival, after the close of a desperate War, retain all its Conquests made on our Nation with all but formal possession which in effect is none of those which had been made by us on them -

We have determined in as far as depends on us not to suffer any further delays to impede the immediate accomplishment of the Treaties -

We Shall not at present enter further into the Arguments which have swayed us in passing this resolution but we think it necessary to acquaint you that we have in conformity to it addressed a Letter to the Marquis de Bussy requiring him forthwith in the terms of the instructions which he has received from the Marechal de Castries by the French Frigate Precurse to deliver immediately up the Fort of Trincomale & its dependencies to the representatives of the Dutch Government of Colombo 2dly. We have proposed that whatever Agents he

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he may be pleased to appoint to deliver over Trincomale to the Dutch, may be considered as executing that Office on the part of the British Nation & as they that he deliver over the Fort Town & Districts of Cuddalore to such agents as you shall depute to receive the same & to put them in formal possession of Pondicherry & of the other places & districts which are by the Treaty to be ceded.

We accordingly request that your Lordship &c will be pleased to depute such agents as you may think proper to appoint for the purpose of receiving charge of Cuddalore & of delivering up Pondicherry & the other cession stipulated to be made to France, to the Marquis de Bussy immediately on your knowledge of his acquiescence in our present proposals. a Copy of our Letter to the Marquis de Bussy is enclosed.

We have written in similar Terms to the Governor General & Council at Batavia & to the Governor & Council of Columbo, & have directed Captn Tweed the Commander of the Bombay Grab to touch at Columbo for the purpose of landing our dispatches at that Place those for Pondicherry will be forwarded from thence.

As soon as the Stipulations of the Treaties have been accomplished on your Coast we request that you will immediately send information thereof to us & that you will also acquaint the President & Select Committee at Bombay that no time may be lost in carrying the Treaties into effect on the western side of India.

In consequence of the application which we have received from the Governor General & Council of Batavia & the appeal from the Government of Columbo against the

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The delays which have arisen in the execution of the stipulations of the Treaties, we have thought proper to deliver over to the Colony & Council at Chinsura the ware houses & factories belonging to the Dutch at that Place, Cossimbuzar, & Patna & to permit them to land their Goods & to establish their own laws & such regulations as they may think proper in Chinsura in every point except that of hoisting their Colours or the place or introducing Troops or Military Stores which will not be allowed until we have heard of the execution of the definitive treaty on the part of the Marquis de Bussy.

We have the honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most Obedient & most
Humble Servants

Fort William
Secret Department
23d November 1784

(Signd) Warren Hastings
John Macpherson
John Stables

To his Excellency the Marquis De Bussy &c &c &c
Commander in Chief of the French Forces in India by Sea & Land

Sir

We have the honor to acknowledge our receipt of Your Excellency's Letter of the 10th September, your Excellency has engaged us to drop the subject of our representations to you on the subject of the Chevalier De Boche, and we therefore do drop it, only permit us to add one brief remark in reply to the wish which you have been pleased to express, that we had allowed an exemption from our general Embargo in favor of a demand which had for its object the relief of your Colony by informing your Excellency, that when we passed a Measure so severe to

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the general Commerce of this Port, we resolved to preclude all ground for just Complaint by allowing no exceptions whatever, and to that resolution we have inflexibly adhered having equally resisted the Claims of the Government of Fort St. George, and Applications equally affecting our personal feelings, for the subsistence of the Family of the Nabob Walaujah, our ancient and respectable ally. Neither was the Demand of Mons. Le Roche conveyed to us, in such form, as could admit of its construction, in any other Light than that of a Commercial adventure, since he produced no authority for making it as a national Claim, and we could not believe, that an act which in our Service, would be deemed highly derogatory from the principles of Naval Duty, could be permitted by the Rules established for that of his Most Christian Majesty.—

For the rest, we the less regret what has passed as it has furnished an occasion for the declaration of Sentiments, on your part so liberal, as to assure us, that while Your Excellency remains in charge of the affairs of the French Nation in India, and the representatives of ours shall possess that Spirit of accomodation, which we also profess, no cause will ever occur in this Quarter of the Globe to interrupt the General Peace, and that a mutual intercourse of good offices may ever improve the connection of your Department and ours upon the principles of the most liberal Harmony.—

We receive with Satisfaction, the kind testimony which Your Excellency has afforded, of the Treatment received by the French Prisoners from our Government. Our Concern indeed for the Comfort and Happiness of the

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French within these Provinces, has not ceased with the conclu-
sion of the war; It yet continues, and we have the pleasure
to assure ourselves, that the Sentiments which Your Excellency
has expressed and the Humanity with which your Excellency's
Character is so honorably marked, that your attention to the
Prisoners of our nation, would not have been less deserving our
applause, had the Situation of the two Governments been
reversed.

Having done ourselves the honor to reply
to your Excellency's Letter of the 10th September, our next wish
is to draw Your attention to a Subject which has been brought
recently, and in a particular manner before us, by appeals
from the Dutch Government of Battavia & Columbo, and is
of Interesting importance to your nation, as well as to the
States of Holland and to our own.

We have perused, and given due consider-
ation to the Correspondence that has passed between your
Excellency and the Right Honble Lord Macartney, and the
Select Committee of Fort St George, as low down as the 9th of
last July (to which period only it has been yet transmitted
to us) Concerning the execution of the Stipulations agreed upon
in the late Definitive Treaty, between his Britannic & most
Christian Majesties, as far as the same respects the restitutions
to be respectively made, by the representatives of the two
Crowns in India; & we have observed that in consequence of
some differences relative to the Cession of Trincomalay, and
orders received by your Excellency on this Subject, an End
was put to the negociation of the Commissioners appointed
on the part of your Excellency, & on the part of Fort St George

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and the question referred to Europe, for a final decision on it.

We are persuaded that had your Excellency known, that the powers possessed by this Government, gave it a control over the acts & proceeding of the other Presidencies of the East India Company, Your Excellency would have represented to us any subject of difference that impeded the execution of the definitive Treaty, instead of referring the same to Europe possessing those Powers, we wish even at this time to meet the desire which we are sure your Excellency posses to carry into effect the Stipulations of the Treaty, if the same can be done under the Orders which you have received from Pegu, & without awaiting for replies to your last dispatches

To remove therefore all difficulties, and to obviate all misconceptions with respect to the Intentions of the two Crowns, in as far as the same respect the definitive Treaty of Peace & Friendship between his Britannic Majesty and the most Christian King signed at Versailles on the 3 September 1783, and the Peace subsequently concluded between his Britannic Majesty and the States General of the united Provinces, we have the honor to make the following propositions to Your Excellency for immediate effect

1st We propose that in conformity to the Instructions which you received by the French Frigate Recherche from the Mareschal de Castries, and which you have been pleased to state to the Presidency of Fort St George, you do immediately deliver up the Fort of Trincomalay and its dependencies to the representatives of the Dutch Government of Columbo

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2dly We propose that whatever Commissaries or agents you may be pleased to appoint to deliver over Trincomalay to the Dutch, may be likewise considered as executing that Office on the part of the British nation, and we hereby declare them to be fully authorized for that purpose—

3dly That you deliver over the Fort, Town and Districts of Cuddalore to such agents as the Right Honble the President and Select Committee at Fort St George shall depute to receive the same and that you receive from them formal Cession of Pondichery—

If these propositions should be acceptable to your Excellency and you should agree to carry them into Effect we request that you will send the necessary information thereof to the Right Honble the President and Select Committee at Fort St George, who are informed of them, and directed in conformity to them, the depute agents from that Presidency to receive the Fort, Town, and Districts of Cuddalore, and to make a formal Cession of Pondichery, and the other places and Districts, which are by Treaty to be put into the possession of your nation, and which are to be assigned over by the Nabob Wallajah, and the Rajah of Tanjore—

We have directed the President and Select Committee of Bombay, to carry the definitive Treaty into Effect on the western Coast, on receiving advices from Fort St George, that it has been accomplished on that of Coromandel; and we have the honor to assure you, that on receiving similar advices, shall not allow the least delay in

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on making restitutions that are to be made in these Provinces Commissaries will of course be appointed on the Part of the French nation to receive them —

We have addressed the Governor General and Council of Batavia, and the Governor and Council of Columbo with information of these propositions, and do ourselves the honor to enclose Copies of our Letters for your Excellency's perusal —

The propositions are so plain, that we trust no Question can arise in respect to their Intent, since the only Object is to remove by an abbreviated Process, the difficulties which have hitherto precluded the execution of the Treaties, by dispensing with the unnecessary form of Your delivery of Trincomalay to the representatives of our nation, for the Sole purpose of enabling the Latter to make the like Cession which ought to be Done at the same Instant of time, to the representatives of the Dutch, a Species of accuracy not only useless in itself, but obstructive of every substantial purpose of the Treaties, concluded for the three national Establishments in India, but if any Questions of doubt should occur upon this Subject, we request that your Excellency's Correspondence on such Subjects may be immediately with this Government —

Your Excellency will pardon us for Observing, that after so explicit a Declaration of our intentions and after so incontestible a Demonstration of our readiness to carry into immediate Execution on the part of our Sovereign and nation, as well as the English East India Company,

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Company the Stipulations of the late Treaties of Peace, no blame can be hereafter attributed to the English, for any delay in Completing the wishes and Solemn Arrangements of our respective Sovereigns & nations, we wish to believe, indeed we are persuaded that as you alone possess the means of carrying into instant Effect this great and Salutary work, no unnecessary delay will attend its complete accomplishment, and we hope that you will be further pleased to transmit accounts of the final and happy accommodation of all Embarrassments on this important Subject, by the earliest Conveyance to Europe.

We have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most Obedient

Fort William

Foreign Department

23d. November 1784

humble Servants

(Signd) Warren Hastings

& Council

A true Copy

(Signd) E. Hay

Secretary

Ordered to lie on the Table

Minute on the foregoing Letter

The President informs the Committee that the foregoing Letter was received the 25th Instant, & that on the 27th a Transcript of the same dispatch of the 23d. November was also received in which was enclosed the President's Original Letter to Bengal of the 29th October, which the Governor General & Council had thought proper to return to this Presidency

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Inquiry & Revenue with 3 Petitions entered in Miscellany Book No. 89, 90, 91.

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

Fort St. George

My Lord and Gentlemen

From the Committee of assigned Revenue respecting the Hill Poligars, and a Claim of the Rajah of Calastry & Inclosing Extract of a Letter from Mr Lighton representing that some Goods which had been stolen from a Weaver of Carnic, were secreted in two of the Pollams.

