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March 1 Received the undermentioned Letters (as entered in the Miscellany Book for the Month of March Nos 1, 2.)

From Mr Sullivan

From Mr Sullivan, enclosing a List of all the Notes issued by him, with the Observations thereon.

Minute thereon

Ordered that the abovementioned List be sent to the Accountant.

From Mr Hawkins

From Mr Williams Hawkins, will discontinue the Batta to the Engineer at Pondamalee States why he has hitherto paid him.

Received the following Letters from Mr Fallofield.

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

From Mr Fallofield enclosing the Act of Restitution by which Tharicad and the four contiguous Mogans were made to France.

My Lord and Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acquaint Your Lordship &c. that the Town of Tharicad and its ancient Dependencies as well as the four Mogannums in the Neighbourhood were this day delivered up to the Chevalier De Bristel, the Commissary appointed to receive them

For

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1st for His Most Christian Majesty :

Agreeably to the Commands of Your Lordship &c. in Mr Chamier's Letter the Rajahs Name is not mentioned in the Act of Restitution and Cession — & the Marginal References in Mr Flowers Forms (have been omitted) — In the Instrument by which the Cession is made the Restitution of Sharicul and its former Dependencies is seperate from the Cession of the four Mogamums.

I shall pay strict Obedience to the Directions of Your Lordship &c. regarding the Island in the Nagore River

One Copy of the Act of Restitution & Cession waits on Your Lordship &c. enclosed

I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect

My Lord and Gentlemen

Your &c.

E. H. Fallofield

Sharicul
26th February 1785

Comme

1er Comme par l'Article 14 du Traité de Paix fait et Conclu entre leurs Majesté très Chretienne et Britannique le 3 Septembre 1783, il est Stipulé et agreé (entre autres Restitutions) que la Ville de Sharikal avec les Aldées qui en dépendent seront restituée a la France, et Comme il est dit ainsi pour l'Article 14 que Sa Majesté Britannique procurera à la France les quatre Magazins qui avoisinent Sharikal pour lui servir de dépendance; Sçit Notoire que Moi Ernest William Hallofield Ecuyer Constitué et Nommé par Honorable Lord Macartney et le Comité de Madras pour restituer et deliver de la part de Sa Majesté Britannique a Pierre Joseph Ch.r de Boistel Colonel d'

Infanterie

Whereas by the 14th Article of the Treaty of Peace made & concluded between their Britannick and most Christian Majesties on the 3d September 1783 it is Stipulated and Agreed (among other Restitutions) that the Town of Sharical with the Villages dependant thereon shall be restored to France And Whereas it is also said by the 14th Article that his Britannic Majesty shall procure to France the four Magazins which are Contiguous to Sharical as a Dependence thereon. Now be it known that I Ernest William Hallofield Constituted and appointed by the Right Honble Lord Macartney and Select Committee of Madras to restore and deliver upon the part of his Britannic

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1st d'Infanterie, constitué et nommé par Mr de Contenceau des Algrains Brigadier des Armées du Roi, Commandant les Etablissemens Francois dans l'Inde pour recevoir au nom de Sa Majesté très Chretienne la Ville de Karikal et ses Dependances. Lequel Comm.on ce Mai Ernest William Fallofield, Constitué et nommé par la ditte authorité pour delivrer les dittes quatre Magazinns pour et au Nom de Sa Majesté Britannique a Pierre Joseph Chr.r de Boistel pour les recevoir au nom de Sa Majesté très Chretienne, par le présent je déclare avoir restitué la ditte Ville de Karikal

Britannic Majesty to Peter Joseph Chevalier De Boistel Colonel of Infantry Constituted and Appointed by Mr de Contenceau des Algrains Brigadier of the Kings Armies and Commandant of the French Establishments in India, to receive in the Name of His most Christian Majesty the Town of Karical with its Dependencies And be it also known, that Ernest William Fallofield Constituted and appointed by the aforesaid Authority to deliver the said Four Magazins for and on behalf of his Britannic Majesty to Peter Joseph Chevalier de Boistel appointed to receive them for and on behalf of His most Christian Majesty.

Do.

1st Shavilhat avec les Aldées et Villages qui en dépendent nommement.

Savoir

Polagam — — Cassacoudy
Nerry — — Vanjiour
Odondoré — Tirourmaterayenpatnam
Ondiapaton — — Shileour
Parmatouram — Mooleour
Vadamaracadou — Aeravatam
Covilpaton — — Poudoutoné
Teleterou —

Et moi Ernest William Fallofild Constitué et nommé par la ditte authorité, par le present je declare avoir délivré les dit quatre Magazins avec les Villages et Endroites qui en dépendent nommement

Savoir

Le Paraguenné de Tirourmatar composé de trente une aldées qui sont.)

Tirourmatur, Nallamba Eyancode
Quilidour Mel Eleindiour
Moyvacherry Outirangoudy
Pette

And I Ernest William Fallofield Constituted and Appointed by the Authority aforesaid Do Hereby Declare to have delivered the said Four Magans with the Villages and Places dependant thereon.

Namely

The Magan of Tiran: mar containing 31 Villages

Tiranellar kadoa Mashur, Shetha Vattur or Soodupona moolo
Patcheri Ma Nellur
Nalambel Ukare, Puvatta Medu or Thaycara Covil put Malevanur

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Petté
Pouté paramaintore, Monpaya Sanjendy
Selour
Tondouponamolé
Tenangondy
Valtatamangalum
Caroumangondy
Cacamoude
Villondiour
Covilpatan Chetour
Senour

Sahatore
Salangondy
Attipadouguié
Mitavour
Pidaraya chetour
Natambel
Periamatiamangalum
Quilamane
Mouramouty
Madiour
Eleyangondy

Malevanmir
Nairatchire
Petty
Shaskamuty
Melinde Ur
Thorchan kur
Ulliakudi
Thatapparei Ur
Tenour
Sakthatur
Mupputte Ukare
Salankudi
Attipadage

Tenné kinder
Letter kovil patty
Vellatta Mangol
Melina Ur
Putamne talei
Sklat Devirpoudy or Shellore
Thatur
Nolumbel
Thumlia Mangol
Thile maney
Thani mitti
Mardiar
Thiane kudi

Le Parageone de Madangadore Composé de Vingt Neuf Aldées qui sont

Tadongadore
Cruedé
Payed Tharapouram
Audore
Vadamoutam
Chiroumara tanjué
Marivarambe
Chamivanniroupore
Melpoutagaram
Covil Patore
Melemaviachel
Cattepatnam
Cotteyaram
Vadancaniroupore

Auvaramangondy
Couroumpoguiram
Colagondy
Quelchembiangar
Canjiviram Covilpatore
Madipauram
Quilanavachel
Matalangondy
Vadacatoté
Ponapetty
Cachagondy
Poutayajaram
Melchemby eiyengar
Quilanour
Chivapoleam

The Morgan of Navengar containing 29 Villages

Thasba
Ulhare
Pester pur or Punchamcharapuram
Attur
Vorde Muttam
Soramalpur
Thariharambe
Serena Mupputte
Melia Pugudi
Mandi Ur
Thoril patter

Kurumba Ayeri
Thole manhudi
Thile Sadaiyan
Thanthi ur kovil pattie
Thile Ammavasel
Matava kudi
Vadagetty
Ponnan batty
Thava kudi Thavei
Mile Thembi Enganee
Ambarapudy Agene
Mile

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Chiapatteam

Le Parraguené de Cottachery
Composé de huit Aldées
qui sont

Cottachery	Conecourmely	Mile Ammavasel
Voriechagoudy	Poulam	Hotta putham
Meliotichery	Pantagoudy	Voada Iruppu
Tiruvatia Goudy	Cota goudi Chungaram	Agara Manhadi

The Magan of Hotta shire containing 9 Villages

Shesha Mashur	Sholam kud
	sholary
Thonika Vali	Putta kudi
Waristi kudi	Trivatta kudi
Puttam	Mili kota Shery

Le Parraguené de Natta
Elindour Composé de
treize Aldées qui sont

Natta Elindour	Canambour	
Couromboga ram	Cachagoudy	
Tiniariagoudy	Devamapooram	
Pantagoudy	Nallatour	
Chetour	Palcombatour	
Combouratour	Pattagoudy	
Chorogoudy		

The Magan of Natte Endur containing 13 Villages.

Shesha Mashur	Shanna Mr
Shurumba Ayeri	Shashom kudi
Tamana kudi	Natta Mr
Settier	Piria Ambagavettur
Ambagalatur	Patta kudi
	Sora kudi

Et moi Pierre

And I Peter

Joseph Chevalier de Boistel
Colonel d'Infanterie en
mes dittes qualité, reconnois
avoir reçu de Mon dit
Sieur Ernest William
Fallofield en ses dittes
qualités la Ville de Sharé
kal avec les Aldées qui
sont

Joseph Chevalier de Boistel
Colonel of Infantry in
my aforesaid Quality
acknowledge to have
received from Ernest
William Fallofield Esqr
in his Quality aforesaid
the Town of Sharical
with

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1st

sont denommés ainsi
que les quatre Magasins
comme il sont porter
sur le present Procés
Verbal.

En temoine de
quoi, Mon Pierre
Joseph Chevalier de
Boistel Colonel
d'Infanterie pour et
au nom de sa Majesté
tres Chretienne, Et le
dit Sieur Ernest
William Fallofield
Ecuyer pour et au Nom
de sa Majesté Bri:
tannique, avons Signé
le present et Apposé
le Sceau de nos Armes
A Sharikal a midy le
Vingt Six Fevrier 1785

Le Chr. de Boistel
Signed { E.W. Fallofield

with the Villages and
Places beforementioned
and also the Four Magazines
which are mentioned in the
present Instrument

In witness whereof
I Ernest William Fallofield
Esquire on behalf of his
Britannic Majesty, and
I Peter Joseph Chevalier
de Boistel Colonel of
Infantry for and in
behalf of his most Christian
Majesty have Signed
these presents, and affixed
the Seal of our Armsat
Sharikal this 26th of
February at noon One
Thousand Seven hundred
and Eighty Five

E.W. Fallofield
Signed { Le Chr. de Boistel

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

My

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Shows M Fullofield enclosing Copy of a Letter from him to M Hippesley on the Subject of the four Mangosteens ceded to France.

