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severe relapse of a Bilious Fever with in the
Space of a few months. I am constrained to
Solicit permission of the Honble Board to
resign the Charge and the Residency of Tanjore
and to proceed to Europe for the Recovery of my
health, —

The flattering and distinguished
marks of Confidence and approbation, with
which your Lordship and the Honble Board
have honored me during the period of my
holding the charge of this Residency lead me to
hope that you will be pleased to make such
mention of me to the Honble the Court of
Directors as may obtain me their permission
to return without loss of Rank to this Establishment

I have the honor to be with
great respect —

My Lord & Gentlemen

Tanjore
9th Febry 1785.

Your faithful and obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) John Sullivan

We James Wright and Nicol Mein
Surgeons and Edward Stuart Assistant Surgeon
of Tanjore, do hereby declare on Oath, that we
are of opinion it is absolutely necessary that

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John Sullivan Esqr should leave this Country and go to Europe for the recovery of his Health occasioned by frequently and severe attacks of the Bilious Disorder —

(Signed) James Whyte Surgeon
Nicol Mein Surgeon
Edward Stuart
Assistant Surgeon

Sworn Before me at Tanjore this 14th day of February 1786.

(Signed) James Stuart
Col Commandant.

Mr Sullivans Resignation accepted and a Recommendation to be made to the Court of Directors accordingly —

Agreed that Mr Sullivan be permitted to resign the Residency of Tanjore and proceed to Europe, and that he be recommended to the Court of Directors in a manner suitable to his merit and Services in this Country —

President's Minute proposing Mr Huddleston for the Residency of Tanjore

The President has the honor to propose Mr Huddleston to succeed Mr Sullivan as Resident of Tanjore, Mr Huddleston's former appointment to that Station his readiness in vacating his claim under that appointment in order to facilitate the Arrangements necessary to be made on occasion of the arrival of Mr Sullivan in India who was named for Hydrabad from home, His long and approved Services in different Stations, particularly His

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His laborious and faithful discharge of the Office of Secretary of the Select Committee, my confidence in his Integrity, and my Veneration of his Virtues for the Employment all these Circumstances combined engage me strongly to recommend Mr Huddleston to your Consideration on this Occasion, and I therefore move that Mr Huddleston be appointed Resident of Tanjore in the room of Mr Sulivan, who has the Boards Permission to resign

(Signed) Macartney

Mr Davidson and General Lang concurring in opinion with the President, it is Agreed that Mr Huddleston be appointed Resident at Tanjore, with the same Authority and allowances enjoyed by Mr Sulivan as Resident

General Lang and Mr Davidson concur in Opinion with the President.

Mr Daniell begs leave to enter the following Dissent

Mr Daniell dissents and states his reasons.

Mr Huddlestons appointment to the Residency of Tanjore which has taken place today in consequence of the Resignation of Mr John Sulivan, renders it necessary that I should offer my reasons upon record for dissenting to that measure, and while I give [illegible] to Mr Huddleston the just labours in

Sir A

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his late Office of Secretary to the Select Committee,
I feel myself particularly interested in the present
situation of those senior Servants
who have so long filled the Council without
any other Benefit than that which resulted from
their meritorious Employs, Benefits by no means
adequate to the heavy Expences necessarily incurred
by their Station at this Presidency / I speak in
General terms / much less to compensate them
for so many years service — deprived of
their Seats in Council only a few days ago by
means of the late Acts, they will sensibly feel
the preference of a Junior servant appointed to
so important a trust, while their Seniority and
present circumstances leave no room left them
to hope for the first employments under
this Government — The Honble the Court of
Directors has yet provided only for one of them
but I flatter myself that this Subject will
form a part of the capital instructions by the
Ist Packet should it however be otherwise,
I should rather impute the omission to accident
than design, and readily admit their claim to
fill the first stations under this Government
till by succession they again assume their
Seats / as a piece of Justice particularly
due

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due to a long and faithful servitude

Madras
15th Febry 1785.

(Signed) James Daniell

The President delivers in the following
Minute in answer to Mr Daniell.

Vote In Council 15th February 1785. To follow
Mr Daniell's Dissent

The President in reply to Mr Daniells Minute.

I am concerned to find any
difference of Opinion arising so early in the
present Government, upon a point on which
I should have hoped for unanimity and on
which there probably would have been una-
nimity if Mr Daniell had had leisure to
pursue the records during my administration
where very good reasons for my recommend
ing Mr Hudleston to the appointment of
President at Bajore exclusive of those
given in my Minute would have appeared
to him —

Mr Daniell seems to lay
much stress upon seniority and there are
occasions where it is not to be disregarded
But on the present occasion I conceive I
lay very little — Other merits outweigh much
more

more with one; and the seat which Mr Daniell Simsey holds, is a proof of the little value set upon Seniority by our Honorable Employers in the disposal of important Offices

The Board will however please to recollect my mentioning that if our Choice had been limited to the Members of the late Council I should have recommended Mr Maxwell as a Gentlemen perfectly well qualified and whose merits the Select Committee had particularly marked their sense of by appointing him one of their Number in preference to several of his Seniors

The Gentlemen of the late Council are at present in the same Employments which they held before the new Government took place

Signed Macartney

Read the following Letter from Vizagapatam with Enclosures entered in Miscellany Book N.o 41. 42. 43. 44. 45)

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney &c

President and Governor &c Members

of the Select Committee of

Fort St. George

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My Lord & Gentlemen

From Vizagapatam enclosing their Proceedings of Consultation relative to the late fray at Chicacole between the Company's Officers and Sitteramraze

We have had the Honor to receive your commands signified to us by Mr Secretary Sudleston under date the 12th Ultimo, and by the enclosed Copies of our Proceedings your Lordship &c will perceive we had previously made such progress in the Enquiry into the Disturbances that happened at Chicacole between some of the Sepoys and Sitteramrauges Peikemen that we conceived your Intentions would be equally answered by finishing it at our Board.

The circumstance that gave rise to the whole affair seems to have been merely accidental We are hopeful Lieutenant Lindsey was not the first agressor, but however it was, We deem it a very unfortunate Circumstance as what seems to be considered by Sitteramrauze in a serious light. We shall not hesitate to judge whether the precautions taken by the Commanding Officer severe or even not necessary in a Military view. But we are persuaded that he brought them on, and that it was far from his inclination or Intention to give the least Cause of Offence to Sitteramrauze. It is not improbable

improbable that the reluctant Regard he found, paid in the beginning to his orders might have made him diffident of his Men, and led him to an Extreme of Caution. Be that as it may, it was certainly unlucky and to satisfy the Rajahs mind who appears to have conducted himself with great propriety and Prudence, pains have been taken to explain the steps we had pursued, and to assure him that could we have traced the most distant Intention of offering an Indignity to him or that any of our Officers had been the first aggressor, the severest Punishment would have been the consequence, as your Lordship &c had signified not only your concern that he should have the slightest cause of complaint against any of the Companys Officers but that you would never countenance any Insult or Disrespect to him

We are very respectfully
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most Obedient and
humble Servants
Chaud Russell
Charles Maxtone
Jo. Baker
T. A. Drake

Vizagapatam
2d. February 1785.

The

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Read the following Report from the Committee of Stores—

At a Committee of Stores held at Fort St. George 29th January 1785.—

Present

Lieut.t General Ross Lang.
Lieut.t Colonel Patrick Ross
Lieutenant Col.e Kennedy
Bryan Scottney Esq.r
Lieut.t Colonel Moorhouse.

Report of the Committee of Stores dated 29th January with the observations of the Board thereon—

Read proceedings of this Committee of the 29th Ultimo with the Remarks of the Right Honble President and Select Committee thereon,

Read Letter from Mr Dy Secretary Chamier of the 13th Instant desiring that the Committee would give in a list of all military Stores supplied from the Arsenal to the Kings Troops together with an account of

extract

what has been received
from them, and the price
of each Article, In consequence
of which it is agreed they
shall be laid before the
Right Honble President
and Select Committee

The Board beg leave
to observe that besides what
are contained in the above
accounts there have been
several Stores delivered to
different Detachments of
His Majestys Regiments by
and Garrisons and the
Army in the Field

Read two Invoices
from Masulipatam one of
Old Mucoquit and Fuzee
Barrells, the other of 75
Troopers Saddles

The former being un-
serviceable the Board recom-
mend them to be delivered
to the Civil Storekeeper
as old Iron with the Barrels
6" and of unserviceable
Arms broken up here
as per List enclosed - The

These Stores to be included in the list, in order to make up the amount

Cutlers

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Letter having been damaged by bad package and the leather of no Substance, It is the opinion of the Committee they cannot be received but do consign with the Stores

Approved.

Read an Indent from Vellore for the use of the 11th Battalion of Sepoys and one from Permacoil the former the Committee beg leave to remark from the state of the Stores they are unable to comply But it is agreed that the latter shall be complied with agreable to the remarks of the Commissary General of Stores

Approved.

Read also two Indents from Captain Grant at Vellore for arms, accoutrements and Tents, for the use of the 11th Battalion of Sepoys But the Commander in Chief having informed the Committee that Battalion is to be removed to Arcot they wish to defer complying with

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with the Indent till its arrival there.

Approved.

The Commissary General of Stores lays before the Committee a General Indent in Triplicate for the Year 1785, which they approve of and by leave to lay before the Right Honble President and Select Committee who they request will represent to the Court of Directors that the Loss of so many Forts and the great expence of Stores during the late War render it absolutely necessary that particular attention should be paid to have the General Indent fully Complied with which has not been the case for some years past.

to be represented in the general Letter Home as desired

The Board lay before the Right Honble President and Select Committee a List of Stores received from His Majestys Ship Monmouth Sloop and Active Frigate, intended for the Siege of the

to account of the Stores as being received from them

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The Cape of Good Hope and beg to know whether they are to be carried to the account of His Majesty's Fleet or Army—

They likewise deliver in a List of Stores received from the Military Storekeeper in the Month of November last—

(Signed) Ross Lang
Patrick Ross
John Kennedy
B. Scottany
J. Moorhouse.

The Commander in Chief by leave to enter the following Minute—

I have the honor to lay before the Council a Letter to me from Doctor Lucas enclosing an account of Batta for the years 1780. and 1781. and requesting that the same may be paid him as a compensation for the loss he sustained during the time I was shut up in Vellore in order that the public Service may be carried on—

Minute of the Commander in Chief on Mr Colly Lucas requesting Batta during the time the Garrison of Vellore was blockaded by Hyder Ally—

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I can with confidence assure the Council that I do really think that by meeting his Platelly the Doctor was a considerable loser and that it was the only means in his power to carry on the Service of the Public and that every attention and exertion was made by Doctor Lucas for the benefit of the Company throughout the whole of the time that we were so disagreeably situated and I therefore beg leave to recommend his application to the favourable attention of the Council and am hopeful that they will think it necessary and proper to make him an allowance for that time and for the loss he sustained—

(Signed) Ross Lang.

Minute thereon

The Board having taken the Minute of the Commander in Chief into consideration with the Papers accompanying it, which are entered in the Miscellany Book No 46. 47.— are concurred to be unable to comply with Doctor Lucas's request —

Read the following Letter from the Chief Engineer. —

To

No 534

Fort St George 15th Jany 1715.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K B.

President and Governor &c

Select Committee of

Fort St George

My Lord & Gentlemen

From the Chief Engineer with Recommendation for several Reparations in Fort St George

In my address of the 29th of March last accompanying the annual Repairs Stock I took the liberty of requesting your particular attention to the wall that defends the Fort against the Encroachments of the Sea, the Encroachments having been of late very great, and no steps being yet taken for the future preservation of this wall, I hope I shall be excused for again expressing my anxiety on that head, and as the most advanced part of it by the Sea Gate has derived considerable protection from the Roots of Red wood piles surrounding the Bastion angle, I would in addition to the Repairs before proposed, recommend securing the other projecting parts in like manner

Since I had the honor of addressing you St Georges Bastion. St Georges Bowlin, and the Limmitts south and south of St Georges Bowlin, together with

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the Lunnette North of Mallajah Bavelin have had the exterior Revetments of their parapets repaired as I proposed and their interior Revet- -ments new pointed with Chunam, where they required it, and it is intended to continue this necessary reform to each of the other parapets as have suffered by the late Monsoon, or are in Danger of suffering by the next fall of heavy rain —

The buildings within the Fort remain with the injuries of another Monsoon in addition to their former bad state — The Drains ordered to the Southeast are in hand and I should be glad of your permission at the same time to finish those to the north east, which will complete the whole of this essential Work within the Fort — The Gratings of the Cesspools in general being extremely bad, or entirely gone into decay, I apprehend the safety of passengers renders their Repair unavoidable —

The Glacis before the Saliant Angle of Mallangaw Bavelin against which the river has been mentioned to act so forcibly as to require an almost constant repair has occasioned much Labour since that time to avoid which in future

I

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I propose carrying a retaining Wall in Clay of a foot and a half, or two feet from Walking Sortie to the sortie on the south face of the Fort at about twenty feet from the River, to prevent the Glacis which is there steep from being cut by the Rains, and the earth from washing into it. On this wall a Palmera Railing is intended to keep the way of the Passengers to the fishing Villages immediately on the Bank of the River which by constant treading will I hope acquire a degree of solidity equal to resist the rain from the Glacis, its force being first broke by the retaining wall, — This together with the painting of the Draw Bridges, Chains and Bridges of Communication I wish to make the early Business of the present favorable season and shall recommend their speedy execution to the Contractor unless I am directed by you to the Contrary —

The earthern Works of the Bastions round the Black Town have had some repairs, and the earth Work was in the Gateways kept shut during the War has been removed and the Gates repaired

Inserted

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Painted and hung. Some part of the Stockade towards the Sea at the North East Angle of these Works, has been washed away, and a much greater proportion of it has been injured by the heavy Ground surfs that rolled in against it during the Monsoon. It is very much to be wished for the preservation of the Beach both before the Black Town and Fort St George, that the works designed for the defence of that Angle had been executed, as the approach of the Sea has of late been such as to wash the Firewood from the Bankalls of the Black Town into the Ditch of the Fort and as the Sea has been evidently gaining on the shore during the course of the Year.

The Stores from Nungambaccam and Purnaccum Redoubts have been removed agreeable to orders and they together with the Entrenchments lay the Governor's Garden house, restored to the use of the proprietors

I am most respectfully &c

Signd Patrick Ross

Fort St George
29th Janry 1786.

Minute Thereon

Agreed that Colonel Ross be desired to carry into Execution the several works recommended in the foregoing letter

Read two Letters from Captain Lieut.t Jacobs and Mr James Hodsel.t entered in the Miscellany

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Of

Miscellany Book A.o 48. 49. the former

From Capt.n Jacobs.

dated the 3d Instant stating that he should be
obliged to leave Palamcotah in twenty days
and requesting that his Arrears may be
discharged by a Company's Bond, if the
Board cannot grant him a Bill on England

Minute on Capt.n Jacobs
Letter

Agreed that Captain Jacobs be
informed that when his Accounts are presented
Audited and prepared according to the establishd
form a Company's Bond will be granted
for the Amount.

Minute of the Madras
Letter

The Letter from the Madras Council of the 21st
December enclosing a Bill for Pay for acting
as Captain with the Nabob's Cavalry at the
breaking out of the late War, and requests
that his Arrears during 4 Years Imprisoon-
ment be discharged by the Honble Company.

Agreed that Mr Kindell be
informed that the Board are unable to
comply with his request.

Macartney
Ro.t Lang
Alex.r Davidson
J. Daniell

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February 15th Sent the following Letters.

To John Sulivan Esqr. or

To the Acting Resident

at Tanjore

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble President and Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 7th Instant and to inform you that the exigencies of Government render it impossible to accede to your proposal of appropriating any part whatsoever of the 120,000 Pags. lately received from the Rajah to the discharge of the Notes issued by you for Money advanced for the Publick Service.

So far from being able to consent to your proposition on this head, the President and Council direct me to inform you that they require every supply that you can procure, in order to enable them to discharge the heavy demands upon them at the Presidency.

I enclose a List of the Notes issued by you which have been liquidated here, and am directed to request you will send a List of those which have been already liquidated by you at Tanjore, & of what still remains undischarged: as soon as

To Mr Sulivan - His proposal concerning the Money received from the Rajah of Tanjore cannot be acceded to - Every supply he can procure is wanted for the Presidency - To send a List of the Notes issued and liquidated by him - a List of those liquidated at the Presidency exclusive of 40,000 Pags received from him. -

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15th as you shall have transmitted the Letter the President & Council will call in the outstanding Notes, & exchange them for the Bonds of Government at the Presidency.

The President & Council have received here forty thousand Pagodas, of the Lack & 20 thousand which you procured from the Rajah, & they direct me to desire you will exert yourself to the utmost in order to remit the remainder of the Sum, which is immediately necessary to them.—

I am
Sir
Your most obed. Servt
(signed) John Hamer.
Secretary

Fort St. George
15th Feby 1785.

To Major General Campbell
Commander in Chief of His Majestys Troops
for the time being.—
at
Arcot.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble President & Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th Instant and to inform you that they are very desirous of sending home those Men of His Majestys Regiments who

To Genl Campbell Informing him that Government is desirous of sending home those Men who refuse to re-enlist — Colonel Stuart must be directed to discharge those who are entitling

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15th who have refused to reenlist, that, as many as could be accommodated were embarked on the Peyob, that Government will await strictly of the first opportunity which shall offer of transporting the rest.

travelling to remain in India during his sentiments on the Court of Inquiry held at Poondamalee, and to dissolve the Court.

The President & Council request you will be so good to inform Colonel Stuart, that they have not any objection to his immediately discharging those Men who refuse to reenlist, but when discharged, they will not be considered as having any further claim whatsoever upon Government.

I am directed to desire you will be pleased to communicate to the Right Honble President & Council, your opinion upon the Enquiry at Poondamalee and that you will give the necessary Orders for dissolving the Court assembled there, if you think there is no further business for their Consideration. — I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Fort St George
15th Feby 1785.

(signed) John Chamier
Adt. Genl.

To

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To James Hodges Esqr.

Provisional Chief & Council

at

Masulipatam

Gentlemen,

To Masulipatam. The Ship Admiral Hughes will touch at that Place in her way to Bengal for the Men of the 102d. Regiment who have refused to reenlist - Colonel Braithwaite to be desired by them to use his utmost endeavours to prevail on them to enter into the Service.

I am directed by the Right Honble President & Council to inform you that the Ship Admiral Hughes will proceed in a few days to your Settlement in her way to Bengal, which will afford you the opportunity of embarking such of the Non Commissioned & Private of His Majestys 102d. Regiment, as shall have refused to enlist in the Kings Regiments that remain in India or into the Company's Service.

I am directed to desire that previous to their being ordered to proceed to your Settlement from Ellore, you will communicate the wishes of Government to Colonel Braithwaite that he will use his endeavours to prevail upon as many as possible who do not choose to reenlist into the Kings Regiments to enlist in the Company's

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15th Company's Service observing at the same time that he must not offer to them a greater bounty than is allowed in the Kings Service for the purpose of reinlisting. I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most obedient

humble Servant

(Signed) John Chamier

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Fort St. George
15th Feby 1785.

Received the following Letter from Lieutenant Sundt, Commanding at Chundergurry.

My Lord & Gentlemen

I have been favored with your Letter of the 17th Instant. whatever diffi-dence I may feel in suggesting to the Right Honble Committee any measures for the prevention of the daring robberies in this Neighbourhood, an earnest Zeal to pay the strictest attention to their orders must at present outweigh every reluctance at offering an opinion of my own.

From Lt. Sundt submitting to the Consideration of Government the best modes to be adopted for the Prevention of the frequent Robberies committed in his Neighbourhood.

The

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15. The best exertions towards a discovery will always want the necessary degree of activity without the assistance of some Polygar who is perfectly acquainted with the haunts of every Gang. this is only to be obtained when he happens to be at variance with the person in whose Country the Robbery has been Committed for here such an advantage may be taken of their Quarrels, as to make private pique wear the aspect of Zeal for the good of the Circar, for a Polygar who should attempt to investigate a Robbery committed by his own people would only discover himself to be Chief of the Gang.

To trace the persons who have actually committed the Robbery must therefore be always precarious & seldom successful the pe it will appear a more effectual mode to have immediate reference to the person in whose Country the Robbery is Committed (not permitting the evasion of tracing the footsteps from one district to another) to make him answerable for the restitution of the plunder & delivery of the Robbers, and in failure to dispossess him of his Pollam; however severe

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11 Severe this may seem I imagine I shall deviate
little from absolute fact, in saying that it
is want of inclination only, that ever prevents
them from securing the Authors of Robberies
in their own Country.—

The evil is deeply rooted,
& can only be removed by severe remedies;
and in that which I have just taken the —
liberty to suggest I am happy to be suppor=
-ted by the authority of the Right Honble
President, who expresses a similar Idea in his
Letter to the Pollow Polygar. But should a first
Offence seem to require more lenient measures,
the restitution of the Plunder, or double the
Amount might only be insisted on in favor
of the Sufferers, & in failure of delivering up
the robbers a large pecuniary fine to the
Circar. —

I have the honr to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most obed humble Servant
C. Sundt Lieut.
Com.

Chandergherry
27th January 1785.

Sent the undermentioned Letters, as entered
in the Miscellany Book Nos 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57//

To

5/16. Fort St George February 1785

Resident

14/15. To Mr Hoisard — to inform Govern-
ment as soon as possible of the arrangements
he has made relative to the Troops to be sent
To Mr Hoisard — by him in Pondicherry — Enclosing a list of
Stores which were left at Cuddalore by
the late French Commandant, which he
must take charge of, and deliver up to General
Contenceau on his application.

To Mr Hippesley — To Mr Hippesley — Informing him of
his appointment to the Paymastership of
Tanjore.

To Mr Sulivan — To Mr Sulivan — His Resignation of
To Mr Sulivan the Residency of Tanjore accepted — Mr Anderson
appointed in his stead, and Mr John Hippesley
appointed Paymaster at Tanjore —

14/16. To Mr Boddet — The Requests contained
To Mr Boddet — in his letter of the 13th Dec. cannot be complied
with —

To the Resident at Hyderabad — Enclosing
To the Resident him an Extract of the Letter from Bengal dated
at Hyderabad. — 22d Nov. which contains the Sentiments of the
Govr Genl & Council relative to the eventual
Views of the Government.

To John Anderson Esq. — To John Anderson Esq. — Informing him of his
appointment to the Residency of Tanjore —

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16. To Lieutenant Colonel Ross — The Recom-
mendations contained in his letter of the 29th
To Lt Col Ross January, consented to, and ordered accordingly.

17. To Major General Sir John Burgoyne
Enclosing him Copy of a letter from Bengal on
To Major General the subject of making Purchases of Horses
Sir John Burgoyne for his Regiment.