We had the honor to address you on the 23d October last year on the Subject of the Hill Poligars, inclosing at the same time Extract of a letter from the Raja of Calastry, in which he expressed his hopes that those People might again be placed under his authority in the same manner as they were before the late war, for which he paid an annual Pesceush of 5000 Pagodas according to a Sunnud of his Highness the Nabob, which he produced.— Your Lordship &c in your Commands of the 12th November following informed us that you would defer consideration of the Raja's Claims until Tranquility should be restored to the Country. as this Subject is now lying before You together with several Representations from the Hill Poligars themselves, We think it necessary to enclose for your Information Extract of a Letter from Mr Lighton, purporting that Effects Stolen from a Weaver in the Jaghire are said to be secreted in the Pollams of Said Said and Moodoopah Naid, two of the Poligars in Question, who as well as the others have we understand afford similar protection to many of the Robberies lately committed in the Country.—

We have the honor to be
My Lord and Gentlemen
Your most Obedient
humble Servants

Fort St George
18th November 1784

(Signd) Chas Oakeley
David Haliburton
Geo Mowbray

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Extract of a Letter from Mr Richard Dighton
to the Committee for Managing the Sayhire
Dated 3d November 1784

The Renter of Periapollam complains that a Weaver belonging to Arnee has been robbed to the amount of about 80 Pagodas in Cloth, Thread and Soys, and that the Robbers were traced as far as Said Naid and Mordostah Naids Bollams, he requests therefore that You will be pleased to send an Order to those Poligars to make enquiry after those Goods and have them returned to the owner —

A true Extract
(Signd) James Landon
Secretary

Minute thereon

— In the Claim of the Royah of Calastry and the representation of the Hill Polygars are neither of them supported by the necessary Vouchers, the Select Committee are unable to form a Correct Judgment upon them, — Agreed therefore that the Committee of Assigned Revenue be desired to Call upon both Parties to produce the Original Summuds & Letters to which they respectively appeal & that the Committee be requested to transmit their Opinion upon the Business to the Board,

Do

With respect to Syed Naid & Mostapah Naid /two of the Polygars mentioned in the foregoing Letter/ it is Agreed that the Committee of Assigned Revenue be desired to inform them, that if they have not yet restored the Effects mentioned in Mr Dightons Letter to have been Stolen & Secreted, they will not be Considered as having any Claim to the Companys protection but will suffer their severest displeasure —

Read

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Read the following Letter from

Masulipatam

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

President and Governor & Select Committee

of Fort St George

From Masulipatam
advising of Major
Cheshyre's Disobedience
to their orders and Endeavouring
their Correspondence with
him on the subject

My Lord & Gentlemen

It is never without reluctance that we make references to Your Lordship & on the subject of differences which arise between us and the Military Officers in this District, but in the present instance, where the extent of our authority has been called in question, we cannot doubt that you will approve of our doing so—

It was lately deemed necessary to send a Detachment of Sepoys to the Zemindary of Nundegamah, to prevent the Zemindar's People from Carrying away any part of the Crops or Collecting money in the Country before his Tribute to the Company was in a train of being discharged: and as Your Lordship &c had been pleased to order us to appoint Capt Lieut Alex Read to a Command, we embraced this opportunity being the first which has offered Since the receipt of your letter under date the 31st July, and accordingly wrote a letter to Major Cheshyre, Copy of which is herewith enclosed No 1. We likewise enclose Copy of his reply No 2. as also of our answer No 3—

It is needless we presume to point out the absolute necessity for the Officers Commanding Garrisons in this District Complying implicitly with all our requisitions, this having so often been a matter of discussion— In the present instance it was our Duty to nominate Captain Read as the Officer to

Command

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Command the Detachment in consequence of your orders & it may often happen, that when a Detachment is found necessary for any particular purpose, that the next Officer for Duty may from youth, inexperience &c be a very unfit Person to command it, in which case, it would certainly be highly proper for us to point out another Officer who to our knowledge possessed the requisite qualifications it never was our wish nor have we ever interfered in detail on Common occasions, and sufficient reasons for our present interference, if it can be called such, are set forth in No 1. enclosed. We are satisfied that we have already sufficient authority vested in us to have warranted our proceeding with more rigor towards Major Chefshyre, and that we might have removed him from the Command of Ellore, but as the Service for which the Detachment was required is not very pressing, and we are happy that this was the Case, we chose to proceed with moderation, leaving it to your Lordship &c to Judge and determine respecting Major Chefshyre's Conduct in the present instance, & we hope that You will be pleased to issue such G. O. as will effectually prevent Consequences which in Some Instances might perhaps prove fatal on future occasions from any inattention to our requisitions

We have the honor to be very respectfully

My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most Obedt humble Servants
(Signd) J Darnell
James Hodges
John Peter Boileau
Tho.s Barnard
Wm Dobbyn
Sam.l Statham

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Agreed that a Letter be written to Major Cheshyre, expressing entire disapprobation of his Conduct, which the Committee consider as unmilitary & Contrary to his Duty, & that he be further Directed, should he not already have done so, to comply in every point with the orders Sent to him by the Chief & Council at Masulipatam

The Conduct of the Gentlemen at Masulipatam approved

Agreed also that a Letter be written to Masulipatam approving the Conduct of the Gentlemen there respecting Major Cheshyre, Enclosing Copy of the Letter Sent to him from the Select Committee

Read the following Letters

To Lieutenant General Ross Lang
Commander in Chief &c &c &c

Sir

From the Companys officers at Bazuru praying that the half Batta might be continued

Though we cannot in Candour extend the Spirit of the late order respecting the Batta to the Service in General, Yet as a jealousy of this nature has taken place, We Should be wanting to our own interest, Did we not do ourselves the honour of addressing you on the Subject

We Shall not trouble you with animad-versions on the difficulties we anticipate from Such a measure, nor the absolute impossibility of Supporting the dignity of Officers on So Small a pittance as our present pay, those are facts too well known to every individual

Indeed So far from our entertaining any apprehensions of our established allowances being curtailed, we Should expect every possible indulgence and Support from the present

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present Government — in full Confidence of this we trust you will be pleased to clear up a doubt which has created to us not only much anxiety, but a temporary inconvenience, which the dignity of Officers cannot condescend to a detail of —

We have the honor to be

Sir

with the utmost respect

Your most Obd.t Humble Servants

(Signd) B. Vigors
Capt.n 26th N. Batt.n
Dan.l Mc Neile Capt.n Lt.
Thomas Gordon Lieut.t
Thomas Meult Lieut.t
Christ.r Lysaght Ensign
Robt Bradshaw Ens.n
Tho.s Gurnell Ens.n
Rich.d Haycock Ens.n
John Goldsworthy Ens.n

Cantonments at
Bezoura
11th Decembr 1784 —

To the Commanding Officer of the Troops in
Masulipatam

Sir

From the Company's officers at Masulipatam on the same Subject as the foregoing Letter

We Orders issued by Government, on the 26th September last, respecting the Officers batta, being expressed in terms which gave us little room to doubt the intention of striking it off from the 1st of January, and that period being now near at hand; our apprehensions of loosing the chief advantage of the Service, impel us to lay our Sentiments before You as our immediate Commanding Officer, requesting that You will

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forward them on the best manner to avert the impending evil —

We are well convinced that in the late long and destructive War, the many losses sustained under Oeconomy in every branch of the Service civil and Military, absolutely necessary, but we cannot suppose them so great as to deprive us of the most beneficial part of our allowances, while places of the greatest emolument and expence remain undiminished, nor can we at any rate conceive how, on the general disbursements, the saving of the half Batta can be thought any real benefit, when it is considered that the universal distress of the Army must be the consequence —

It is well known, that when our Honble Masters thought proper to make the allowance of half Batta to their Officers, they did it in Consequence of the various and peculiar hardships entailed on the India Service, the necessaries and even Comforts of life at that time were Common and attainable to every rank — How indispensable then, must a Continuance of that batta be at present, when those advantages formerly enjoyed exist no longer, when the Base necessaries of life are with difficulty attained, and when to maintain the Character and appearance of Gentlemen the most rigid Oeconomy and self denial must be Observed —

It does not become us to boast of the great and extensive acquisitions derived from the Military, but it hurts us severely to think that now at the end of a distressful war, in which the entire hardships were sustained on our part, when many of us suffered the most severe imprisonment and most of us very considerable private losses, to think that now,

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when our Services are not immediately required in the field, Such a Blow Should be aimed to deprive us of our principal advantage, when we had reason to expect rewards for our Sufferings and Services—

And thought there are Several Garrisons which never had Batta, they were never Complained of being Considered as temporary difficulties, which in the Relation of the Service all must Suffer, Yet it is well known that in those places Officers to support the appearance of their Station were Compelled to exceed their income, and Contract debts, which without the aid of half Batta Garrisons, it would be impossible for them to discharge—

Altho as long as there remains the smallest room to doubt the intentions of Government we will not entirely lay aside hope, particularly as the hardships we must Suffer from the adopting Such a measure must appear upon the least reflection; Yet our apprehensions which dictate, will make excusable every precaution against the worst We therefore request, Sir, that you will make known to Government these our Sentiments, and that you will inforce them by Such Arguments as may Seem best in Your Judgement, at the Same time assuring them that nothing whatsoever is meant by this proceeding, which militates in the Smallest degree against the highest reverence.—

We have the Honor to be

Sir

Your most Obed.t humble Servants

The Officers doing duty

in the Garrison of

Masulipatam

(Signed) Basil Monteith Captain

John

Masulipatam

the 15th December 1784

out and disabled him from traveling, untill he now set out again. He seems an intelligent fellow, and what he says that appears worth relating, is as follows—

That an Invasion from the Marhattors on Tippoo's Country has been generally apprehended ever since the peace with us, very soon after the conclusion of which Kasim Sahib and Meer Sahibs Son marched with a large Detachment from Seringapatam to Bethamcottah a fort upon the Northern frontier formerly taken from the Marhattors, which with Gooty and some other places they then demanded restitution of, having a Considerable force Assembled in that quarter which still remains there, as also Kasim Sahib and Meer Sahibs Son, Tippoo himself constantly residing at Seringapatam. He further Says, that it is the universal persuasion of the Country there will be war amongst them very soon again, either from us, the Marhattas, or Both—

He Says that Syed Sahib is now with an Army near Dindigull upon the Southern frontier, and entertains all Recruits that offer: and that great numbers of our Discharged Sepoys with their families are daily arriving in Tippoos Country where they all get immediate Service: that their regular Battalions are paid every Second months and always kept one month in arrear, the Pay as follows

To a private Sepoy 2 Pagodas pr month from which is Stopd 1 Rupee
To a Naick ... 3½ Pagodas from which Stopp'd ... 1½ Rupee
To an Havildar ... 4 Pagodas Stoppage ... 2 Rupees
To a Jamidar ... 6 Pagodas Stoppage ... 2½ Rupees
To a Subadar 16 Pagodas Stoppage ... 3 Rupees

The names of their Sepoy Black Officers

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Officers that he remembers who have formerly been in the Honble Company or Nabobs Service are as follows—

1st Sayd Ameen, Commandant General of all their Regular Sepoy Battalions and directs their exercise and discipline. This man is in high favor with Tippoo, and has great pay; he was formerly Commandant in our Nabobs Service under the Amir, and was taken prisoner in Arcot when it fell—

2d Sayd Giffar Commandant of all their disciplined Cavalry said to be Five thousand but under the orders of Sayd Ameen, he was formerly a Subidar in Captain Donald Campbells Regement of Cavalry in our Nabobs Service, but after that Corps was disbanded a Commandant of one of the Honble Companys Sibendy Battalions, and taken prisoner in the Tanjore Country with Colonel Braithwaites Detachment when it was cut off

3d Simonaick Commandant of a Sepoy Battalion, was formerly in the same Station in the Nabobs Service, and was taken at Arcot; it is reported that his family is now at Chinglput

4th Ibram Sahib a Subidar in one of their Battalions he was formerly a Subidar in the Honble Companys Service in Captn Edmonds's Battn and was taken prisoner very soon after Hyder entered the Carnatick in 1780 near Vellore when on leave of absence—

5th Shaick Hussen Jemadar in a Battn was formerly in the same Station with the Honble Company in the 10th Carnatic Battn, and taken with Colonel Braithwaite—

6th & 7th Veeragoo & Ramasawmy both Jamidars of Sepoys, were formerly Havildars in the 1st Carnatic Battalion and taken with Colonel Baillie—

8th & 9th Shaick Hussen & Ibram Sahib both also Jemidars, formerly

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He says that when at Bangalore he saw a number of Europeans in Moormens dresses who were employed as Artificers in different Branches, and that there were others who had not taken the Turband confined as prisoners but kept at work notwithstanding. That there were likewise numbers of Black people employed upon the fortifications under guards whom he was never permitted to go near; and that there were Several European Officers doing duty in the Fort with French Regimentals

He further says that the price of rice at present in Tippoos Country, is about twelve Seers for one Rupee, and that there is the appearance of much cultivation and a good Crop—

Your Lordship and the Select Committee from other and probably more respectable intelligence will be able to judge of any or what part of the foregoing is of Consequence Such as I Could draw from him, I thought it my Duty to impart—

I have the honor to be with the highest respect—

My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most Obedient
& very humble Servant
(Signd) George Muat
Capt. Commanding

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24th December 1784

The President informs the Committee that he has received other Information Corroborating the Intelligence

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Minute thereon

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Read the following Letters as entered in the Miscellany Book Nos. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100. 101.