My Lord

I have the honor to enclose Your Lordship Copy of a Letter I sent to M Hippesley on the Subject of the Mangosteens.

I most Sincerely Hope the business I have been employed on, has been finished to Your Lordship's Satisfaction

I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect,

My Lord

Your Lps

Karical
27th February 1785

E M Fallofield

To T. C. Hippesley Esqr

Dear Sir

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the Receipt of Your favor of the 23d — As the Amildar Ponnaswamy who was in the Management of the four Mangosteens wrote me "he was ready to do whatever I desired." in Consequence of

the

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1st the Order I sent him from his Excellency the Rajah directed to him & the Requisition I also sent him from M.r Sullivan at the same time to put me in possession of the four Mogannums — I desired him to come to Shariat with the head Conicoply and the head Conicoply Compared his List of the Villages in the Mogannums with the List in the possession of M.r de Boistel & they were found to correspond in general very exactly: — if there appeared any Difference it was no more than what might naturally arise from the different mode of Pronunciation: as for Instance Negore called by the French Nagour, or Coudalore called Gondalaur. In addition to the 81 Principal Villages in the Mogannums there are it seems 14 small Villages, which as the Mogannum Conicoply explained it had happened from one Village having been divided into two or three in like manner as there are at present above 20 in the Ancient Limits of Shariat, the 15 is the old Number

which

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of "which are registered in the public Accounts"
would be a better expression, which We took
profession of when Financial was taken,
to the same number (15) only will now
be inserted in the Act of Restitution
the small Additional ones being very
inconsiderable & Consisting some of them
of a few Families only. I am thus particular
in order to give Your a clear insight into
the business.

The four following Villages
bear a different Name in the Rajahs List
from what they bear on the List of the Head
Maganum Conicoply, which Corresponds
with the French.

Rajahs List Villages	Maganum Conicoply's List	French List
Shetha Vellar	Sooda poona Moola	Soodapoona Moola
Silan Davepadage	Shellore	Shellore
Puvellai Madre	Shayeara Covilpat	Shayeara Covilpat
Pestar pat	Punchancharaporam	Punchamcharaporam

+Another Village called
Maideone in the Rajahs List & Maideone
in Colonel De Boistel's List is called Mudapuram
in the Conicoply's List, who says it is one and
the same Village — The Rajahs were probably
the

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The Ancient Name of the Village which has been Changed by time, many places bear different Names as Porto Novo, Called by the Moors Mahomed Bunder & by the Inhabitants of the Place Pirangypettah. I have however in the Public Instrument inserted them with their different Names as Sheeka Vettar or Toodapoomamoola & to the others I pay no Heed on these little points being persuaded they are merely accidental — M.r Taylor attended by the Company's Peshwah goes to the Town of Tirivadlar the principal one of the Mogannums early tomorrow morning to receive possession of them on the Spot and the Amildar and Head Tenants whom I particularly desired to stay here after their Arrival to remove any little Obstacle or Impediment that might possibly have arisen in the Course of the business) returns likewise. M.r Taylor will remain there until a Gentlemen authorized by M.r De Boistel to receive Charge of the Mogannums from him arrives at Tirivadlar. This I hope every thing will

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1st I will be happily finished and that no future difficulty will ever arise

I have the Honor to be
Dear Sir,
Your &c.a
(Signed) C. H. Talbot field.

2d Sent the following Letter.

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

Gentlemen,

To Bengal the Definitive Treaty have been Affected on this Coast

We have the honor to inform You that Mahe and its Dependencies, together with the Four Contiguous Aldeas were Ceded to the Chevalier de Boistel on the 26th Ulto who was deputed by General Conteneau for the purpose of receiving them on the part of the French Nation

2 Nation.

We have acquainted the President & Council of Bombay thereof so that no Impediment now remains to the Cession of the places on the Malabar Coast by that Government to the French

We have the honor to be Gentlemen Your &c

(Signed) Macartney & Council

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To the Honble Ranson Hart Boddam President &c^a Council (in their Secret Department) at Bombay

To Bombay as the Restitutions to thence have been made on this Coast they can now carry those into Execution under their Presidency.

Gentlemen

We have now to announce to you the Restitution of Sharicul and its Dependencies together with the Cession of the 4 Contiguous Aldeas to the Representatives of the French Nation which took place on the 26th Ulto & completed the business

2d business of the late Treaty with France upon this Coast.

We lose no time in Com-municating this Intelligence to You, as it will enable You to make the Restitutions to the French of the Places under your Government.

We are,
Gentlemen,
Your &c.

(Signed) Macartney &c. Council

Fort St George
2d March 1785

To Charles Floyer Esqr

Sir,

We have the pleasure to inform You of our having received Advice from Mr. Fullerton informing us that Tranquebar & its Dependencies together with the four Contiguous Hoguns were Ceded to the Representatives of the French Nation on the 26th February such Cession to be Considered as taking place on the 10th Ultimo as settled by You

The Business Committed to Your Management being thus finished;

We

To Mr Floyer
the Board express
their Sense of the
Address and
Ability with
which he per-
formed the late
Services entrusted
to him and Return
their Thanks for
the same.

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No 2 We take the earliest Opportunity of expressing our Sense of the Address & Ability with which You have performed this Service and We beg leave to return You our Thanks accordingly.

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We are
Sir
Your &c.
(Signed) Macartney &c. Council.

To Anthony Sadleir Esq.
Chief & &c. Council
at
Masulipatam

To Masulipatam inclosing Copy & Ja Letter & Enclosure from the Committee of Assigned Revenue on the Subject of the Declaration made by the Pahmudo Renter and directing them to depute Mr Scott to enquire into the same

Gentlemen

I am directed by the Right Honble President & Council to send You the Accompanying Copy of a Letter with an Enclosure from the Committee of Assigned Revenue, & to desire You will cause an Investigation to be made into the Business & report thereon to the Board.

In my Letter to Your Settlement of the 4th November, I sent a Copy

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Copy of the Letter from the Committee of Assigned Revenue dated 16th October to which they refer in their Letter now sent to You of the 23d Ulto

The President and Council desire You will depute Mr Andrew Scott to Nuddyguddolah and Palmund with Directions to make particular Enquiry into the Causes of Complaint contained in both Letters, and that You will forward this Report to them with Your Opinion of the Mode which You think will effectually prevent such Evils in future.

I have the Honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your &ca

Fort St George
2 March 1785

(Signed) John Chamier
Acting Secretary

To Eyles Irwin Esqr

Sir,

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

In Mr Irwin approving the Mode recommended by him for future Disbursements the Board are willing

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willing to grant Bonds for those Bills which have been drawn by the Paymaster to the Southern Army, and Accepted by him, and to appropriate a Small Portion of the Sevenue yearly Revenue to the Payment of the Lascars & Artificers Bonds will be granted to the Batcheloth People in Liquidation of their Claims.

2d the Receipt of Your Letter of the 21st Ulto with its Enclosures, & to express their Approbation of Your Exertions in the important Charge Committed to Your Management

The Board approve of the Mode which You have recommended for future Disbursements, & desire You will accordingly adopt it observing always to reserve & secure with Punctuality the Sixth part which is appropriated to the Nabob.

The Board are very desirous of discharging the Bills drawn by the Paymaster of the Southern Army, which You have accepted — similar Claims have been liquidated here by Bonds, or Bills upon Bengal, the former Mode is still open to those who are willing to avail themselves of it after their Accounts have been Audited but the Board cannot at present Consent to Your proposal of Appropriating any portion of the Collections for the Discharge of the Claims in question.

From your Representation of the very distressed Situation of the Lascars & Artificers the President & Council are inclined

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2d inclined to afford them every possible Assistance, at the same time they are unwilling to accquiesce in Your Proposal of granting in their favor Orders for Grain on different Districts, which would diminish the Pish: cash or Revenue from the different Pollygars & Renters in lieu of which Government would Substitute what You proposed for another purpose the Appropriation of such Small Portion of the Tinnevelly Revenue as You may judge expedient to relieve the pressing Necessities of these poor People — This matter the Board leave to your Discretion, & give their Consent to your affording Relief in the proportion which the Necessity of the Case requires.

With respect to the Bullock People the Board are willing to grant Bonds in liquidation of their Claims in the same manner as has been practised here — — this You will be pleased to signify to them — You will likewise as soon as Convenient send an Account of what is due to the Chitchinopoly Mogul Horse, & Sibbendy whom You mention after which a judgement may be formed of the extent to

which

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(To which Assistance may be given to them)

After You shall have appropriated the Revenue in the Manner which You have proposed, the President & Council desire You will inform them what will be the probable Amount of the Surplus, that they may be enabled to give Directions for the disposal of it

I am,
Sir
Your &c.
John Chamier
Acting Secretary

Sent the under mentioned Letters
(as entered in M.B. Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9)

To Colonel Nixon

To Colonel Eccles Nixon, enclosing Extracts of a Report of the Committee of Stores respecting Gunpowder, to which he must conform

To the Paymaster of Vellore

To Mr Ogilvie enclosing Do of Like Do

To Mr T. Palk

To Mr Palk

Government concur with him in the Propriety of building Boats for the Service of the Southern Rivers, desiring him to say if he is willing to undertake the building

2 building of them on certain Conditions.

To Mr Hoisard

To Mr Hoisard — Government consent to the Repairs of the Company's Buildings so as to render them habitable, but they must be done with Economy.

To Capt. Dawes

To Captain Dawes directing him to inform Government what Quantity of Rice is in Store at Chillumbrum. Mr Hoisard will afterwards receive Directions about the Disposal of it.