Received the following letters
from Bengal —

Charles Freeman Esqr.
Secretary to the Right Honble the President &c.
at Fort St George

Sir,

From the Secretary to Fort William, inclosing Copies & Extract Return from the Dpt Pay Mast. to the Kings Troops in Bengal ——

I transmit you by order of the Honble the Governor General and Council, Copies of a letter and return received from the Deputy Pay Master to the King's Troops in Bengal, and request you will notify the same to the Right Honble the President & Council at Fort St George for their Information and Guidance in adjusting Accounts with his Majesty's Troops.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obed Hble Servt
(signed) J. Bruere Secy
William

Genl Dept
Council Ch.
the 17th Jany 1785

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William Bruere Esqr.

Sir.

I enclose to you, a Return of the Periods, from, and to which, the Officers of His Majesty's Troops in those Accounts are settled up to this date, have received the Kings Subsis-tance, and the Honble Company's Allowances, together with other particulars, as expressed upon the Return; for the Information of the Honble Court of Directors, and the Presi-dencies of Fort St. George and Bombay.-

I judged it necessary, to furnish you with this Return, at present, without waiting a settlement of Accounts with other Officers, who will also be gone, in a short time: supposing, the information it contains, may be wanted at the other Presiden-cies, from time to time; as an adjustment of former Accounts, while the Officers served under these Governments, may probably take place:

I am Sir

Your most obed.t Servant

Signed Alex.r Macaulay

Dep.y Pay Master to the Kings Troops

A true Copy

P. Sturrock

Sub.t Sec.y

549. Fort St. George February 1785.

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

My Lord & Gentlemen,

Mr. Commelin's ill State of Health having compelled him to resign the Office which he held of Resident on the part of His Government at Goa, We have the Honor to acquaint you that our Choice has fallen upon Brigadier General John Carnac to succeed to that Station.

General Carnac has received our Instructions to correspond with your Presidency on all matters within the Line marked out for him that may have any relation to the Company's Interests under your Charge. We enclose a Copy of those Instructions for your Information, & we request that you will communicate with him with him only on all Subjects that may occur in respect to the Portuguese Government and our Connexion with it, and that

You

From the Governor General Council enclosing Copy of their Instructions to Brig: Gen.l Carnac on his appointment to the Residency of Goa; and requesting this Government to correspond with him on the Subjects recommended to his attention.—

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17. you will also correspond with him on the other subjects recommended to his attention.

We have the honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most obedient

Humble Servants

(Signed) Warren Hastings
John Macpherson
John Stables

Fort William
Foreign Dept
18th Jany 1785.

To Brigadier General John Carnac

Sir,

The Office of Resident at Goa on the part of this Government having become vacant by Mr. Crommelin's Resignation of it, we have the honor to acquaint you that our unanimous Choice has fallen upon you for the succession to it, convinced as we are that such a Charge in proper hands may become of great importance to the Political Interests of the Company — We assure ourselves that you will have no Objection to accepting this Appointment, & we are persuaded that the Honble Court of Directors, admitting the legal

Offices

17. Offices which you have filled in their Service, to your extensive local as well as general knowledge of the Company's Interests at all their Presidencies in India, will not only approve, but I confirm it; We propose to address them on this subject in our next dispatches.--

We have agreed to request the President & Select Committee at Bombay to allow us the Services of Mr. James Riddle as your Assistant, & to direct him to join his Station on receiving your Orders

Our Secretary will inform you of the allowances usually given to our Residents at Foreign Courts & direct the Dist. Paymaster to advance them to your Order, -- and in consideration of the growing Importance of the station to which you are deputed, and its convenient position for obtaining very useful Intelligence of any Negotiations & Proceedings at the Country Courts in the Western Parts of Decan, we think it proper to vest you with a Power to draw for such contingent Charges as may be necessary for this Purpose, your Accounts

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Accounts of Disbursements being Signed, as is the usage of the Service, upon Honor we request that you will proceed to Goa with all convenient Expedition.

We enclose a Letter of Credence under our Signatures & the Seal of the Company, which you will be pleased to exhibit on your arrival at Goa to the Vice Roy, & we enclose also a Letter to his Excellency which may be delivered at the same time.

We direct that you study to preserve in the Vice Roy's Mind an Assurance of our earnest Disposition to continue that Harmony & good Correspondence which have subsisted so long between our respective & Sovereigns, and even to encrease it.— The Vicinity of Goa to the Durbar of the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun & to the Court of Poonah may furnish Opportunities, which we assure ourselves that you will not permit to pass for your becoming acquainted with any & Transactions there, in which the Interests of the Company may be directly or indirectly concerned, the constant Correspondence & Commercial Intercourse

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17. Intercourse carried on between Goa and Mauritius may enable you to obtain Informations from time to time of the Force at the French Islands any Designs that may be in Contemplation for the use of it, and you will not omit to convey Intelligence thereof to this Government & the Presidencies of Fort St George & Bombay. Our Secretary will furnish you with a Copy of some Secret Dispatches, which we received some time since from the Secret Committee of the Honble Court of Directors, & we recommend the Subjects of them to your particular attention as far as they shall be found to be connected with your situation at Goa. They have been transmitted to us in the strictest Confidence, & we must therefore request that you will not permit them or any part of them to be known to any Person but yourself, or even a Suspicion to be had that you are possessed of the Lights which they contain.

You will advise us regularly of your Proceedings, & you will transmit such Communications to the Presidencies of Bombay & Fort

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2d
1st: Fort St George who will be acquainted with
your appointment, as may specially concern
their respective Interests & be proper for their
particular Information. —

Fort William
Foreign Dept
Bd Jany 1785

We have the Honor to be,
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servants
Warren Hastings
(Signed) John Macpherson
John Stables

Alone Copy signed Mary
Secd

Sent the following Letter to Bengal.

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

Gentlemen,

To Bengal — with — correspond with Brigadier General Carnac on the Subjects recommended to his Attention; Enclosing Copies of a Letter & Enclosures from the Coms of Assigned Revenue 31st Jany.

We have the honor to —
acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of
the 8th Ultimo with its Enclosure, & shall
correspond with Genl Carnac on the
Subjects recommended to his attention
Previous to the Dispatch of the Company's
Ship Pigot which sailed from hence the 11th Inst.

We

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14th We received a letter from the Committee of Ways and Revenue, with Enclosures containing much information respecting the important trust Committed to their Management

We beg leave to inclose Copy of the Letter & its Enclosures for the information of your Board.

We have the honor to be Gentlemen Your most obedient humble Servants (Signed) Macartney & Council

Fort S. George 17th Feby 1785.

Received Letter from Captain Speedman / as entered in the Miscellany Book No 58 / representing the Quantity of Rice which has been destroyed by Rats & Long Keeping, and enclosing a Return of the Expenditure of Rice since the 31st Ultimo, and what has been received from the Renter up to the 15th Instant.

From Capt. Speedman

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556. Fort St George 18th February 1785

At a Consultation.

Present

The Right Honble Lord Macartney KB

President

Friday 10th Feb.y 1785.

Lieutenant General Lang

Alexander Davidson Esqr

James Daniell Esqr

Minutes of last Consul=
=tation read and approved.

The President lays before the Board the following Draft of a letter to General Contenceau, which is approved.

M. de Contenceau &c &c

Sir,

I have the Honor to acknow=
=ledge the receipt of your Letter of the 11th Instant, inclosing a Claim to the Seaen Jenkins, & I lose no time in communicating to you my sense of the matter, which I shall state in as short & as clear a manner as I possibly can.

To M. Contenceau
The President explains himself on M. de Contenceau's Letter relative to the Claim made by him to the Seaen Jenkins.

I &c

551 Fort St George 10th February 1785.

The 14th Article of the Treaty — mentions nothing more, than that the two Districts of Villenour, & Bahour shall be procured for an additional Dependency to Pondicherry. The Court of Directors in their Letter on this subject, apprise us, that Villenour, & Bahour consist of eighty Villages, the Names & descrip-tions of which, with the Amount of the Revenues are taken from the Memorial of Mr. Dupleix, and the Extract sent for our Information and Guidance. This Extract says nothing of the Customs of Waldour, but simply states the eighty Villages, with the Amount of their Revenues: But as a further proof that the Customs claimed by you, make no part of the Cession, Waldour only, on which those Customs depend, is not ceded to the French Nation, and the Customs being an appendage to the Havelly Purgunno and Cuzba of Waldour, cannot of course form any part of the Cession, unless they had been specifically mentioned in the Treaty; — This Circumstance added to the Statement of Mr. Dupleix, and to the Report of the Canongoe of the Carnatic, and of the Canongoe of the particular District, which expressly says that the Customs of

Waldour

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Walsour were never included in the Talook of Villenour, and Bahour, Amounts to a demonstration that these Customs are not by any possibility of interpretation within the meaning of the Treaty. What has given rise to the Claim which you make, is, I apprehend the expression of the Court of Directors, that the Extent of those Cessions may be ascertained by the actual Possession of France in 1754 — But France in 1754 was in possession of Walsour itself, and of several other Districts besides Villenour and Bahour. The Extent of the Cession cannot therefore be ascertained by that standard. — I trust that this explanation will prove satisfactory to you, as nothing will give me greater pleasure than to cultivate & improve to the best of my power the friendship now subsisting between our two Nations, and particularly to prove the truth of those sentiments of Esteem & Consideration with which — I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient

& most Humble Servant

(Signed) — Macartney

Fort St. George

10th Feby 1785 —

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559. Fort St. George 18th February 1705

The President lays before the Board a Letter from the Nabob dated 16th Feby entered in Country Correspondence No. 18 inclosing Copy of one from Gen.l Conteneeau to His Highness, & requesting to be furnished with Copies of all such Papers as have passed betwixt Mr. Floyer & the representative of the French Nation, relative to the Cession of Villenore & Bahour.

Substance of a Letter from the Nabob—

Agreed that Copies of Mr. Floyer's last Letter with the Enclosures, & of the Letter from Gen.l Conteneeau to the President with his Lordships Answer be sent to the Nabob.

Determinate thereon—

Read the following Letter from General Campbell with Copy of the Report of the Court of Enquiry lately held at Pomamalee on the subject of the Mutiny of the 52d Regt

To The Right Honble the Governor and Council of Fort St. George.

Military Department

My Lord and Gentlemen,

I have had the Honor to receive your Dep.y Secretary's Letter of the 12th Instant informing

From Gen.l Campbell forwards Copy of the Proceedings of the Court

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Court of Enquiry held at Poonamalee, and recommends the modes to be adopted in consequence

informing me of the new System of Government which has taken place in the Presidency of Fort St. George, in consequence of an Act of Parliament passed in the twenty fourth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty.— and have accordingly this day communicated the same, to the Troops under my Command.

I herewith have the Honor to transmit a Copy of the Proceedings of the Court of Enquiry, which in my Letter to the Right Honble the President and Select Committee of the 24th ultimo, I informed that Board I had ordered to sit at Poonamalee, to examine into the cause of the Discontents which had prevailed in His Majesty's 52d Regiment, and which occasioned the late Mutiny in that Corps.

They leave to propose to your Lordship &c. as the most adviseable mode of proceeding with respect to the 52d Regiment.— that, that Corps be removed from its present station, and likewise that it be divided.

Head Quarters Arcot
14th Febry 1785.

I have the Honor to be
My Lord and Gentlemen
Your most obedient humble Servant
Allan Campbell Major General
Commanding His Majesty's Forces in
India for the time being.

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Agreed that the Report of the Court of Enquiry be lodged in the Office, & that such parts of it as relate to Mr. DeSouza be sent to him with a request that he will give information to the Board on the subject of the Complaints thereon contained.

Minute thereon. –

Read the following Letter from Mr. Gardiner.

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

My Lord,

I beg leave to acquaint Your Lordship that the Stoppages made from the Sepoys in the Palnaud District remain now in my Hands unaccounted for, from the Month of May 1782 to the present time – I request to be favored with Your Lordship's Commands respecting the Disposal thereof, & also what Off Reckonings are to be paid to Captain Nope during his Command in that Corps.

From Mr. Gardiner, respecting the Stoppages made from the Sepoys in the Palnaud District, and now in his Hands – Recommending that Sepoy Ramally on account of his Services to the Company, be permitted to continue to receive the Allowances which has hitherto been granted him – representing the Damages sustained by him, in Consequence of the Sep-

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Loss of the 2d Battalion of Sepoys - and requesting a Reimbursement

I have lately been honored with Your Lordships Sel.t Committee's Orders thro' Mr. Secretary Chamier to continue the Allowance some time ago made to Bastian Fraick /one of the Lombum Polygars/ upto the 30th of April next; in which Order no Notice is taken of the other Polygar, Seyram Reddy - As he was, both from his Attachment to our Army & the Number of Troops he brought into the Field, by far the more Zealous & deserving of the Two, I hope Your Lordship will pardon the Liberty I take in requesting in his Name, that his Allowance may be also continued

During the time I acted in the Field as Lombum as Dep.t Agent the 2d Carnatic Battalion was detached by Major General Jones in Front, which Batt.n being cut off the 4 Bullocks both Draught & Carriage with which they were equipped were all of them either Killed or taken by the Enemy - As I do not apprehend that the Contract is meant to extend to a general Carriage of this Kind, but only to the common Occurrences that Cattle are subject to in Camp; as Deaths, Sore backs, breaking

from

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From these Jokes I running W Ga: I hope Your Lordship will think me entitled to a Reimbursement for the above loss — The Number was 54 Draught 552 Carriage: for which if I have your Lordships Permission I shall only charge 424 Pay.

During the whole Period I was in Camp, I acted as Commissary, Paymaster, Dep.y Agent, Contractor, & Agent for Prize Money, for all of which Employs no Allowance — whatever is drawn by me yet — I therefore request to be favored with Your Lordships Determination what I am to draw on the above Accounts.

I have the Honor to be with the highest Respect.

My Lord

Your Lordships

Most Obedient humble Servant

(Signed) Robert Gardiner

Payr: of Brigde.

Fort St George
16th February 1785

Agreed that Mr Gardiner be desired to inform the Board of the Amount of the Stoppages in his hands, which he must account for to the Mil.y Paym.r Genl, he must also be requested

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requested to inform Government what are the Claims of Capt.n Rose to Off Reckonings, on what founded, for what time, & to what Amount.

Ingram Reddy & Barker Paid to receive the same allowances as before, till the 30th April.

The Board consent that the same Allowance, as before, be paid to Ingram Reddy & Barker Paid which is to cease the 30th April next.

Mr Gardiners Claim not admitted.—

With respect to Mr Gardiner's Claim for a Reimbursement on Account of the Bullocks which were cut off in the Field, it is Agreed that it cannot be admitted, neither can the Board permit him to draw any Allowances, excepting Pay & Batta as Paymaster, double Allowances being unusual for the same Person in charge of different Employs.

Read the following Letters entered in the Miscellany Book.

From Genl Campbell—

From General Campbell dated 16th February with an Enclosure No 59 stating a request of Lieutenant Auchmuty of the 52d Regiment, who is Deputy Judge Advocate between the Nizam & the Carnatic, that an Allowance may be made to him for repairs of his Quarters at Arcot

Agreed

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Minute thereon

Agreed that Genl Campbell be informed, that the Board conceive Lieut Auchmuty will naturally be Stationed with his Regiment when he is not called upon Service as Deputy Judge Advocate — if the General is of opinion that Lieut Auchmuty's Presence is necessary at this time at Arcot, the Board have not any objection to his being there, but as he receives a constant allowance from the Company as Deputy Judge Advocate, it is to be considered in lieu of all Claims for Quarters, Travelling Charges &c. &c.

From Mr Agilvie

From Mr Agilvie dated the 2d 15th Instant No. 60. 61. desiring to know what he is to do with the Company's Stock of Arrack amounting to 35 Pipes, which will probably leak fast, & requesting the orders of the Board respecting the disposal of some Shirts, Hats &c, which were sent to Vellore some time ago for the Prisoners from the Mysore Country, & desiring directions respecting 250 barrels of Gun Powder which are damaged.

Minute thereon.

Agreed that Mr Agilvie be directed carefully to secure the Arrack, which must be kept in Store in case of Emergencies, that he be desired to sell the Shirts &c. &c. by publick outcry, & that he be informed that his application

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application respecting the Gun Powder will be referred to the Committee of Stores, whose Answer will be forwarded to him as soon as received.

From Masulipatam.

From Masulipatam dated 27th Jany with an Enclosure N°62 expressing their Doubts whether their Settlement is to be included in the late Regulation for supplying the out Garrisons with Arrack, urging many reasons to induce the Board not to include Masulipatam in Mr Cockrane's Contract — enclosing a Letter from their Storekeeper on the subject.

Prima thereon. —

As Mr Cockrane's Proposals, in which Masulipatam is included, have been accepted — The Board are unable to comply with the request of the Chief & Council. —

From Ensign Benning.

From Ensign Practitioner Benning 17th Instant N°63, stating that he was on board the first Ship from Bengal in which he could procure a Passage by the 8th January requesting therefore that his Allowances may be paid him for that Month. —

Ordered.

Ordered accordingly —

Read

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Read the following Letter from Mess.rs Lind & Close.—

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

My Lord & Gentlemen,

On perusal of the accompanying Letter received this Morning by the Rajah, from his Vakeels at Cuddapah, Your Lordship &c. will be fully apprized of the particulars which have passed between them, and Ibrahim Ally Khan. We should have been properly prepared against his requisition of Security for the Payment of the Second Kist, had not Kummer ud deen Khan, more than once assured Captain Close that the Rajah's Bond alone, was sufficient. However as the Rajah from the Steps he has taken has strong hope that the Sowcars will be prevailed on to satisfy Ibrahim Ally, We trust, that the impediments created by this unexpected demand will be shortly removed.—

Although the Rajah coincides with us in Opinion that his refusing to discharge the Nazzir

From Mess.rs Lind & Close, recommending that a Letter be written to Tippoo Sultaun, in order that his demands on the Rajah for the Nazzer & the Customs of Marellee may be relinquished; and that the affair of Condeor, be settled with him independent of any Medium.—

Fort St. George 10th February 1705.

Nazzir, and Your Lordship for determination not to admit of Tippoo Sultaun's unfounded claim to the Sayer, or Customs of Mareka, will not prove an insurmountable Bar to the restitution of the Districts, nevertheless he is apprehensive that those Points remaining unadjusted may be the cause of future trouble to him he has therefore requested of us to entreat of your Lordship for to address Tippoo Sultaun on the subject of them in order that they may be totally relinquished

As from Ibrahim Alley's Declarations in the course of the Meetings, with the Vakeels, it would appear that his Authority is confined within such narrow bounds, as not to admit of his transacting any casual business with us, except specially instructed, which would naturally occasion extreme delay, We are in consequence induced to submit to Your Lordship's consideration the propriety of having the Affair of Condicore settled with Tippoo Sultaun independent of any Mediums.

His Lordship's Letter / lodged with us / for Tippoo Sultaun containing overtures for an accommodation different from those Agreed

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Agreed to by Captain Flode and lately proposed at Muddepah We doubt not Your Lordship &c. will approve of our detaining it.

We have the Honor to be with much respect.

My Lord & Gentlemen,

Your most obedient humble Servants

Venkatgherry 12th February 1785.

Wm Lindsay

(signed) B.T. Close

Read the following letter from the Resident at Tanjore with Enclosures entered in Miscellany Book No. 65.

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

My Lord & Gentlemen,

The four Tibbendy Battalions employed in this Country continuing to be paid at the same rate of pay with the regular battalions on the establishment, and stoppages being

From the Resident at Tanjore, requesting Instructions on a Bill presented to him by one of the Officers of the four Tibbendy Battalions employed in the Tanjore Country.

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being made from them in the same manner as from other native Corps. the Officers Commanding the respective battalions have applied to me for payment of Off reckonings. I have the honor to transmit with this Copy of one of the bills which have been presented to me frequent to be honored with your instructions respecting it.

I have the honor to be with great Respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most obedient

humble Servant

(Signed) J. Sullivan

Tanjore
15th Feby 1785.

Agreed that the Resolution of the Board of the October respecting the Jibbendies at Tanjore be transmitted to the Resident, and that he be informed that the different Officers who have commanded the Battalions are to receive their shares of the Off Reckonings proportioned to the periods of their actual Command, & the Amount of the Stoppages.

Minute thereon —

The

571. Fort St George 18th February 1785

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Command to that Garrison, leaving a Jemidar & thirty Sepoys in Charge of Chillumbrum.

The Resident at Cuddalore to assist in transporting the Stores from Chillumbrum to Cuddalore. —

Agreed that a Letter be written to the Resident at Cuddalore, advising him of the Orders sent to Captain Dawes, & desiring he will send Boats & facilitate to the utmost of his power the transporting of the Stores from Chillumbrum to Cuddalore. —

Macartney

Ross Lang

Alex. Davidson

J. Daniell

573. Fort St George — Feby 1785

19th Received the following Letter from

Sir John Burgoyne —

My Lord & Gentlemen

The Right Honble the President having thought proper to erase from the distribution given in by my Paymaster for the 23d Light Dragoons, a charge of Arrears due to three of my men, during their confinement in Prison with the Enemy, alledging that his own memory is sufficient to assure him that they have been already been paid to those men, though vouchers are to be produced to the contrary. I beg leave as Colonel of my Regiment to say that I am willing to assert the same has never been paid, and that I am ready to stand Security for it in case it should be proved I am mistaken or if that is not sufficient to induce the Right Honble the President to do justice to those injured Soldiers, who have patiently remained so long without their just demands being satisfied, then I do hope in such case this your refusal may be signified in writing that I may have proper authority to draw for the same on the British Treasury —

From Sir John Burgoyne declaring that the names of the men stopped from the distribution from the twenty third Regiment of Light Dragoons were never paid such subsistence and that the Detaining the Arrears of that Regiment as Clove is detrimental to the Majesty Service

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574. Fort St. George 1st February 1783

19th I am believe to inform you that Captain Brown of my Regiment who was ordered to march from Allore to Masulipatam, to embark for this Place with 100 Recruits, have been ordered back (after having proceeded two days march) by the acting Chief there during important dispute between the Master of the Ship they were to have gone in (that ship, should find the Vessels to carry the men's provi=sions) and the Board at Masulipatam, having been the ostensible cause of such unexpected arrangement - I beg once more to represent that the detaining these Recruits is manifestly to the great detriment of his Majesty's Service and that if they are not ordered around im=mediately, the Season of the Year is so far advanced that their arrival before the change of Monsoon can hardly be expected, they have now been intirely near Eight months, and I believe furnish the first example in the Kings Service of Recruits being kept so long from the Body of their Regiment, when so many different opportunities have offered of bringing them to it - The Admiral would have brought them 6 Months ago, the Pigot

Indiaman

575 Fort St. George 1 February 1

19th Indiamen and several other ships lately sent
Particularly one in which the Master written
is concerned, but for which were offered a
consideration to obtain a refusal from the meant.
Master — I have the honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most Obedient
Humble Servant
(Signed) J. Burgoyne
Major Genl & Col. 23d Lt Dg.

Madras
19th Febry 1785.

Sent the undermentioned Letters as
entered in the Miscellany Book Nos 66. 67. 68.
69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76.