From Mr. Ogilvie

From Mr. Ogilvie, dated 19th December enclosing Mr. Engineer Norris's Bills, & requesting orders thereupon —

Minute thereon

Agreed that Mr. Ogilvie be informed that Mr. Norris's Gratuity & Subsistence money must be paid, that his Charge for Horse allowance cannot be admitted, & that Batta cannot be allowed to him unless it shall appear that it was received for that Period by Mr. Ryland, the Engineer at Vellore —

With respect to Mr. Norris's Charge for Coolies employed as Lascars, Mr. Ogilvie must inform the Committee whether an Application was made previously to him for Lascars, & what charge in his Opinion ought to be made on this Account —

From Col: Ross

From Colonel Ross dated 29th Instant inclosing a Letter from Ensign Bong of the Engineers, requesting Leave to resign the Service —

Minute thereon

Agreed that he be permitted to resign agreeably to his Request —

From Capt. Murshead

From Captain Murshead, inclosing particulars of Repairs wanting at Madura with an Estimate of the Expence, & the Proceedings of a Court of Enquiry on Suwony an Inhabitant, on a charge of having poisoned Vencatachellum a merchant from Pondicherry — This Crime Suwony confesses to have Committed —

Agreed

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from Tranquebar — this Crime Suwony confesses to have Committed —

Agreed

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Minute thereon

Agreed that Captain Murehead be directed to keep Swinny in close Confinement until further Orders, with respect to the Repairs he must be informed that he will Shortly receive the Direction of Government.

From Mr Digby

From Mr Digby dated 25th December

Acknowledging the Receipt of a Model for Certificates and enclosing an Application from two Merchants respecting them.

Minute thereon

Agreed that Mr Digby be informed that if the Certificate in the possession of Messrs Leathom and Mackintosh be informal, he must furnish another, the holders of which will be acquainted in what manner it can be procured.

From Mr Swain

From Mr Swain dated 15th Instant enclosing a Letter from Mr Dott, requesting that his claim may be recommended to the Court of Directors, & forwarding a Statement of the Arrears of the Mogul Cavalry.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Papers relative to Mr Dotts Claim be sent home with the next dispatches, and that his Claim be mentioned in one Letter to the Court of Directors.

From Mr Everett

From Mr Everett dated 16th Instant stating that he has been many Years in the Nabobs Service as a Cavalry Officer, & requesting that he may be taken into the Companys Service.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Consideration of this Letter be deferred.

From Capt Montgomery

From Capt Montgomery dated the 18th Instant at Ongole, transmitting a Statement of Provisions which are wanted to complete Three Months store for his Garrison.

Minute thereon

Agreed that Capt Montgomery be informed, that the Committee deem it unnecessary at this time to

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to lay in a further Store of Provisions for his Garrison—

From the Chief & Council at Vizagapatam

From Vizagapatam

dated 15th December, desiring to be informed whether the General Order of the 29th November is to be Considered by them as prohibiting their providing the Common Supplies of Stores for Vizagapatam and Chicacole—

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam be informed, that they must from time to time indent to the Committee of Stores for such Articles as they may want, which will be sent to them if they can be Supplied Should the Committee of Stores be unable to furnish the Stores indented for, or the Chief & Council at Vizagapatam be able to provide them at a Cheaper Rate than at the Presidency in such cases the Select Committee will give permission accordingly—

Read the following Letter from the Commissioners of Accounts with Enclosures entered in the Miscellany Book No. 102—

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

From the Commissioners of accounts with a Statement of their late Proceedings

My Lord & Gentlemen

We have been honored with a letter from Your Secretary Mr. John Chamier, dated 9th December, accompanied with Your Lordship's &c. resolutions, on our address to You of the 10th November 1784—and a copy of the General Orders issued in Consequence—

We have the honor to inform Your Lordship &c. that the following Reports have been made to our Board Viz.t a Report by Mr. Woolf dated 15th November on the

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The Journals and Ledgers of the Committee of Works from 1st May 1780 to April 1783.

2 ..... A report by Mr Corbett dated 24th Novemr addressd to Mr Holland & Co Commissioners, on the Military Payments in the Garrison of Chellumbrum from July 1783 to November 1784.

3 ..... A report by Mr Wynch dated 4th Decr on Repairs made to the fortifications at Carrangoly from Jany 1781 to September 1781 inclusive.

4 ..... A report by Mr Woolf dated 6th Decr on the accounts of the Garrison of Chellumbrum that come into the Office of the Superintendant of Nabobs disbursements from 1st July 1783. to October 1784.

5 ..... A report by Mr Jackson dated 8th decr on the late Paymaster Mr Williams Lights accounts at Palliamcotah.

6 ..... A Report by Mr John Balfour on the Agents accounts at Madras, from 1st of May 1780. to 12th January 1782. and on the accounts of the deputy agent at Camp from 1st May 1780 to 31 December 1781.

1 ..... On the Report by Mr Woolf Dated 15th November, we Suppose the Summing out standing Ballances will be liquidated in the Subsequent accounts at present we have nothing to remark.

2 ..... We have only to Observe, on the Report by Mr Corbett of the 25th November that the accounts were agreeable to the Regulations, & supported by Vouchers in the usual forms, except in that particular of their being no Paymaster. The Abstracts therefore are signed by the Commanding Officer alone.

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3 ..... In consequence of the Report by Mr Wynch of the 14th September, we beg leave to remark, that as Artificers of all kinds, were not only very difficult to be procured, but at a dearer rate, the extra allowance given by Mr Wilkins, we presume may be admitted, particularly as it does not exceed 50 Pagodas during the 9 Months: it is necessary to observe to your Lordship &c. Mr Wickens was not only the Engineer employed for repairing the fortifications at Curringoly but Paymaster; his own Accounts are all the Vouchers produced. X

4 ..... As the Wages of Artificers were considerably increased during the War, we deem this a sufficient reason for Lieut Capper's having deviated from the regulations in his allowance to the workmen; particularly as by as the Sum exceeded does not amount to 50 Pagodas, as Stated by Mr Wood in his report on the accounts of the Garrison of Chellumbrum dated 6th December it is necessary to remark that these accounts are only supported by Lieut Capper's own Signature

5 ..... We beg leave to observe on the report of Mr Jackson, dated 8th December that as Mr Leslie's the Surgeon's charges for Bazar Medicines, Attendance on Officers Seapoys, & Inhabitants did not amount to more than 60 Pagodas pr Month, we presume there can be no Objection to his demand, & recommend it to the consideration of Your Lordship &c particularly as Mr Jackson does not in any Shape, express his disapprobation of the Charges by the same report. We observe also, the late Paymaster (Mr William Light) at Calamiconal has issued unauthorised by Government & contrary to the Regulations the Sum of 290 - 23 - 47, in consequence of which we

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we have addressed the Executor to the Estate of Mr William Light to refund to the Company this Sum, & directed the Superintendant of the Nabobs Accounts, to debit Mr Lights Estate accordingly; Copies of your Letters we have the honor to enclose for your Lordships &c. inspection —

Mr Dobbyn (the late Agent) we are informed has applied to Your Lordship &c for permission to come to Madras, as there are many references, in Consequence of Mr Balfours Report dated 6th December necessary for the personal presence of the Agent to explain, we wish to defer reporting on this matter, till Mr Dobbyns arrival — we beg leave to observe to Your Lordship &c. that Mr Balfours Report, & our proceedings are entered in our Records, Ready for the inspection of Your Lordship &c —

In Consequence of Mr Balfour's Report we have written to the Deputy Agent at Camp, & have the honor to enclose you a Copy of our Letter to him —

It Appears, that some Bullocks & Carts paid in Camp are not included in the Commissarys returns, we beg leave to recommend that orders be issued, that no Bullocks or Carts in whatever Service or Department employed, be paid or Charged for, except mustered by the Commissary, where there is one, and included in his Returns —

We have the honor to be with great Respect
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most obd.t and most h.ble Servants
Wm Wynch
Edr John Holland
John Balfour
Robert Woolf

Madras
29th December 1784 — Signed

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Agreed that the Commissioners of accounts be informed that they must apply to Mr Lightt, Representative to refund the money, which he paid for Bullocks Hire, as it was unauthorised by Government & contrary to the established Regulations. The Committee agree to their recommendation that no Bullocks or Carts shall be charged for, except mustered by the Commissary & included in his Returns and it is in consequence Resolved that a G. O. be published to that Effect.

Read the following Letter from Mr Hippisley

To John Hudleston Esq
Military Secretary Fort St George

Sir

In consequence of Your Letter of the 12th Instant to Mr Sullivan, conveying the Directions of the Right Honble President & Select Committee to urge to the Rajah of Tanjore the necessity of discharging his Peishcash, I thought it my Duty on Mr Sullivans Absence, to request an immediate audience of his Excellency.