To Mr. Jackson

To Mr Commissioner Jackson, to investigate the Charge preferred against Mr Digby by his Conicopoly but to inform him (the Conicopoly) that if it shall be found that his Charges are without Foundation he will be punished accordingly.

To Mr Digby

To Mr Thomson Digby, With Copy of the foregoing Letter to Mr Jackson.

Received Letters (as entered in the MB: Nos 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16)

From Lt Col. Cosby

From Lieutenant Colonel Sir Henry Cosby Tippoo's Frontier Garrisons in the Southern Quarter are much alarmed, in Consequence of the Arrival of a Number of Guns and Stores

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2d Stones, and the Report which prevails that Warriore and Seringham are to be reinforced

From Brigr. Genl Horne

From Brigadier General Horne, have adopted a Plan for adjusting the Complaint preferred by Tippoo against Sum Maiah & the Tritchinopoly District, thinks it necessary that a Warrant should be granted him for holding Courts Martial on Officers South of the Coleroon, with Power to approve or disapprove of Sentences.

From Colonel Braithwaite

From Colonel Braithwaite to General Ld stating that a Man who had some time since deserted from the 23d Regiment of Light Dragoons, had been secured by an Officer at Hydrabad; and that he (the Colonel) cannot order a Court Martial on him not having Authority so to do.

4th Resolved in Consequence of the two preceding Letters, that one be addressed to Major General Campbell, requesting him to grant Warrants to Brigadier General Horne and Colonel Braithwaite for holding Courts Martial, with the power of approving or disapproving Sentences (Vide M.B. 30 13).

Minute on the two preceding Letters.

From

4th From Mr Lind, stating his Reasons for not discharging the unauthenticated Demands of the Subadars & Jemidars of the late Independent Battalions. —

From Mr Lind

Minute thereon

Approved, Letter to, in Consequence.

From Mr Welch

From Mr Welch, the Renter delivers 27 Bags of Rice, out of the 5000 engaged to be supplied by him.

From Capt.n Maat

From Captain Maat, representing the weak State of his Garrison, and requesting Government to recall the Detachment that was sent from Permacoil to Pondicherry, and is now at Cuddalore.

Minute thereon

Agreed that Captain Maat be informed that the Detachment will be ordered back to Permacoil, as soon as the Troops from Chillumbrum arrive at Cuddalore.

Received the following Letter from Mr Fallofield.

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

From Mr Fallofield enclosing

My Lord & Gentlemen

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enclosing Copy of his Letter to Mr. Harry Taylor, with Directions to deliver up the four Magazeens to the French.

4th

I have the honor to acquaint Your Lordship &c: that the Four Magazeens in the Neighbourhood of Karical were yesterday delivered over to the French Agent by Mr Harry Taylor at Tirienattar the principal Village in the Magazeens, a few hours after Karical was delivered up — Copy of my Letter to Mr. Taylor by the Officer authorized by the Chevalier de Boistel to receive the Magazeens from him waits on Your Lordship &c: enclosed

I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your &c.

(Signed) E.W. Stallofield

Karical
27th February 1785

Mr Harry Taylor
at
Tirenallar

Sir

On

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4 On the Delivery of this 4
Letter to You by Captain Robillieau au-
thorized by the Chevalier De Boistel Com-
missary for his most Christian Majesty
to receive the four Mogannums of Terrinallor
Nevengar, Shottasheri and Nabicunder.
You will be pleased to deliver them over
to him

I am
Sir
Your &c.
(Signed) E. W. Fallofield

Karical
26th February 1785

A true Copy
(Signed) E W Fallofield

Karical and the four
Contiguous Mogannums being thus Ceded
to France, and that part of the Definitive
Treaty carried into Execution which rested
on Mr Fallofield, the following Letter was
written to him

To Mr Ernest William Fallofield
Resident at
Nagore

Sir

To Mr Fallofield,
with

I

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4th

I am directed by the Right Honble President & Council to acknowledge the receipt of Your Letters dated the 26th & 27th Ults with their several Enclosures.

with entire Approbation of his Conduct in the Delivery to France of Barricad & the four Contiguous Magand.

The President & Council are well pleased to find that the business entrusted to You is Concluded, & they direct me to express their perfect Approbation of Your Conduct in the Management of it.-

I am,
Sir,
Your Hble
(Signed) John Chamier
Acting Secretary

Fort St George
4th March 1785

Received Letter from Colonel Stuart (as entered in MB: No 21) advising that Captain Stonehouse who had been for some time invalided, had embarked for Europe, in Consequence of bad Health.

From Col: Stuart

Ordered that Capt: Stonehouse be struck off the Invalid List.

Minute thereon.

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Saturday 5th March 1785

At a Consultation, Present

The Right Honble Lord Macartney Kt B President

Lieut General Lang — Alexander Davidson Esqr

James Daniell Esqr

Minutes of last Consultation read and Approved

Read the following Letters from Bengal

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

From Bengal announcing the Departure of Mr Hastings for Europe and of Mr Macphersons Succession to the Supreme Chair.—

My Lord and Gentlemen,

The Honble Warren Hastings Esqr having Resigned the Office of Governor General "and his place altogether in "the Honble Company's Service," We are to acquaint You that in Conformity to the provisions of the Acts passed in the Thirteenth and Twenty first Year of the present Reign "for establishing certain Regulations, for the better

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"better Management of the Affairs of the
"East India Company as well in India
"as in Europe."

The Honble John Macpherson Esqr has accordingly succeeded to the said Office of Governor General of the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal so become Vacant by the Resignation of Mr Hastings. And We desire You will announce this Event to all Persons acting under Your Authority.

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

(Signed) John Macpherson
John E Stables

Fort William
the

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

From Bengal, Respecting
mission granted
to this Residency to
draw

My Lord & Gentlemen

We have been honored

Fort St George 5th March 1785

Honored by the Receipt of Your Letters of the 14th 23d & 25th November 11th & 24th December & 3d & 10th Instant.

The same Motives which induced us to Prohibit You from drawing on this Government, must Operate with respect to Furnishing You with a Quantity of Rice as a Compliance with Your Request would have the same Effect on our Treasury.

If however the exigencies of Your Presidency are in reality so very pressing as Your Representation of November last declares, We consent to waive our former Resolutions so far as to allow You to draw Bills upon us to the extent of two Lacs of Current Rupees provided that Sum be absolutely & bona fide applied to the purchase of Rice delivered immediately into Your Stores, but as We positively restrict this Permission to the Provision of Rice alone, so we desire that You will not avail Yourselves of this license but in the Event of your being forced to it by absolute Necessity

Your

draw from them two Lacs of Rupees with the Proviso that that Sum be solely appro: priated to the Purchase of Rice the Exigencies of this Government to be taken into Consideration, as soon as the Ac: countant General has laid before them his Explan: nations respect: ing the extraordi: nary Difference which appears to be in the Accounts of the two Govern: ments on the Amount of Sup: plies sent hither Mr Dundas has been permitted to resign the Service.

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Your Resolutions of the 16th October 1784 respecting the Pay and Allowances of the Civil and Military Servants of your Establishment who may be absent from Your Presidency on leave, will be published in the Gazette, and in General Orders to the Army.

We have forwarded to our Ordnance Department the List of Stores which You indented for on the 25th December 1784. and have at the same time directed such as are actually in our Possession and can be spared to be dispatched to You per Glatton.-

Our Accountant General has been called upon to examine the several Statements - Accompanying Your Letters of the 11th December & 3d January, and to explain the extraordinary Differences, which appears between Your Accounts & Ours of the Amount of Supplies on your Account within the Periods alluded to, When his Observations and Explanations are laid before Us, We propose to give an immediate and Attentive Consideration to your Repre-

sentation

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Representations respecting the State of
Your Exigencies and shall adopt such
early Measures for Your Relief as the
Situation of our own Affairs will admit
of. at present however We decidedly adhere
to our Resolutions and Restrictions of
the 8th November 1784.-

Our Mint Master & Sub-
Treasurer having been called in now to report
the reasons of the Deficiency in the Dispatch
of the Gold Bullion per Lizard We enclose
You the Answer which they have given
and Memorandums explanatory of other
trifling Deficiencies.

The Mode of Adjustment
which they propose We consider exceedingly
reasonable, and request therefore that You
will order Samples of the Gold and Silver
forwarded to You by the Lizard as well as
Samples of all other Remittances in Bullion
subsequent to the Month of March 1782.
on which a Difference in Weight or
Fineness may have appeared to be trans-
mitted to the Court of Directors that it
may be properly assayed at the Tower

The

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The Difference acknowledged by Mr Paxton has been received and carried to the Credit of your Presidency

We enclose You Copy of a Letter written to us by Mr William Dundas a Gentleman of Your Civil Establishment We accepted his Resignation of the Service in Consideration of the very bad State of health which he had the Misfortune to labor under and promised as we now do. to Notify the same to You He proceeded to Europe in the Southampton

Fort William
the 7th February 1785

We have the Honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your &c
(Signed) John Macpherson
John Stables

Read the following Letter from Sir John Burgoyne

To

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To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney
K.B: President &c. Council

From Sir John Burgoyne states why the 3 Men now enlisted into the 23d Regiment did not produce Certificates of their Arrears and that it was owing to the want of them that the President refused to pay them as he declared to Cornet Maxwell

My Lord & Gentlemen,

I have received from Your Acting Secretary a Letter in answer to mine of the 19th Instant in which, he informs by your Order, that the Right Honble President is pleas'd to say he never alledg'd that from his Memory he could recollect the 3 discharged Men, (now inlisted into the 23d Light Dragoons) had been paid their Arrears but on the Contrary he does recollect that when Application was first made for their Arrears, a difficulty arose because they did not produce Certificates from the proper Officer similar to those which were Signed by Major La Motte & which entitled the Men inlisted into the 23d L: D: & the 73d & 78th Regiments of Foot to receive their Arrears, & that it was understood, that untill those Men had been properly settled with they could not legally be inlisted into any other Regiment