To Major General Campbell desiring
To General Campbell him to furnish Colonel Davis with whatever
he may stand in need to enable him to execute the
Demolition of Chillambrum.

To Mr Welsh to advance Colonel
To Mr Welsh Davis the usual Batta, during the time he is
executing the Service entrusted to him.

To the President at Ingeram. Informing
To Mr Hamilton him that Mr Bowes having been appointed
Assistant Surgeon to Ingeram and Bhatna
Travelling Allowances or Batta will be granted

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19th to Mr Biggs after Mr Bowers Arrival at Ingeram —

Sir Henry Coxby

To Sir Henry Coxby — The four Guards who have long had charge of the Nabobs Palace at Trichinopoly are to be continued in that Service, on a second written application from the Nabobs Managers —

Ensign I Menning

To Ensign I. Menning — Government consent to his drawing Pay and allowances from the 1st January to his Arrival —

Mr John Briggs

To Mr John Briggs informing him of Mr Bowers appointment to Ingeram, and that he is to discontinue drawing any allowances for travelling Expences or Batta after Mr Bowers arrival —

the Paymaster &

To Mr Thomas Ogilvie — The Cash containing 1 Struck in the Garrison must be filled and kept perfectly secure, to provide against a seige — The Shirts Hats &c mentioned in his Letter to be sold at public Outcry —

the Committee of

To the Committee of Stores, with an Extract of a Letter to Government from Mr Ogilvie, relative to Gunpowder, and their Opinions thereon requested —

Colonel Stuart

To Colonel James Stuart, assc of Mr Huddlestons appointment to the R

Fort St. George — February 1755

19th of Tanjore and Mr Dispatch to that of Baymaulut

To Masulipatam

To Masulipatam, Directing him to inform Government what Quantity of Company's Arrack or other Spirituous Liquors is in store at Masulipatam, and the Quantity necessary for a six months consumption calculated for the number of Europeans stationed therein for its Defence —

To Mr Deshaya

To Mr. Deshaya, Enclosing Extracts from the Proceedings of the Court of Enquiry held at Poonamalee, which relates to him and to which he is desired to reply —

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in the Miscellany Book Nos 77 78

From Mr Wm Roy

From Mr William Roy requesting to be furnished with an Account of all Cattle brought from Places not included in the Account delivered by the Committee of Inquiry Revenue in order to see if they agree with his Account of Receipts —

From Mr Orpen

From Mr Orpen Requesting to know whether or not he is to continue to countersign the Bills of Officers to the Southern Cantonments and act as Commissary

To Morison

Agreed that Mr Orpen be informed that he must continue to countersign the Officers Bills and before the 31st of August on which

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19th on which day his appointment as Commissary ceased (See Miscellany Book No 19.)

Received the following Letters —

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

My Lord & Gentlemen

From Bombay stating the Manner they intend to conduct the Business of that Presidency and requesting the same to be attended to by this Government in its Correspondence with them —

We have the Honor to enclose you a Duplicate of our last Letter of the 10th Instant which was forwarded yesterday by his Majesty's Brig the Lizard —

Having thought it necessary to seperate the Secret and Political from the Public Department at this Presidency, We have appointed Seperate Secretaries to each Department and think it necessary to make you acquainted with the several Duties annexed to each —

The Secret Department will consist of all Subjects of a Political nature, all correspondence with the other Presidencies on Political Affairs all correspondence with the Resident at Foreign Courts, all transactions with

Foreign

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19th Foreign Nations, and Country Powers, such Military arrangements only as tend to the reduction or increase of the Forces on this Establishment and all such matters as may require Secrecy — and every thing else will be taken cognizance of in our Public Department —

We request that whenever you may write Us on any of the above particular Subjects you will direct your Letter agreeable thereto —

We have Honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient
humble Servants
Signed R. H. Boddam
L. Nilson
Robt Sparke[illegible] —

Bombay Castle
Public Department
12th Janry 1785 —

The Right Honble Geo: Lord Macartney K.B.
President and Governor &c Council
at
Fort St. George

My Lord & Gentlemen

I have the Honor to receive your Lordships &c Commands of the 12th Instant —

I have also received a Letter from

From Mr Talbot with the Restitution of the Revival of the Contiguous Magnets to be done to frames will be entered upon as soon as he may receive an Official Letter from the Subscriber to that Effect —

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19th from Mr Chamier under date the 11th Instant containing your Lordships &c directions relative to the delivery of Karical and the four Contiguous Magans to the Representatives of the French nation, appointed to receive them, in case Mr Sulivans ill state of health should prevent him from executing this Service. In a letter received last night from Mr Sulivan, he acquaints me that he shall not be able to come to Karical, and I expect an Official Letter from him this Evening, enclosing an Order from the Rajah of Tanjore to his Amuldar for delivering to me the four Magans, so when the business of restitution shall be immediately entered upon —

A French Armed Ship is arrived in this Road from Pondicherry with four Companies of Lepoys. Eight Guns for, a saluting Battery and eight or ten European Officers. Colonel de Bastille who is appointed to receive Charge of Karical and its dependencies is also arrived here —

I have the honor to be with the greatest respect —

Karical
16th Febry 1785.

My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most obedient
humble Servant
E. W. Tallofield

Despatch

523. Fort St. George. 19th Feby 1785

Dispatched the following Letters

To Mr. Robert Gardiner
Paymaster.
at
Cuddalore.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble President and Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 16th Instant and to desire you will inform them of the Amount of the Stoppages made from the Sepoys in the Palnaud District which must be accounted for to the Military Paymaster General you are also to let them know what are the Claims of Captain Hope to Off Reckonings, on what Grounded for what time, and to what amount

You are to continue to pay Peyrann Ready and Barker Maig. the same Allowances as before until the 30th April next

With respect to your Claim for a Reimbursement on Account of the Bullocks which were cut off in the Field I am desired to inform you, that it cannot be admitted

It is unusual in the Service for the same Person to draw Batta for different Employs

To Mr Gardiner
Directing him to report to Government the Stoppages on the Sepoys in the Palnaud District which must be accounted for to the Military Paymaster General to continue to Pay Peyrann ready and Barker Maig the usual allowances till the 30th April next cannot be permitted to draw for different Employs under this Head only for Paymaster to the Forces

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19th Employs under his Charge you are only to draw Pay and Batta as Paymaster to the Troops under the Command of Major General Smith

Sam Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Signed John Chamier

Acting Secry

Fort St. George
19th Febry 1785.

20th

To Major General Campbell.
Commanding His Majestys Troops
for the time being
at
Arcot

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble
President and Council to acknowledge the
receipt of your Letters dated the 14th and 16th
Instant, and to acquaint you that they have
desired Mr de Souza to give them information
respecting those Parts in the Report of the Court
of Enquiry at Poonamalee which relate to
him when Mr de Souzas answer is received
I shall have the honor to write you further
on this Subject

With respect to Lieutenant Ruckmanys
application

to Major General Campbell
dated 20 Febry a has been
resolved to reply to those
Parts of the Proceedings
of the Court of Enquiry
held at Poonamalee as
relate to him — as
Lieutenant Ruckmanty
has been appointed
Deputy Judge Advocate
between the Redoubt &
the Coleroon he ought
to be with his Regiment
except the General
wishes him to remain
at Arcot —

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20 Application referred to Government in your Letter of the 16th I am directed to observe that he is appointed Deputy Judge Advocate for the District between the Coleroon and the Kistna, and is to attend all Courts Martial to be held therein, except when he is called away upon such Service it is presumed that he will naturally be stationed with his Regiment, should your however be of Opinion that his presence is now necessary with you. The President and Council have no objection but the constant allowance which he receives from the Company as Deputy Judge Advocate is in lieu of other Claims for Quarters. Travelling charges &c &c.

I am directed to inform you that the Recruits for His Majesty's 73d Regiment arrived from Bengal have been this day ordered to march to Arcot

I have the honor to be

Sir

your most obedient Servant

(Signd) I. Chamier

Acting Secry

Fort St George
20th February 1785.

Major General Sir John Burgoyne.

Sir

I am directed by the President &

To Lt. John Burgoyne
Taken only the three
names

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20th your Detachment was not ordered down sooner was that the Public Service required it to remain at Ellore

Fort St George
20th Febry 1785

I am
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) J. Chamier
Acting Secy

To Eyles Irwin Esqr

Sir

To Mr Eyles Irwin, to enquire into the Complaint preferred by Tippoo Sultaun against Sam Naick a Poligar in the Trichinopoly Destrict and to settle it in conjunction with General Horne in a Satisfactory manner to Tippoo

I am directed to inform you that some Complaints having been made by Tippoo Sultaun against Sam Naik General Horne has been desired upon his arrival at Warriore to procure such information from Lieutenant Colonel Sir Henry Cosby as he may have obtained, and the General is further desired in conjunction with you (under whom as in charge of the Southern Revenues the Southern Poligars are particularly placed) to take such measures as may appear necessary for the termination of the affair

General Horne is furnished with Copies of the letter from Tippoo Sultaun and of the Right Honble [illegible] Answer

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20th sends you Duplicates of Theirs Hers, the President and Council could not think you will together settle, and remove the cause of Complaint to the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun's Satisfaction —

Sirs Sir

Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) J. Chamier
Acting Secretary

Fort St. George
20th Febry 1785.

Sent Letters / as entered in the Miscellany
Book Nos 80. 81. 82. /

To Brigadier General Home desiring him to

To Brigadier General Home —

procure from Lieutenant Colonel Sir Henry Cooby every Information respecting the Complaint made by Tippoo Sultaun, against Sam Naik, and to consult with Mr Irwin on the Subject and take such steps as may appear necessary to terminate the Causings —

24th To Captain Dawes directing him to remove all the Stores belonging to the Garrison of Chellumbrum to Cuddalore, and proceed thither with the Troops under his Command, leaving a Jamidar and thirty Sepoys in charge of the Fort. —

To Capt Dawes.

to Mr George Isaac Hoitsard

to Mr G. S. Hoyzard 21st Directing him to give every Assistance to Captain Dawes in removing the Stores and Troops from Chellumbrum to Cuddalore —

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in the Miscellany Book Nos 83. 84. 85. —

From Mr Hippesley

From Mr Hippesley expressing his thanks to Government for his appointment to the Paymastership of Tanjore —

From Surat —

From the Chief and Council of Surat enclosing a Letter from the Presidency of Bombay

From General Campbell

From General Campbell, requesting to know if Government has any objection to Major General Ogle's proceeding to Pondicherry for a few days for the recovery of his health —

to General Campbell

General Campbell to be informed that General Ogle has the permission of Government to proceed to Pondicherry — (Vide Miscellany Book No 86) —

At a Consultation Present

The Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

Tuesday 22d Feby 1785. Lieut. General Lang — Alexr Davidson Esqr

James Daniell Esqr

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved —

The President delivers in the following Minute —

The

Fort S.t George 22.d February 1785.

The Precedents thereto recommending as the first object of Government consideration the making Retrenchments in every branch of public Expenditure

The late Act of Parliament has yet only operated in the Formation of the new Government, as many other essential Points remain to be effected, and I hope for the chearful concurrence of the Board in accomplishing them, with as much Expedition as may be, mean while I think it my duty to say some thing on the Subject of the Act in the present Stage of Proceedings —

By confining the general administration of the Company's affairs to a small number of Persons there is every reason to hope for that Union, vigor and Dispatch so necessary in all Governments, but more particularly in this distant scene where the effects of Discord and party are most fatally felt before any remedy can be applied by the power, that is alone capable of removing them; I consider this Provision of the Act therefore as a wise Security for the peaceful Administration of India, The Spirit and Aim of it will be best consulted in the happy union of Sentiments and measures for the public good — where that is the sole object, indeed material differences can never happen, and I am confident the Members of the present Government bring with them every disposition to unite in the great purposes of their appointment —

One of those Purposes and indeed the first which more peculiarly at this point of

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To Mr G. A. Hoyland — 25th Directing him to give every Assistance to Captain Davies in removing the Stores and Troops from Chellumbrum to Cuddalore —

Received the under mentioned Letters as entered in the Miscellany Book N.os 83. 84. 85. —

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By confining the general administration of the Company's affairs to a small number of Persons there is every reason to hope for that Union, vigor and Dispatch so necessary in all Governments, but more particularly in this distant scene where the effects of Discord and party are most fatally felt before any remedy can be applied by the power, that is alone capable of removing them. I consider this Provision of the Act therefore as a wise Security for the peaceful Administration of India. The Spirit and Aim of it will be best executed in the happy union of Sentiments and measures for the public good — where that is the sole object, indeed material differences can never happen, and I am confident the Members of the present Government bring with them every disposition to unite in the great purposes of their appointment —

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One of those Purposes and indeed the first which more forces on them in point of

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Importance is to free the Company from some part of the heavy burthens of the War, and of the Current Military Expences, which at present consume so very large a portion of their Income. The new act has particularly suggested the necessity of Retrenchments in every Branch of the public Expenditure, and that which is now imposed upon us as a legal Injunction, must have every claim to our obedience. I therefore call upon the Board to assist me with their best advice in promoting this material Object, and to lend their firm and united Support in the Execution of such measures as may be found necessary to attain it —

(Signed) Macartney

Mr Davidson delivers in the following Minute —

Davidson's Minute ...ssing his Sentiments ...foregoing and his ...mination to Cooperate ... the President in ...ying into effect the ... measures of Govern... ...t —

...ilect Committee ... July 1784. —

I desire to record my Sentiments on occasion of the Presidents Minute just read, That I shall make it my study to contribute my best endeavors to promote the public Measures — I have on another occasion expressed my *Opinion on the situation of the President — No doubt every Assistance, Exertion and Cooperation will be necessary from the other Members of the Council to assist him in carrying into effect the great measures of Government which have

devolved

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Devolved on us consequent to our late Appointment.
I have not a doubt but that confidence and
Harmony will subsist among the present Members
of Government so essential to secure success to the
due Administration of the Companys Affairs —

Signd Hux.y Davidson

The President delivers in the following
Minute —

As I suppose that the Amount of
Affairs to the 31st August last, are now exactly
ascertained, agreeable to the General Orders of 26th
September last, It will be proper to direct the
several Paymasters to transmit correct accounts
thereof distinguishing what is due as follows —

To European Commanding Officers —
To native Do
To European Non Commissioned Officers & Privates
To Native — — — Do — & Do

The Paymasters to be directed to send
Indents of the Sums required for the Complete dis-
-bursement of the Ensuing month, particularly
distinguishing the amount under the several Heads
of Pay. Batta. Gratuity Hospital. Garrison &
charges. Temporary allowance in lieu of Salt Batta &c
Letters to be written accordingly to the Paymaster
at Arcot. Vellore. Tellore. Pulicat. Pondamalee and
Trepasore. Permacoil Chillumbrum. Chingleput

Also

The President Minute proposing that the several Paymasters be directed to transmit to the Presidency correct Accounts of their Affairs to the 31st August last —

arrears.

-bursement

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Also to Mr Digby. Paymaster of the Cantonment South of the Coleroon, & Tanjore. Trichinopoly. Madura Palamcotah —

A Separate account is also necessary of arrears incurred since the 31st. August, not discharged before the 29th Instant, distinguishing the amount under the several heads, as above mentioned —

The Board concur in opinion with the President and direct the same to be done —

The Board concur in opinion with the Right Honble President, and it is accordingly Agreed that the Secretary be directed to write circular Letters agreeably to the above Minute —

Read the following Letter from General Courtenaye and Mr Monneron —

/ Translation /

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

My Lord & Gentlemen,

From Pondicherry requesting that the Sieur Duraft a Delinquent now at Madras may be delivered up —

The Sieur Paul Duraft lately a Merchant at the Mauritius had made a fraudulent Bankruptcy. The Criminal conduct is not the only reason which engages me to address you respecting a man whom the

Laws

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Laws condemn. He is also a Plunderer of the Royal Treasury — The Government at the French Islands where these Crimes have been committed have desired one to claim a Subject so criminal, when a man violates all the Laws, all nations are interested in stopping his Career, and in maintaining the Sacred Bonds of Society — We know that the Sieur Duvejat is at Madras, under the name of the Chevalier de la Bauve, and that he lives in a Style which ascertains his Delinquency —

It is with confidence, my Lord and Gentlemen that We address you that the person whom we have discribed to you on may be delivered up to us —

We have the honor to be with the most distinguished Sentiments

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most humble and most obedient Servant

Signd Coutenuau.
Monneron.

Pondichery 16th Febry 1785.

Minute thereon

The President informs the Board that he has directed an enquiry to be made respecting the Sieur Duvejat as soon as the above Letter was received, and that he has been assured that he has lately left Madras and is supposed to have gone

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gone to a Danish Settlement. The President has also been informed that during his residence here, the Siem Dargah did not make himself remarkable by an expensive manner of living as mentioned by Mr. Contenceau and Mannuron,

Letter to Pondicherry in consequence thereof.

Agreed that a Letter be written to Pondicherry to the foregoing effect.

The Board, adverting to that part of the Letter from General Contenceau and Mr. Mannuron which observes that all nation are interested in stopping the career of a man, who has violated the Laws, are doubtful whether they ought to deliver up a Delinquent to a foreign Power, if any future application should be made to them of a similar nature at a time when it may be in their power to comply with it.

The Board are doubtful how far they are authorized to deliver up a delinquent.

Agreed that a Letter be written on the foregoing subject to the Governor General and Council that they may, if they judge proper take the Sentiments of the Supreme Court of Judicature on the point in question, and transmit their Opinion for the future guidance of Government on this Precedency.

Agreed to report the consideration of the Gentlemen at Bengal,

The President lays before the Board a Letter addressed to the late Secretary

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by Lieutenant Hall.

To John Huddleston Esqr.

Sir,

From Lieutenant Hall with Political Intelligence

I have the Honor to address you in consequence of some Information that was given me on my Journey to this place, however idle and untrue it may be, I thought it my Duty to communicate the Particulars to you, and beg the favor of having them presented to the right Honble the Select Committee, a Bramin lately arrived from Hyderabad, and whose name if I recollect right, is Chimnaswamy, has declared that the King of Delhi alarmed at the measures pursued by the English, and anxious to oppose them by the strongest Efforts, and as early as possible, has dispatched circular Letters to the different Black Powers pointing out their Interests and the means to secure them. That the Extirpation of Europeans is become absolutely necessary, and that unanimity alone can procure the desirable object - He says that Tippoo has in consequence made Peace with the Maharattas, and that a great Confederation of Forces is soon to be formed, for the purpose of entering

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entering the territories under the influence of the Company's

I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect

Sir

Trichinopoly 17th Febry 1785.

Your most obedient humble Servant

(Signed) James Stuart Hall.

Minute thereon

"His extraordinary Intelligence not being corroborated by any of a similar kind from the Resident at Hydrabad, or from any of our other Sources of Intelligence, it is not possible to form a judgement of the degree of Credit which it deserves

Copy of Lieut. Halls Letter to be sent to Bengal

Ordered that Copy of Lieutenant Halls Letter be sent to Bengal for the information of the Governor General and Council with the foregoing remarks

Read the following Letters from the Resident at Mysore

The Right Honble George Lord Macartney K.B.

President and Governor &c Council.

at

Fort St. George.

My

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My Lord & Gentlemen,

From Mr Sullivan inclosing a Form of an act of Restitution for Pondicherry and the two Districts of Villanour & Bahour with two Passages and desiring to know whether or not those References are to have a place in the Act of Restitution for Karical.

I have received from Mr Sulivan a Form of an Act of Restitution and Cession / copy of which awaits on your Lordship &c Enclosed / which was sent him by Mr Hoyer as a guide for the delivery of Karical and its Depundencies with the four contiguous Magans, a remark made by Mr Hoyer at the foot of this paper, induces me to beg the favor of your Lordships &c opinion whether it is necessary that the two passages quoted in the marginal references should have a place in the Act of Cession and Restitution now to be made for Karical &c. If your Lordship &c should be of opinion that they are not necessary to be inserted and that the act of Restitution for Pondicherry and the Districts of Villanour and Bahour should be the basis of that for Karical and its ancient Depundencies, as well as the four Maganums I would beg the favor of your Lordship &c to order a Copy of the late Act of Restitution executed by the English and French Commissaries at Pondicherry to be sent me.

I flatter myself that this reference to your Lordship &c will not be the cause of protracting the business a single day, as the order from the Rajah

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Rajah of Tanjore to his Minister for the release of the four Magans in the neighbourhood of Karical is not yet arrived from Mr Sullivan, and Mr Debartille wishes to have the Cession of the four Magans included in one, and the same Act of restitution with Karical and its ancient Dependencies. I may therefore hope for the honor of a Line from your Lordship &c on the foregoing subject before the Magans can be delivered over to me by the Rajahs ministers.

I have the honor to be, with the greatest Respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most obedient

humble Servant

(Signed) E. W. Fallofield

Karical
5th Febry 1785.

French Copy

English Copy.

Form of an Act of Restitution delivered to Mr Cloyer by Government for the Town and District of Pondicherry and for the two Districts of Villenore and Bahour.

Whereas by the 14th Article

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Article of the Treaty of Peace made and concluded between their Britannic and most Christian Majesties on the 3d September 1783. it is stipulated and agreed (among other Articles) that the Town shall be restored to France. Now be it known that I constituted and appointed by the Right Honble Lord Macartney, President and Governor and Select Committee of Fort St. George on the Coast of Coromandel to restore and deliver up on the part of His Britannic Majesty to Peter Joseph De Boistel Colonel of Infantry constituted and appointed by His Excellency Monsieur le Chevalier Duplessis Brigadier General of the Armies of France, and Commandant of the French Establishments in India, on behalf of his most Christian Majesty the

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The Town of
with the Several Villages
and Places appendant
agreeably to the said Treaty
& hereby declared to have
restored and delivered up
the said Town with the
following Villages and
Places appendant thereon
Namely ——
——————
——————
——————with
their respective Dependen
cies, And Whereas by the
said 16th Article it is also
agreed that His Britannic
Majesty shall preserve to
serve as a Dependency on
The Four Mogans
which are contiguous thereto
Be it also known that
I
constituted
and appointed by the authe
rity aforesaid for delivering
in the said four Mogans on
the part of His Britannick
Majesty to the said Peter
Joseph de Boistel Colonel
of Infantry, appointed
in behalf of His Most
Christian

† N.B. In the Ruppees
Out of Restitution of
Karical to the Land of
Tanjore are inserted the
following Words after the
Names of the Villages &c.
just however with respect
to the Government of
Tanjore to the same Jenty
Tribute & Pishcaush Annually
with which they were
charged before the commen-
cement of the Year 1749
case the King of Tanjore
shall demand it

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Christian Majesty. Do
Hereby Declare to have
delivered them conformably
to the List of Villages
annexed to this Instrument
and mutually signed and
exchanged between the
said Peter Joseph de Bristel
Colonel of Infantry and
the said Commissary
in behalf of the British
Nation —

And the said Peter
Joseph De Bristel on the
part of His most Christian
Majesty doth Hereby acknow=
ledge to have received from
the said appointed
in behalf of His Britannick
Majesty the said Town
with the above
recited Villages and
Places dependent thereon
and the said Peter Joseph
de Bristel doth also
acknowledge to have
received from the said
appointed on behalf
of His Britannic Majesty
the four Mogans contiguous
thereto

#NB Mr Sawyer Lauriston
on the same Act adds after
the words above recited
Villages "are subject with
respect to the Government
of Tanjore to the same
Yearly Tribute with
which they were charged
before the commencement
of

in

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"of the year 1749 in case "the King of Tanjore shall "demand it"

thereto consisting of the Villages and Places in the List annexed

In Witness whereof the said for and in behalf of His Britannic Majesty and the said Peter Joseph DeBastel for and in behalf of His most Christian Majesty have signed the present Act, and caused the Seal of their Arms to be put thereto in the day of One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty five

N.B. I know not that the two passages quoted in the above Marginal References are necessary to be inserted in the present Act of Restitution of Karical agreeably to the late Treaty of 1783. I have inserted them only to inform Mr Sulivan of the difference between Mr Russells Act of Restitution in 1766. and the form delivered to me by Government for the Restitution of Pondicherry and its Districts. As Mr Sulivan applied for the form of an Act of Restitution to Colonel

Dalrymple

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Dalrymple after my return from Pondicherry to Madras. which was not sent to him and not knowing if he has received a Form from Madras. I have sent this -

Signd/ Charles Stoyer.