Yesterday was in consequence admitted to the Rajah & having stated in the strongest manner the Directions & Expectations of Government, His Excellency replied that he had the honor of a Letter from the Right Honble President to the same effect which from his extreme Illness he was prevented from immediately answering but he hoped he should be enabled to address his Lordship

From Mr Hippisley stating the substance of his Conference with the Rajah & his Ministers on the subject of demand to discharge the Balance

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Lordship in reply He then stated the distresses of his Country during the war and the Consequences it must feel for a great length of time; — He urged his inability in any strong Terms & expressed a Confidence that the arguments he should offer to the Consideration of Government then the Right Honble President would procure such favorable representations to the Company that he might Hope for a full completion of the arrears —

Perceiving that no further Arguments on my part could avail, & that His Excellency trusted entirely to the force of his own immediate representations by Letter (which he observed would be very fully on the subject) I took leave of his Excellency with his particular injunctions to acquaint his Lordship of his intended address, and which I also beg you will do me the honor to intimate

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your very Obedient

& most humble Servant

(Signd) Fox Hepplewhite

Tanjore

29th December 1784

Agreed that a Letter be written to the Resident at Tanjore, desiring that he will intimate in the strongest terms the request to the Rajah for an immediate supply of Cash as the Committee are obliged principally to depend upon it at this time, & whom obtained Mr. Sullivan

intimate thereon

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Sullivan must be desired not to lose a moment in remitting it to the Presidency

Read the following from Mr James Taylor with Enclosure entered in Miscellany Book No 103

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.
President and Governor &c. &c. &c.
Council at Fort St George

My Lord & Gentlemen

Agreeable to a Declaration from Your Board published some time since, that those persons whose Garden Houses were lent to the Company should be remunerated for the Expences which might be incurred in repairing them after their being occupied by the military

I have now the honor to enclose an Account of money expended in repairing the late Mr Mackay's House, and to request that the Honble Board will be pleased to discharge it in such manner as may be most convenient to them

I have the honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most Obedt
Humble Servant
(signed) James Taylor
Executor to the Estate of
Mr George Mackay
Deceased

Fort St George
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Mr James Taylor administrator to the Estate of the late Mr Mackay, requesting Payment for damages done by the Company's Troops in a Garden belonging to that Estate and enclosing an Estimate of the Same

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Order'd to lay on the Table

Read the following Letter from Mssrs

Lind & Clarke

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

President & Governor &c &c &c

& the Select Committee

of Fort St George

My Lord & Gentlemen

After the Honours we deem'd

from Mssrs Lind &
Clarke the Reply to
which not yet received
we have the Honour from
Motives of duty even on
the Subject to lose no time
in a few Days a Person
to Capitulate to discharge
the first Part thereof
then even acknowledge
in a Letter to the Right
Hon'ble Company
be liberated on Bail or
Sum of Money to pay
restoring Our Ille Gens
for Business with Hyder
duty even thereon
Gen Evans & Captain
Lamb &c

expedient to make to Hyder Ally Khan in our Letter

of the 4th Instant covering the Order to deliver up the

Cazee Dessai with Powers of Arrogating matters to a

speedy conclusion, We cannot but lament that after a Lapse

of so many days the Dessai should have hitherto

not been received the receipt of our Letter acknowledged

the only reason we can assign for not hearing from

them is that not being empowered to treat with us

personally, we doubtless be to appoint a Vakeel by the Mss

transmitted our Letter to Mssrs Dean, and detains

our Messengers until the Pleasure & Instructions how

to act

From Mssrs Dean's answer to ours

Letter of the 8th October (which we now enclose) wherein he

absolutely refuses to Negotiate any Peace to us and observes

that as the business of the Guns concluded Peace to Us we

have only to abide the Treaty according to the Settlement

(alluding

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a Letter from the Nabob to Lt Manning and without date
a Letter from him from his Lordship — I am sorry to
[illegible] by Khan according to what
[illegible] restored. Your Lordship to make [illegible]
but Under hopes of being able to bring about a reconcilement
which gives us the more concern as without one We shall
be deprived not only of the means of expending and
settling the Affair of Contribution but likewise of procuring
a Paper of agreement properly executed as to sustain and
fix the exact Sum to be paid Yearly by the Rajah to
to Cuddepah Circar, and thereby leave no just ground
for future Contention on this Head, however convincing
it possible that our last Application to Ibraham Ally
may be attended to, We have judged it advisable to
wait a few Days to see the effect of it, should We be disap-
pointed herein, our only alternative will be to send a
Person to Cuddepah to discharge the just Debt we
have already procured the Rajah for this event
In Hopes to draw an Answer from
Ibraham Ally as soon as possible We have again
addressed him a Copy whereof accompanies this Letter
After the recent, and positive
Declarations made by Tippoo Sultaun of having
released the Rajahs Relations &c and his silence
on

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Ordered to lie on the Table

Read the following Letter from Mssrs

Lind & Clove

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K. B.

President & Governor &c Members

of the Select Committee

of Fort St George

My Lord & Gentlemen

After the advances we deem'd

expedient to make to Ibraham alby Khan in our Letter

of the 8th Instant covering the order to deliver up the

Rajahs Districts with a view of bringing matters to a

speedy conclusion, we cannot but lament that after a lapse

of so many days the Districts should have been neither

restored nor even the receipt of our Letter acknowledged

the only reason we can assign for not hearing from

them is that not being empowered to treat with us

personally, our Author will be apprehensive lest he may

transmit his Letter to the Nawaub at Poon, and obtains

our Memorials until he shall obtain Instructions how

to act

From Mssrs Lind & Clove the Rajahs districts not yet evacuated not have they heard from Ibrahim alby even on the subject. Inform during one or two days a Person to Cuddapah to discharge the first Kists thereon then acknowledge in a Letter to the Rajah that he expects will not be liberated until a sum of Money as shall satisfy their Lords & Masters demands with Ibrahim alby Khan Thereon Captain Lind &c

Upon the Nawaub of Poons answer to our

Letter of the 21st October (which we now enclose) wherein he

absolutely refuses to Dispute any Point to us and Observes

that as the business has been concluded Here it is Time we

have only to draw the Money according to the Settlement

(alluding

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Alluding to a Paper which Tippoo Sultaun transmitted to your Lordship to take a receipt for the amount from his Treasury, to the end that the Princes may be released. Your Lordship will perceive that we have but little hope of being able to bring about a conference which gives us the more concern as without one we shall be deprived not only of the means of negotiating and settling the Affair of Cudapah but likewise of procuring a Paper of agreement properly executed & to ascertain and fix the exact Sum to be paid yearly by the Rajah to Cuddapah Circar, and thereby leave no just ground for future Contentions on this Head, however convincing it is possible that our last Application to Ibraham Ally may be attended to, We have judged it adviseable to wait a few Days to see the effect of it, should we be disappointed herein our only alternative will be to send a Person to Cuddapah to discharge the first Visit we have already prepared the Rajah for this event

In order to draw an Answer from Ibraham Ally as soon as possible We have again addressed him a Copy whereof accompanies this Letter

After the recent, and positive Declarations made by Tippoo Sultaun of having released the Rajahs Relations &c and his silence

On

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on the Subject of the Nazzer your Excellency &c will no doubt be surprized to learn that Hammer Ali has on a Letter to the Rajah which he will forward to you acknowledging Having Them on his profession and offers to liberate them on payment of the Nazzer—

We have the Honor to be with much respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most obedient

& most devoted Servants

Vincent Sherry

25th December 1784

(Sign'd) Fran's Light

B. Close

P.S. The enclosed is the last Letter we have received from Captain Smart—

From Meer Hammed dean dated Chan to Mr Lind and Captain Sherry Close dated 26th November 1784 or the 16th Moherrum 1199—

Since receiving your Letter dated 1st November last with one from Mr Macartney and Copy of a Letter from the Nabob relative to sending a Person to settle the Business of the Vencatagherry Zemindar which I have understood all their Affairs were settled in the presence of each other, yet the young Rajah Choondercheid ab and Tealapar interfered and put a stop to it— but as Peace had been established I prepared orders to Rustum Ally Khan and Ramiah Naniadar to give up their Villages, and entered them with

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a Letter from the Nabob to Lord Macartney undated
you will receive from his Lordship — It is Mysore request
to send the money to Abraham ally Khan according to what
was agreed, and take possession of the places with the two last
Villages and deliver them over to the Nabob Lordship
I want to be a means made of Friendship to send the money
very soon agreeably to the Settlement made and Peshcush
will give his receipt then there will be no dispute in delay
in restoring the places — I have received the Letter which
you sent to me enclosed from Lord Macartney what
can I say more —

Copy of a Letter from Messrs Lord & Close to Abraham
ally Khan at Cuddapah dated Vencatagherry 5th Decr 1784

Some time ago Captain Close acted
upon Hurrumra ud deen Khan at Cuddapah to determine the
disputes that subsisted between them, and the Rajah of Vencata-
gherry, but objections having been made to the Restitution of
Cotherlah cottah, and Gurlepauer, which put a Stop to the
negociation, he at length returned to this place — The Nabob
Tippoo Sultaun being made acquainted with this circumstance
and desirous of clearing the way to an accommodation, was
pleased to transmit to the Governor of Madras, the Duplicate
of an Order he had dispatched to Hurrumra ud deen Khan, direct-
ing them to evacuate all the Rajahs Districts on professing
of the Cuddapah Circar, as we were commissioned by Govern-
ment, to negociate on behalf of the Rajah, it was accordingly
forwarded

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forwarded to us, and we on consequence addressed a Letter to Kummer ud deen Khan, under date the 31st of October, requesting that the contents of the above Despatch might be fully complied with, and further desired that a Vackeel might be sent to us, either here at Ramnaud or Cuttaur to adjust matters finally between them, but he having arrived at Seringapatam, before our Letter reached Arcot, had now at the desire of the late Tippoo Sultaun, sent another Letter to the same effect addressed to you which will be found herein, and we make no doubt of your paying due obedience to it.

Every obstacle which occurred on the negotiation, being now happily removed, we flatter ourselves, it will be soon Completed, and to this end as you are intrusted with the management of the Carnatic Coromandel in the absence of Hurnee ud dun Khan, we gladly invite you to join us, at either of the places mentioned in our Letter to him, as may be most suitable to your convenience but wants the Carnatic Customs to demand your constant attendance at Cuddapah you will be pleased to send us a person of ability, properly authorized in order that a perfect Settlement may be effected without further delay. We hope you will favor us with your answer as early as possible.

What can We say more

To Francis Lind & Barry Close Esqrs

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Gentlemen

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I was favored with yours of the 6th Instant last night just as I returned from Pattalore and have the pleasure to inform you that notwithstanding the menaces of Candapah, I have left the Inhabitants in the quiet possession of their Villages, with Strong Guards for their protection — I have been using every possible means to get hold of this rascal, and have offered a handsome reward to the person or persons that may make him prisoner, but he is so much alarmed since I came here, that he never trusts himself near Shaw Chuntu, which is three Cos from Pattalore — Should he venture as far as any of the Villages he some time ago was master of, I make not the smallest doubt of getting him in my Custody — You may not assured that no exertion of mine shall be wanting to fully answer the purposes for which I am employed —

It has rained incessantly since 10 oClock last night, and at present blows a hurricane, should it continue to rain much longer the Tappy must go round by ramapatam, so that it will make one days difference —

I am
Gentlemen
Your most obedient
& Humble servant
(Signd) Coll Smart

Cundacoor
13th December 1784
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Copy of Letter from Messrs Francis Lind and
B. Barry Close to Ibrahim Ally Cohaun at Cuddepah
dated Camp at Chery 24th December 1784 —

We did ourselves the pleasure to
address a Letter to you on the 4th Instant enclosing an
Order to you from Rummunda Dien Khan directing
you to evacuate all the Rajahs Districts in your possession
of the Cuddapah Circar, also inviting you to meet us
either at this Place, Ramjore or Cuddapah to put a
finishing hand to all existing differences between your
Master and the Rajahs, as the Subject of that Letter was
of that importance to require an early reply We must
express our Regret that so many days have unnecessarily expired without hearing from you — our Hircarrahs having reached Cuddapah in the usual time
we have cause to think that it was delivered to you
Shortly after, however lest from any unforseen accident
it should have miscarried We now send You a Duplicate
The Order to you being clear and peremptory We are
at a loss to account for your having so long evaded Com-
plying with it. We are therefore induced to hope that you
will no longer delay to satisfy us on this Point at the
same time replying to the other parts of our Letter —

What can we say more

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Minute Extract

The Right Honble President informs the Board that Mr Garrow has applied to him for Contingent Bonds for Pagodas in part of the Balance due to him, at his Consequence — Agreed that Bonds be granted to Mr Garrow for the Recommended sum —