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I beg leave to say in answer to the first part that my Acting Paymaster Cornet Maxwell reported to me that such were his Lordships words when he ordered the Mens names struck off from the Distribution — the reason why these Men did not produce Certificates Signed by Major Lamont is, that they never were under Major Lamonds Command or in the 100th Regiment, they were Men who belonged to the Additional Companies that came out under the Command of General Meadows which Additional Companies were reduced during their Mens Confinement with the Enemy & the Officers thereof sent home, so that it was impossible for them to produce Certificates of their having been settled with, but being in the same Predicament with the Men of the 100th Regiment there could be little doubt of the justness of their Claims. I confess I am still to learn that because a Soldier has not been properly settled with

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with in one Regiment which is reduced, he cannot legally inlist into another which is to Stand, & suspect his Majesty was as little aware of this Regiment when She ordered the Men of the reduced Regiment to be inlisted into those which are to remain in India, as he was of the delay & evasion there has been in the execution of his Orders on that head — The want of Copper Utensils to dress the Mens Victuals in of any Regiment who were to have come from Masulipatam in a Foreign Ship must certainly be deemd a full and Sufficient reason for their being Stopd on their March & ordered back, as it would have been totally impossible at Masulipatam to have provided them with Earthen ones for the purpose & this I make no doubt will among many other Instances prove to his Majesty how much in earnest the Government here has been to arrange matters Entirely to Advantage of his Troops, and Particularly for his 23d Regiment of Light Dragoons which must benefit in the extreme by having one third of their number

(all

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(all Recruits) kept for 9 Months
seperate from the Body of the Regiment
& now likely to remain so 9 Months the
longer, without any opportunity of being
made Dragoons, or instructed in the Duty
of a Horseman.-

I am
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your &c.
J. Burgoyne
H.G. & Coll 23 L.D.

Madras
Feb 23d 1785

The following Answer being
drafted and approved is ordered to be sent:-

To Major General Sir John Burgoyne Bart

Sir,

I am directed by the Right
Honble President & Council to acknowledge
the Receipt of Your Letter of the 23d Inst
& to inform You that 'tis not Mr Maxwell
was not present when the President erazed
the names of the 3 Men neither did he hear
the President use the Words imputed to him

It

To Sir John Burgoyne
informing him that
Comet Maxwell was
not present when the
President erazed the
Names of the three
Men neither did he
hear his Lordship
use the Words impu-
ted to him Mr Parker
having misunderstood
the President occasioned
the mistake — No
Officer can regularly
sign a Discharge
without

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without a Soldiers Acknowledgement of having received all just Demands

It appears that Cornet Maxwell only reported to You that M.r Porcher told him that the Presidents Memory served to make him recollect that those Men had been paid, or words to that Effect — M.r Porcher being since asked whether he had given the above Inform: :ation to Cornet Maxwell said that he had, but upon being reminded of the whole Conversation between him & the President, says that the Mistake must have proceeded from his mis: :understanding what was said, & his Confound: :ing with the Men of the 100th Regiment who were paid by Capt.n Ralston, Conformably to Major Lamonts Certificates, the Men of the 9th & 20th Regiments who had been transferred to the 23d Dragoons, & who had not been paid for want of proper Certificates.

With regard to the Irregularity of inlisting Men before a Settlement I am directed to inform You that it was understood here that "A Soldier actually "inlisted in any Regiment without a "Discharge produced in Writing from the "Officer Commanding the Regiment in

which

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"which he last Served was liable to suffer
"Death or such Punishment as a Court
"Martial shall inflict." and that without
an Acknowledgement of a Soldier's having received
all Pay, Arrears of Pay, Cloathing and
just Demands from the day of enlisting
to the Day of Discharge, no Officer could
regularly Sign a Discharge...

I am.
Sir
Your &c.
(Signed) John Chanier
Acting Secretary

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5th March 1785

Read the following Letter
from Majr Lind and Close

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

From Majr Lind
& Close particularizing the Situation
of

My Lord & Gentlemen

We do ourselves the
honor

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of their Negotiation, & enclosing several Papers on the Subject.

honor to forward two Letters received from the Vakeels containing Copies of Papers delivered in by them, and Ibrahim Alley to be signed respectively by the Rajah and Nimmer ud deen Chan, likewise a Paper produced by the Muttursuddies as a true Extract from the Cuddapah Records, regarding the Sayer and different Russoums due from Marella, Cummuchgeery &c. amounting Yearly to 2027 Pagodas, the Sum claimed by Tippoo Sultaun in his Statement of dues transmitted to Your Lordship &c. under the Head of Sayer of Marella alone. Inclosed is also a Paper on the same Subject taken from the Records here from whence it appears that these Demands of the Cuddapah Sircar exceed those heretofore acknowledged, and found in the Sum of 754 Pagodas, a difference that We trust will be removed by the Vakeels (aided by the Information We shall send them) on arrival of the Person expected from Cummum.

Ibrahim Alley having intimated

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intimated his being in possession of the Paper
Signed by one Timmapee formerly a Vakeel
on the part of the Rajah induced Me to
send for him & upon examining him
minutely learnt that in the Year 1781
he went on his own business to Cummum
And as at that time Devecottah Sonapow
Meer Saheb Fondejedar of Cummum,
was troublesome particularly in laying
Claims to the Sayer of Marella, and send-
ing Persons into Goculpetty to collect it.
the Rajah desired him (Timmapee) to
explain matters to Devecottah Sonapow, and
if possible persuade him to desist from
creating any future Disturbance. That
they had a meeting in Consequence at Cum-
brum where the Fondejedar, insisting upon
his Right to the Sayer without producing
any Testimony to prove it, threatened
Confined, and otherwise ill treated Timma-
pee till in order to save his Life he gave it
under his hand that the Rajah should
pay Yearly 1000 Pagodas from the
Revenue of his Sayer to the Cuddapah
Sircar, under the title of Pugdoom which
effected his Release — It is needless to
observe

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observe that a Paper thus extorted from a Man who had no Authority to grant it, should be considered by the Rajah as Invalid — This Information has been Communicated to the Vackeels.

On perusal of the Papers given in by Ibrahim Ally for the Rajah's Signature Your Lordship &c. will perceive that Shunmeer ud deen Chan is desirous, that the Rajah, should enter into an Agreement with him, not to afford protection to any Amuldars, Ryots &c. belonging to the Cudalapah Circar, but to deliver them up, Seeing that the advantage to be drawn from this proposal is not reciprocal, but wholly on his side, and apprehensive that the Rajah's Acquiescence therein might involve him in endless disputes particularly as the Inhabitants who have been driven from his Country would thereby be prevented from returning and settling in it hereafter — We have therefore directed the Vackeels to use their utmost Endeavours to get it dispensed with — Should the execution of this Article be insisted on Your Lordship &c. will be pleased

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pleased to inform Us whether it may
be Complied with.

Upon a review of the
Correspondence that has passed and the
transactions that have happened since
the arrival of the Vacheels at Cuddapah
We are hopeful that a tender of the first
Kist, and providing Security for the
Second will effect the Restitution of the
Districts, which We conceive to be the
primary Object, for were the Rajah put
in possession of them, the delay that may
be occasioned by the Adjustment of the
remaining points, coun be of no material
disadvantage to him — However and
deen Cawn deprived of the Sweets, re:
sulting from the enjoyment of the
Districts could have but few induce:
ments to throw Difficulties in the way
of a final Accommodation — The
Instructions We have sent to the
Vacheels are therefore in conformity to
these Sentiments.

We

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We are now to acknowledge the Receipt of Your Lordships &ca Favor of the 23d Instant covering a translation of a Letter of a late date from the Rajah urging You to direct us to forward the Letter for the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun Our Natives for detaining that Letter having been explained to the Rajah, and Having met with his concurrence we could not but be astonished at this appar: ent change of Sentiment and in order to be fully acquainted with the Causes from whence it might have originated We waited upon him — The translation being interpreted to him he said it materi: ally differed from the Original, which contained no request to Your Lordship &ca to forward the Letter to the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun above alluded to, for that he had not altered the Opinion he made known to us regarding it — upon this Declaration Captain Close requested to be indulged with a perusal of the Office Copy of his Letter which being produced was found only to express his desire that the Right Honble President would

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would address the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun
and Shummier ud deen Chan on the
necessary points so as to induce them to
recede from those unjust Demands which
their people at Cuddapa still persist in.
The Rajah on this begged that this
Original might be rexamined and the
Translation corrected

From the Rajahs Letter
to his Vakeels (enclosed herein) Your
Lordship &c. will perceive that the Objections
made by Mullaroo to find Security
for the Second Instt. will most likely
be removed, but to guard against a
possibility of another disappointment
on the part of the Sowcar it may be
necessary for You to intimate to the Rajah
the propriety of his being effectually pre-
pared for such an Event by having the
Money in readiness and We shall it also
impress him on the same head.

Although We are sensible
that there are many points on which it
will be necessary for Your Lordship &c
to address the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun
yet

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yet as our immediate Object now is, to ascer:
:tain whether Hummer ud deen Chan means
to abide by the Conditions of the Tiefsel
Namah by fulfilling them on our part
until then We could wish Your Lordship &c
to suspend Your intentions of writing to
Him — It is not to be denied but that in
the proposals now offered at Cuddepah the
Rajah has Submitted to the Inconvenience
of temporary Sacrifices yet considering the
many and intricate Subjects to be investigated
and adjusted the numberless Obstacles that
have presented themselves in the course of the
Negociation and likewise that the attainment
of a Speedy and amicable Accomodation was
the sole Object of our Deputation so indis:
:pensible in the present Situation of Affairs
We trust that Your Lordship &c will be
of Opinion they are such only as could not
possibly be avoided.