A true Copy

Signd/ E. W. Fallofield

The Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

President, and Governor &c Council

at

Fort St. George

My Lord & Gentlemen,

From Mr Fallofield enclosing Copy of a letter from him to Mr. Boistel on the Subject of the Island in the River of Nagore -

I have the honor to enclose your Lordship &c Copy of my answer to Colonel De Boistels second Letter on the Subject of the Island in the river of Nagore, which I hope will be approved of by your Lordship &c

I have the honor to be with the Greatest Respect -

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most obedient

humble Servant

Signd/ E. W. Fallofield

Karical
19th Febry 1785.

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"of the year 1769 in case the "the King of Tanjore shall "demand it"

thereto concerning of the Villages and Places in the Last annexed

In Witness whereof the said for and in behalf of his Brittannic Majesty and the said Peter Joseph Dubuisson for and in behalf of his most Christian Majesty have signed the present Act, and caused the Seal of their Arms to be put thereto in the day of One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty Five

N.B. I know not that the two passages quoted in the above Marginal References are necessary to be inserted in the present Act of Restitution of Karical agreeably to the late Treaty of 1783. I have inserted them only to inform Mr Sullivan of the difference between Mr Ruffells Act of Restitution in 1765. and the Form delivered to me by Government for the Restitution of Pondicherry and its Districts. As Mr Sullivan applied for the Form of an Act of Restitution to Colonel

Dalrymple

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Duplicate of my Letters from Pondicherry to Madras, which was not sent to them and not knowing if he has received a Copy from Madras, I have sent this -

Signed/ Charles Floyer.

A true Copy

Signed/ E. W. Talloqfield/

The Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

President, and Governor &c Council

at

Fort St. George

My Lord & Gentlemen,

From Mr Talloqfield enclosing Copy of a letter from him to Mr. Boistel on the Subject of the Island in the River of Nagore -

I have the honor to enclose your Lordship &c Copy of my answer to Colonel De Boistels second Letter on the Subject of the Island in the river of Nagore, which I hope will be approved of by your Lordship &c

I have the honor to be with the Greatest Respect -

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most obedient

humble Servant

Signd/ E. W. Talloqfield

Karical
19th Febry 1785.

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To Peter Joseph. De Bastel Esqr.

Knight of the Royal and Military order of
Saint Louis. Colonel of Infantry and Commissary
for his most Christian Majesty.

Sir.

I have the Honor, in reply to your
favor of this date to assure you that I have
represented to the Right Honble the President
and Council of Fort St George whatever you have
been pleased to communicate to me relative to
the Island situated near the Bar of the River,
which separates the Districts of Nagore and
Trimalrauzapatnam. As you were pleased Sir
to lay considerable weight on the propositions
for the neutrality of the said Island, with
a view to save all discussion on the Subject,
should the Madras Government disprove in
the first Instance of my acceding thereto
the Business can at once be settled —

I am at present both from
Inclination as well as Duty obliged to
remain at Karical, from whence this
Island is at the distance of several Miles
that no possible delay may arise on my
part to impede for a moment the
Resolution

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Restitution of the Districts and the Delivery of
the Neighbouring Magaanems —
I have the Honor to be with the
most perfect Consideration —
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Signed E. W. Tallopield

Karical
19th Febry 1785

Stone Copy
Signed E. W. Tallopield

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

My Lord & Gentlemen,

From Mr Tallopield with an account of the Island in the Revers of Mayore claimed by Mr. Boistel — Enclosing several papers relating to the four Magans to be ceded to France

I have the Honor to enclose your Lordship &c Copies of two Letters which I received from Colonel De Bostel the Commissary appointed by the French Government to receive Karical and the four neighbouring Mogans together with Copy of my answer to the first Letter —

The Island which Colonel de Bostel represents to be a part of the Tremalavangepatnam District, of which Vangoor is a Village lays near the

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Similar to that one in Suspicion of them with
Copy of a Letter I addressed to the Similar upon
the receipt of the above Papers —

I have the honor to be with the
greatest respect —

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) E. W. Tallofield

Karical
19th Febry 1785.

At the Garden near to Karical
18th February 1785 —

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose you a
Copy of the Protest I caused to be transmitted to
Mr Godfrey Commandant of the English Garrison
at Nagore the 4th May 1778. mentioning apart
he had established upon a spot of ground
dependant on the Village of Vanjour, which
comprehended a part of one of Villages. I
sent a Copy of it to Mr Bellecombe who
forwarded it with his remarks to the
Committee at Madras. Hostilities which
commenced four months after were the real
and true cause, that, that affair was not
then

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then settled, I informed you the day before yesterday that I had received Instructions to conclude this point with the Commissary appointed on the part of his Britannic Majesty who shall be vested to deliver to us our Possessions conformably to the 11th Article of the Treaty of Peace made and concluded between their Britannic and most Christian Majesty's the 3d September 1783. I beg of you Sir, after the information I have the honor to give you, to be so good as enquire if my Claim is not just and well founded. to inform me of your opinion, and acquaint me likewise if it is your Intention to comply with my request you will recollect what I proposed that, to avoid all difficulty, I can think of no other means for our mutual Accommodation than that each nation respectively shall not occupy a post nor place Sentinels on the spot pointed out in my protest —

After what Mr Sulivan told me on the 15th Instant, it appears very singular that you should not as yet have received the necessary powers to put me in possession of Karical its ancient Dependencies and the four Magans, it is to be wished that a period was fixed for the termination of this Business —

I

C B. Fort St. George 22d. February 1785.

To Peter Joseph De Bostel Esqr.

Knight of the Royal and Military order of St Louis
Colonel of Infantry &c &c

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of yesterday enclosing copy of your Protest of the 19th of May 1778; not having received any particular Instructions relative to the Island mentioned in your Letter, I am under the necessity of acquainting the Right Honble the President and Council of Fort St. George of the circumstances you have been pleased to communicate to me, and of your Proposal that the small Island mentioned in your Letter shall not be occupied as a Post by the Troops of either nation but remain quite neutral, Be assured Sir I shall instantly acquaint you of the Directions I may receive in consequence

I have the pleasure to inform you that I have this moment received the Papers from Mr Sulivan for the delivery of the four Magazines, and that I shall immediately acquaint the Amildar in the management of the Magazines with my having received an Order from His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore

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Tanjore diverting him to put one in possession of them. I therefore flatter myself that not the smallest Impediment will arise to the speedy termination of the Business committed to our Charge

I have the Honor to be with the most perfect Consideration

Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

(Signed) E. W. Fallofield

Karical
19th Febry 1785.

A true Copy

(Signed) E. W. Fallofield

To W. Fallofield
Resident at Karical and Commissary for his Britannic Majesty

Sir

I am anxious to reply to the Letter you did me the Honor to write, one this morning, I am willing to waite till you receive an answer from the Committee of Madras, for the termination of that little impediment which originated from the Protest I found myself obligated to make

on

615. Fort St. George 22d Febry 1785.

on the 19th May 1784 last what Year is the Period that may elapse, provided you have not before you wrote, examined into the propriety of my Claim, and if you have not communicated your Sentiments to the Committee —

I am very happy Sir, that you have received Orders from the Comdar, and Instructions to receive from him the four Magans, I shall be obliged to you precious to your reception of them, to inform me of it, I will then wait upon you, and in a short time we shall be able to complete the Business with which we are vested in virtue of our respective Powers —

I have the honor to be with due regard. —

Sir

your very humble and
very Obedient Servant
(Signed) Le Chr de Boistel

near Karical
19th Febry 1785.

A true Copy
(Signed) W. Fallofield

A true translation
(Signed) Thos Chase
French Translator

Tulja Maha Raja presents his Salam to Mr
John Sulivan —

Lg.

616. Fort S.t George 22.d February 1785.

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As you have declared to us the necessity of giving up Karical and the Magans. We send the List of the names of those Villages which belong to the four Magans moreover we have sent Street Orders to the Amildars of that District and enjoined them to do all what you would say concerning the four Magans which are to be given to the French

Having done these two things sending the list of the names of the Villages and an Order to the Amildars do as you like —

What I have to more to write

Is true Copy
(Signd) E.W. Fallofield

To Rama Saumi the Amildar of the 4 Magans. Mhedaje sends his respect

The four Magans Viz.t
The Magan of Tirandder
Ditto of Narinyar
Ditto of Kottichury
Ditto of Nalamuroua.

When Mr John Sullivans Orders that these 4 Magans you should deliver to the French, you are to obey the Orders without making any Impediment and write us of the Transaction.

Know this
The 7.th of the Month Rabbesane
in the Year of Isuer Sourkamas Samanie say a

687. Fort St. George 22d. February 1785.

a alif.

A true Copy

(Signed) E. W. Fallofield

To Rama Saumi Amildar of the 4th Magans

The Orders from his Excellency the Rajah for you to deliver over the several Villages of the four Magans to me, will be produced to you, on the part of the Company by Ernest William Fallofield Esqr. This is therefore to require of you to deliver the said Magans and Villages over to the said Ernest William Fallofield and to direct the Inhabitants to obey such Orders as he may think necessary to give them.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Company this 17th Day of February 1785.

(Signed) John Sulivan

To Rama Saumi Amildar of the four Magans in the neighbourhood of Karical from Ernest William Fallofield Esqr. 19th Febry 1785.

Enclosed I have sent you Copy of an Order just received from his Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore directed to you and also Copy of a requisition directed to you by Mr Sulivan to deliver the four Maganums in the neighbourhood of Karical to me, at the same time

Jan

61B. Fort S.t George 22d February 1785.

I am to acquaint you of any thing now at Karical in readiness to receive Charge of the four Mayaorums. Soon you immediately either at Karical or in the principal Village belonging to each Mayaorum

What can I say more.

True Copy
(Signed) E. W. Falloofield

Minute in Mr Falloofields Letters—

The Board having maturely taken the foregoing into Consideration, resolves that Mr Falloofield be directed to make the Cessions of Karical &c and with the 4 Mayaors from the Company to the French, and not to insert the Rajahs name or make him in any respect a party in the Act of Cession that he be desired not to insert the Passages in the marginal differences in the Form of the Act of Restitution, which he has transmitted as they are unnecessary, but adhere to the Form of the Simple Act of Restitution sent to Mr Sullivan by Mr Hoyer— that Mr Falloofield be desired to inform Lieutenant Colonel de Bootie that he is not authorised to admit on any account the Claim made by him to the Island, which is considered as belonging to the Malayore District and was granted to the Company by the Rajah of Tanjore in consequence of which Captain Godfrey

619. Fort St. George 22d Febry 1786

Godfrey had been ordered to take possession of Satt. after Nagore, of which this Island is part ceded to the Company in 1778. by the Rajah, that this circumstance need not retard the termination of the other Causes with which he is charged, and which he may inform Colonel de Bristol he is ready to complete.

Agreed that Copy of the Letter from General Billecombe to Sir Thomas Rumbold and Council in 1778. and of the answer be transmitted to Mr Tallofield from which he will be acquainted with their Sentiments on the Claim in question.

Read the following Letters as entered in the Miscellany Book No 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93.

From Captain Macleod.

From Captain Macleod dated 19th Instant stating the distress to which he is reduced from the non payment of the Arrears due to him and requesting a proportion of them may be paid to him from his present salary.

Minute thereon

Agreed that Captain Macleod be informed that the Board are very desirous of relieving the distresses of Individuals, and are anxious to pay off the Arrears in the most satisfactory and expeditious manner in their power, and that as soon as ready money can be spared or modes adopted for the liquidation of Arrears, and other Claims they will readily Pay

Attention

attention to his application.

From Captain Grant.

From Captain Grant at Nellore dated 15th Jetry stating that some Subidars and Jamidars who were formerly in the independant Corps lately discharged have represented that they entered into the Service on the 15th January 1782, and have not received any pay for that month or for the following months of February and March, altho they were returned for Duty as appears from the Copies of the monthly returns of Nellore.

Agreed that Copy of Captain Grants Letter be sent to Mr Lind, the Paymaster at Nellore and that he be desired to inform the Board why the pay of the abovementioned Subidars and Jamedars was not drawn for.

Minute thereon

From Mr Raine

From Mr Raine Surgeon dated 22d ultimo representing the very weak state of his health from the wounds he has received, and requesting to be appointed to Ingeram on the idea that the proximity to the Sea will be beneficial to him.

Agreed that Mr Raine be informed that the Establishment at Ingeram being completed the Board cannot at present make any alteration in it, that on a future occasion they will be glad to consider his situation and request

Minute thereon

619. Fort St. George 22d Jeby 1788

Godfrey had been ordered to take possession of Sit. after Nagore, of which this Island in post owes ceded to the Company in 1778. by the Rajah, that this circumstance need not retard the termination of the other Cessions with which he is charged, and which he may inform Colonel de Bristol he is ready to complete.

Agreed that Copy of the Letter from General Billcombe to Sir Thomas Rumbold and Council in 1778. and of the answer be transmitted to Mr Talbot field from which he will be acquainted with their Sentiments on the Claim in question.

Read the following Letters as entered in the Miscellany Book No 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93.

From Captain Macleod.

From Captain Macleod dated 19th Instant stating the distress to which he is reduced from the non payment of the Arrears due to him and requesting a proportion of them may be paid to him from his present relief.

Minute thereon

Agreed that Captain Macleod be informed that the Board are very desirous of relieving the distresses of Individuals, and are anxious to pay off the Arrears in the most satisfactory and expeditious manner in their power, and that as soon as ready money can be spared or modes adopted for the liquidation of Arrears, and other Claims they will readily Pay

Attention

attention to his application

From Captain Grant.

From Captain Grant at Nellore dated 15th. Jany stating that some Subidars and Jamidars who were formerly in the independant Corps lately discharged have represented that they entered into the Service on the 13th. January 1782, and have not received any pay for that month or for the following months of February and March, altho they were returned for Duty as appears from the Copies of the monthly returns of Nellore

Agreed that Copy of Captain Grants Letter be sent to Mr Lind, the Paymaster at Nellore and that he be desired to inform the Board why the pay of the abovementioned Subidars and Jamedars was not drawn for

From Mr Raine

From Mr Raine Surgeon dated 22d. ulto representing the very weak state of his health from the wounds he has received, and requesting to be appointed to Ingeram as the air that the proximity to the Sea will be beneficial to him

Agreed that Mr Raine be informed that the Establishment at Ingeram being compleated the Board cannot at present make any alteration in it, that on a future occasion they will be glad to consider his situation and request

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Despatch.

From Lieutenant Lindt at Chundergherry dated
From Lieut Lindt 17th Instant, giving an account of the Robberies
committed by the Polygars in his Neighbourhood,
stating that he hitherto, he has not been able to
procure restitution for the Maiguie who was
robbed, and wounded in the Mamaloor Polam
and informing the Board that the Mamaloor
Polygar considers himself responsible and is
satisfied to make restoration, but is prevented
by the Authority of the Tresildy Amildar under
the pretence of what the latter calls a bad President

Minute thereon From the Representation of Lieutenant
Lindt it appears necessary to use very forcible
language is in consequence decreed to write in
strong terms to the Pollygars of Moogral and
Mamaloor, and to the Amildar of Tresilty, threat-
ening to send Troops against them, if they do
not make restitution of the property plundered
within a month of the date of the Orders

Agreed that Copies of the Letters sent by
the President be transmitted to Lieut Lindt

From Mr Falk From Mr Falk 14th February stating
that a difference had arisen between Mr Digby
Paymaster at Warriore and himself, respecting
the extent of their Duties that Mr Digby claims
the right of payment the arrears to the two
Battalions

to these Polygars and the Right Honble
President

Fort St. George 22d February 1785.

Battalions on Service in the District, observing also that Mr Digby paid Arrears to several Corps, that marched out of Trichinopoly in October 1782

Agreed that Mr Falk be informed that

Minute thereon

Mr Digby is to pay the Arrears to the two Battalions of Sepoys in Trichinopoly and to make the Current Payments to such Troops in the District as are not under the immediate Orders of the Commandant of Trichinopoly. With respect to the Arrears due to the Corps which joined the Army in October 1782. if Mr Digby paid them. he must account with Mr Falk in consequence of such Payment —

Agreed that Copies of Mr Falks Letter with the Resolution of the Board be transmitted to Mr Digby, and that he be desired to conform to it accordingly —

From Masulipatam

From Masulipatam dated 11th Instant stating that not having been able, agreeably to the Orders of the Board to send the Detachment of the 23d Regiment of Light Dragoons to the Presidency from the unavailability of the Captain of a Foreign Ship to accommodate them after it had been expected that he would the march of the Troops from Ellore had been countermanded, and that Captain Bowen had applied for permission to march them by Land to Madras —

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Gentlemen of Masulipatam be informed that the Detachment of the 23d Regiment

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Regiment is to return to Allore where it must remain until a proper opportunity may offer of transporting it by Sea to the Presidency

From Enagn Bowness.

From Enagn Bowness 9th Janry inclosing a Certificate from the India House and requesting that his rank may be settled agreeably to it

Minute thereon

Ordered to lie on the Table

Mr Kenworthy Letter of the 7th Febry taken in consideration

The Letter from Mr Kenworthy dated 7th Febry as lodged in the Office is now taken into consideration, and it is Agreed that the charge in his Books of one Mastric to every Jeffy Carriage Bullocks be admitted and that this Resolution be accordingly communicated to the Commissary of Accounts —

a B granted to

The Secretary lays before the Board a Certificate dated 26th April 1782. granted to Mr Bulman for a Mare sold to the Company —

Mr Bob Bulman for a Mare sold the Company the 12th October 1781. —

Agreeably to the Resolution of the Select Committee of the 12th Octr. 1781 It is Agreed that a Bond dated this day be granted to Mr Bob. Bulman for the Sum of 80 Pagodas which is the Sum for which his mare was purchased by the Company with the addition of the Interest due upon the Certificate to this day —

Macartney

Ro. Lang

Alex. Davidson

J. Daniell

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22d

I dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in the Miscellany Book No.s 94 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100. 101.

To Mr Hudleston.

To the Resident at Tanjore, Informing him that the Off reckonings of the Sebbendy Battalions are adjudged to be the Right of Captain Donald Campbell and Captain Bishop, and that Lieutenant ..... and that Lieutenant Mathew and others who Commanded the Battalion during the Imprisonment of Lieutenant Coke, must be entitled to the Off Reckonings —

To Mr Thos Palk

To Mr Thomas Palk. Mr Digby is to pay the two Battalions of Sepoys in Trichinopoly and all other Troops not under the immediate Orders of the Commandant — Mr Digby will account with him for the Arrears paid to those Corps which marched out of the Garrison of Trichinopoly in October 1782.

To Capt D Macleod

To Captain Donald Macleod, Government will readily pay attention to the Requests preferred in his Letter when ready money can be spared, or modes adopted for the Liquidation of the Arrears —

To Mr Digby

To Mr Digby enclosing him Copy of the Letter to Mr Palk of this date and directing him to conform thereto —

Agreeable to the Resolution of the Last

Fort St. George 7th February 1785.

To the Amuldars of Tripetty and the Polygars of Moogral & Mamaloor

22d Last Consultation. Letters are now dispatched to the Amuldars of Tripetty and to the Polygars of Moogral and Mamaloor, as entered in Country Correspondence No. 24. 25. with positive directions to cause Reparation to be immediately made to those who have been plundered by people belonging to their Pollams, and that if the same is not carried into Effect in the space of one Month a Military Force will be sent to oblige them to it,

To Mr Lindt

23d To Lieutenant Lindt Enclosing him Copies of the foregoing Letters

To Masulipatam

To Masulipatam Mr Cockrane the Contractor for Arrack will replace the quantity issued to the Troops and the Paymasters must account with him for the same

To Masulipatam

To Masulipatam the Detachment of His Majestys 23d Regiment of Light Dragoons must return to Ellore, and remain there till an Opportunity offers of conveying it to the Coromandel — Directing them to receive into the Companys Stores and include in their returns the Gun Carriages to be delivered to them by Mr Westcott who has accounted for the same to Government

To Mr Lind, Lind

To Mr Lind enclosing Copy of a Letter to Government from Captain Grant

to

23d to which he is desired to reply.

From Doctor Raine

Received Letter from Doctor Raine / as entered in Miscellany Book No 102 / repeating his application to be appointed to Ingraam —

Minute thereon

Agreed that Mr Raine be informed that the Establishment for Ingraam and its Dependencies being fixed and Surgeons appointed conformably to it it is out of the Power of Government to comply with his request / Vide Miscellany Book No 103 /

Dispatched the following Letters.

To Mr. Thomas Palk

Paymaster, at

Trichinopoly.

Sir,

Circular Letter to the Carnatic Paymasters directing them to transmit a correct Account of Arrears to the 31st August last distinguishing what is due under the several Heads of Receipt also Extracts of the Sums required for the Disbursements of the ensuing month and a separate Account of Arrears incurred since the 31st August last.

I am directed by the Right Honble President and Council to desire you will immediately transmit a Correct Account of Arrears due to the 31st August last distinguishing what is due as follows —

" To European Commissioned Officers

" To Native — Do

" To European non Commissioned & Privates

" To Native Do — Do

You will be pleased also to send

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28th Send Indents of the Sums required for the Compleat disbursements of the ensuing months Particularly distinguishing the amount under the several Heads of Pay. Batta. Gratuity, Hospital, Garrison &c Charges, Temporary Allowance in lieu of Half Batta &c &c

To this must be added a Seperate Account of Arrear incurred since the 31st August not discharged before the 29th Instant in which you must distinguish the amounts under the several heads as abasementioned

Fort St. George
20th Febry 1785.