Bonds granted to Mr Garrow for 9000 Pags

The Right Honble the President lays before the Board two Letters received Yesterday from the Royal Family presented in the Correspondence 1st 202. 203 containing many Arguments why the Company ought not to insist at present on his advancing them any money on account of the four annual Stipulated Lacks of Pagodas urging among many others, the total Impracticability of his doing so, as the utter destruction that would inevitably follow the adoption of such a measure — That to appreciate any Monies not collected within the Carnatic, which are in a State of Depopulation and Devastation to any other use than to a Withdrawal of that time in which he is happily experienced before the late war, must manifestly tend materially to the Company's Prejudice — That his Friendship for the Company had drawn on him the Enmity of Hyder ally the French and to the British which he had no other Quarrel than because he was a Friend to the English and had involved himself on their account in Difficulties, that all his Exertions joined with Every Resource he was Master of would fall far short of extricating him for some years to come — That his Readiness in yielding up the four Magazines round Karical to the French, on the first

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Intimation, because it was the wish of the King of England, must surely evince his attachment to the Company; and that he trusts the Right Honble the President will not endeavour to weaken that attachment, by continuing to insist on his (the Royals) Performance of that, which would Com- -pleat his Ruin to do -

The Board having taken into Consideration the foregoing Letters are of Opinion that the Arguments made use of by the Rajah are not sufficiently weighty to make them alter their Sentiments, and therefore resolve that the Right Honble the President be requested to write to the Rajah, stating the Reasons which induce this Government to be so pressing for a Supply of Money at this Time, and reiterating their Request that he will no longer withhold his Pollams on the four stipulated annual Packs of Pagodas -

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Received the following Letters

To John Chamier Esqr

Deputy Secretary to the Select Committee

Sir

I have received your Letters Dated the 22d and 24th Instant and in the latter a Copy of one from the Select Committee to Colonel Sullivan, the Contents of which have much surprized me, I am sorry the Colonel

From Mr Hutchinson
Sorry Colonel Stratton
& Board have found it
necessary to address the
Select Committee on the
Subject of military arrears
- shall take care not to
deviate from the
Instructions -

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29th Colonel should have found it necessary to Address the Right Honble President on the Subject of my Auditing Accounts because I conceive it would have been better for them to have waited until I were invested whilst he Commanded the Southern army and laid before me, for to this Hour I have not seen a Single Account since the Colonel first took the Command.

You will be pleased to acquaint the Right Honble President and Select Committee, that I Shall take Care not to deviate from my Instructions according to the best of my Judgement, and that I believe it will be a difficult matter, even for Colonel Sutherland, or any other Person, to point out one Instance in which I have hitherto acted Contrary to them.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt Servt
(Signd) W. Jackson
Comptroller of Accounts

Harrisons
28th Decemr 1784.

To Mr John Chanmier
Deputy Military Secretary
Fort St George

Sir

I have been favored with the two Letters from
Your under date the 24th Instant One Signifying the
Intention of the Right Honble the President and Select
Committee to make an allowance to the officers on the
Garrisons South of the Coleroon in lieu of the half Batta
they enjoyed before the war, and which was struck off by
the General order of the 26th September last.

The other enclosing the Right Honble

the

Sworn Mr Digby stating the reasons that induced him to apply to Colonel Sutherland for authenticated testimonies of those Powers by which he (Mr Digby) regulated his official Conduct in the payments to the Southern army.

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The President and Select Committee's answer to a Letter addressed
the Right Honble the President, by Colonel Fullarton lately
commanding the Southern Force—

As the purport of this Letter so nearly
Concerns me, and as I have ever studiously avoided troubling the
Committee on this or indeed any other subject, the motives of my
application to Colonel Fullarton for authentic Testimonies of those
Powers by which I regulated my official Conduct are now
become a Duty on me to avow publickly, that I may escape any
misconstruction when the reasons that induced such application
tion to the Commanding Officer—

During the course of the Campaign Colonel
Fullarton communicated to me the public Correspondence he
held with Government on all matters that regarded my
situation and Agreeable to the Spirit of them I conformed
and acted Still adhering to the rules and regulations of the
Service on all cases where they could possibly be followed, but
when I immediately consulted the Force of the order of the 5th
November 1784 directing "That officers appointed to act
"on the field or Staff Duty, by any authority but that of
"Government, are to receive no allowances unless specially
"ordered by the Select Committee, Paymasters and all heads
"of Departments are directed in their accounts to refer by
"Note to the orders or regulations of Government for Charges
"not provided for and allowed by the Book of Military
"Regulations, and the Comptroller of accounts and Commissaries
"are to reject all such Charges unless the orders and Regula-
tions for them are so specified— And knowing of no specific
orders (one excepted) of that description ever having been
issued

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29th issued to the Southward either for the numerous Stoff I had paid, on the stores purchased by different Persons for the several Garrisons for which I had given credit in my Books, I was staggered at the Consequence of the printed order before quoted, and also the necessity of ascertaining the validity and authority of those General Approbations of Government I had hitherto conceived as binding and under which I have incurred a very serious & heavy responsibility.

Therefore in my letter to Colonel Fullarton marked out that circumstance that were in point, that of necessary I might ground an address to the Commander on his Reply, but I must entreat, you will observe from that a General indemnification or a view of having my accounts passed without the audit of the Commissioner, or without the proof and support of proper Vouchers, I never once dreamt of - and injustice to Mr Jackson I must appeal to my public Correspondence with him, the sole channel of Communication on all matters of Business to prove the sincere Sentiments of his Candour, and impartiality, in the laborious & difficult employ with which he is invested. —

I trust, the Right Honble the President and Select Committee will pardon this intrusion when they reflect how uncomfortable I must have felt myself under a Silence that might have given room for Suspicions that my Aim was directed to unwarrantable and Sinister ends

I have the honor to be
Sir
your very obedient
Humble Servant
Kenelm Digby
Paymr

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29th December 1784

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25th Sent the following Letters as entered in the Miscellany Book Nos 85, 86, 87, 88, 105.

To Colo Ross — To Colonel Ross Ensign Berg transmitted to resign the Service

To Capt Murchison — To Captain Murchison the man mentioned in his last Letter to have been convicted of Murder must for the present be closely confined — will shortly receive the Directors Orders on his Estimate for proposed Repairs

To Capt Montgomery — To Captain Montgomery — a further Store of Provisions for his Garrison deemed necessary at present

To Mr Ogilvie — To Mr Ogilvie Engineer Norrises Bills enclosed by him in his last Letter returned to him but as to the money and gratuity to be paid that Officer, but no Horse allowance granted him, to pay him Batta, provided Engineer Ryland has received it

To Pagapatam — To Pagapatam — To send to the Committee of Stores for such articles as they want, but if they (the Committee of Stores) are unable to furnish them, and the same can be procured Cheaper at Pagapatam, the Committee give Permission accordingly

Sent the following Letters

To Mr Hamilton Digby

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble the President & Select Committee to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 26th Instant, & to inform You that if the Effects in the possession of Messrs Leathom & Mackintosh be informed upon must furnish another what being presented by the Holders of it will be informed in what manner

To Mr Hamilton Digby, Re Holders of the Effects in the possession of Messrs Leathom & Mackintosh to inform them that no Money is to be paid by the Company under their Orders to be paid from the Amt of any Estimates to be granted for the service previous thereto Mr Dallas's Contract to be paid when the other Troops to the southward of the Coleroon are

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To be paid

An application having been made to the Right Honble President by Mr Dallas, requesting the Payment of the Troops of Cavalry under his Command, I am directed to inform you that the account of arrears due to the 31st August is to be made up & Certificates granted for the amount, from that period the Cavalry must be paid. Mr Dallas's Contract which is to Pay 8 Pags pr month for finding the Horses, is to be paid at the same time with the other Troops belonging to the Southward of the Coleroon

I am yours &c

Fort St George
30th December 1784

John Stratton
Deputy Secretary

To Cyples Erwin Esqr

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble the President and Select Committee to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 15th Instant with its Enclosures and to inform you that they much approve the Settlement made for the arrears of the mogul Cavalry, & desire you will communicate this approbation to Capt Muirhead & Mr Erwin

The Select Committee will represent the Claim of Mr Dott to the Court of Directors in their next despatches agreably to his request

An application having been made to the Right Honble President by Mr Dallas, requesting the Payment of the Troops of Cavalry under his Command I am directed to inform You that the account of arrears due to the 31st August is to be made up, & Certificates granted for the amount, from that period the Cavalry must be paid Mr Dallas's Contract which is to Pay 8 Pags pr month for findings the Horses is to be paid at the same time with the other Troops belonging to the Southward of

To Mr Erwin, approving of the Settlement made for the arrears of the Mogul Cavalry Mr Dalls Claim to be represented to the Court of Directors Informing him of the same with regard to Mr Dallas's Contract, as is mentioned in the preceding Letter

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36th of the Coleroon

Fort St George

30th December 1784

Sam Sir

Yours &c

(Signd) John Charnier

To James Daniell Esqr

Chief & Council at Masulipatam

Gentlemen

I am directed by the Right Honble the President & Select Committee to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 22d Instant with its Enclosures, & to inform you that they much approve your Conduct respecting Major Cheshyre whom as an officer under your authority they consider as culpably reprehensible for not having paid implicit obedience to your Directions —

The Select Committee approve your having repeated your orders to Major Cheshyre and your having required him to conform to them in every point & they have directed me to send you a Copy of the Letter which has been written to Major Cheshyre on the subject —

I am Gentlemen

your most obedt & hble Servant

(Signd) John Charnier

Deputy Secretary

Fort St George
30th December 1784

To Major Robert Cheshyre

Sir

I am directed by the Right Worshle the President & Select Committee to inform you that the Chief & Council of Masulipatam have transmitted to them Copies of their Letter to you of the 16th Instant & your Letter to them of the 16th & of their second Letter to you of the 21st Inst

The Select Committee having taken these Letters into Consideration are at a loss to understand upon what grounds you could have refused obedience to that authority under which you were placed, & they accordingly direct me to signify to you their entire disapprobation of your Conduct in that Instance, & to inform you that your Letter Contrary to your

To Mayor Chesshire
highly disapproving
his Conduct in not paying
implicit obedience to the
orders of the Chief & Council
of Masulipatam, directing
him to be careful always
to do it in future —

To Masulipatam approving
of their Conduct
with respect to Mayor
Cheshire ordering
Copy of Letter to that
effect —

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Duty — Should you not have Complied in every point to the orders sent to you by the Chief & Council at Masulipatam before the receipt of this Letter I am directed to order your immediate Compliance therewith

I am Sir
Your &c
(Signed) John Cramer
Dep^y Secretary

To John Sullivan Esq^r
President at Tanjore

Sir

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of Mr Kippens Letter of the 22^d Instant in which he states a fruitless application made by him to the Rajah of Tanjore for an advance of Cash on account of his arrears & intimates an intention on the part of the Rajah to address the President on that subject — This Letter has been since received, but makes no alteration in the Sentiments or Situation of the Committee and I am therefore directed to desire you will reiterate in the strongest terms the request to the Rajah, & use all your address to obtain an acquiescence to it, which is particularly necessary at this time, when Government is obliged principally to depend upon an immediate supply from your Quarter as soon as you have succeeded in your application, the Select Committee desire you will not lose a moment in remitting the money to the Presidency

I am Sir
Your most Obedient Servt
(Signed) John Cramer
Dep^y Secretary

Fort St George
30th December 1784

Mahalingam — Arrange the Rajah of Tanjore to discharge the rest of this arrear — duly & the money on that account without Delay

To Charles Oakely Esq^r
Committee of Stores & Revenue

Gentlemen

I am directed by the Right Honble the President & Select Committee to inform you that as the Claim