We have the honor to be with
much Respect
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your &c
Francis Lord
(Signed) Barry Close

Vencat Ghery
20th February 1785

Agreed

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Agreed that Mssrs Lind & Close be informed that the Board would certainly disapprove of the Rajah of Vencatacherry's entering into any Agreement with Shummer ud deen Cawn, by which the Advantage would be wholly on the Side of the latter — the Vackeels must therefore insist upon its being reciprocal, & acquiesce in Shummer ud deen Cawn's proposal on that Condition only.

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The Board approve the Conduct of Mssrs Lind & Close in the management of the Negociation, and resolve not to address Tippoo Sultaun upon this Subject until further Intelligence is received from them.

The Conduct of Mssrs Lind and Close approved

Agreed that the President be requested to write to the Rajah of Vencatacherry, recommending him to be provided against the Events of his Security for the 20 Lists being refused, & desiring he will have Money ready in order to prevent further Delays in the Conclusion of the Business.

The Rajah of Vencatacherry to be written to

Received

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Received the following Letter from Sir John Burgoyne

My Lord & Gentlemen

From Sir John Burgoyne has been in expectation of hearing from Government (ever since the Arrival of the Act of Parliament) respecting his Arrest, if the new Government continue him in Arrest, he shall commence a Prosecution against it, in like manner as he has against the former one.

The Dispatch from Europe which arrived here the 11th Ulto having brought a British Act of Parliament whereby the Government of this Presidency is new Modelled, I have been ever since in expectation of hearing from You on the Subject of my Arrest, under which I was put by the late Select Committee of Fort St George, and to which (though I have uniformly protested against the legality of it) I have quietly Submitted, merely from that determined Resolution I have uniformly adhered to, of not involving this Government in any Confusion but as you have not been pleased to signify to me either my release from, or continuation in the Arrest imposed on me by the late Select Committee of Fort St George, I must beg you will please to inform me of Your Commands on that head. For having ordered my Attorney in England to prosecute the

Right

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Right Honble President and Members of the late Select Committee for their illegal Conduct towards me, I shall, if still continued by the new Government in Order commence a fresh Prosecution against each and every Member of it who may think proper to be concerned in the same.

Madrass
March 1st 1785

I have the honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your &c.
(Signed) John Burgoyne
M. G.

Agreed that Sir John Burgoyne be informed that the Act of Parliament lately arrived here does not in any Shape affect the Acts of the former Administration, which are to all intents & purposes as valid as they were before its passing. & therefore stand in need of no particular Confirmation or renewal. If intimation of this kind had been necessary, the Board would certainly have made it sooner, but it did not occur to them that the

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the least doubt could exist in any Mans
mind upon the Subject

Read the following Letter

from General Contenceau to the President

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney

My Lord

From Brigadier General Contenceau relating the Claims by which France is entitled to the Seven Jonkans dependent on Villenour.

I have received the Letter which You did me the Honor to write me on the 18th Instant I request of You once more to listen to a detail in which I conceive it my Duty to enter respecting the Jonkans and I will explain the matter as clearly as possible to convince You of the propriety on which I establish my Claim. On the 13th July 1749. Villenore was ceded to France and the Jonkans in question were added to that District. On the 14th December 1750 Valdaur was given to Mr. Dupleix, He has either constantly possessed it himself or by his Agents. the Jonkans have always been distinct from Valdaur they formed a part of Villenour, and that, during seven Successive Years as is ascertained by

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by those who have been in charge of the Receipt of Rents, as well as by the Emperor's Records, and the particular Records of Villenour — The Court of Directors Letter is a Support in my favor, as it particularly says for the sake of avoiding all disputes things shall be taken upon the footing in which We were in 1754; whereas in that Year, Villinour had actually the Jonkeans as a part of its Revenues.

My Duty obliges me on these points to enter into as minute Details as possible, after having accomplished this function of my Office, I am anxious to present You my Respects, and to convince You that I have the honor to be with Sentiments of the greatest Consideration,

My Lord

Your &c.

(Signed) Coutenceau

Pondicherry
24 February 1785

A true Translation

(Signed) T. Chaste

French Translator

The President lays before the Board the following Draft of an Answer to General Contenceau which is approved.

To

To Fort St George 5th March 1705

To Brigadier General Contenceau
&c &c &c

To Brigadier General Contenceau States why his Claims to the 7 Pontons are inadmissible.

Sir,

I have the Honor to acknowledge the Receipt of Your Letter of the 24th Ultimo.—

You will do me the Justice Sir to believe, that in opposing Your Claim to the Juncans, I have not the smallest Wish to withhold from Your Nation any part of the Rights, she has acquired by the Treaty. My Conduct proceeds purely from the Conviction of my own breast, that these Juncans cannot, by any reasonable Interpretation, be considered as making any part of the 80 Villages ceded to You — Admitting as You say that the Juncans formed a Branch of the Revenue of Villenour, and that they did so during Eleven Successive Years, I must suppose that they were Separated during that time from their proper Stock (the Hovelby Purgunna & Cusbar of Waldour) for some reason of Convenience; probably; because it was more easy

easy to collect them at Villenour than Bahoor and both these places being then in the possession of Your Government, such Separation was of little Consequence; But on the present Occasion when a Territory consisting of a certain number of Specified Villages is to be delivered to You, We must be guided by the Records of the Country in ascertaining the extent of their Revenue, and these Records inform us that the Juncans alluded to are positively attached to the Havelly Purgunna, and Qusba of Valdour which is not Ceded to Your Nation.

Under these Circumstances, You will I am sure readily assent to the Propriety of a Reference to my Constituents the Court of Directors of the East India Company, who notwithstanding they mention the Period of 1754 as one of the means for ascertaining the extent of the present Cession, have sent other stronger & more accurate materials for our Guidance, which are in favor of the Sense We have put on the Article of the Treaty.

This Reference can be attended

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attended with little Inconvenience to You and I flatter myself such Explanations will result from it as may tend to Strengthen that Mutual Harmony & good Understanding which Subsists between our respective Courts.

I have the Honor to be with perfect Consideration.

Sir,

Your &c.

(Signed) Macartney

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The following Letter with an Inclosure is also read — the Memorial is entered in M.B. N° 22/

From General Contenceau encl. ing a Memorial from Mon[r] Busy a Merchant of Pondicherry

Busy

My Lord

I have the Honor to Send You a Representation and Copy of a Certificate, specifying the Claims made by M[r] Busy a Merchant of this Place with Confidence he lays his Case before

Your

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Your, and hoping Your will find his Pretentions well grounded, Your will be kind enough to decide in his favor.

I have the Honor to be with Distinguished Consideration

Pondicherry 1st March 1705

My Lord

Your &c.

(Signed) Coutenceau

A true Translation

(Signed) F: Chasse

French Translator

The Memorial to lie on the Table.

The Memorial accompanying the foregoing Letter is ordered to lie on the Table

Read the following Letter from Sir John Burgoyne.

From Sir John Burgoyne has purchased the Number of Horses the Government of Bengal has directed and requests that Orders may be issued to the Renters to permit the Horses to pass toll free from Condapilly to Madras by the Route of Ongole & Nellore.

My Lord & Gentlemen

Having received the Commands of the Supreme Board to communicate with You on the Subject of procuring Horses to remount His Majesty's 23 Regiment of Light Dragoons, I now do myself

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I myself have the honor to inform You that I have compleated the Number the Supreme Board has issued me the Money for, and have to beg that You will give Your Orders to Your Renters to permit the Horses to pass toll free from Condapilla to Madras by the Route of Ongole and Nellore, in same manner as You did the Year before last when I purchased Horses at Ongole I also have to beg You be pleased to give Orders to Your Officers Commanding at Condapilla Ongole and Nellore to furnish my Officer with a Guard sufficient to protect the Horses. As they will leave Hyderabad the 20th of this Month, Your Commands on the Subject should be made known forthwith.

I have the Honor to be,

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your &c.

(Signed) John Burgoyne

H: G & Colonel

23d Light Dragoons

Madras
March 4th: 1785

My

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From Sir John Burgoyne recommending that the Detachment of his Majesty's 23 Regt Light Dragoons do proceed by Land to the Presidency with the Stores coming from Hydrabad.

My Lord & Gentlemen

Since writing my Letter yesterday in which I had the honor to address You on the Subject of the Stores coming from Hydrabad, it has Struck me, that perhaps since it is now too late to hope for any opportunity of conveying the Recruits of the 23: Regiment of Light Dragoons hither by Sea You may think proper to Order them to march by Land: should that be the case, I beg leave to inform You that the Horses will be at Chicacolum on the Banks of the Shistna which is twenty Cos from Ellore, and Eighteen from Condapilla, on or about the 9th of April. I therefore beg leave to offer it as my Opinion that the Detachment from Ellore and the Horses from Hydraboad should join there, and proceed together to this place as I think this Arrangement for the good of the Service, I flatter myself You will find no objection to the execution of it

I have the honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your &ca
John Burgoyne
M.G. & Col.: 23.: L.D.

Agreed

Madras
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Agreed that Orders be given that the Horses passing from Condapilly to Madras by the Route of Ongole & Nellore be allowed to come duty free, and that a Guard be granted for their Protection by the Comm: mandants of the different Garrisons, thro' which they will pass, if the Officer in charge of them should apprehend any danger upon the Road, & shall make Application in Consequence.