I am,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
Signed John Chamier
Acting Secry

The same to the Pay masters of Arcot, Vellore, Wellore, Palicat, Pondamalee & Trepatore, Permacoil Chellumbram Chingleput, Cantonment at Wanore. Tanjore Madura and Palamcotah —

To Brigadier General Coutenceau
Commandant of the French Settlements in India
&c &c and Mr Monneron, Intendant &c at
at
Pondicherry
Gentlemen

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23d. Gentlemen

To Brigadier General Coutinceau and Mr. Monneron informing them that the Sieur Darafet has quitted Madras for a Danish Settlement and that a Copy of their Letter will be sent to Bengal that proper steps may be taken there —

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 16th Instant —

We have in consequence directed particular Enquiries to be made respecting the Sieur Darafet the result of which is that he was sometime ago, in this Settlement, but did not make himself remarkable, as you have been informed by as expensive manner of living. he has lately disappeared and is said to have gone to one of the Danish Settlements —

We have sent a Copy of the Letter with which you honored us to the Governor General and Council of Bengal, that they may take such measures as they may deem proper if the Sieur Darafet should be at Calcutta. —

We have the honor to be with perfect Consideration

Gentlemen,

Your most obedient and most humble Servants

Fort St. George
23d Febry. 1785.

(Signed) Macartney
&c. Council

To

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23d.

To the Honble Warren Hastings

Governor General &c Council

at

Fort William

Gentlemen,

To Bengal enclosing Copy of the Letter from Pondicherry relating to the Silver Dagger as also the Answer thereto and desiring their Sentiments thereon and desiring their Sentiments thereon — also Copy of a Letter from Lieut Hall containing Political Intelligence of an Extraordinary Nature

We have the Honor to send you Copy of a Letter addressed to our late Secretary by Lieutenant Hall of this Establishment which contains information of a very extraordinary Nature, but as no Similar Accounts have been received from the Resident at Hyderabad, or from any of our other Sources of Intelligence, We cannot form any Judgement of the degree of Credit which may be given to it —

We have the Honor also to transmit to you Copy of a Letter addressed to us by General Coutenceau and Mr Monneron (the Intendant) at Pondicherry and of our answer, and We request you will be pleased to communicate to us your Opinion on the Letter, We ought to deliver up a Delinquent to a Foreign Power, if any future application of a similar nature should be made to us, at a time when it might be in our Power to comply with it —

You will perhaps think it necessary

to

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23d to take the Sentiments of the Supreme Cause of Indicature at Calcutta on this point which enable us on any future occasion to adopt a Line sanctified by legal authority.

We have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Yourmost obedient humble Servants

(Signd) Macartney &c Council.

Fort St George
23d February 1785.

To Mr Ernest William Tallopield

Resident at Nagore.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble President and Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 17th Instant, and to inform you that you are to make the Cession of Karical and the four Magans from the Company to the French, and to insert the Rajahs name, or make him in any respect a party in the Act of Cession, you are to insert the two Passages in the Marginal references of the Act of Restitution which

To Mr Tallopield the Rajahs name must not be inserted in the Act of Restitution for Karical and the four contiguous Magans - the two passages in the Marginal References in the paper which he has transmitted to Government must not be noticed - Mr DeBostel's Claim to the Island not to be admitted Copies of two Letters on the Subject enclosed.

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23d which you have transmitted as they are deemed necessary, and you may adhere to the Form of the simple act of Restitution as sent by Mr Sullivan to Mr Boyer, without regarding his marginal Notes or observations thereupon —

You are to inform Mr Bristol that you are not authorized to admit on any Account, the Claim made by him to the Island, that it had been considered as belonging to the Nagore District, but granted to the Company by the Rajah and consequently Mr Godfrey had been ordered to take possession of it after Nagore of which the Island in question is part was ceded by the Rajah to the Company — that this Circumstance need not retard the Information of the other Business with which you are charged, and which you are ready to complete, Inclosed I send copies of the Letter from Mr Billcombe to Sir Thomas Rumbold and Council in 1778 — and the answer to him, which clearly shews their sense of the matter —

I am,
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed/ John Chamier
Acting Secry

Fort St. George
23d Febry 1785.

To

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23d "

To Mr. Francis Sind.
and Captain Sindt.e Colse.

Gentlemen

To Messrs Lind & Close
Informing them that the President has received a Letter from the Rajah of Vincatagherry desiring his friendship & sent to Tippoo the Letter in their possession on the Subject: a Copy of the Rajahs Letter enclosed.

I am directed by the Right Honble President and Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 12th Instant, since which the President has received a Letter from the Rajah of Vincatagherry urging him to send to Tippoo Sultaun the Letter in your Possession

The Board being embarrassed from the different tenor of your Letter and that of the Rajah desire you will as soon as possible give your sentiments upon this subject that they may be enabled to take some decisive measures in this affair of which there does not yet appear the prospect of a Conclusion. I enclose Copy of the Rajahs Letter for your Information, and I am directed to request you will inform Government whether in the present state of the negotiation it would not be advisable to send a Letter to Tippoo which may be drafted from the one in your Hands should it not be expedient to send it in its present form, and as your decree of

Opinion

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23d which you have transmitted as they are deemed necessary, and you may adhere to the Form of the simple act of Restitution as sent by Mr Sulivan to Mr Floyer, without regarding his marginal Notes or observations thereupon —

You are to inform Mr Boistel that you are not authorized to admit on any Account, the Claim made by him to the Island, that it had been considered as belonging to the Nagore District, been granted to the Company by the Rajah and consequently Mr Godfrey had been ordered to take possession of it after Nagore of which the Island in question is part was ceded by the Rajah to the Company — that this Circumstance need not retard the Information of the other Business with which you are charged, and which you are ready to complete, Inclosed I send copies of the Letter from Mr Bellcombe to Sir Thomas Rumbold and Council in 1778 — and the answer to him, which clearly shews their sense of the matter —

I am
Sir
Yourmost obedient Servant
Signed John Chamier
Acting Secry

Fort St. George
23d Febry 1785.

To

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23d "

To Mr. Francis Lind.
and Captain Lieut.t Colo.

Gentlemen

To Messrs Lind & Clove
Informing them that the President has received a Letter from the Rajah of Vencatagherry desiring his Lordship to send to Tippoo the Letter in their possession on the Subject; a Copy of the Rajahs Letter enclosed.

I am directed by the Right Hon.ble President and Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 12.th Instant, since which the President has received a Letter from the Rajah of Vencatagherry urging him to send to Tippoo Sultaun the Letter in your Possession.

The Board being embarrassed from the different tenor of your Letter and that of the Rajah desire you will as soon as possible give your sentiments upon this subject that they may be enabled to take some decisive measures in this affair of which there does not yet appear the prospect of a Conclusion. I inclose Copy of the Rajahs Letter for your Information, and I am directed to request you will inform Government whether in the present state of the negotiation it would not be advisable to send a Letter to Tippoo which may be drafted from the one in your hands should it not be expedient to send it in its present form, and as your decree of

Opinion

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633. Fort St. George — February 1785.

23d Opinion that the Letter to Tippoo should not be forwarded the Right Honble President and Council, the parts to which in your Opinion ought being you will return it to them marking be left out, and also informing them what other points should be added if such be necessary.

Fort St. George
23d Febry 1785.

I am
Sir
Your most obedient Servt
(Signed) I. Chamier
Secty Secy.

24th Received the following Letter from Brigadier General Coutenceau

My Lord.

From Brigadier General Coutenceau Sends Mons. Martyn to take possession of the French Factory at Yanaon, and Mons. Forrester of that at Mauulipatam

Mr. Forestier who will have the honor to deliver you this Letter is constituted and appointed Commissary, by express powers for the purpose of receiving in the name of his most Christian Majesty the French Factory, and its dependences at Mauulipatam from the person or Persons properly authorized to restore them to him, on the part of his Britannic Majesty. He is empowered to treat on the points relative to that restitution —

I have the honor to be with the most distinguished Consideration, &c.

Pondicherry
18th Febry 1785.

(Signed) Coutenceau

A true translation
Signed. Aro Chase French Translator

WB

634. Fort St. George — February 1783.

24th N.B. A Letter from Brigadier General Coutenceau has been received to the same purport as the above, for to place Mr Martin, in the French at Yanaon —

25. In consequence of the foregoing Letter the following were ordered to be written —

To Brigadier General Coutenceau

&c &c &c

at

Pondicherry.

Sir,

To B. G. Coutenceau Mss Martin and Forrester have been furnished with Letters to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam with Orders to re establish them in the French Factories of Yanaon and Masulipatam

I have the honor to receive your two Letters of the 18th Instant delivered to me by Mr Martin and Mr Forestier, and Government here have in consequence furnished those Gentlemen with Letters to the Chief and Council of Masulipatam, which contain directions for re establishing the French Factories at Yanaon and Masulipatam agreeably to the Definitive Treaty of Peace signed by the Plenipotentiaries of our respective Sover= eigns —

I have the honor to enclose a Letter which under your address this day received from the Governor General and Council of Bengal —

I have the honor to be with the most perfect consideration. &c

Signed Macartney

Fort St. George
25th Feby 1783.

&c

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25th

To James Hodges Esqr.
Provisional Chief &c. Council
at
Masulipatam

Gentlemen

To Masulipatam desiring them to deliver over to Mr Martyn the French Factory of Yanam and to Mr Forrester the French Factory at Masulipatam

I am directed by the Right Honble President and Council to inform you that the bearer Mr Martin is invested with powers from Brigadier General Coutenceau, the Commandant of the French Settlements upon this Coast to receive charge of the French Factory at Yanam and its dependencies —

The President and Council in consequence desire you will give the necessary directions for reestablishing Mr Martin in the possession of Yanam, and you will be pleased to direct the Person, whom you may authorize to make the Cession to receive him Mr Martin an acknowledgement of his reestablishment on account of the French nation in the usual form —

Inclosed I send you a Copy of the late Treaty with France by which you will observe the footing secured to the French in India thereby —

I have the honor to be &c.
Signed J Charnier
Acting Secry

Fort St. George
24th Febry 1785.

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25th — N.B. A Copy of the same in the name of Mr Forrester for the French Factory at Masulipatam

P.S. In my letter of this days date which will be delivered to you by Mr Martin you will receive a Copy of the Treaty with France —

Sent Letters as entered in the Miscellany Book 104. 105.) —

To Mr Kenworthy

To Mr Kenworthy Informing him that Government consent to his charge of one Maistry to every fifty Carriage Bullocks and the same has been communicated to the Board of Accounts —

To the Board of Accounts

To the Board of Accounts informing them of the above and desiring to know when they will be able to finish the Examination of the Accounts which have been laid before them —

At a Consultation Present

The Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

President

Lieut General Lang Alexr Davidson Esqr

Friday 25th Febry 1785

James Daniell Esqr

Minute of last Consultation read approved —

Read

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Read the following Letter from Bombay

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

From Bombay inclosing Packet from the Court of Directors

My Lord & Gentlemen

Our last letter to you was dated the 12th Instant of which we have the Honor to enclose you a duplicate —

We have the pleasure to inform you that Yesterday Evening, We received a dispatch from the Resident at Bussora, inclosing Packets from the Honble Company for the Presidencies of Fort William, Fort St. George and Bombay which we find are of an anterior date to those forwarded by the Legard Brig, and have been thus long in their way owing as the Resident informs us to the Tartar who was the Bearer of them from Constantinople, having been delayed thirty six Days on the road between that place and Aleppo,

The Packet for your Presidency is enclosed in this address and is We suppose of the same date as that for this Government which is the 20th of August last —

We have the Honor to be

Your

638. Fort St. George 25th February 1785.

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most Obedient
humble Servants
(Signd) R. H. Boddam
L. Nilson
Robert Sparkes

Bombay Castle
26th January 1785
Publick Department

The Dispatches from the Court of
Directors transmitted with the foregoing Letter are
Duplicates of their advices of the 20th August last, the
Original of which were received on the 12th Instant

Read the following Letter from
Bengal

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

My Lord & Gentlemen

Minute thereon

From Bengal, stating their Sentiments on the 4th article of the Preliminary with the States General and acknowledging the receipt of other Letters from time to

We have been honored with your Letters of
the 18th ultimo and 5th Instant

Your Lordship &c are pleased to desire
our Opinion and Instructions on the meaning
that ought to be annexed to first Part of the 4th
Article in the Preliminaries with the States
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The States General in this Article
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To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney K.B.
President & Select Committee
at
Fort St. George

My Lord & Gentlemen

From Bengal, stating their sentiments on the 6th. article of the Preliminary with the States General and acknowledging the receipt of other Letters from time

We have been honored with your Letters of the 18th Ultimo and 5th Instant

Your Lordship &c are pleased to desire our Opinion and Instructions on the meaning that ought to be annexed to first Part of the 8th Article in the Preliminaries with the States General

The States General in this Article cede and guaranty the full Right to His Bri-

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637 Fort St. George 25th February 1785.

Read the following Letter from Bombay

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

From Bombay inclosing a Packet from the Court of Directors

My Lord & Gentlemen

Our last letter to you was dated the 12th Instant of which we have the Honor to enclose you a duplicate—

We have the pleasure to inform you that Yesterday Evening, We received a dispatch from the Resident at Bassora, inclosing Packets from the Honble Company for the Presidencies of Fort William, Fort St. George and Bombay which we find are of an anterior date to those forwarded by the Legard Brig, and have been thus long in their way owing as the Resident informs us to the Tartar who was the Bearer of them from Constantinople, having been delayed thirty six Days on the road between that place and Aleppo,

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

My Lord & Gentlemen

From Bengal, stating their Sentiments on the 8th Article of the Preliminary with the States General and acknowledging the receipt of several Letters from hence

We have been honored with your Letters of the 18th Ultimo and 5th Instant

Your Lordship &c are pleased to desire our Opinion and Instructions on the meaning that ought to be annexed to first Part of the 4th Article in the Preliminaries with the States General

The States General in this Article cede and guarantee the full Right to His Britannic

639. Fort St. George 2d February 1785.

Britannic Majesty the Town of Negapatam with the Dependencies thereof. and your Lordship &c are in doubt whether as all the Dutch Factories on the Coromandel Coast to the Northward of Negapatam have been considered and denominated Dependencies of Negapatam, you should retain them as such, or understand the Expression as meaning no more than the Lands and Villages adjoining to and immediately dependant on Negapatam — This Doubt has it seems been since confirmed by your Perusal of the printed Supplement of the Leyden Gazette of the 2d July 1784 containing a Letter from Messrs de Berthemode and Boursten the Dutch Embassadors and Plenipotentiaries at Paris which shews that our Court had avoided explaining itself on the Subject —

We have no particular instructions from the Court of Directors that enable us to form a clearer Judgement than your Lordship &c of the Intention of this Clause in the Preliminaries, but we imagine that if the Cession of the Factories or separate Establishments which the Dutch proposed on the Coasts of Coromandel or Orixa had been meant to have been included under the Term of Dependancies, the Places would have been mentioned by name at all Events we are very desirous to avoid every act

that

that could tend to procrastinate the Execution of the late treaties of Peace with France and the States General, and we are unaccuses not to leave them and ground for Union or united Complaint against any of the Company's Governments in India, We desire therefore that on receiving Possession of Negapatam your Lordship &c will not insist on the Construction that might be annexed to the 4th article of the Preliminaries with the States General, but consider it for the present as applying to no more than Negapatam, and the Lands and Villages adjoining to and immediately on it but we think it proper to direct at the same time that you agree to such present Construction of this article under a formal Representation of the Rights that Great Britain will desire to the other Dependencies of Negapatam, as they have been heretofore considered of this under Construction of the 4th article of the Preliminaries should have been already determined on, or should be hereafter determined on by our Court and the Republic of Holland —

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Letters from your Right Honble President bearing Date the 10th and 11th Instant advising us of the Death of the Marquis de Bussy and transmitting to us a Letter from his immediate Successor Monsieur de Coutenceau It gives us Satisfaction to acknowledge also the

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The receipt of a Letter from your Lordship &c. dated the 18th. in which you communicated to us a Letter which you had received from M. de Cottenneau, announcing his readiness to carry the treaty with France into effect on the Propositions which had made to the late Marquis de Bussy on the 23d November. We are well pleased at the same time with an assurance from your Lordship &c. that you should not lose any time in carrying into Execution the Orders contained in our letter of the same Date.

We have the Honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen,

Your most obedient

humble Servants

Signed John Macpherson

John Stables.

Fort St. George
Foreign Department
25th. Febry 1785.

Ordered to lie for Consideration.-

Read the following Letter from the Chief Engineer.-

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

President and Governor &c. Council

of

Fort St George.

From the Chief Engineer representing the State of the Fortifications at Masulipatam

My Lord & Gentlemen

Having in consequence of the Secretary Chamier's letter enclosing Copies of

642. Fort St. George 25th February 1785

of a Letter and Estimate from Masulipatam for my Opinion on their Contents, wrote to Captain Prescot for Information on the Subject,

I have now the honor to inform you, that the Escarp will Estimated, first failed in Captain Mitchells time, was rebuilt about four years ago, and failed soon after as Captain Prescott imagins from a general Defect in the Foundation occasioned by the badness of the ground on which it is built, he now proposes to rebuild it on wells, which is extremely proper if firm Ground can be found for them to stand on, they will otherwise become an addition of weight that on a doubtful foundation may tend to encrease the Evil they are meant to remedy, Great care should therefore be taken to ascertain this point beyond a Doubt before the work is begun, and if a solid bearing cannot be obtained, a broad and less deep foundation is to be prefered —

It is certainly very much to be wished that this and the other Defects in the Fortifications mentioned by Captain Prescott in his report of the state of the works, were speedily remedied as the longer they are delayed the greater the Expence will be when the reform takes place, But as he says that

For

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the receipt of a Letter from your Lordship &c dated the 15th in which you communicated to us a Letter which you had received from M de Contenceau, announcing his readiness to carry the Treaty with France into effect on the Propositions which had made to the late Marquis de Bussy on the 23d November. We are well pleased at the same time with an assurance from your Lordship &c that you should not lose any time in carrying into Execution the Orders contained in our letter of the same Date,

We have the honor to be

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Fort St George
Foreign Department
3d Febry 1785

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For

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For some time past I have been obliged to prevent a regular flow of Water in the Ditch by temporary Dams the Sluice Gates were bulged in order to fill the Ditch when we apprehend the approach of the Enemy the preparations of mud prevented from operating as originally intended exclusively they are quite decayed." I therefore imagine the Reinstatement of the Sluices to be the first thing required as the Water, which in the rainy Season is often upon the Berm, may thereby be kept within the Parapet, which will greatly relieve the Foundations of all the works by continueing them in the same state, a constant change of Texture in bad ground rendering the support of any incumbent Weight very precarious, and when the reform of the Escape wall is undertaken, will enable them to lower the water in the Cunnet considerably without loading the Ebb, and flow of the tide there being upwards of four feet,

The Estimate is moderate but it is impossible to say with any degree of precision what an undertaking so liable to accident will amount to.

Fort St. George
24th Feby 1785.

I have the honor to be &c.
Signed Patrick Ross

Fort St. George 25th February 1785

Minute thereon

It appears from the foregoing Letter that the Escape Wall at Masulipatam has failed more than once. That particular caution is necessary in the proposed reconstruction that the Fortification at that Settlement undergo considerable change —

Colonel Kyd to proceed to Masulipatam to survey the Fortification

On these Grounds and in order that the Chief Engineer may confer with Captain Prescott upon the Spot on the State of the Fortifications, It is Agreed that Colonel Kyd be directed to proceed to Masulipatam and that he be desired to examine in person the Fortifications and report fully upon them to the Board —

Read the following Letter from

Mr. Anthony de Souza —

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney K.B.

President and Governor &c Council —

From Mr Antonio de Souza in answer to that part of the Proceedings of the Court of Enquiry held at Ponamalee which relates to him —

My Lord & Gentlemen

On the 6th Instant I had the honor to receive an address from the Secretary & Cashier Enclosing therein, by your Order a Report of the Court of Enquiry at Ponamalee, and to inform you respecting such points as relate to myself and the People under me —

I have the honor to acquaint your Lordship &c that in the month of February 1784. I took the Charge of the Farms

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Farms of a Paragraph of Poonamalee in the Honble Company's Jaguir and Egmoor Mattoo and agreeable to the Cowle from the Honble Company I gave Directions for the carrying on those Farms —

The farms of Egmoor Mattoo is the farm of the Collection of Duties of all Sorts of good entering that Parganah from the Southward, Northward Westward to Sell there and at Madras, and also on all Sorts of goods going from Madras to the Southward Northward and Westward — those duties are Collected by a fix rates on Different sorts of goods Differently by an Established Rates called in Malabar Terva Chatam which Chatam is always kept in Maratta in the Custody of an another Officer of the Government called Canagoy and in Malabar in the Custody of an Officer of the Government called Canagoy and in Malabar in the Custody of another Officer of the Government called the Stala Carnam

My Hamuldar at Egmoor Mattoo and all others under him under the Title of Cotwalls and Conicoplies, do collect the Duties agreeable to the said Established rules given by the Canagoy, and Starla Carnam with their Concurrence as they attend the Amuldar at the Cachery expressly and with positive Orders

from

Fort St. George 25th February 1785

form me to see and inspect in the accounts
Daily sent in that are where is collected more
than the usual Duties according to the Establishe
Rules, or for as it has come to my knowledge,
I know not that at any Place and any where,
any duties collected in any administration
more than the Established rules —

On perusing the proceeding of the
Court of enquiry at Poonamaly — I have observed
the Petition No 3. which the Portugue People
at Poonamale have presented to Colonel
Straubenzee in March 1784. they say "that
one Cotwall named Anna Swamy sent by the
Amaldar of Present Renter has collected the
Custom or Duty with regard to Merchandize
as usual while we are to supply whatever
may be necessary to the Fort, but now one
Venkatachlum Pilla present Cutwal insists
on us to pay more than mentioned in the
Licence granted us by the Government long
ago which was burnt away in Hyders
troubles the difference between the usual
and now what is offered by the present
Cotwall here unto annexed —

I have examined the accounts of
the Collection of Duties by Anna Swamy
and as find it corresponds with the Established
Rules by which he collected for 8 Months and

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Madras, Duties are collected on all goods carried from, Madras to the Westward, Southward and Northward, agreeable to the Established Rules of the Mattoo and no more —

I do realy think that I have in every Respect endeavored to oblige the Commanding Officers at Poonamalee and the Garrison there for I have ceded my right in certain things and have subject myself to unnecessary Expence, by the Account I your Lordship &c will see the quantity of Rice Wheat and Sugar permitted to pass Duty free to Poonamalee and by account I will appear the monthly Tax I am at which by no means, I am oblige to, It is true the practise of paying for such Number of Persons and furnishing with firewood &c took place since the Nabob Valajah had the Honble Companys Jaiguir in Farm, he either paid it, as a Nabob, thro Generosity or either made the Inhabitants Contribute for it, but I cannot do either long not being in the same situation

I humbly beg leave to Represent to your Lordship &c that since 10th July 1783. to January 1784. about 7 Months in my Farm the Duties at Poonamalee was Collected, as I am informed at the rate

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rated 100 Pagodas pr Month by a Dubash Cabana
Naigue and he has not accounted with one
as yet, and therefore I beg your Lordship &c
to be pleased to send for the said Dubash and to
Demand of him a Particular account of the
Manner he levied the Duties, and to pay
one whatever he may have collected in the
time of my Farm agreable to the Established
Rules, and if any more appear it may be
restored to the Partys &c

Having as fully as possible answered
to every thing Relative to me or my Servants
in the Department of the Gomor Matter,
I most humbly entreat your Lordship to be
Pleased to consider my Situation as a
Renter who has a certain Sum of Money to
Pay the Government for those Farms and
Order that the Commanding Officer at Pon-
namalee may not any more expect from
me the Indulgence of Permitting any thing
to Pass to Coromandel free Duties but
it shall be collected agreable to the Established
Rules not to expect that I can continue
paying for the Coirs Timwood and Grass
&c as a renter not being obliged to do &c

I have the Honor to be with the
most Profound respect &c

Signed Antonio de Souza

Madras
the 23d February 1785.