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of the Rajah of Cadastry, and the representation of the Three Polygars are neither of them supported by the necessary Vouchers it is absolutely impossible to form any true judgment upon them, and the Select Committee therefore desire you will call upon both Parties to produce the original Summadoo & Letters, to which they respectively refer and when you shall have formed your opinion you will be pleased to transmit it to the Select Committee

I am directed further to inform you in answer to your Letter of the 12th Instant, that if Suja Naik, & Mootapah Naik two of the abovementioned Three Polygars have not yet restored the Effects mentioned in Mr Dighy's Letter to have been stolen & secreted in their Bottoms, they cannot be considered as having any Claims to the Company's favor and protection but will suffer their severest displeasure

I am
Gentlemen
your most Obedient
humble Servant
(Sgnd) John Cheamier
Deputy Secretary

Fort St George
30th December 1784

of the Committee of
Signed Proving the
Names of the Rajah of
Cadastry, and the Represen-
tation of the Three Polygars
at being supported by
the proper Vouchers,
nothing can be done except
ing them to get the proper
Vouchers, and report their
thereon. the Things stolen
and said to be secreted in
ms of the Three Polygars
Gentlemen not already
restored the Polygars of
three Pollams will not
be considered as having
any Claims on the Company
Protection

To . Mr. Ross the Bullocks at Vellore to be delivered if Serviceable to the Mawbies 759 To . Mr. Kenworthy 1000 Pagodas sent to provide Slaughter Cattle for the use of the Prisoners 1123 Bills for things furnished the Prisoners at Vellore discharged 1491 Draft granted to . Mr. William Ross and Bills on Bengal for 5000 Pagodas 1980 To Do. to send . Salt Provisions to Vellore 2009 From . Mr. Kenworthy respecting the disposal of the Tent Bullocks 2709 From Do. to discharge the Bullocks &c. commencing the . Men to receive Batta in lieu of Provisions . and enclosing Letter from Captain Speedeman 3654 To enclosing letter to Captain Speedeman regarding the number of Bullocks for his Department and to take notice of the General Order respecting the victualling Department 3659 From Mr. Kenworthy supplies the . Men with arrack & Provisions by desire of General Horne 3686 To Do respecting same Indents for Rice 3712 From Mr. Kenworthy on the Subject of the victualling Department 3914 From Do. stating the rates the Bullock . Masters engage to let their . Bullocks to the Company in time of peace 3988 To to discharge all the remaining Bullocks 4037 From Ditto representing the distress of the Servants belonging to his Department for want of pay and desiring to know what is to be done with the remaining Elephant under his . Charge 4014 . Minute thereon 4015 To Ditto in answer

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Agent

answer 4037 Bond granted to Mr Ross for 10000 Pag
4041 Bills on Bengal Granted to the Deputy Agent for
10,055 F. C. 15. 4128 to Mr Kenworthy Approving his
having supplied Captain Speedeman with Bullocks to bring
Stores but not to do so in future without an order from the
Select Committee 4242 Bond granted to Mr Ross for
10,000 Pagodas — 4297

Anjengo

From advising of the fall of Mangalore 529 From advising
of the Death of Colonel Campbell 1480 To the Bombay Prof.
to be sent by land, to signify the same to the Bombay &
Government 3411 To the Swallow dispatched to receive
his Commands on her way to Bombay 3980

Amos. Mr James

From the Snow Rachael unable to Carry Stores to Manel-
patam requesting orders in consequence 1341 The Minutes
thereon 1342 To in answer 1349 From on the same
Subject 1491 Minute thereon 1491 To on the same
Subject 1492

Adjutant General

To to wait on General Burgoyne with the General Orders
to

Adjutant General Continued

to consider himself in Arrest 1. From executive the
Orders 2 To enclosing Charges against General
Burgoyne to consider himself under an Arrest at large
4. From in answer 5. To with Letters to Sir
John Burgoyne 75 From delivers the Letter 76
From with List of Prisoners with Tippoo Sultaun
From recommending the Son of the late Colonel Fletcher
to the protection of the Committee 1707 . Minute
thereon 1983 From with recommendation to Promotions
in the Native Troops 2021 1000 Pagodas Advanced
to pay his Passage to England 2124 Captain Richardson
Appointed Adjutant General 2264 From enclosing
Copy of the Charge against L Hall 2827 From
Advising that Colonel Nixon & Mr. Norris require the
Attendance of some Gentlemen to Support their Charges
against Lieut. Hall 2879 From for leave for Captain
Ward and Ensign Cunningham to go to Bengal 3109
From requesting Lieut. Munro may proceed to Bengal
3416

Army

From Captain Chase requesting to be Appointed officially to
the Command 3668 From Lieut Colonel Sterling inclo:
sing Letter from the Officers under his Command requesting
to be Allowed the same as the Troops at Arcot 4200

From -

From requesting his Officers may be allowed the same for repairing Quarters as those at Arcot 4303

Aska

To Mr Tudor. no Bullocks to be kept up in time of Peace 4244

Balfour Mr William

To respecting the Claim of Captain Watts by the Office keeping 2070 From respecting Captain Watts Office keeping 2588 From respecting General Stuarts Allowance for Table Money 2875 Appointed Deputy Commissary General 4036

Baker Mr Charles

From respecting some Materials furnished by the late Mr Hunter for the Corps of European Volunteers 3639 To lie for Consideration 3639 From on the same Subject 4521 Minute thereon Ibid

Batavia

From with congratulations on the Cessation of Arms

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every Attention paid to the Company's Ships 1020 From the Prisoners arrive 1029 From with congratulations on the Cessation of Arms. The True Briton allowed to repair 1591. Minute thereon 1594 with Copys of the preliminary Articles of peace between Great Britain and the States General 1934

Barthelemew. M.S. I. C.

From Regarding same French Arms taken by Colonel Braithwaite at Pondicherry 1313. Minute thereon 1315 To in Answer 1354 From on the same Subject

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To Commissary General. enclosing Statement of the Bay & Batta to Lascars. and others Papers. expressing satisfaction at his conduct 6. From have made new Arrangements in the public Offices a Secretary to each Department 13. From deferring any further interference the the Nabobs Assignment until advices arrive from England with observations on the Commission & Instructions to Messrs. Sadlier & Staunton 14. Minute thereon 17 From enclosing Letters from Bombay and General Macleod with their answer the Measures taken by Tippo

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Tippoo to get possession of Mangalore with the Resolutions
in consequence 18. Minute thereon 43 Bill granted
to Mr Bruce 73 To enclosing Copy of the Letter
from the Court of Directors of the 5th September 1792.
did by no means omit alluding to the Mahratta Treaty
in the Instructions to the Embassy to Tippoo stating
the present Situation of Affairs with respect to peace
and endeavouring to get the Army into the Field 105
Bills granted to Mr Amos 194 Bills granted to
Mr Scotney 194 To the Communication with
the Commissioners stopd begging great exertions be
made in forwarding Supplies incase of a renewal of
hostilities, enclosing Letter from General Macleod
advising of the fall of Cananore 258 Bills granted
to Lieut Colo Alcock 285 Bills granted Messrs
Tennant 286 To the Secretary Letters received from
the Commissioners 309 Bills granted to Mr Scotney
351 Bills granted to Mr Kingsbury 351 Bills
granted to Mr Amos 352 To wishing some person
was appd Resident at the Soubahs Court to
correspond with this Government it being very inconve
nient for want of such a Channel, making every
preparation for a renewal of hostilities inclosing
three Letters from the Nabob 434 From respecting
an Embargo for the exportation of Grain the pay

due to the Detachment. begging it may return. send bills of Exchange purposely to pay off the Detachment £ 73 To Advising of Colonel Campbell being obliged to evacuate Mangalore. a large body of Tippoos Troops within 12 Miles of Darapuram. to be ready incase of a renewal of hostilities no confidence to be placed in Tippoo hope they will send Supplies of Money &c. in want of Rice. the Southern Army will be ready to act offensively by the end of the Month the Bombay Government revoke there Appointment of Mess.rs Callander & Raymocraft The Swallow Arrives from England

479 From with observations on the letter received from the Court of Directors of the 5.th September 1792 regarding the Nabobs Assignment and the Appearance of a disregard to the Mahratta Treaty in the Instructions to the Commissioners deputed to Tippoo. request Copies of all Letters and Accounts from the Commissioners may be sent relative to the Negotiation with Tippoo 522 To detain the Swallow the French raising every Secret Art and intrigues to prosecute their ambitious views. a peace with all the Indian Powers if possible greatly distressed for Provisions

enclosing

enclosing Colonel Campbells letter and the Articles which Mangalore was ceded. enclosing Tippoo's Letter to the President a large Piece of the enemy at the Guncaday Pass will send the Commissioners some new instructions a President wanted at Poonah 679 From advising of the Appointment of Mr Johnson to the Nizam's Court 610 From transmitting an Account of the Sums advanced to his Majesty's Officers and Troops in Bengal 677 Minute thereon 660 Bills granted to Mr Seeley 681 Bills granted to Mr Badger 684 Bills granted to Mr Hall 685 Bills granted to Mr Rose 685 To happy to hear of a person being sent to Hyderabad. will furnish Johnson with papers for his guidance in negotiating with the Soubah 698 To regarding the paying the Kings Troops at Bengal extremely anxious to return their Detachment. the whole Amount of the 6 lacks of Rupees to be received for their Detachment. our wants become every day more urgent 703 From requesting to be furnished with the fullest advices & relative to the Commissioners to Tippoo, with the letter

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Letter of the 30th December regarding the Omer ul Omrahs
Troops had been expressed in a different Style 750
From enclosing Ltter to and from Bombay relative
to the Commission Appointed by that Presidency to confer
with Tippoo Sultaun 799 . Mentde thereon 820
& relative to the Assignment and the Offering to be
made the French by His Majesty and requesting their
Advice. Supposing the Nabob and the Rajah of
Tanjore will not consent to the ceding of those
districts from the Conduct of Tippoo. The Commis-
sioners have not been able to adhere strictly to the
Treaty of Salbay hope a peace will soon be establish-
ed The Europe Frigate Arrived from Europe 902
Bills granted to 1st Augt 934 From respec-
ting the drawing of Bills and that a Weekly Register
be sent 935 From enclosing copy of the answer
from the Judges of the Supreme Court. regarding
the collection of Scavanger Duty. & quit Rent &
935 From requesting their Bills drawn on
the House of Gopaul Row be not protested 937
From respecting Grain 939 & with copy of a letter
from the Commissioners with an Account of the

conclusion

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conclusion of the Peace 946 From relative to the
return of their Detachment 1009 . Minute thereon
1009 From enclosing Letter to General Macleod
1030 From relative to the disposition of the Nizam
and the Negotiations which have been carried on . and
enclosing Extract of the Nizams Letter with the
Governors Reply - enclosing copy of their instructions
to the Bombay Government . in case of a renewal of
hostilities recommend concerting measures with that
Government for the Operations of the Troops under
both Presidencies . enclosing Copies of Letters from
Bombay - making great exertions in forwarding
Supplies 1042 To enclosing an authenticated
Copy of the Peace with Tippoo Sultaun . expressing
a hope that it will meet with their approbation
and receive them ratification . Messrs Staunton
& Hudleston embarked on board the Morning
Star to return Mr Sadleir to come by land 1064
From . cannot take off the embargo on Rice owing
to the great Scarcity . enclosing a Statement of
Supplies and in the last three Months 1163 From
have received the Dispatches by the Swallow 1160
From, regarding their return of their Detachment