Minute on Sir Johns Letter of the 4th

With respect to the Recruits of the 23d Regiment of Light Dragoons now to the Northward the Board cannot determine, as it is not Certain that no Opportunity will offer for Conveying them by Sea — if none should offer, they may be ordered to join by Land at such time as may be judged most suitable, of which, intimation will be given to the King's Commander in Chief for the time being — As however the distance of Chicacollum from Ellore is inconsiderable the Horses might proceed to the latter Place, & remain with the Recruits, if they are still there, till such time as they may be ordered to the Presidency

Minute on Sir Johns Letter of the 5th

Ordered that a Letter to the foregoing Effect be written to Sir John Burgoyne

Read

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Read the following Letter from
Colonel Nixon

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

From Colonel Nixon the Storekeeper refusses to deliver into him regular Returns of Stores in the Garrison of Vellore, requests Government will give Directions respecting it — Communicates Intelligence relating to Tippoo Sultaun

My Lord & Gentlemen

I have the honor to transmit You a General Monthly Return of the Troops under my Command for the Month of February last, & to acquaint You that having frequently applied to the Storekeeper here for a Return of the Stores belonging to this Garrison without being able to obtain One, I think it incumbent upon me to request that You will be pleased to give the proper Orders upon the Occasion. I judge it necessary to acquaint You also that a Guard of Our Sepoys which keep possession of Mulpradoby are intirely Cut off from all Communication with this Country but Clandestinely, as no Man with Arms is permitted to pass — hitherto or from it, the Inhabitants are kept in Confinement at Chistnagurry for fear they should return to their Villages in that

District

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District, A Head Man of a Village Vella Vira Gounda by Name who had escaped into his own District was followed and carried away again Prisoner by Tippoo's People, The Amil as I hear collects nothing nor has he been able for a Month past to supply the Sepoys with any thing.

I have the Honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your &c.
(Signed) E. Nixon

Vellore
2d March 1785

Minute thereon

Agreed that Colonel Nixon be informed that it is unusual for Storekeepers to deliver Returns of Stores to Commandants of Garrisons, which is not necessary since the Commandants have it in their power to examine the Storekeeper's Books, & inspect the Stores as often as they please — The Duties of the Storekeeper are minutely explained in the Book of Regulations, to which Col. Nixon must be referred. —

The President is requested to write to Tippoo Sultaun on the Subject of the latter part of Colonel Nixons Letter

Read

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Read the following Letter from
Mr Thomas Welch

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

My Lord

From M Welch expects in a day or two to receive a quantity of Paddy, equal to the Consumption of twenty days and before that time is expired the Renter will deliver ten Garce more

I hope in the Course of a Couple of days to have received from the Renter the quantity of Paddy I mentioned to Your Lordship would be sufficient for twenty Days Consumption, and he informs me before that time is expired he will be able to deliver about 10 Garce more which will be cut within a short distance of this place, this is all he can supply without sending me far as Chillumbrum and Manargoody where he has a large Stock and could deliver to the Amount of 10 or 12 Thousand Pagodas worth; but as these places are at such a considerable distance, before I desire him to send so far, (as the Bullock hire will come very high) I have thought proper to suggest to Your Lordship that it is probable the Vellour

Renter

as

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Renter may have it in his power to furnish this place with a Quantity of Paddy with less difficulty and on easier terms, however if Your Lordship wishes that the Paddy should be sent for from the aforementioned places, Bullocks shall be dispatched without Delay the moment I receive Your Lordships reply; he continues to furnish a few Bags of Rice daily but it comes in so very slow that I am afraid it will take a considerable time before he has fulfilled his Engagement of delivering the five thousand Bags, I have spoken to the head Buzar People to know whether they can deliver any quantity of Rice, on what terms and in what time, they have promised to Consider and let me know as soon as they do I shall immediately make Your Lordship acquainted with their Proposals

I have the honor to be
with the greatest Respect
Your Lordships &c.
Thomas Welch

Arcot
1st March 1785

As the Board are not without
grounds

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grounds for suspecting that the present Scarcity of Grain at Arcot is in some degree Artificial, it is Agreed to advise Mr Welch of it and to desire he will make particular enquiries in Consequence, and also inform the Board what would be the Amount Dr Garce of Rice delivered at Arcot, after having been brought from the distant Countries from whence there is a probability of procuring Supplies.

Minute thereon

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing Letter be sent to the Committee of Assigned Revenue, advising them of the Boards Suspicions that the Scarcity of Grain at Arcot is artificial, & requesting they will take Steps for the removal of the present Inconveniences and for the future Supply of Rice to the Cantonment.

Do

The President lays before the Board a Letter addressed by the Nabob (entered in C. C. Fo 30) to the Governor and

Substance of a Letter from the Nabob respecting the Demolition of Chillumbrum.

and Council, complaining of a Violation of his Rights in the Orders given for destroying the Works at Chillumbrum, and observing that if such a Measure were expedient, he ought to be Consulted and his Approbation obtained previous to its being put into Execution. —

Agreed that the President be desired to inform the Nabob, that the destroying of the Works surrounding the Pagoda of Chillumbrum was judged necessary with a View of contracting the Defence of the Country within the Compass of the Military Force to be kept up for its Security, and that they naturally suppose His Highness's free Assent will accompany every Measure, that has for Object the Protection of the Carnatick, which has long been and must Continue to be the particular care of the English Nation. —

Minute thereon

Agreed also that the President

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President be desired to remind the Nabob
Letter to be written to the Nabob in Consequence
that the established Channel of Correspondence
between Sir Hughness and this Government
is through the President, to return the Board
request he will be pleased to address Sir Lellers
agreeably to former usage (Vide C. C. 11th 31)

Mr William Collins Jackson
Mr W. C. Jackson appointed Acting Deputy Secretary
is appointed Acting Deputy Secretary

Macartney

R. J. Lang

J. Dowdeswell

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March 6th Dispatched the following Letter

Military & Political Department

To Major General Sir Isher Burgoyne Bart.

Sir

I am desired by the Right Honble
the President & Governor to acknowledge the receipt
of your Letter of the 1st Instant & to observe
to you in reply that the Act of Parliament
lately passed does not vest in any of the Se
veral Boards of the Supreme Government
which the Duke of the former Establish
ment has been pleased to assign to the
Board of Trade

I am Sir Isher Burgoyne
informing that the
Act of Parliament
has not vested
the powers of the
former Establish-
ment, that of Fort
St. George has
been made over
to the Supreme
Council and
that all the
Boards of
Trade

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6th March 1785.

Sam, Sir,

Your most Obedt
humble Servants

(Signed) Jolin Francis
Actg Secry.

Military & Political Depart.

To Mr. Francis Lind
& Capt. Lind. Barry Close
at Vencatagherry.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honble
the President & Council to acknowledge the
receipt of your letter of the 28th Ulto & to express
their Approbation of the Steps you have
taken in the Business entrusted to your
Management.

The Board would certainly
disapprove of the Rajah of Venkatagherry's
entering into any Agreement with Hyder

Ye 8

Ye Mess. Lind & Close
Approving the
Steps they have
taken Informing
them the Board
cannot consent
that the Rajah
should enter into
any Capitulation
by which Hyder
Ali Khan Pawn
would acknowledge

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6th The Dain Paum by which the advantage would be wholly on the side of the latter & they therefore desire that you desist the Vachuels be insist upon its being reciprocal. Vto acquiesce in Thuroor Vd dein Paum proposal on that Condition only.

The Right Honble President has written to the Rajah of Vencatagherry, recommending him to be provided against the Events of this Security for the 2d Visit being refused, & desiring he will have money ready, in order to prevent further delays on the Conclusion of the business.

For the reasons assigned in your Letter, the Board do not mean to address Despatches Letters upon the Subject of your Negociations until they shall hear further from you respecting the progress of them with Thurmaun Vd dein Caun.

I am Gentlemen

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

/ Signed / John Chamier

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P.S.

Inclosed the Original Letter to the Rajah of Vencatagherry, with a Copy thereof for your Information.

Military & Political Depart.

To Charles Oakeley Esqr.

Mr. Member of the Committee of Assigned Revenue

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honble President & Council to enclose a Copy of a Letter from the Paymaster of Arcot for your Consideration, & to inform you that the Board from private Authority having reason to entertain Suspicions that the Scarcity of Rice at Arcot is Artificial, desire you will make enquiries, & take the Steps which to you may appear necessary for the removal of the present inconvenience, & for the future Supply

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6th of Foot to the Cantonment at Arcot.

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Sam.

Gentlemen,

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant.

(Signed) John Cannier
Ad. Genl.

Major General Sir J. Burgoyne Bart.

Sir,

To Sir J. Burgoyne
the Horses leaving
from Pondicherry
to mount the
B.C. Regt. will
be allowed to
pass toll free;
desiring them
to specify the
Number of Horses
so convey'd the
Renters will
make a Charge
against the
Company and
no Opportunity
offer by Sea of
conveying the
Recruits from
the Northward
hither they will
be ordered to
proceed by Land.

23d

I am directed by the President & Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 4th Instant & of your Letter of the day following.—

In consequence of the first they will give direction that such Horses as belong to the Company Passing from Pondicherry to Madras by the route of Ongole & Nellore in order to Mount the 23d Dragoons shall Come toll free in the same Manner as formerly.— In order to prevent Error in the Number expected

Should

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7th Should be Specified to me as they will be all charged by the contractors on Account against the Company.

For the Officers of the 23 Dragoons employed on this service as Forage Guard will be granted for their protection on Proper Application to the Commandant of such Garrisons as he may have occasion to pass thro'.

With respect to the Recruits of the 23d Dragoons now to the Northward I am not certain that no Opportunity will offer for conveying them hither by Sea. If however none should offer they will be ordered to join by Land at such time as may be judged most suitable for the Hills Companys Service of which proper Notice will be given to Major General Campbell Commanding in Chief for the time being His Majesty Troops there, that all Events, as the Distance is no Object from Charlestown to Ware St. Thomas ought to proceed to the

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ye the Cattan place. & remain at that place
with the recruits, if the vessels should
be still there, till such time as they
may be ordered down here.

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I am Sir
Your most Obed^t
humble Servant
(signed) J. Chamier
A.D.G.