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Provisions &c. Permitted to go from Madras Duty free for Poonamalee Garrison —

Tasley 1793 Tay or	8th	To 2 Carts of { Rice	10 Bags
		Sugar	1 Do.
Janry	12th	To 1 Cart of Rice	4 Do.
	16th	To Rice	15 Do.
	22	To 1 Bag is { Sugar	4 Monds
		Onions	2 Do.
		To Sugar Onions &c. in	1 Basket
	30	To 5 Bags of Wheat }	in 1 Cart
		1 Do. of Sugar }	
Massy	6	To 15 Bags of Rice }	in 3 Carts
		1 Do. of Sugar }	
	18	To 16 Body of Rice	
		1 Do. of Wheat.	
	25	To 4 Bags of Jagree or Pana velum in 1 Cart	
	30	To 24 Pady of Rice	
Pongony	6	To 30 Bags of Rice in 6 Carts.	
	27	To 5 Bags of Rice	
Chittery	11	To 19 Pady of Rice	
		1 Bag of Sugar	
	19	To 1 Bags of Jagree or Pana Vellum on 1 Cart	
	28	To 15 Bags of Rice in 3 Carts	
Veyassey	11	To 12 Bags of Rice on 3 Carts	
	29	To 20 Bags of Rice in 4 Do.	
Auney	9	To 8 Bags of Rice }	in 4 Carts
		2 Do. of Horse Gram }	
		To 12 Bags of Rice	
		1 Do. of Sugar	
	30	To 10 Bages of Wheat in 2 Carts.	

Amount total of the above

	Bags	Pady	Mound
Rice	14	14	"
Wheat	15	"	"
Horse Gram	2	"	"
Jagaree or Pana Vellum	5	"	4
Onions	8	"	"
Sugar Onions &c. Baskets			2
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Provisions

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Provisions Ordered to be Transmitted to go from Madras Duty free for Tormanahe Garrison —

Sunday 11th } 12th To 20 Bags of Rice on 4 Carts.
Sunday or } 18th To 20 Body of 2 Bags of Rice.
July 17th } 24 To 12 Bags of Rice on 2 Carts.
Avaney 18th To 35 Do of Rice on 7 Carts
26 To 14 Bags of Rice
Pernatory 7 To 20 Bags of Rice — } on 6 Carts
1 Do of Horse Gram }
22d To 9 Bags of Rice
1 Do of Sugar.
Alpeyy 4 To 15 Bags of Rice on 3 Carts
21 To 35 Bags of Rice on 7 Carts
Carthey 3 To 30 Bags of Rice on 6 Do
Margaly 2 To 20 Body of Rice.
1 Bag of Horsegram
24 To 18 Bags of Rice,
Taye or } 1 To 12 Bags of Rice } on 3 Carts
Janry 25 } 1 Do of Sugar }
18th To 30 Bags of Rice on 6 Do

The amount Total of the above.

	Bags.	Body
Rice - -	262	54
Horse Gram - -	2 —	"
Sugar - - - -	2 —	"

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An Account of Sundrys every month Supplied the Commanding Officer at Poonamalee since the 10th July 1738 to this day

Sundrys supplied to the Commanding Officer at Poonamalee for 1 Month Vizd.

Seebandy.

1 Head Peon - - - - - - 1. 8 - "

5 Peons at 12 Annas pr Peon 3. 12 - " 5 - 4 - "

Firewood

6 Bundles of Firewood pr Day or 13 Jans. for 30 days is 390 fs. @ 45 5/8 pr Pa. - 8 - 9 - "

Straw

15 Bundles of Straw pr Month @ 12 pr Pa. Bundles - 1 - 4 - "

Pagodas 15 - 1 - "

28d February 1785. -

Copy of the foregoing to be sent to General Campbell -

Agreed - that Copy of the foregoing by sent to General Campbell -

Read the following Letter from Mr Fallofield -

The Right Honble George Lord Macartney KB. &c. &c.

President and Governor &c. Council

at

Fort St. George

From Mr Fallofield requesting to know on what Day the Revenues of Karaal and the 4 Contiguous Magans are to belong to the French -

My Lord & Gentlemen

Colonel DeBostel has communicated

to

to one an article in his Instructions from the Pondicherry Government in consequence of which he says the Revenue arising from Karical and the Villages depending thereon before the commencement of the War as well as the Revenue of the four Mayanems in the Neighbourhood should belong to their Government from the 1st of this Month, He at the same time observed to me that the English Colours were hoisted in Cuddalore and the French Colours in Pondicherry on that Day, upon the restitution of Pondicherry and the Districts of Villanoor and Bahour as well as Karical and its ancient Dependencies, with the four Mayanems should be considered as having taken place Mr Sloyer in a letter to Mr Sulivan, copy of which I have the honor to send your Lordship &c enclosed; mentions the 10th of February as the day on which he had engaged to enter upon the immediate restitution of Karical and its Districts together with "the four Contiguous Mayans" and he concludes his Letter in these Words "you will be pleased to cause to be delivered "under the said Mr de Bostel, the said "Town and Districts of Karical, together "with the four contiguous Mayans, in "Conformity to the Treaty of Peace upon

His

Fort St. George 25th February 1785.

This producing to you this Letter, and the accompanying Order from the Right Honble the President and Select Committee of Fort St. George

I humbly beg leave to offer it to your Lordship &c as my Opinion that all possibility of future discussion would be prevented by the Day being ascertained, from which the Revenue of Karical and the Four Maganams is to belong to the French Government, I shall have the accounts of Karical and the Villages formerly belonging thereto which have been under my Management, drawn out in as clear a manner as possible both to the 1st and the 10th of February — The Revenue of which for these few days will be inconsiderable as very little of the Paddy was cut down but it is out of my Power to give your Lordship &c any certain information at present respecting the time when the Husbandmen in the Four Maganams began to cut their Crop, in this part of the Country it is generally usual to cut the Sumbah and Peshanum Paddy from the beginning of February till the end of April —

I am extremely concerned that any Circumstance should have arisen to

occasion

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occasion any troubling your Lordship &c in the course of this Business, which Shall be every thing in my power to settle in the most speedy and amicable manner

I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most obedient humble Servant

(Signd) E. Wm Fallofield

Karical
24th February 1785.

To John Sullivan Esqr
Resident
at
Tanjore.

Sir

I am to inform you that I have this day signed and interchanged an act of Cession of the two Districts of Villenour and Bahour to His most Christian Majesty in virtue of the 14 Article of the late definitive Treaty of Peace, And as this is the Period at which I have engaged to enter upon the immediate restitution of Karical and its Dependants together with the four contiguous Magans to the representative of the Francisation who

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who may be appointed to receive them and Mr De Bontincaue Commandant of the French Establishments in India having constituted and appointed for this Service, Mr de Boistel Colonel of Infantry, I in virtue of the authority vested in me by the Right Honble President and Select Committee of Fort St George, desire you will be pleased to cause to be delivered into the said Mr de Boistel the said Town and Districts of Karical together with the four contiguous Magans, in conformity to the Treaty of Peace upon his producing to you this Letter and the accompanying Order from the Right Honble the President and Select Committee of Fort St George —

I am
Sir
your very obedient
humble Servant
(Signd) Chas Floyer

Pondicherry
the 10th Febry 1785

A true Copy
(Signd) H. Taylor
Secy

Minute thereon

Agreed that Mr Talbot be informed, that the Revenues arising from Karical and its dependencies with the 4 Magans are to belong to the French from the 10th Instant only/

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only which was the day on which Mr Floyer engaged to enter upon the execution of Karical

&c &c

Read the following Report from the Committee of Stores —

Fort St. George 19th February 1785.

At a Committee of Stores

Present.

From the Committee of Stores with their Proceedings of the 19th February —

Lieutenant General Ross Lang.
Lieut Colonel Patrick Ross
Bryan Scattony Esqr
Lieut Colonel Moorhouse.
Lieut Colonel John Kennedy (indisposed)

Read Proceedings of this Board of the 29th with the remarks of the Right Honble the President and Select Committee thereon —

The Clerk laye before the Committee an Indent from Vizagapatam accompanied by Extract of a Letter from the Chief and Council to the Right Honble President and Select Committee

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Committee

On the former the Board beg leave to remark that that Garrison having been compleated to the Statement of 1775 agreeable to the orders of the Right Honble the President and Select Committee of the 21st Feby 1784 it is their opinion that the 18 and 20 Pdr Guns and shot should not be sent and that all the 20 Pdr Shot now at Vizagapatam should be removed to Masulipatam as recommended in the Proceedings of this Board on the 5th July 1786.

Approved. Letter to be written accordingly

On the latter wherein they say that "agreeable "to the orders of the Right "Honble President and "Select Committee of the "30th December 1785 they "have not included tents "Bamboes, Scabbards &c "which are much wanted "in their Indents as all "the Prices are the same "there as at Madras. Cost "as the expence of the "Freight

Freight will not be incurred
if they are furnished at
that Place they will in
part turn out cheaper"
the Board beg to observe
that with a view to
establish and keep up the
good Quality of Country
made Stores / Muslins /
which should always be
laid before it / frequent
Orders have been given
by Government forbiding
Storekeepers at out
Garrisons to make up
any without their express
permission and with
regard to the expence of
Freight it is of no consider-
ation Stores for the Europeans
being generally outbin
the Company's Ships going
to Bengal.

This Board cannot
avoid applauding the
Oeconomy of the Chief and
Council at Vizagapatam
but wish they had attended
to the Interest of the Company
in likemanner in October
1784. when Rupees 1168.
were paid for the freight
of 80 Sepoys and 92 Private
Lints

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Tents made up and
sent there in the Ketch
Rent without Orders

Read a Letter from
Mr Mitchell Storekeeper
at Negapatam enclosing
returns of Stores landed
there for the Garrisons
of Tanjore and Trichinopoly
with the amount of
receipts & Issues and remains
to the 4th of this month

As this is the last
Season for removing Stores
the Board beg Leave to
recommend to the Right
Honble President and
Council to direct the
Storekeeper at Tanjore & Approved, Letters accordingly
Trichinopoly to get those to be written
above mentioned transported
as soon as possible, parti-
cularly the Gun powder,
the inconvenience attending
its being in 100lb Barrels
as mentioned in Mr
Mitchill's Letter cannot
be great as it may
very easily be conveyed
on Hackries or Carts, Copy
of the Letter it is agreed
shall be laid before the
Right Honble President
and Council

The Commissary
General lays before the
Committee

Fort St George 25th February 1785.

Committee a List of Stores received from the Military Storekeeper in December last.

Read Indents from Negapatam, Poonamalee and the Mount, which it is agreed shall be complied with agreable to the remarks of the Commissary General of Stores. Approved.

The Committee proceed to Examine 6 new 24 Pdr Garrison Trail Carriages received from the Contractor which they find made of good materials and well finished and accordingly direct their being received on the Company's Books. Approved.

The Board beg leave to remind the Right Honble President and Council of the great want of Stores in this Garrison, Lists of which were delivered in the 2d Sept and 2d December last.

(Signed) Ros Lang
Patrick Ros
B. Scottney
I. Moorhouse

Read the following Letters entered in Miscellany Book Nos 186. 187.

From Mr Hepplesby dated 24th Instant

From Mr Hepplesby requesting to be informed whether he is to provide the Articles, according to an enclosed Indent from a Kings Surgeon consisting of certain Things which are not in the Stores at Tanjore. Agreed

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25th to Mr Shippersley, I have this day put him in possession of that Office with all the Papers relative to it — I have in like manner under the Sanction of Your Authority delivered over to Mr Shippersley all the Public Records of this Residency, and announced him to his Excellency the Rajah as holding the temporary Charge of that Department.

It now remains for me to offer to Your Lordship & the Honble Board the Assurances of my most grateful acknowledgements for your Indulgence & Support, and for the distinguished manner in which You are pleased to Say, you will make mention of me to the Honble the Court of Directors. It shall ever be my Study to merit an Approbation which I consider as the first Reward of my poor endeavours to serve the Public.

I have the Honour to be with the utmost Respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your &c.a

(Signd) John Sullivan.

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23d February 1785

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The Right Honble Lord Macartney &c.

From Mr Fallofield enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Chevalier de Boistel to him and of the Answer thereto.

My Lord,

I have the honor to enclose Your Lordship Copy of a Letter addressed to me by Colonel de Boistel, with Copy of my Answer which I hope Your Lordship will approve.

I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect,

My Lord,

Your &ca

(Signed) E.W. Fallofield.

Karical
22d February 1705

To W. Fallofield Resident on the part of the English Nation at Karical &ca and Commissary for His Britannic Majesty

Sir,

I have just received an Answer from Mr de Contenceau; if the one you expected from Madras is arrived, we could finish our Business tomorow but in the meanwhile that no time may be lost, I think it necessary for you to order the Annulaar of the four Maganes, to send you without delay the Chief Inhabitants and the Records of Paraguenes, Serrannellar, Nawengar, Thattacherry and

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21th and Malli — Endior These Chiefs and their Records are absolutely necessary for us to correct the Dissimilarity of the names Subsiting between Your List of Villages and mine — Some of which bear not the least resemblance which can only be attributed to the difference of Pronunciation They only can adjust this Mistake — Your Dubash and mine, can question them and tell us the Result.

A Slight indispostion prevented me the honor of seeing you yesterday, and of assuring you with what particular regard.

I am
Sir
Your &ca
(Signed) Le Ch: De Boistel

Garden
near Tharical
21 February 1785

A true Translation
(Signed) T: Chase
French Translator

To Peter Joseph De Boistel Esquire Knight of the Royal and Military Order of Saint Louis, Colonel of Infantry, and Commissary for his most Christian Majesty.

Sir,

I had the honor yesterday evening

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26th evening to receive your favor of the same date I concur entirely with you Sir in opinion that there appears to be no difference between the List of the Villages in the Maganums received from Tanjore and the List in your possession; except what might naturally arise from the Pronunciation.

I have sent the Company's Dubash this morning to Trinnellair and I have written to Rama Sawmy the Amildar to accompany him to Karical, and send as soon as possible the principal Conicopties or Sumpatties, and some of the Head Inhabitants of each Maganum; and on their arrival the Lists can again be compared together in their Presence.

I am much concerned Sir to hear of your Indisposition and shall be very happy to find that it is removed.

I have the Honor to be with the most perfect Consideration

Sir

Your &c.

(Signed) E.W. Fallofield

Karical
22d February 1785.

A true Copy (Signed) W. Michell

Sent

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2d Sent the following Letters

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

Gentlemen

To Bengal, have drawn a Sett of Bills upon that Presidency in favor of Mr John Walther and being so very inconsiderable this hoped they will duly honor them.

We have the Honor to enclose You an Extract of a Letter lately addressed to us by the President & Council at Bombay by which You will observe that they have drawn upon this Presidency for Pagodas 843: 12: 77 in favor of Mr John Walther Surgeon.

Being desirous of discharging this Draft in the same manner in which We have liquidated others of a similar kind, We have taken the liberty to draw upon You in favor of Mr Walther for one half of the Sum being Pagodas 422 the other half we have paid him in Money in order to put him on a footing with others.

As the Amount of this Bill upon your Government is so very inconsiderable We trust You will be pleased

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26th pleased to discharge it

We have the Honor to be

Gentlemen

Your &ca

(Signed) Macartney & Council

Fort St George
25th February 1785

To M Ernest William Falloofield
President
at Magore

To M Falloofield
the Revenues of
Mariecal and the four
contiguous Magores
are to belong to the
French from the 10th
February and not before

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble the President & Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letters of the 21st & 22d Inst! with their Enclosures, and to inform You that the Revenues arising from Mariecal & its Dependencies as well as from the 4 Magores are to belong to the French from the 10th Instant only which was the Day on which M Floyer engaged to enter upon the Restitution of Mariecal &ca

I am
Sir
Your &ca
(Signed) John Chamier
Acting Secretary

To

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To John Hudleston Esqr

Resident

at

Tanjore.

Sir

To Jn° Hudleston, enclosing proposals to ascertain the Authority and the Duties of the Employ to which he has been appointed — Inclosing Letters for the Rajah and Tondiman respecting a Complaint preferred by the latter against the former: and directing Him to enquire into and adjust the same. To remit to the Residency the Residue of the 20,000 Pagodas paid by the Rajah to the late President.

I am directed by the Right Honble President & Council to send you Copy of the Company's General Letter dated & of the Consequent Instructions to the President of Tanjore, which precisely ascertain the extent of the Authority, and the Duties of the Employ to which You have been appointed.

I also enclose the Original Letters addressed by the Right Honble President to the Rajah of Tanjore, & to Tondiman in Consequence of Your appointment, the former you will deliver in person, & the latter you will forward by a proper Conveyance. Copies of those Letters are enclosed for your Information.

The President & Council desire you will as soon as possible enquire fully into the Differences between the Rajah of Tanjore & Tondiman, & endeavour to adjust the matter to the Satisfaction of both Parties — I enclose Copy of a Letter lately addressed

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26th addressed to the President by Fondaumee on the Subject.

I am directed to desire You will not lose a moment in remitting to the Presidency the Residue of the Lack & twenty thousand Pagodas received from the Rajah of Government is in great want of this Supply of which the Receipt has for some time been daily expected

I am,
Sir,
Your Hble
(Signed) John Shawe
Deputy Secretary

Fort St George
24th February 1785

Sent the undermentioned Letters (as entered in the Mins. Nos 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121.)

To Mr John Cope Hippesley, informing him that as the greatest part of the 78th Regiment will shortly be sent to Warriore, it will be unnecessary to Comply with his Indent.

To Mr John Cope Hippesley.

To Lieutenant Colonel Ross directing him to proceed to Masulipatam to survey the Fortifications, and Showing done so, return to the Presidency and report thereon.

To Lieut Col Ross

27th To Mr Hamilton informing him that every Charge at Tanjapore to be discontinued except

To Mr Hamilton

27th except the Duty of the Surveyor Genl — 560

Butter to be allowed the Engineer at Bondamalee.

M.r Sullivan

To M.r Sullivan, desiring him to inform Govern:ment whom he means to appoint in his Absence in Possession of Funds adequate to his Responsibility until his Accounts are Audited.

To the Storekeepers of Tanjore & Tritchinopoly

20th To the Storekeepers of Tanjore & Tritchinopoly Enclosing a Return of Stores under the Store:keepers Charge at Negapatnam to be trans:ported to their Garrisons. Measures to be taken by them accordingly

To M.r William Michell

To M.r William Michell Storekeeper at Negapatnam, informing him of the fore:going and directing him to send the same.

Captain Smith

To the Commander of the Admiral Hughes directing him to proceed to Masulipatam and follow the Orders of the Chief & Council for his future proceedings.

To Masulipatam

To Masulipatam — The Admiral Hughes ordered to touch there in her Way to Bengal for the Detachment of the 102d Regiment.

Vizagapatam

To Vizagapatam — Enclosing Extract from the Proceedings of the Committee of Stores of the 19th: February to which they are directed to Conform.

Dispatched

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2d Dispatched the following Letters.

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

Gentlemen,

To Bengal, the Admiral Hughes dispatched thither agreeably to their Request

We have the Honor to address Your by the Admiral Hughes now proceeding to Your Presidency agreeably to the Request contained in Your Letter of the 17th January.

We have directed Captain Smith to touch at Masulipatam, & have desired the Chief & Council to embark on his Ship the remainder of the 102d Regiment, after which they will dispatch Captain Smith to Bengal.

We have directed the Troops to be in readiness, so that no time will be lost in effecting their Embarkation.

We have the Honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your &c.
Macartney & Council

Fort St George
the 29 February 1785

(Signed)

To the Honble Ranson Hart Boddam
President & Council
in their Publick Department
at Bombay.

Gentlemen

To Bombay, the Bill drawn by them in favor of Mr John Walker

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Tuesday 1st March 1705

At a Consultation Present

The Right Honble Lord Macartney F.R.S.
President

Lieut Gen.l Lowry
Alex.r Davidson Esq.r
James Daniell Esq.r

Minutes of last Consulta-
tion read & approved.

Read the following Letter
from Mr Irwin

To John Chamier Esq.r
Deputy Secretary to the Military
Department
at Fort St George.

From Mr Irwin En-
closing a Statement
of the present footing
of Army Payments Pro-
posing a Mode for fut-
ure Disbursements.
With Copy of a Letter to
him from Colonel
Pullarton on the Subject
of the Outstanding
Bills of Exchange, drawn by
Mr Digby for Camp Dis-
bursements, and ac-
cepted by him.

Sir,

I have been favored, with
Your Letter of the 23d Instant, enclosing Copy
of the Letter to Captain North by Order of the
Right Honble the President & Select Committee
I have the pleasure to understand from
Mr Hinderson, to whom I forwarded the
Letter, that the Contents have been duly
Complied with, and the Padre of Tutocorin
fully Satisfied.

My necessary absence from
this place to arrange some public Matters,
with Mr Sullivan relative to the Polygars of
Warriore —

Warriore Pollaver, & Arinlore has kept me
silent so long on the Subject of the Army Arrears.
The enclosed State (№ 1.) of the
present posting of Army Payments, furnished
me by Mr Digby, will I hope, convince the
Right Honble the President &c. that We
have not been inattentive to the great object of
our Commission — I beg leave to refer them to
the Paper itself for an Explanation of our
Situation; and shall Content myself with
observing, that about 90,000 Star Pagodas, have
been advanced to the Paymaster of the Southern
Army, on Account of the Arrears of the Native
fighting Men, since my Arrival here, from
the Revenue of the several Districts under
my Charge, besides 60,000 Pagodas more to
the Paymasters of Tinnevelly, Madura and
Dindigul, for the Current Pay of the
Troops in Garrison, as will appear from my
Accounts Current with those Districts for
the Months of December & January
transmitted to the Right Honble the President

Mr Digby & I propose the
following mode for future Disbursements,
which we conceive from its equitable principle
will give the greatest Satisfaction to the
Army

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I may in general, be met with the approbation of Government

1st to pay the two Current Months for 1784 (Nov.r & Decr) in order to keep the Cantonments on a footing with the Garrisons

2dly To Ditto the Officers for January 1785..