From

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1174 From, on the same Subject 1175 Precedents &
, Minute on the Subject 1176 Bills granted to, Mr. John
Robinson 1209 To with Return of Recruits 1213
From enclosing Letters to, Mr. Bufsy, and instructions
for carrying into execution the Articles of peace, by a
Mutual restitution of places 1242 , Minute thereon
1268 From, requesting that the Men of the Young
Regiments who chuse to enlist on their Establishment,
may be received as Recruits and Captain Williamson
to take charge of them 1280 , Minute thereon 1290
To, advising of the Appointment of Commissaries to
execute the parts of the Definitive Treaty which or
concerned , Mr. Bufsy, with remarks thereon, respecting
the Men from the Kings Regiments to enlist in the
Company's Service, their Detachment on their return
Advising of the Advances made to Colonel Pearse,
enclosing list of the Prisoners arrived, representing the
great calls for money, enclosing Copy of the General Orders
expressing the Great Services rendered by their Detach-
ments 1546 From requesting an Account of the
advances made to the Bengal Troops on the Coast 1607
, Minute thereon 1609 To regarding the recruiting
the

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the Company's Troops from the Reduction of His Majesty's Regiments 1610 From, regarding the Investment, and of this Government asserting that they have failed their remittances since the Death of General Coote the detention of their Detachment, enclosing Statement of their Supplies from 30th April 1783 to 31st March 1784 1618 From on the Dispatches received from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors the 9th September 1783 thereon 1761 To, in answer regarding the ratification of the Treaty with Tippoo Sultaun by their Board of the alarming Circumstance of the mutiny of the Cavalry, of the consequences to be apprehended unless a Speedy and ample Supply of money is sent & that no remittances of Specie have arrived from Bengal since the death of General Coote, the increase of Troops under the Command of the Nabobs Second Son the obstacles he has thrown in the way in relation of the Treaty in Europe, ceding the French Pollicore & Carikaul by demanding Sparate Treaty with Mr Bussey the Designs of the Court of France to tamper with the Princes dependant on the Company 1761 To enclosing

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Letters from General . Macleod & Requesting their particular attention to the regarding the Bills drawn on them on account of the Kings Troops 1813 To Mr Hay with Copy of the Proceedings of the Committee of Assigned Revenue for 1803 1837 From are sorry it is not at present in their power to Supply Cash . stating their Sentiments with respect to the Territory to be assigned to the French . and enclosing a letter from . Mr Wheler to the . Nabob on that Subject 1846 From . Mr Hay . enclosing Duplicate Letter from Mr Wheler to the . Nabob 1854 From enclosing copy of their . Minutes containing their observations on the Treaty of Peace with Tippoo Sultaun forwarding Copy of their Instructions to Colonel Beare together with Copy of the Treaty ratified by them agreeably to the 10th Article 1864 . Minute thereon 1878 From . Mr Hay advising of the instructions sent to Colonel Beare regarding the Ordnance & Stores of the requisition from Bengal to Ganjam to advance Colonel Beare one Lack of Rupees 1880 Bills granted to Mr Morrison 1908 To with Copies of the Proceedings relative to the Assignations to be

mutually

mutually made by the Representatives of the English and French Nations, & of sending Commissioners to execute them the hesitation of the Nabob to Comply with the Stipulations of the General Peace their Sentiments required on the line to be observed to the Nabob & Rajah of Tanjore to the Measures dictated by that Treaty 1924 To, with the proceedings of the Commissioners deputed to the Marquis de Bussy & the correspondence with them 1935 Extract from the Subject of the indignities shewn by Tippoo to the Commissioners, enclosing Letters from Bombay & Mangalore on the Subject and requesting Copy of the Proceedings of the Commissioners 2103 To, in answer to their Letter relative to the Treaty of Peace with Tippoo Sultaun, and the treatment of the Commissioners by Tippoo 2109 To Mr. Hay with an Account of Stores & Lascars embarked 2220 To wants of conveyance are obliged to send to Bengal the Men of His Majesty's Regiments who refuse to enlist, discharge the Subsistance to the Kings Troops sent round from the other Court by General Macleod the most serious consequences

to

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to be apprehended for want of money 2424 From
regarding the Mutiny of the Cavalry being occasioned
by their not sending Supplies of Money to pay off the
Arrears of the Army explaining very fully our
the Subject with Abstract of Supplies sent in &
Specie & Bills 2547. Minute thereon 2564 From
will not restore Chandernagore or any Factory
within their Government until Pondicherry is &
given up with remarks on the Treaty of Peace &
concluded with Tippoo Sultaun enclosing Copy of
the Nabob Waalaw Jahs letter to Mr Wheler
with his answer regarding the omission of his name
in the Treaty a new Copy of the Treaty sent with the
Nabobs name inserted and direct that it be
immediately sent to Tippoo Sultaun with explana:
tions and to announce it in a formal Manner to
the Nabob. enclosing Mr Wheelers Letter to Tippoo
not to disobey their Orders enclosing Letter from
Mr Wheler to Nabob Waalaw Jah respecting
the cessions to be made the French the Assigned
the Countries & the omission of the Nizams name in
the Treaty with Tippoo 2551. Minute thereon &

&c

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To with the Proceedings of the Commissaries at Pondicherry the Maps that were taken to quell the Mutiny of the Cavalry 2590 To with return of Troops imbarked on board the Marianne 2617 To with return of Troops imbarked on the Valentine 2624 To inclosing Return of Recruits on the Valentine 2633 To with Return of Troops imbarked on the Hillsborough 2736 To acknowledging the receipt of their letters of the 25th May & 8th June with return of Troops entertained for their Crowdency 2812 To in answer to their letter of the 8th June, respecting the Treaty of Peace with Tippoo Sultaun. & the annexation of the Nabob's name in it 2740 a Separate letter on the same Subject from the President to their Board 2851 & Minute on the foregoing Letters 2860 To with return of Troops imbarked on the Mansfield 2879 To have drawn two Bills of Exchange on account of same of His Majesty's Troops 2879 To with returns of Troops 2881 To their dispatches to the Court of Directors forwarded to Pondicherry to be delivered to Mr Staunton 2885 Bills granted to Mr William Ross 2924 Bills granted in favor of Mrs

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Messrs Baillie and Thompson 2956 To with the Correspondence with Tippoo Sultaun 2956 From on the Subject of the remittances by the means of the House of Gopaul Dass and respecting the engagements of Messrs Jameson & Roebuck for the passage & victualling Troops, 30,000 Rupees to be paid General Campbell an enquiry to be made regarding Rum & Biscuit desiring Red Wood may be sent 2966 To, in reply to their Letters of the 25th May & 7 June respecting the demands of this Presidency on them for money, & stating the great difficulties experienced wish to be at peace with them, enclosing a Statement of Supplies received & representing that the Drafts on the House of Gopaul Dass being not paid punctually 2977 From desiring early & correct Statements of the Receipts & Disbursements also Statements of the Stock & Dead Stock 2999 Minute thereon 3001 Bill granted to Mr Scatney 3030 To the Correspondence with the Commissioners deputed to Tippoo Sultaun to be soon forwarded 3031 To with the Correspondence 3048 To with Copy of a Letter from His Majesty's Paymaster advising of Sanctions & Amboor being Restored enclosing General Orders respecting

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respecting Absent Officers 3283 To dispatch the Admiral Hughes with a Packet from Bombay. Troops sent with an Account of the Money paid to the Kings Troops 3287 Relative to the Disburse-ments of this Presidency. inclosing copies of the Presidents Minutes relative to the Force necessary for the defence of the Carnatick with Estimate of the expence 3304 From respecting the conveying of the Bombay Troops to that Establishment have drawn Bills for the Arrears due to the 100 Regt 3400 To with return of Troops embarked on the Vansittart with an Account of Money paid the Several Regiments ordered home also Colonel Braithwaites Narrative respecting the Treatment of the Prisoners in the Mysore Country 3408 From regarding the Kings Troops lately arrived & their wish to entertain them desire it may be repre-sented to the Kings Commander in Chief for his concurrence 3410. Minute thereon 3423 To on the same Subject 3575 To not to engage any Tonnage to transport the Bombay Detach-ment they having Marched 3658 To the Bombay

Gral.

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Grab Dispatched to them with the remainder of the 102d Regiment recommend that she be ordered to touch at Angengo on the way to Bombay enclosing orders & given to the Commander 26th To the Lord Camden dispatched thither enclosing Copy of the instructions to the Commander and Abstract of Pay received by the Ld. Regt 3689 From the Secretary Annulling the Commission given to Mr. Dighton 3691 To in answer 3692 From requesting that all accounts be transmitted to them immediately relative to Advances made to their different Paymasters & Officers during the War 3693. Minute thereon 3694 To enclosing several papers containing the State of this Presidency and its Finances the 1st July 1784 3733 From in reply to the dispatches of the 31st July discussing on the propriety of their Orders. and making them responsible to the Company and the Nation for their disobedience and that such responsibility cannot be evaded by the Presidents resignation or abdication of his Trust. 3949 From the Secretary Acknowledging the receipt of

Letters

and the Detention of the Letter of the 2d. September

3963 From expressing their Surprize that the

Bombay Troops were not marched over Land to

Anjengo shall advertize for proposals to carry them

Round by Sea 4000. Minute thereon 4001 From

the Secretary enclosing Letter to the Supreme Board

from the Military Paymaster General at Bengal

relative to Advances made to the Officers while

Acting under the Presidency of Madras 4002

Minute thereon 4004 To enclosing Copies of the

late Correspondence between this Government and

President of Hydrabad with Comments thereon

Tippoo Saib delivering up the places he detained

from the Rajah of Vencatagherry the Bombay

Detachment March for Anjengo - to be furnished

with an Account of the Advances Made to

Officers of their Establishment enclosing copy of

a General order 4051 From Lord Macartney

to the Supreme Board in Answer to each

Paragraph of the Letter of the 2d. September

last

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last relative to the peace with Tippoo Sultaun and not
Complying with their orders in not inserting the Nabob's
name in the Treaty 4072 From advising of their having
received a letter from Sir John Burgoyne that many
of the horses that were sent from thence to Mount his
Regiment had been drafted in the Governors Body
Guard and Native Cavalry authorize Sir John Burgoyne
to purchase Horses 4115 . Minute thereon 4116 To
referring Lord William & Murray's Affair with the
Lieutenant Waugh to his Majesty's Judges at
Calcutta 4126 To relation to their authorizing Sir John
Burgoyne to purchase Horses 4160 To inclosing list of
Stores wanted from them and letter from Sir John
Burgoyne with the answer 4243 From the Secretary
respecting the sending of Troops to Bengal without a
previous Communication of the same to Government
4253 . Minutes of their Council on enlisting the
Kings Troops 4254 . Minute thereon 4264 From
the Secretary Acknowledging the Receipts of Several
Letters 4314 To requesting their Opinion and
Instructions on the 2d Article of the preliminaries
with the States General relative to the Cession of
Nogapatam

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, Negapatam and its dependencies. enclosing Several Papers on the Subject 4450 From advising of their Requisition to the Chief and Council of Masulipatam for the Troops there to be imbarked on board the Grey-hound for Bengal, that Vessel being wanted to convey Dispatches to Europe 4465. Remits thereon 4466 to informing them that the Greyhound has been ordered to return hither from Colinga in order to convey despatches to the Honble Court of Directors. & that she is too small to carry Troops to Bengal 4541 From the Commissary General requesting to be furnished with an Account of Arrears due to the Kings Troops sent from hence to Bengal 4564 From repeating this requisition for an Account of all Arrears Civil and Military due to this Establishment & positively interdicting this Government from drawing more Bills on that Presidency 4569 . Remits thereon 4572 & 4585 & 6 in answer to the foregoing 4585 & 6 & the Commissary General respecting the Arrears due to the King's Troops sent from hence to Bengal 4601 & 4 stating the distresses of this Government for want

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want of resources to discharge the many demands on it
and earnestly requesting a Speedy pecuniary Relief
Representing the dangerous Tendency of the enclosed
Memorial received from the Kings & Company's
Officers respecting Half Batta shall shortly answer
their Letter of the 24th. November 4603 From are
opinion that the Tender of the Gumtoor by the Nizam
when Tippoo should be about to invade it ought to be
declined respecting the Presidents separate Letter to
their Board of the 29th. October last enclosing a
Copy of a Letter from them to Mr. Bufsy with
Proposals for carrying that part of the Treaty into
Execution which relates to Guntoor 4605 Minute
thereon 4616

Burton. Mr. Philip

To be permitted to proceed to Bengal 1544

Burke. Mr. William

Letters regarding the Several Sums advanced by the
Military

Burke . Mr. William

. Military Paymaster General to His . Majesty Affairs

&c. Troops. in Bengal. Requests the balance due to the

Crown be settled 919 . Minute thereon 924 Same

complaining of the great inattention in forwarding .