Secretary to Political Department
Head Quarters 6th March
1785

My Lord & Gentlemen

I have General
Campbell's orders
transmit Warrants
to Brigadier
General Stuart &
Col. Braithwaite
enabling them to
hold Courts
Martial &c
and empowering
them to approve
or disapprove
Sentences. —

I have had the honor to
receive your Secretary's Letter of the 4th Instant
and shall accordingly in compliance with
the desire of your Lordships &c. transmit
Warrants to Brigadier General Stuart and
Colonel Braithwaite enabling them to assemble
General Courts Martial for the Trial
of Offences committed among the Troops
under their respective Commands — but
without being Empowered to declare or pronounce

those

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To those Officers to whom the Execution of the Sentences of such Courts Martial

Shall have the Honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your Most Obedient

Humble Servant

The Right Honble

The President & Council

Fort St. George

Allan Campbell Brig. Gen.

Commg his Majesty's Forces

in India for the time being

Sent the Undermentioned Letters

which are ordered on Pay M. B. Nos 23. 24.

25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

To Lt. Thomas Welsh desiring him to inform

Government whether or not the Security of

Fort St. George would be endangered by

his leaving a Detachment there, when

brought from distant Parts. To Capt.

George Mundy, the Detachment ordered

from this Garrison to Pondicherry ... has

received directions to return

To Lieut. Colonel Berry, desiring Lieut.

to send back to Trincomale the Detachment

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4th Now doing duty at Cuddalore, as soon as the Troops arrive from Trincomalee.—

To Mr. Richard Thomas Dyson, informing

To Mr Dyson

him that he cannot be permitted to draw Allowances after the 25th August last, and that he must remain at Warriore and continue to countersign such accounts & vouchers relative to the Southern Army.—

To Colonel Nixon advising him that

To Col: Nixon

it has never been customary for Storekeepers to deliver Returns of Stores to Commandants of Garrisons, and referring him to the Book of Regulations Page 57 Paragraph 4th

To Mr Samuel Johnstone & to Mr

To Mr Samuel Johnstone & To Mr. Wm. Mackintosh

William Mitchell enclosing Lists of Stores embarked for the Garrisons of Trichinopoly & Madura

To Mr Francis Lind approving

To Mr. Lind

his Reasons for not discharging the unauthenticated Demands of the Subadars and Jemadars of the late independant Battalions.

To Mr Thomas Welsh, informing

To Mr. Welsh

Dyson

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7th Saw that the Cavalry Mistakes under Lord Dalhousie must be replaced precisely on the same Footing as the other Regiments of established Cavalry at Arcot

From Mr. Jones Received Letter from Mr. Jones Dewan of Tanjore as entered in A B. No. 32/ enclosing several Papers relating to his Accounts, and representing that Mr. Orpin has Objected to them.—

Agreed that Mr. Lawrence be desired to inform Mr. Orpin that no public Officer can pass Accounts unless they are conformable to the established Regulations.— Vide A B No. 33/

From Captn. Davis Received Letter from Captn. Davis 34, 35, 36, Marshall of Tanjore Store at Chellum-brum— as entered in the Miscellany Book No. 3/32

From Lt. Sheriff & Crews Saw Lieutenants Sheriff & Crews requesting to be allowed Pay for the Month of January not having received Information of the Resolution of the Board respecting Officers Absent on Leave

Agreed

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Agreed that the above Officers
Allowance thereof to commence their Pay for January —

At a Consultation Present

The Right Honble Sr Macartney Kt.
Lieut. Gen.l Lang — Alex.r Davidson Esq.r
James Daniell Esq.r

Tuesday 8th March 1785

Minutes of last Consultation
read & approved

The following Draft of a Letter
to Bengal being approved is ordered to be
dispatched

The Honble John Macpherson Esq.r
Governor General &c.a Council
Fort William,

To Bengal congratulating Mr. Macpherson on his succession to the Government & informing the Gentlemen, with respect to the Election of their Representative to be sent the earliest opportunity —

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter we have
advising a date, informing us that the Honble Warren
Hastings

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Sir Thomas Rumbold having resigned the Office of Governor
of the Settlement
Sir John Macpherson Bart. has succeeded to the Government
of the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal
We beg leave to offer him our Compliments
& Congratulation upon the occasion & to
express our hopes that the State of this
Presidency whose distressed situation
has been represented by you
will claim your earliest attention and
assistance

We communicated to Sir
John Macpherson the Contents of your
Letter of the 28th December in which
you mention that on Account of your Indisposition
being to interfere in his projected for
changing Horses & also in consequence
of his intimating to you that he could
not procure Money for his Bills on

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Bengal, but at a very high exchange
you had directed them to desist from
any further purchases since that time
We have received a Letter from them
for which he says that having received
your Commands to correspond with
us on the Subject of procuring Horses
to remount the 22d Dragoons, he thought
it proper to inform us that he had
completed the Number for which you
had issued the Money Your Letter of
the 6th Ulto was the Reason to acquaint
you that Pondicherry had been deliver-
ed to the French & that Battalion
had been restored to us on the 1st of
February - Since that time the Cessions
to the French of Villenore & Bahoure
as also of Thercal & the 4 Magans
have taken place - There are some
Forts however which remain to
be adjusted between us relative
to the right claimed by the French to
a Tribute Corrin Leland on the
Coven

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Rivers of Negapat to come to Trinquebar January
of the Danish Pagoda & Cuddalore of Wallaja
near Pondicherry, & also to an exemption
from Customs on the Northern Coasts We
shall endeavour to settle these Matters
to the best of our Judgement in the Man-
-ner most consonant to Treaty, to Justice
& the Interests of the Company & if we are
unsuccessful we shall refer them to your
decision.

The carrying into execution the
Definitive Treaty with Holland is the
main Object of your Orders. We are sorry
to find by your Letter of the 3.d Ult.o that
you have not received more particular
instructions than we have, to enable you
to form a clearer judgement of the mean-
-ing of the 4.th Article of that Treaty, however
you say that if the Factories in dispute
establishments, as you are pleased
to term them on the Coast of Coromandel
& were had been meant to be included
under the term Dependencies the
Places would have been mentioned

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by name which is a conclusion the very
reverse of what we should have drawn
from the premises which we are acquainted
with — From the Letter of the Court of
Directors of the 24th September 1783. inform-
ing us that they would reserve such
orders as they may hereafter occasion to give
to us upon this Subject till they should
Advise us of the Conclusion of the Definitive
Treaty with the Dutch. From thence not
yet having notified to us that event,
altho' it took place on 2 May 1784. from
their having avoided any explanation
upon the supposition of Dependancies of
Negapatam; from Mr. Hickey's Instruc-
tions leaving limited them to a Simple
Commerce of the Preliminary Treaty
with a Defensive one without admit-
ting the Interpretation of Messieurs
Berkenrode & Brantzen the Dutch
Plenipotentiaries as appears by their
Letter inserted in the Supplement of the
Leyden Gazette N°53 of the 2d July 1784
printed by Authority, We should rather
conceive that we ought rather to defer
the

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the execution of the Definitive Treaty
till we received the Instructions promised
to us, or if we did execute it, to execute
it only upon the ground of the plain
& simple expression of the 6th Article which
specifies the Restoration to us of Negapatam
& the Dependencies thereof without
further explanations. That we should
restore to the Dutch all other places
which we had taken from them Factories
in the Factories to the Southward
of Negapatam which are Dependencies
of Colombo, but that their ordinary &
usual Forces for us to retain till further
orders Judicial Political Colonial Legis-
lature Power & Boundaries, which
on the true & proper Sense of the
expression are as much dependencies of
Negapatam as Cuddalore & Ahmanda-
-nagg Pollam are dependencies of
Fort St. George & which should happen
to be their Opinion & we have re-
signed our Powers for thanking it
is so, We should avoid the Embarrass-
-ment which your late Order has

We

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We under, for by actually given up the Dependencies of Negapatam as you direct us to do, at the under a formal renovation, We unnecessarily transfer every difficulty from the Dutch to ourselves & lay a burthen upon our own shoulders which ought more properly to press upon them.—

We have not yet heard from Mr. Falck upon the Subject but we imagine that we very soon shall as we have that the French Troops have evacuated Trincomalay & are arrived at Pondicherry Mr. Dorvieux late one of the Principal Dutch Servants at Negapatam who after the Surrender was taken by us had permission to remain as Prisoner on Parole at Vizagapatam came down from that place a few days since in order to meet a Dutch Company expected here by Land from Colombo, Supposed to be charged with Instructions to settle Matters with us.— we flatter ourselves however

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However with hopes that a Dispatch
may Arrive from England before he
comes, conveying to us the sense of our
Superiors thereon relative to the 4th Article
of the Preliminary Treaty, otherwise on
the Footing of the late Act of Parliament
this Subordinate Presidency must be
under the necessity of adopting your
Interpretation of it by acting accordingly

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We have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obt Hs
humble Servants
(Signed) Macartney &c.
Council

Incl the following Letter from
General Campbell, enclosing Copy of one
from Colonel Stuart

(Military Department)

Head Quarters 1st March
1785

My Lord & Gentlemen

I have the honor to

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From General, to enclose the Copy of a Letter which I yesterday
Campbell Inclosing
Letter from received from Colonel Stuart Commanding
Colonel Stuart, the 78th Regiment, and Shew to request
requesting the final Determination of your Lordship &c. will be pleased
=tion of the Board respectively such to communicate to me as soon as possible
of the Men, as your final Determination with respect
will not entitle to the Men of that Regiment, who do
not Choose to Reinlist, that I may
transmit the same to Colonel Stuart.=

I have the honor to be,

My Lord &c. &c. &c.

Your Most Obed.t Servant

The Right Honble (Signed) Allan Campbell
the President & Council Maj.r General Comm.g
of his Majesty's Forces in
Fort St. George India for the time being

Major General Campbell
Commanding in Chief His Majesty's Forces
in India for the time being &c. &c. &c.