3dly To Ditto, the Europeans for March

4thly To level the Arrears, by clearing the Year 1783, estimated at 60000 Star Pagodas or thereabouts; after which there will be only 3 Months Subsistence to clear off. from the 1st. of January to the 31st. August 1784 - besides the Balance of the Batta, as Stated by Mr Digby in his Estimates of the 5th. January.

From this review of things I flatter myself it will appear to the Right Honble the President &ca that this the Demands on the Company in this Quarter are heavy & pressing; the Resources in their Hands are Justly adequate to the removal of their Difficulties — and that the peculiar Circumstances attending the Nabob's Assignment still operate to prevent the possibility of our Committing ourselves for the Event, so much in reason is still to be gathered from the past, as to become an earnest for the Success of our future measures.

Before

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Before I dismiss this Subject it is incumbent on me to say a few Words on the Head of some outstanding Bills of Exchange drawn by the Paymaster of the Southern Army for Camp Disbursements, & accepted by me. By the late restraining Orders of Government they remain undischarged; a Circumstance that appears to have occasioned a Letter from Colonel Fullarton to me previous to his quitting the Command, a Copy of which (No 2.) I have now the Honor to lay before the Right Honble the President &c. The Amount may be 24,000 Star Pagodas, and I request their pleasure on a Subject, that may become very distressing to me, if some Method be not soon taken to liquidate the Bills, or leave be not given me to appropriate a small portion of the Pinnevelly Revenue for that purpose.

Having now discussed every point that I conceive relates to the appropriation of the Revenues, agreeably to the Spirit of the late Orders of Government I cannot avoid stepping beyond the Line prescribed, to urging something in behalf of an indefut, but clamorous set of People, who daily

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daily surround us with the Cry of Distress. and are not to be satisfied with the Answers we can afford them.

The Situation of the Lascars & Artificers is become so hopeless from a vain attendance of 6 Months as to inspire them with a Resolution of proceeding in a body to the Presidency ——— Without Current Pay or a prospect of Subsistence, they decline the tender of Certificates; which they say, are not only unproductive, but Subject to be lost at a distance from the place they were granted. On private Loans and a little Paddy which in Spite of our own Wants I could not withhold from their obvious distress, chord been their whole Dependance.

I humbly Conceive, that an Order for Grain on different Districts in Monthly Proportions, or the appropriation of some Funds, on which to raise Money for their Relief, real[ised] at distant periods, would go far to alleviate their immediate Wants, and to induce the Paymaster to exert himself in their behalf. From every Motive of Duty and Interest — If this Idea were adopted the same relief might be extended to the Bullock Men &c., who come under the Description of

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of the Followers of the Army, & to the Subscriptions for Moguel Horse and discharged Sibbendy.

I have been led, much further into the Business of the Army Arrears than I was aware of, when I took up my Pen, or perhaps, than my Situation can fully justify but my Sentiments are Submitted with the greatest Deference to the Judgement of my Superiors, who will always find me ready to execute their Commands than to offer my Opinion.

I remain,
Sir
Your &c.
(Signd) Eyles Irvin

Pritchiropolly Plain
21 February 1785.

Irvin

Arrears to 31st August 1784 — Current Months — Explanations

Tritchinopoly Plain 20th February 1785

Corps		Months last paid	Pay due	Batta due	Months last paid		Where Stationed
Battalion	1	Sept.r	1783	11	"		Tanjore
	2	November	Do	9	"		Madura
	6	September	Do	11	October	1784	Secundermalee
	7	Ditto	Do	11	Ditto	Do	Mattam
	8	November	Do	9	Ditto	Do	Tondy
	9	September	Do	11	Ditto	Do.	Secundermalee
	10	November	Do	9	Ditto	Do	Tozdy
	13	September	Do	11	Ditto	Do	Tondy
	15	November	Do	9	Ditto	Do	Pyjeroubad
	16	October	Do	10	Ditto	"	Mellore
	19	Ditto	Do	10	"	"	Palamcotah
	21	Ditto	Do	10	"	"	Trichinopoly
	22	January	1784	7	"	"	Tanjore
	23	September	1783	11	October	1784	Secundermalee
	24	Ditto	Do	11	"		Trichinopoly
	25	December	Do	8	October	1784	Shevelpetore
Light Infantry		September	Do	11	"	"	Madura
Tanjore Guards		Ditto	Do	9	"	"	Tanjore
Topasses		August	Do	12	"	"	Madura
Tanjore		October	Do	10	October	1784	Mellore
Tritchinopoly		Ditto	Do	10	Ditto	Do	
Tinnevelly		November	Do	9	Ditto	Do	
Native		September	Do	11	Ditto	Do	
Nabobs		Ditto		11	Ditto	Do	Warriore
Golandaus		March	1784	5	Ditto	Do	
Northern		September	1783	11	Ditto	Do	
Southern		Ditto	Do	11	"	"	Warriare
Engineers		April	1784	4	"	"	
Gen.l Lascars		September	1783	11	October	1784	Do
Europen Artr		No Arrears	"	"	February	1785	Do
Store Dep.t		New Arrangement			No advance	"	Do
Ham.n Officers		to August			December	1784	Tripatore
Company Do		Artr Do			Ditto	1784	In Cantonments

Present Denomination

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Cavalry

Lascars

Artillery

N.B. The Batta not yet paid for the Months as it hath been suspended at times, pending the Arrangement to be made for the future Pay.

Since my Statement of Arrears transmitted the 5th January last to Genl Burgess after Mr Irwin's Arrival at Tritchinopoly. One Months Arrears to the Black Troops lately composing the Southern Army, Two Current Months to those in Cantonments with four Months to the European Privates, have already been disbursed, and the Officers in Cantonment cleared off from August 1784 to the end of December last, besides advances towards finishing the Mellore Cavalry, and Bills of Stores Officers gone Home, by order of Government.

The Public Followers, and Departments remaining as Stated in my last Estimate, excepting a small Portion of Batta distributed among the Garrison to silence their importunate Clamours — And the 15 Days in September allowed by Government

The Officers Arrears to the 31st August 1784 are in the same predicament; only Sixty four Certificates have been taken out and those Surrendered, not yet liquidated.

It has been recommended by the Commanding Officer to the Subscribers in consequence of representations from the Troops in Cantonments of those in Garrisons being further advanced in the Payment of Current Months, to issue alternately one Months Arrears and two Current Months to preserve an equality among them.

By the former (Arrears) is to be understood Field Pay to the Battns upon the Old Establishment, the Rice being deducted from the Batta (when the Subsistance is cleared — By the latter (Current Months) Pay deducting Rice, upon the New Arrangement of the Troops. The Commissary of Stores Department coming under the Description of the Government Order forbidding Payment has received no Advance for the Current Months

(Signed) Thomas Digby

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To Eyles Irwin Esq.

Sir,

As I propose soon to leave this Country, I think it my duty to state to you or rather to recall to Your remembrance & to solicit Your attention, to a point of public Business, in which I conceive the public Credit is concerned.

In the course of the several equipments of the Southern Army, in which Your exertions tended so materially to support the public cause, it is well known to You Sir, that the Storekeepers of different Garrisons at any urgent request used every means of procuring Stores & Supplies for the Army & in doing so were obliged to enter into agreements Contracts & Obligations with various Merchants. Some Stores were also furnished from Cochin, & as these Articles were furnished & the faith & Credit of the Servants of the Public pledged for them, many Months before the Orders of Government were issued, restraining the Disbursements. I am hopeful Sir, that the same Rectitude of Conduct & public Zeal, which has ever distinguished You in your present Situation will induce You to take measures for the payment of such Demands as fall within the Description above Stated.

I have the Honor to be,

Sir.

Your &ca

(Signed) Wm Fullarton

Porto Novo
25th Nov.r 1784

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The Board approve the Mode recommended by Mr Irwin for future Dis:bursements & it is accordingly Agreed that he be desired to adopt it, observing always to reserve & secure with Regularity the Sixth Part of the Revenues, which is appropriated to the Nabob.—

Minute thereon

The Board are very desirous of discharging the Bills drawn by the Paymaster of the Southern Army, which Mr Irwin has accepted, and as similar Claims have been liquidated here by Bonds, or by Bills upon Bengal, of which the former Mode is still open, it is Agreed that Mr Irwin be desired to offer Company's Bonds to the holders of Bills, if these Accounts have been duly Audited.—

Do

Altho the Board cannot at present consent to Mr Irwin's Plan of appropria:ting any portion of the Collections for the discharge of the abovementioned Claims, they are disposed to Consent to such Appropriation in favor of the Lascars & Artificers, whose very distressed Situa:tion makes it necessary to render them some immediate Assistance, & the Board think this Mode preferable to Mr Irwin's Proposal of granting in their favor Orders for Grain on different Districts, which would diminish the Peishcash, or Revenue from the different Polygars or Renters — with respect to the Bullock

Do

People

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People, the Board are willing to grant Bonds in liquidation of their Claims, in the same manner as has been proposed at the Residency.—

Agreed that these Sentiments be Communicated to Mr Irwin, & that he be desired to send an Account of what is due to the Tritchinopoly Moguit Horse & Sibbendy

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whom he (has) mentioned & also to inform the Board what will be the probable Amount of the Surplus (after he shall have appropriated the Revenues according to his Plan) that Directions may be given for the disposal of it.

Read the following Letter from Mr John Sullivan.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

President & Governor &c Council

Fort St George

My Lord and Gentlemen

From Mr Sullivan the Polygars of Ramnadpuram and Shevagunga agree to defray all the Charges of the Troops stationed in the Marawar Countries from the 1st February 1785. several Papers on the Subject inclosed

Having with the approbation of the Right Honble the President Negociated with the Polygars of Ramnadpuram & Shevagunga for relieving the Company from the Expence of the Troops Stationed in the Marawar Countries, and having had the good fortune to succeed by inducing those Polygars to defray all the Charges that may be incident to that Establishment from the 1st day of this Month

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Month inclusive, I have with the Concurrence of Colonel Martin, formed the accompanying Estimate of the Monthly Expences to the Polygars & tho' it has been made upon the most Contracted Scale that the Service would admit of Your Lordship &c. will perceive that it will amount in the Year to about one Lack of Rupees a Sum which may be Considered as so much added to the Tribute of those Countries & as a Reduction of the Expences of Government in the same proportion at least.

I say at least, because the force which I found established in those Countries in the pay of his Highness the Nabob & the Charges of which hath fallen on the Company from the Date of the Assignment of 1st December 1781. has been found to amount upon an average of three Years & two Months to the Sum of Star Pagodas 64,568. 34. 60 per Annum altho' the greater part of the Troops were disbanded on the 1st September last year as will appear by the General Orders issued for that purpose by Colonel Stollarton Copy of which, & of the Reduction made by him in the Establishment accompany this

& particular & Separate Statement of the Disbursements to the Troops in the Polygar Countries from 1st December 1781

charges

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1701. to the 31st January 1785, together with all the Accounts & Vouchers up to this latter period shall have been this day sent by me to Mr. Jackson for his Examination, & Audit as these Papers contain merely the Accounts of Military Payments upon the Regulations of the Company & as all further expenditure for the Troops stationed in the Maravar Countries is to be carried to the Account of the Polygars — I beg leave to request that Your Lordship &ca will be pleased after Mr. Jackson shall have made his Audit to Order the Arrears of Pay & Batta due to Colonel Martin amounting to Star Pags. ₰475: 24: — to be liquidated by Bond or in such manner as You shall judge proper. That Gentlemen showing with his accustomed attention to the Service submitted to this Accumulation of Arrears that the Troops & Officers who were more in want should be paid.

The Ballance which appears due to the Paymaster of Star Pagodas 12,444 — 17 — 56 is the amount of Money which I borrowed on private Receipt from Col Bruce & Major Gibbings in the month of September last to assist in discharging the Arrears to the Troops in the Maravar Countries which Money I have this day paid from my own private Cash to Col Bruce & Major Gibbings

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Sibbings with Interest at the rate of 12 P.r Cent P.r Annum. Under the present Expences of Government I will not presume to Solicit Your Lordships &ca for payment in Money but will refer the liquidation of this account to the Justice of Your Honble Board.

I have the honor to Send with this a List of Supernumerary Officers belonging to his Highness the Nabob, whose Pay and Appointments could not be carried to the Account of the Polygars.

Copies of the letters which I have written to the Polygar of Ramnadpuram and Shevagunga & to Colonel Martinz on the Subject of the new Establishment, accompany this — The appointment of a Surgeon was represented to me by Colonel Martinz as Necessary & I was the more inclined to Comply as we have a Supernumerary Surgeon here in Mr Stewart attached to the Sibbundy Corps whose Allowances will now be saved to the Company, if Your Lordship &c. should approve of his proceeding to Ramnad.

I have the honor to be,
My Lord & Gentlemen,
Your &c.
(Signed) John Sullivan.

Tanjore
22d February 1785

Ordered to lie on the Table

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Read the following Letter from
Mr Sullivan

To John Chamier Esqr
Secretary to the Council
Fort St George

Sir

From Mr Sullivan enclosing Copy of a Letter from him to Mr Jackson Stating some Circumstances relative to the Examination of Company's Accounts of Company's Attorneys have received Instructions to answer for him any Demands made by Government for a Reimbursement.

I have the Honor to acknowledge the Receipt of Your Letter of the 27th Ult.
It has ever been my endeavours to anticipate the Wishes of Government in every Act of Duty or Service and I trust it will appear that I have been particularly attentive to this in the instance pointed to by Your Letter.

With a View of evincing this I am to request You will be pleased to lay before the Right Honble the President and the Council the accompanying Copy of a Letter addressed by me to Mr Auditor Jackson and delivered to Him with my Declaration upon Oath, which I conceived a necessary Attestation as well as in Duty to the Government under which I had the Honor to be employed, as in Justice to those Individuals who had confided their property to my Care.

Some time before the
delivery

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delivery of the above mentioned Letter, I transmitted to Mr Auditor Jackson at his desire a particular Account of the Number of Bullocks employed by me for the Company with an Explanatory Statement of the particular Services in which they had been employed. Supported by a Return of the Stores and Grain brought into Tanjore each Month, and I had the pleasure to receive a written assurance from Mr Jackson that those Accounts and Statements were perfectly Satisfactory. I have not a Copy of those Papers, or I would add it to this Packet for the Information of Government (by Letter Books and all official Papers left with Mr Hippesley, who can give every necessary Explanation in every Department of the Accounts, and I shall leave particular Instructions with my Attorneys Messrs Benjamin Sullivan, John Balfour and John Cope Hippesley to answer for me to any Demands that the Justice of Government may make for reimbursement or otherwise, I will only add that as I stand answerable to Individuals for near a Lack of Pagodas on account of Stores delivered in which I had no interest direct or

indirect

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indirect.

I trust Government will
as soon as Circumstances shall permit,
Cause me to be relieved from this Em-
barrassment

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your &c:
(Signd) John Sullivan

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To Wm Jackson Esqr
Commissary of Accounts
at Warriore.

Sir

My ill State of Health having
obliged me to resign my Employments and
to prepare to leave India before the Garrison
Accounts of Tanjore can be finally
audited, I feel it incumbent on me to
State some Circumstances relative to
those Accounts particularly to the Head
of Purchase of Stores which under the
Circumstances of this Declaration; I
trust, will have full Weight when
brought forward to the Audit

On

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On forming the Southern Army in October 1782, the reduced State of the Stores in all the Southern Garrisons occasioned by our Losses in the Field and the great difficulty of procuring Supplies from the Presidency, rendered a provision on the Spot, of indispensible necessity — On the great Reinforcements of the Army under the Subsequent Command of Colonel Stuart, that Necessity became still more Urgent — The Public Resources at that period, afforded but a Scanty Supply to the fighting Men in the Field, (the Tinnevelly Provinces and the Polygars being then unproductive;) No advances therefore could be made to Departments which were daily receiving Indents & urgent Requisitions for the Equipment and Supply of Stores, without which the Army could not move, much less Act.

With these obvious and weighty Embarrassments to Encounter, the Supplies & Equipment of one of the largest British Armies ever Collected in the East, became a Subject of serious and difficult Arrangement. Every Article of Provincial Fabric not only required immediate Advances

to

to the Manufactures, but from the
scarcity of Materials and Workmen (in
the general distress of the times) were advanced
beyond all proportion to the Current prices
before the War and to the Prices in those
Districts of the Peninsula less exposed to
the Devastation of the Enemy. all Articles
of Foreign Growth or Manufacture bore
an Advance still more Disproportionate.

Under these Circumstances
of public Difficulty and Distress, the Compa:
ny's treasury admitting of no Advances
and the Articles of most pressing Demands
being only purchasable by prompt payment,
I Considered myself authorised, under
the urgent and repeated Directions of
Government. "That every Exertion should
"be made for the Equipment & Supplies
"of the Army." to enter into such Engage:
:ments as might most effectually
Secure the great Objects in Contemplation.
And I found the good fortune to see
the public deficiencies supplied by the
Exertions of private Credit.

Many Articles of the
Stores so provided, should be found to
differ

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differ from the Charges made in other
Garrisons or places even to the Southward.
No inference can in general be drawn, or
such a Comparative View, in prejudice
or even in favor of those Charges, because
it is a known fact that the prices of
Several Articles of Provincial Manufacture
varied as much as the prices of Grain,
and were often widely Disproportionate
in the Neighbouring Provinces of Tanjore
and Tritchinopoly; — still more to the
Southward, which was less exposed to
Casualties, or affected by the Calamities
of the War —

It may not be unnecessary
to remark here that from the first
formation of the Southern Army in
October 1782, to the Conclusion of the Peace
with Tippoo Sultaun, the Fluctuation
in the prices of Grain afforded the means
of realizing very large profits by Secure
& quick Returns, & this so obviously
that the Company's Bonds were offered
to Sale, even by Wealthy persons, at a
Discount of 50 P.r Cent nor can it be
necessary to observe that however decided
a Claim the public may have upon the

most

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most Signature labours of their Servants,
it could have no Claim to the appropriation
of their Private Funds and Credit to an
Extension of those advantages which every
Day presented themselves to the Ordinary
Merchant or Dealer.—

As Charged with the
public Expenditure of this Garrison, I can
over that the Disbursements, Receipts and
Issues Stated to Government in the Store
Accounts during the term of my Employ
are Strictly & bona fide just; The Charges
of Purchase are Such as have either been
actually paid or engaged to be paid to the
Merchants or Providitors, without the least
participation of Advantage, Expence or
implied on my part, Either as a Servant of
the Company, or in any other Character.
in support of which Assertions I will
Chearfully make the Affidavit, if it should
be judged necessary.

It is here incumbent
upon me in Justice to those whose labours
and Credit have aided me in those Supplies,
to State, that tho' in my Original Engagements
I had pledged the public Credit to Acquit,
at

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at an Early period, the Obligations I had entered into on Account of the several purchases for the Company — Should have been mortified to find myself unable to keep my Engagements or to extend the Allowance of Interest beyond the Account Stated to Government in — 1784 — The disappointment and consequent Loss will I hope plead for the Earliest possible discharge of those Ballances, which can only enable me or my Representatives, to Acquit myself of these long protracted Obligations.

With respect to the purchase of Arrack as Stated in the Agents Account it may be proper to Observe that on the first intimation of the intended Reinforcements of Europeans, I thought it of most Essential Public Service to Secure a large Supply of Arrack, and having no Public Resource that could be appropriated to that Service, I should have thought myself Warranted to go as far as the then known Selling Prices of that Article at the Presidency permise the obvious advantage of Employing a Capital with such Returns as before Stated, afforded a much larger profit than could be possibly drawn from any

Such

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Such Engagements, that the period of
payment been even Considerably less pro-
tracted, and because the Expence & Risk of
bringing Arrack from the Residency
would have greatly increased the Charge of
that Article to the Company —— But in
fact no purchase had been Stated to
Government at so high a price as the
Current Sales at Madras by ten Pagodas
pr Leaguer —— It is to be observed too
that the Opportunities occasionally offered
of making purchases, with Ready Money
on the Coast, at a lower Rate, Yet at
the most Critical periods of demand for
this Essential Article (particularly at
the Time of the March of the Grand
Army to Cuddalore) scarcely any Arrack
could be Obtained but from those with
whom I had engaged, and who, as
Merchants, were free to Square their
prices to the Public Exigency. —— I feel
myself bound in justice to make this
Observation, because I am persuaded
that a much greater portion of Public
Zeal than Consideration of private
Advantage influenced those who under-
took the Supply of this & many other
Articles

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Articles of Provision for the Public, and the Essential Services rendered by Such Opportune Provisions are very forcibly, and I can take upon myself to say, not over Stated to Government, in the several Addresses of Colonel Fullarton, whom in Command of the Southern Army.

Having Stated thus much on the General Head of Provision & Equipment, I will only add that on all points of Detail of Receipts & Issues in the Store Department of this Garrison, when they come forward to Examination I have the Satisfaction to Reflect that Mr Hippesley who essentially aided me in many Departments of my Extended Employ, will be ready to give every Satisfactory Information. Whenever Deficiencies or Wastages appear, He can shew that they have been unavoidable, and wherever Vouchers from a Variety of Causes, may be wanting to ascertain the Issues, agreably to the prescribed Forms of the Service, He can adduce such Testimonies as I trust, will be perfectly Satisfactory in the Audits as far as my own Solemn Asseveration can add weight to such Statements, I

can

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can take upon myself to swear, that to the
best of my knowledge & belief, no prevarication
or Neglect has obtained in the Administration
of this my important Department of my
Employ, but that the whole has been
Conducted with the most Scrupulous
Zeal & Attention to the Interests of the
Public.—

(Signed) J. Sullivan

Tanjore
22d February 1785.

The Contents of this Letter or Declaration
sworn to be true in the presence of W. Jackson
Esqr by J Sullivan.

The Board Consent to receive
Mr Sullivan's Attornies as responsible for him
during his Absence in Consequence of which
the following Letter being drafted is dispatched

Minute thereon

To John Sullivan Esqr

Sir

To advise Sullivan
Government consent
to receive his Attornies
as responsible for
him during his absence
a Form of a Bond
inclosed to be executed
by them.

I am directed by the Right
Honble the President and Council to acknow-
ledge the Receipt of Your Letter of this day's
Date and to inform You that until Your
Accounts shall be Audited & passed, they
consent to receive Your Attornies as
responsible

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responsible for Your, after your Departure for Europe

I Send You on consequence of Bond to be executed by Messrs. Benjamin Sulivan, John Balfour, & John Cote Shippesley, which is similar to the one executed by Mr. Brodie's on a former Occasion

I am

Sir

Your &c.

(Signed) John Chamier

Acting Secretary

Fort St George
1st March 1795

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Assigned Revenue.

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

From the Committee of Assigned Revenue inclosing Copy of a Letter from Captn Hope etc. a Complaint made by the Renter of Vellanaud and recommending that Directions be given to the Chief & Council of Masulipatam to enquire into the cause of it and put a Stop to it.