Letters from Europe 1087 From enclosing Copy

of a letter from the Paymaster General in England has

directed him to prepare a Statement of the Sums due

from the Company to Government & requests that it

may be discharged as soon as possible 1089 From

enclosing Letter from Colonel Tilly de requesting to

be remembered on raising . Men for the 98th Regiment

To in answer 2715 From advising of his Appointment

ment and enclosing copy of a penalty Bond &

regarding the Payment to the Kings Troops &

3191 . Minute thereon 3193 To in answer

3195

Bom Rauze

. To reclaim some Horses &c . Men . Boys &c. Dawn

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Bombay

To advising of the receipt of their dispatches to Bengal and the Operations of the Commissioners 44 To advising of General Burgoyne being put under an Arrest, and requesting that the Lapwing may be repaird and sent back 46. From advising of the Definitive Treaty with France and Spain being signed the Preliminaries with Holland to be signed in a few days with the List of Indiamen Arrived in England inclosing His Majestys Speech of the 16th July 110 From advising of the extremity to which the Garrison of Mangalore is reduced by the Nabobs violation of the Articles of Cessation and of their Resolutions in consequence, inclosing a Letter to Tippoo and the Subject will not restore any of the Conquests, until Tippoo evacuates the Carnatic the line of Conduct taken by this Government regarding Tippoo Appears to them consistent with the Companys instructions some remarks on the instruc[illegible] from the Court of France to Mess.rs Bussy and Suffrain, the French withdraw from Tippoos Camp, the Admiral on the Court the Detachment under Colonel Gordon arrive at Tellicherry the Reinforcement for General Macleod left

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Bombay the 16th. November 1780 To relative to the proceedings of the Commissioners and the Steps taken to bring the Negotiation to an issue with remarks on Tippoo's Letters 207 From advising of the State of Affairs on their Coast, Among the provisions sent to Mangalore. Appoint Commissioner to Negociate with Tippoo. have requested the Admiral to permit some of his Ships to proceed to Mangalore advising of General Macleods taken Cananor 250 To the communication with the Commissioners to Tippoo cut off making every preparation for the renewal of hostilities. Approve of their deputing two persons the Commissioners to advise with them powers granted from Bengal to conclude a peace 296 To requesting the Greyhound be refitted 300 From advising of Mr Bodhams accession to the Government 363 To advising of their having written to Sir Edward Hughes desiring his cooperation on the Malabar Coast 436 From Mr Boddam. enclosing Letter from Mr Staunton enclosing two Letters from Tippoo 442 From

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the late President sails for England General &c
. Macleod employed in revictualling . Mangalore
and Onore their Commissioners to set out in a few
days 445 Incloses with Extracts from the definitive
Treaty and preliminary Articles with Holland &c
Boddam appt. Government from Home receive
instructions from Bengal which puts an end to
their intended Commission to . Messrs Call[illegible]dar and
Ravenscroft 447 To advising of the arrival of the
Swallow with definitive Treaty's with France &
Spain 604 To advising of a Memorial address
to Tippoo by the Commissioners Colonel Fullarton
to send a letter to Tippoo demanding a Categorical
answer on the State of the negotiation 622. To with
Copy of the letter to Colonel Fullarton 701 From
the Tapsang Arrives. inclosing Colonel Jordan's
Account of the fall of Mangalore. and the Articles
of Capitulation. will leave to the Commissioners
the renewing of Hostilities or the concluding a peace
respecting the necessity of a peace and the vast Debt
their Settlement is burthened with 827 To informing

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of the Arrival of the Envoy &c. and the Definitive
Treaty. and of sending Commissioners to Boorduchee-
-ry. Appearance of Peace with Tippoo. General Stuart
, Marches the Army 883 ... From respecting the Grey hound
Packet. and the dispatches 1155 From conceiving
. Mr William Lowne 1156 From Mr Bagan
Shaw proceeds to Madras 1156 From with &c
Packet for Bengal 1209 From regarding the
Negotiations of the Commissioners with Tippoo
1209 From on the same Subject. the indignity
with which the Commissioners have been treated
by Tippoo. representing their Situation in case of
a renewal of hostilities. the Admiral to sail for
the Coast transmitting the Correspondence with
the Peshwa very amicable for the receipt of the Swallow's
dispatches the Viper Cutter dispatched 1300 From
are concerned to observe the near Approach of a renew-
-al of hostilities. unable to raise Money on the
Bengal Bills which will prevent their Supplying
General Medows inclosing Letter from the
Peshwa. requesting a Junction of some of their
forces. mean to send a Gentlemen of Rank to
Camp of Hostilities are renewed. direct General
Medows

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Genl Macleod to withdrawn the Garrison of Onore mean to request the Admiral to carry to the Detachment of Europeans from Tellechery 1305 Troops, with con: gratulations on the peace being concluded with Tippoo hope ever assistance will be given to the Prisoners —

1357 To Mr Paul Godley accepting of his resigna: tion 1660 to with congratulations on the peace with Tippoo enclosing Copy of the ratification by the Government of Bengal with return of the Prisoners from Tippoo will send them by Sea

276 of the Followers on their way to Bombay apptd. Mr Cowan Commissary and Paymaster to their Troops hope they will have no Objection in retaining these Sepoys that are willing to enlist Sir Edward Hughes arrives with the Detachment of the 36th & 52d Regt of being called upon to discharge the Arrears of the Kings Troops & sent to their Assistance and having not heard from them on the Subject only an Abstract from General Macleod inclosing Copy of the Correspondence with Colonel Knox and letter to Bengal on the Subject. advising of

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the Commissaries Deputed to the Marquis de Bussy having returned the morning Star dispatched to Fort Marlbro to carry the Prisoner to the Malabar Coast belonging to Tippoo will detain the Viper Cutter, recommending Captain Lewis &c 1944 To enclosing Letter from General Macleod advising of Cananore being evacuated, with Observations thereon 1949 To the Secretary. Letters forwarded 2035 From ditto sending the Troops round to the Coast Approve of General Macleods Conduct advising of their being Obliged to break up the Army, and reducing their Establishment on granting Bills on Bengal for the Payment of the Kings Troops their instructions to Tellicherry not to intermiddle between Tippoo & the Malabar Princes 2374 From the Bombay Grab sent to bring the Prisoners desire the Swallow may be sent to be added to their Manns regarding entertaining these Sepoys and paying the Arrears due to His Majesty's Troops copy of the Treaty with Tippoo Sultaun, assigning reasons for evacuating Cananore, Mahe nor Surat that to be Surrendered to the French

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2536 From advising of the Swallow Packet being added to their Marine and requesting she may be sent round 2542 Minute on the foregoing Letters 2562 To in answer 2593 To enclosing copy of the Correspondence between this Government and the French Commissaries and returns of Officers and Privates embarked on the Bombay Grab — 2635 To respecting the evacuation of Cananore pointing out a breach of the Treaty on the part of Tippoo the negociation with Mr Boughton likely to be settled respecting their Troops enclosing Returns 2716 To with Copy of the dispatches from Tellicherry and the answer sent 2960 To with Copies of letters from their Officers with observations on them an Account of Money advanced them 3202 From enclosing letters from their Officers in Command vindicating their Conduct from the aspersions of Tippoo Sultaun stating the reasons for the evacuation of Cananore with thanks for the Attention shewn to that Officers returned from Prison begging the Admiral be applied to furnish them a-

a passage round the Panther be expected a Detach-
ment of the 100.th Regt. embark on the Admiral
Hughes 3593 From advising of their having
passed Bills on this Government in favar of the
Officers of 36 & 52.d Regiments and the 15.th & 16.th
Hanoverians 3610 From the Admiral Hughes
dispatched with part of the 100.th Regt. to be sent
to Bengal and to return to Madras for Prisoners
respecting the Allowances to be made the Prisoners
the Lord Camden arrives from England 3612
From Vessels dispatched to convey the Prisoners
the Greyhound dispatched the Neptune arrives
3614 Minute on the foregoing Letters 3618
To advising of the March of their Detachment
for Anjengo their drafts to be honored every
Assistance given their Troops respecting the allow-
ances to the Prisoners 3662 From the Secretary
regarding some non Commissioned and Privates
present at the reduction of Pondicherry Enclosing
Mr. Gregg's receipt for 400 Rupees of the 102.d
Regt. 3668 From the Lord Camden &
Bombay Grab dispatched to convey the remainder

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of His Majesty's Troops inclosing Packet for
Bengal and abstract of pay &c. paid the 42d.
Regiment and Royal Artillery 3669 To some
of their Europeans proceed on the Squadron as also
Mr Peters to settle his Accounts 3714 To the
Swallow dispatched 3930 From Mr Sheilds 4299
Surgeon concerning his allowances 4295. From
Communicating Intelligence from Europe 4359

Brown. Mr.

From requesting leave to proceed to Tranquebar for
his health 2736 To granted 2887

Brown. Mr. William Conductor of Stores

From requesting leave to resign the Service 3407

Call. Mr James

Appt. Sepoy Paymaster 3238

Cawen. Mr. William Henry

Appointed Commissary and Paymaster to the Bombay
Troops 1840 To advising of his Appointment 1840
From stating that he has been ill used by Lieutenant
Wiseman Commanding the Bombay Detachment 4794

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From will give Captain Close every Assistance
hope his Supplies will be deducted from his rent
engages to send 12,000 Cullums of Paddy to Vellore
R From requesting the Enemy may be desired
to withdraw his Troops from the Districts of Canjeeveram
and Sittavaram 1465 From sends plans to assist
1465 To in answer — 1466

Chillumbrum

From receives a Months pay 624 To be on the
guard 696 From the Garrison very quiet 1859
To send a Monthly Account of the expences of his
Garrison 2040 From relative to the Subsidary sent
by the Nabob to recruit 2092 From with a
Statement of the expences of the Garrison 2192
Minute thereon 2203 From with reports of Horses
2344 From on the same Subject 2366 To
retrenching his Disbursements 2436 To lay in four
Months rice 3679 From purchases the Rice
4154 From Captain Dawes stating the Repa-
rations necessary for the Magazines and Storehouses
of Chillumbrum 4362 Minute thereon 4365
To Do the Stores in Chillumbrum are to be distri-
buted