My Lord and Gentlemen

We beg leave to lay before You Copy of a Letter from Captain Hope at Palvanaud containing his Report on a Complaint made by the Renter of that District of the Interference of the Person who

who wants the Madrigiedda Farm in preventing Merchants from entering the Balrund District at the usual Place. This Interference has caused a Diminution in the Customs for which he demands a Deduction from his Rent for last Year to the Amount of 5,000 Pagodas. On the 16th of October last We had the Honor to address a Letter to the Right Honble the President and Select Committee on this Subject, to which We now beg leave to refer for Your further Information and also to request that Instructions may be sent to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam to prevent this Interference in future, as otherwise it will remain a Plea for the Renter of Balrund to demand an annual Deduction from his Rent to the Amount above Specified

We have the Honor to be
My Lord and Gentlemen
Your &c:

Fort St George
23d February 1785

Signed { Charles Oakely
David Haliburton
George Moubray

To

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To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

President & Governor &c. &c.

My Lord

I have the honor of Your Lordship's Letter of the 22d of January wherein You desire me to inform You whether the Renter Chou lost on the Customs of the Palmaud & in what manner.

I have to acquaint Your Lordship that the Renter of the Customs has lost, but he is not the Renter of the Palmaud, who it seems let it out to a person that Hurry Sing Chou now in Custody for failure of his Payment to him. the principal Customs arise from the Lombardy People that bring grain to the Coast & carry back Salt, Cauther Cawn resides in Hyderabad, receives all the Customs of that place & many others, he has by Guards near the River prevented these People from Crossing and Coming thro this District, which is the Nearest Road, & Obliges them to cross the River & go thro the Guntoor Circars, I am told it is the Influence of a brother of Mahepettah Rangenah who formerly was in Cauther Cawns Service that has occasioned this

My Lord &c.

Palmaud
9th February 1785

(Signed) Robert Hope

A true Copy Signed F Landon Secretary

Agreed

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Agreed that Copy of the foregoing be sent to Masulipatam, & that the Gentlemen there be desired to dispute Mr Andrew Scott to Nundelyg and Goth & Portnand, with Directions to make particular Enquiry into the Causes of Complaint (Contained in the Letters from the Committee of Assigned Revenue of the 16th October & 23d Instant) & the Chief & Council must be desired to transmit this Report with their Opinion of the Mode which will effectually prevent such Evils, to the President & Council for their final Determination.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letters from Mr Commissioner Jackson;

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney Kt &c.

President and Governor &ca

Council

at

Fort St George

My Lord and Gentlemen

From Mr Jackson inclosing a Petition against Mr Digby & accusing him of Peculation and Abuse of the Public Money and Letter from Mr Digby to Mr Jackson requesting a Copy of the same.

On the 9th Instant a Man named Arnache Ulum, delivered into my Hands the enclosed Petition, acquainting me at the same time by the means of an Interpreter, that the Author of it was his Brother, who had been confined by Mr Digby in the Cutwals Choultry at Tritchinopoly for the Space

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Space of four Months past, and that he was desirous I should release, and Send for him in order to prove the Contents of his Petition to me; but after mature Deliberation I do not think that I am competent as Superintendant of the Army Grain Accounts, either to take the Man out of Prison, or to hear his Proofs, without Special Orders from Your Lordship &ca for that purpose.

Mr Digby Channing heard of my receiving the said Petition has applied to me for a Copy of it, his application accompanies this Letter, and in Consequence of his earnest Desire, I have furnished him with a Copy; which I trust Your Lordship, &ca, will approve of.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your &ca

(Signed) Wm Jackson

Warriore
14th February 1785

To William Jackson Esq.
Superintendant of the Army Grain
Warriore

Respec &c

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Respected Sir

The Humble Petition of
Arriapootra Stone Comicopty to Mr Digby
Sheweth

That Shorisia Mr Digby's
Broomey appointed me Comicopty over all
the Company's Stores in the Fritchinopoly
Godown in the Year 1702: and that about
Six Months ago I detected Nelly Komby, one
of my Measurie Men Robbing the Godown of
the Company's Grain, on account of which
I gave him suitable Correction, and after
discharged him from his Employ; that he
out of Malice, and Revenge, went and
Accused me to Mr Digby of fraudulent
Practices, on which Mr Digby ordered me
and my Writer to be Confined; and the
next day Mr Digby's People took my Writer
(who was a young Boy) into a Chamber
and severely flogged him till he was obliged
to write on some Cadjans whatever they
chose to dictate to him, and in a few days after
sent him away I know not where, but
kept me still in Prison, where I have
remained these four Months, tho I am
(as I can sufficiently prove) entirely innocent
of all that is laid to my Charge; and there-
fore humbly beg You will procure for me
an

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an Order to be sent to the Presidency, where I affirm I can positively clear myself of being guilty of any kind of fraudulent practices; and moreover that I can clearly and fully prove to the Board, that Mr Digby has defrauded the Company out of above a Lack & a half of Pagodas; accounts of all which I can produce as soon as I arrive at Madras, in order to effect which I humbly pray You, to take the above into Your Consideration, and order me there as soon as possible, as my long oppressive, and unjust Imprisonment, is greatly to the prejudice of myself and a large Family whom I have to Support.

Sir Your complying with the humble request will bind me with the Strictest ties of Gratitude to pray for your eternal Happiness and Welfare.

I am
Sir
Your Humble Petitioner
(Signed) Ariah Pootra, Mr Digby's Store Concoply

Tritchinopoly
27th January 1705

N.B. Mr Digby refuses to release me till I send him 1000 Pagodas
(Signed) Ariah Pootra

To

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To William Jackson Esq.

&c &c

Sir Having learnt that my Servants have lately presented to You a Petition or something of that nature, tending to accuse me, and from your Situation I should conclude in my Official Capacity; I hope You will not refuse me a Copy of the Paper that I may take such Measures as to me seem necessary for my own Vindication or to bring the Authors to prove their Assertions, and obtain Justice against them in case it should be false and malicious as I strongly suspect it is a Manoeuvre of my private Servants now before the Cutcheree for Peculation and Frauds in my Affairs, and as some already have been Convicted the others I hear have taken the Alarm, since the greatest delinquent I have not yet brought to Account — However I shall not trouble you any further until I know the Contents of the said Petition when I shall beg leave to address You again on a Subject that concerns every European who

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who have a Character or Property to lose

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your &c.

(Signed) Thereton Digby

Fritchinzopoly Plain
17th February 1785

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B:

President and Governor &ca

Council

at

Fort St George

My Lord and Gentlemen

Since I did myself the Honor of addressing Your Lordship &ca on the 19th Instant, I have received another Letter from Coll: Thereton Digby, which is herewith enclosed

From Mr Jackson on the same Subject

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

My Lord and Gentlemen

Your &ca

(Signed) William Jackson

Wayriore
21: February 1785

To William Jackson Esqr

&ca

Sir

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Sir

I have just perused a Petition
Upon which you are so kind as to send me a Copy of,
and as I may depend upon your forwarding
the Original to the Right Honble the President
and Council, I shall beg of you to enclose
this under the same Cover to avoid troubling
them as much as possible, or intrude on
their more important Occupations ——
Indeed I should not have paid it the smallest
attention — Had I not been entrusted with a
large Sums of Public Money, and observe
it couched in terms, & Style, to raise
Suspicion and the in feigned Language
evidently not a Black Man's Production
but the Cause that has given rise to
this, is a further Motive for me to be
earnest in bringing it forward — As it
may probably tend to the ease and ad=
=vantages of every one who has Claims
and Balances to recover beyond the Limits
& Jurisdiction of our Civil Courts.

The Petitioner who Signs
himself Ariah Patrah is a Convicted
that I left in Charge of my Godown in
Scratchinoply when I went with the Army:
and

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Agreed that Mr Jackson be directed to Investigate this Business (which is in Conformity to Mr Digby's desire expressed in his Letter) & that he be desired to acquaint Arriapootra that he will receive and transmit to the Board such Proofs as he has of what he has alledged against his Master, acquainting him at the same time that altho the Board will impartially do him Justice, if he shall appear to have been aggrieved, yet, if upon examination his Charges shall be found frivolous he must expect to be punished Accordingly

Minute thereon

Agreed that Copy of the Letter to Mr Jackson be sent to Mr Digby, & that he be acquainted with the Determination of the Board, respecting the Petition preferred against Him.

Read the following Report of the Committee of Stores.

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Proceedings of the Committee of Stores the 21st February with the Remarks of the Board thereon.

At a Committee of Stores

Present

Lieutenant General Lang
Bryan Scottney Esqr
Lieutenant Colo Moorhouse
Lieutenant Colo Ross absent
Lieutenant Colo Kennedy (indisposed)

Read

Fort St George 21st March 1785

Read Proceedings of the Committee of the 19th Febry with the Remarks of the Right Honble President & Council thereon.

Read a Letter from the Acting Military Secretary, desiring the Board would give their Opinion upon an Extract of a Letter from Mr Ogilvie, the Storekeeper at Vellore, respecting 250 Barrels of Gunpowder rendered unserviceable by White Ants and dampness in the Magazine there and which he requested to know, if he was to make over again or let it remain as it is.

The Committee are unable to judge of the Gunpowder, without a Muster, but as Mr Ogilvie mentions the very bad Quality of it, are of Opinion it is not worth the expence of remaking, but may be used for the exercise

exercise of the Artillery at Arcot and therefore recommends its being sent there.

Approved — Letter to be written to Vellore accordingly.

The Committee having examined Gun 24 Pr Garrison Trail Carriages find them made of good Materials & well furnished & accordingly direct their being received on the Company's Books

Approved.

The Commissary General lays before the Board a List of Stores received from the Military Storekeeper in January last

The Price of all Stores received to be affixed to the List in future & sent to the President & Council.

Signed { Ross Lang, B. Scottney, Jos. C. Moorhouse

The Commander in Chief delivers the following Minute

Minute of the Commander in Chief recommending that a General Order be published that the 1st Battalion 1st Regiment Europeans be marched from Masulipatam to Ellore and be considered as belonging to the 1st Battalion of the 2d Regiment.

The Commander in Chief recommends that the 1st Battalion of the 2d Regiment of Europeans be formed without delay at Ellore, from the Detachment of the 1st Battalion of the 1st Regiment now at Masulipatam & that the following Orders respecting them be given out by Government

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G: O: The Three Companies of the 1st Battalion 1st Regiment Europeans, now at Masulipatam to be inspected without Delay, to Ellore, and to be Considered as belonging to the 1st Battalion of the 2d Regiment, which Colonel Braithwaite will take care to form from those Companies. The Commander in Chief will give the necessary Orders respecting the Detail.

(Signed) Ross Lang

Ordered accordingly

Resolved that a General Order be published in Conformity to the General's Recommendation

Read the following Letter from Mr Digby to the Right Honble President &

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

My Lord I have now the honor to inclose You a Statement N°A of the Differences between the Books of the Committee of Assigned Revenue, and the Paymaster of the Southern Army, a Copy of the same having been transmitted to the Superintendt of

From Mr Digby with a Statement of the Differences between the Accounts of the Committee of Assigned Revenue and the Paymaster of the Southern Army also the Particulars of the Sums charged to his Debit from Rammad and Shevagunga with the Remarks thereon.

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of the Finneveltly Sums — But although much Correspondence has already passed to reduce them to the present State, I am still in hopes to reduce the Sums still further, when I can obtain the Information I have written for, in the mean time I have left the whole Amount in Suspence

The Sums for which I am Debited in the Committee's Account Current from Shevagunga and Ramnad not having passed thro' my hands, it required time and Investigation to trace the Heads under which these Sums should appear: The Statement № B will shew, what part may be carried to my Debit, when proper Vouchers for the Delivery of the Grain can be produced. But I much fear an Accident has deprived me of the Documents necessary to give Your Lordship the particulars of the Sums received by Colonel Fullarton Commanding the Southern Army, to whom I find the Sums mentioned in the annexed Account have been paid and which he Acknowledges in his Reply to my Letter on that Subject, and promises both before, and after his Arrival at Porto Novo to transmit me the Explanation together with Copies of his Letters to, and

from

from Government, that are now become so essentially necessary for me, but to my utter Astonishment I heard of his Sailing, without being able to obtain any Intelligence from that day to this of the Packets alluded to. that by Report, I understood were forwarded under my Address. I am still in hopes that as this Money must have been Appropriated for the Various Demands of Secret Service, for which he had received no Advances from me; that he has possessed Your Lordship with such Explanations as the Nature of this Expenditure demands. In the mean time I must entreat Your Instructions on the Mode of Adjusting these Sums, that in Case You should think proper that they appear in my Books as so much received, to advise me what Head should be Debited for the Disbursement.

I am the more induced to believe Colonel Fullarton has left behind him Papers explanatory of the Expenditure of this Money, from a Paragraph in M.r Sullivans Answer to my Application to ascertain the Receiver, where he says, after Stating to Colonel Fullarton his

Signature

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Signature to the Receipts "The Observation
"of Colonel Fullarton upon this head, that
"all was Right." is then Confirms Sir.
"Intention of making out the particulars
of the Expenditure when he can, "have
recourse to his Papers. Notwithstanding
the Charges in the Tinnevelly Books are
found to Correspond with those in the
Paymaster's, shewing the Sums expressed
in the Statement of P.A, there must
evidently be a difference in the Total
Amount from the Exchange, Differing four
and five per Cent in the Star and Porto Nove
Pagodas at Tinnevelly from this place
and the Cutty Fanam till lately in
nearly the same Proportion.

I have the Honor to be
with Respect

My Lord
Your &c.a

Tritchinopoly Plain
16th February 1795

(Signed) Kendall Digby
Paymaster

Statement:

Statement of the Sums for which the Paymaster of the Southern Army is Debited by the Superintendant &c.ª

With such Objections to the foregoing Sums appearing in his Books

1783							
Sept.	13	1	To 14	Draught and 8 Yoke Cattle Bullocks	3045	20	5
Oct.	5			Sent to the Army 1014 Bullocks 3 Yoke Cattle			
				406 Gunnies	2008	23	16
		2	To 4422	Bundles of Straw	182	25	60
		3	To 55	Do taken by the Army	412	42	
		4	To 9 Bills drawn by the Paymaster				
				P. S. P. 6444 9. 0. 11 P	6004	32	
Oct.	4		To be transferred		480		
					5524	32	480
		5	Sundry Bills paid to Captain Agnew				
				11 P 9431 30. 15			
				2 of these were transferred 2517. 18. 15	6614	12	2517 18 15
		6	To 30 Bullocks sent with Capt. Cunyngham		147	30	68
			To Bills paid M. Tetley		94	36	68
			To Do Do Jackson		244	40	70
			The following Sums require the Vouchers				
			2290 2/3 Sacks of Rice		624	25	67
			2397 3/4 Do		638	15	22
		9	2552 1/4 Do		1020	8	24
			600 Do		11	1	36
			5 Cattle		11	5	-

E. E. A.

1 Every Endeavour has been used to investigate this Demand and discover to Persons to whom they can be Charged a very small Proportion has yet been accounted for and we still wait the result of our Correspondence.

2 The Bullocks at the Posts alone could have received it deny the Receipt and presume to allow the Stoppage

3 This being Taken by Plunder it is impossible to ascertain the Receivers.

4 Sums of these Bills &c for Horses purchased for the 2d Temporality Troop and should be transferred to their Books which will be done hereafter

5 The Amount deducted being an Error in the Acceptance of the Bills at Temporality it is since adjusted there.

6 The Bullocks delivered before Captain Cunyngham my could deliver them over in Camp of course the Agent could Charge them to no particular Person. And the Company hire, but never own Bullocks.

7/8 These Bills have been twice Charged once in the Sum of 9720 Dº and again Separately they will be objected in the next Receipts

9 Upon Application to the Superintendant he informs me these Vouchers were transmitted to the Right Honble the President but will be essential to support my Accounts having granted a Receipt for the Accounts.

(Signed) Thos Fitch

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Particulars of the Sums charged to the Debit of the Paymaster to the Southern Army from Remarks & Shewagunga

1783					
July					
Aug	1	Rice received by the Army at Manaud and Vellecorchie Company's Measures 40000 @ 11/4 P Rupee		8000	
	2	Sheep delivered the Agent		117	1/4
1784					
Jan					
Feb	3	Rice on Mr Lyon's Receipt		435	8
		Rice received at Conanoor Church	4166: 5 3/4		
		Paddy Do Do	12070: 5		
	4	Horse Gram delivered to Mr Chainley	33: 3 3/8		
	5	Salt delivered the Agent	41: 1 1/4		
			16319: 5 1/2		
		at 7 P P Rupees		2175	3/8
	6	Sheep Supplied the Agent		2200	
	7	Sundries sold Mr Dunn		246	7/8
		The following Sums			
1783					
Dec	8	Cash paid Colonel Fullarton		40,000	
1784		Do Captain Oliver		70,000	
May		Do Colonel Fullarton		3500	

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1 This Sum will be charged to the Groom
keeper who will produce Vouchers for
the Delivery

2 For this Receipts must be produced or
the Agent does not acknowledge the
Charge.

3 This is all brought to Account and regular.

4 The Estate of Mr Chainley must answer
this Demand.

5 Charged to the Agent

6 Ditto

7 Mr Dunn has been written to on
the Subject his Answer not yet receive

8 One to be accounted by Colonel Sullivan
Commanding the Southern Army
never having been paid into the
Honey Tumbril

(Signed) H. Digby

The President lays before
the Board a Letter addressed by him to the
Committee of Assigned Revenue

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To Chas Sykes Esqr

President &c. Committee of Assigned Revenue

Gentlemen

The President's Letter to the Committee of Assigned Revenue thereon

I have the honor to send to Your a Letter, which I have received from Mr Digby, late Paymaster of the Southern Army, inclosing two Accounts, which relate to the Adjustment of his books with those of the Committee of Assigned Revenue — You will please to examine them, and take such Steps thereupon as appear to You best suited to the Public Service.

I have only to observe to you that, with respect to Colonel Fullarton's Accounts, I am a total Stranger to the particulars of them, tho I dare say they will appear Satisfactory, when explained) but it seems to me that there has been an Original Irregularity in the Manner (Stated, as received from Ramnad, and Shevagunga, (amounting to above a Lack Thirteen thousand Rupees) not having been paid by Mr Sullivan to Mr Digby who was the proper Officer to receive them instead of Colonel Fullarton's* delivering in

* which irregularity can only be remedied by Col Fullarton —

the

the Account of his Disbursements — Colonel Fullarton did not possess one, as Mr Digby conjectures, with an explanation of the Nature of the Expenditure, nor do I imagine that any thing like so large a Sum was appropriated to the Demands of Secret Service, because the Charge in such a period would bear no kind of proportion to the Secret Service expended by other Officers in similar Commands, or to the Annual Amount of the Secret Service of this Government, which altho' including several Sums ordered by the Select Committee to be placed to that Account, that could not well come under the usual heads of the Books, have not amounted during the whole time of my Residence here of near four Years to two Lacks of Rupees, but as Colonel Fullarton's papers which would have cleared up the point, have miscarried, there is no other Way, But to Request the Court of Directors to call upon Colonel Fullarton in England for his Accounts, which I have no doubt will accurately explain the matter, and to transmit them here by the first Ship I presume at all Events that Colonel

Fullarton

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Sutherton should be debited for the Amount
in Mr Digby's Books.

I am
Gentlemen
Your &ca
(Signed) Macartney

Fort St George
February 20th 1705

Read the following Letters
as entered in the Ad. B. Vol. Pp. 130, 131, 132, 133, 134

From Mr Ogilvie dated
25th and 27th Ult.o the former transmitting
Sundry Accounts of Arrears in one of which is
included the Amount of his Contract for the
building of Granaries — the latter, Stating that,
as his Allowance of Pay. 26: 2 for taking Charge
of, & selling the Arrack must necessarily cease
since a Contract for that purpose has been
made with Mr Cochrane he hopes the same
Allowance will be Continued to him in Consi-
quence of his being in Charge of the Grain
and Provisions at Vellore.

Agreed that Mr Ogilvie
be informed that the Board are willing to
liquidate his Claim of Pay. 7405. 26: 20, (the
Amount of his Contract for the Granaries)
by a Company's Bond, & that for the discharge
of

Of the Remainder, Of the Arrears (being Pagodas 760) Cash will be shortly sent to him.

With respect to his Request that the Allowance of Pagodas 26: 21. be Continued to him Monthly, as above Stated, It is agreed to inform him that it cannot be Complied with, since it is unusual to make Allowances for similar purposes.

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From Mr Falk

From Mr Falk, dated 22d Ulto stating the Inconvenience which would result from the having two large Boats for the Service of the Rivers to the Southward, & recommending their being built, which he thinks may be done for about 300 Pagodas.

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The Board concur in Opinion with Mr Falk on the Utility of having Boats for the Service of the Rivers, & it is Agreed therefore to desire the

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He will inform the Board whether he is willing to build the Boats upon certain Conditions, such as that the Builder shall have the profits of Toll (to be approved and fixed by the Board), for a certain Period, which may amply Reimburse him for the Expences in Constructing the Boats — after which period, the Boats & future Profits to belong to the Company

From Arrangement to be made with M.r Falk — a similar one may be proposed for the River Nisnaur to the Northward.

From the Resident at Cuddalore dated 24th Ult.o Stating that on a Survey of the Company's Buildings, some Repairs were found absolutely necessary to render the Quarters habitable for the Officers and

From M.r Hoisard

and Troops which Reports he has taken upon himself to execute as they can be performed with the Materials of Buildings pulled down, at a small Expence beyond the Workmanship.

Agreed that M.r Sloisard be informed that he must send an Account as soon as possible of the Repairs in Hand, & be cautious to avoid the smallest unnecessary Expence.

Minute thereon

From Captain Dowes dated 24th Ult.o requesting to know, if any, and what Quantity of Rice is to be left in Chillumbrum for the Guard who remain in Charge of the Garrison.

From Capt.n Dowes.

Agreed that Captain Dowes be desired to inform the Board what Quantity of Rice is in Store at Chillumbrum, after which he must leave it in Charge of the Jemidar, taking his Receipt for the quantity. thus left with

Minute thereon

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him, when the Account is finished directions will be sent to Mr Hoijsard respecting it.

The President informs the Board that the Commissary of Stores has reported to him that some Military Stores for the Southern Garrisons are ready to be transported thither, & that Mr Garrow has offered to provide Tonnage for them for the Sum of 450 Pagodas.

The President informs the Board of Mr Garrows Proposal for transporting Stores from hence for the Southern Garrisons for the Consideration of 450 Pags.

As there are about 450 Candies in which are included 400 Barrels of Gun Powder for Madura, the Board think the Proposal reasonable & it is accordingly Agreed to accept it & that Bills be drawn on the Resident at Madura for the Amount of the Freight, payable when the Stones shall be safely landed.

Mr Garrow's Proposition Accepted

Macartney
Rös Lang
Alex. Davidson
J Daniell

Examined by Mr Webbe & Mr Pare.