Sir

I have been honored with your's
of the 17th Instant inclosing a Paragraph of

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of a letter from the Governor & Council of the Presidency of Fort St. George respecting the Men of the 78th Regt. under my Command who have refused to Reinlist which agreeable to your directions I have communicated to them, their long Despondent & distressful Cry prevents me expressing to be separated from the rest of the Regt. & sent to some Part of the Sea Coast there to be ready for embarkation by the first Opportunity and if that is refused there they demand their Discharge in Virtue of the Kings Order and agreeable to the Sense of Government in the Letter I have communicated to me. I cannot say but authority to oblige them to remain on their present Situation, But I cannot myself extremely averse to have recourse to extremities with Men who have been Conducted themselves like good Soldiers, and whose Time for the Observance of being Compleatly Cloathed and therefore I should think take the Liberty of assuring you on the Subject and if requesting that you would again recommend to Government their

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Separation from the Regiments and removal
to some part of the Sea Coast, as at least
a Matter of Indulgence if not of expediency
Will answer for their Behaviour, and the
regular performance of their Duty in the
station that Government may please to
assign them

Should not their request be
complied with, and they insist on their
Discharge, as an Officer on board whose Command
they have served for some years unreproacha-
=bly, and as a Man I cannot help pleading
for their being set a shift tho' at their
own request on this Country, or far from
their native homes, without any kind
of provision being made for them while
they remain on a passage to Europe
provided for them, a thing they never
can procure for themselves. & I am not
a little apprehensive of the Effect the
Distresses they must inevitably suffer, will
have upon the Credit and good of the Service,
In the meantime if it still be necessary
for me to grant them their Discharges

I have

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I have to request your Junction for to Joney with your Directions as to the Period you choose they should be paid up to, as I write to you at their request and have given them hopes of an answer by the next 8th Post I could beg you to enable me to Satisfy them by that time

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obd.

Humble Servant

(Signed) J. Stuart Col

Comm.g 73d Regt.

Tanjore
9th Feby 1785

(Atteste Copy)

H. Campbell
Secry to
Majr Genl Campbell

H.9

The Board after taking the Letter from Colonel Stuart into Consideration cannot at present conveniently adopt any Plan for the Accommodation of the Men of the 73d Regt. who are desirous of going home but instead of embarking them at Negapatam or Nagore & of having them Conveyed to Manelpatam whence they may

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may command under a proper Number
of them were Officers until the Ships
above from Bengal or until those to be
dispatched to England from hence may
take them up, & Convey them to Europe
According to their Desire—

a Letter to be written to Genl Campbell in Consequence—

Agreed that a Letter
to the foregoing Effect be written to General
Campbell, & that he be desired to give the
necessary directions to Colonel Stuart inform
=ming him that Orders will be issued for
the marching of the Men as soon as a Detach
can be procured to convey them to Masuli
=patam— in the mean time they must
remain towhere they are.—

a Copy of the Papers relative to the Mutiny at Poonamallee with a Narrative sent to Genl Campbell to enable to take such Steps as he may think necessary

The Board having now before
them a compleat Collection of all the
Papers relating to the Mutiny of that
part of the 39th Regiment quartered at
Poonamallee, to which is affixed a Narra=
=tive of the whole, with observations aris=
=ing therefrom which place the
business in the clearest point of View
it is Agreed that those Papers be sent
to General Campbell desiring Him
with

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will perused them with attention, after which he will be better enabled to take such steps & give such directions with regard to any further Proceedings in the Case of the 52d Regt as he may think the Service requires.—

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Assigned Revenues.

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.
President & Governor &c. Council

Fort St George

My Lord & Gentlemen,

From the Comm.ee of Assigned Revenues will adopt the best Means for increasing the Supply of Grain at present representing the Scarcity of Provisions and Cantonment

We have had the honor to receive your Commands of the 6th Instant this M.t Secretary Shannon, and shall in consequence pursue such methods as are in our Power to increase the Recommending Supply of Grain for the Cantonment at Vellore & Arcot but as the natural Difficulties Natives troops may be ordered occasioned by an almost total Failure against the Polygars of the usual Rains are very considerable

that they may be supplied with Grain

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and cannot be over come but at a heavy Expence, We shall beg leave to trouble your Lordship &c with a Statement of them, that you may determine on the most Eligible method for removing the Scarcity.

That the Difficulty of procuring any Quantity of Grain by way of Store for the use of the Troops is real, we verily believe not only from all the Accounts We have received of the State of the Country, but from the Letter addressed by Captain Speedeman the Commissary of Stores to Mr Petch relative to Supplying the Cantonment, of which We enclose a Copy for your Information — Capt.n Speedemans Account confirms the Intelligence from Ellore Guntoor that for many Coss round about the Country has yielded very little Grain and that no Supply can now be obtained but by sending a considerable Distance for it and thereby incurring large Expence for Carriage &c.a Speedeman Offers in his Letter to

Supply

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Inclosed the Consultations with the 150 Pagodas
Rice & 135 Pagodas Bullock and likewise
that 3000 Pagodas are ordered Home for
this Investment, and this Office if there were
no other grounds to establish it, is a
sufficient Proof of what has been asserted
of the state of Country — The scarcity
Grain however would be less felt than
it is if the Chalon Polygars had not
Plundered several Merchants coming
from the Balaghaut with Rice
Under such circumstances,
and with the Prospect of very little
Relief from the Cultivation at this season
for some Months to come, and submit
it to the Consideration of your Lordship
& the whether it might not be less
expensive to the Company to keep
part of the Native Troops within
such a Distance from the Boun-
dary that they may be supplied
from hence until the Cultivation
in the Coast Districts will admit
of a more plentiful Provision for
the Cantonments there —

We

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We have the honor to be

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My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most Obedient
humble Servants

/Signed/ { Chas. Oakeley
David Haliburton
Jos. Montray

In order to lessen as much as possible the Consumption of Rice at Arcot, it is Agreed that General Campbell be desired to reduce the Number of Lascars at that Station to 200, which will be sufficient for the duties of the Cantonment, taking that Number from the different Corps embodied - after which he must be desired to put them under the Charge of the Paymaster, to be delivered by him upon Indents Countersigned by the Commanding Officer of the Cantonment

Resolution in Consequence

The remainder of this Body of Men must be sent to the Presidency & it is further Agreed that all the Gun

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Genl Lavers / according 200 / be ordered
from Arcot to the Mount

Resolved also that all the
Serjeants & Corporals be discharged
excepting only ten Guides which are
to be chosen by Capt Campbell & to
remain attached to him as Captain
of the Guides

Agreed that a Letter be
written to General Campbell & to
Mr Webb advising them of the
foregoing Resolutions.

The Commander in Chief
delivers in the following Minute,
& recommendations

I have considered the remarks
General Lauds
Minute proposing made by his Lordship on the Arrangement
the Arrangement of
the Troops which I had the honor to deliver in
to the Select Committee for the Troops
now on the Establishment with much
attention and am pleased to find
that it has in general coincided with
the ideas of the Right Honble Court

on

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on the Subject.

At the Same time of opinion that the Force to be stationed at Arcot should be more considerable than what is allotted by his Lordship - yet as it may in case of necessity be increased by drafts from Madras & Vellore as circumstances may require I have given into his ideas respecting the Cantonment to be formed at Wanion, and as I think that the arrangements of the Troops should not be any longer delayed -

The Small Forts to be kept on must be determined by inspection - but I entirely agree with his Lordship respecting Gingee which I think should be entirely evacuated

I recommended the Stationing four Battalions of Sepoys at Vellore on the idea of rendering that Cantonment as respectable as possible the Chief & Council who are on the Spot, are most assuredly the

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The only grudges of what force can be spared to be so stationed but I should wish it recommended to them to keep as large a proportion as possible at that place.

The Agreement made by Mr Sullivan with the Polygars respecting Rammad will render it unnecessary to station the Battalion allotted on the Arrangement at that place it may therefore be ordered to Arcot which will be found necessary as an Addition to the Garrisons to be furnished from thence to the small Forts, Cuddalore will be to be Garrisoned from there.

I should recommend that the 2d Regiment of Cavalry now at Arcot, be ordered to join the Cantonments to the Southward and the People now under the command of Lieut. Dallas ordered to Arcot to remain there until it shall be thought proper to form the two other Regiments of Cavalry

For

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In order to compleat the Force to be stationed at Arcot, it will be necessary to order some Native Corps from the Southward. I should wish, & beg leave to recommend that the following Corps be ordered thither without delay — the 8th 15th 16th & 21st Battalions —

In the distribution of the European Artillery I beg leave to recommend that Captain Smith's Company may be stationed at Ellore; that Captain Lennox be continued in Command to the Southward and Major Reynault at Arcot —

I have the honor to recommend that Captain North for the Command of Chingleput — but as his Appointment has not yet taken place — I beg leave to mention him again & that he be directed to proceed thither, as soon as Pulicat shall be restored to the Dutch

I have also the honor to recommend that the command of Dragon be given to Captain John Cudmore —

(Signed) Rofs Lang

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Recommended by the Commander in Chief

Gent. Lenox
recommends
that Several
Officers who
be successively
struck off the
List of the Army

Ensign Patton & Frost ret.
having returned from Bengal, agreeably
to the Government Orders of the 4th of Sept.r
1784, to be struck off.

The following Officers having
been returned absent without leave for
many Months, and not having reported
themselves agreeable to the Orders of
the 4th January last, to be struck off
the List of the Army.

Ensigns Robert Loy
Alex.r Dunbar
Geo: Bastian Savage
Nich.s Hamilton
Nathaniel Forbes
Henry Hamilton

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[Signed] D.s Lang

Agreed that the necessary
Letters be written & Orders published
in consequence of such Recommend

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Now agreed on to be immediately put in Execution:-

Read the following Letters as entered in the Miscellany Book Nos. 45. 46 47 & 48.-

From Lt. Lindt

From Lieut. Lindt &c
Dhandaragherry dated 25th Ultimo
advising that the Mogul Polygar has declared that he has delivered his Bullocks to the Mustaphas People, & that the commander has been dispatched by the Rebbers with offers for discussing all connection, stating that said Mustaphas Detention of the Bullocks from the Int Ghaut has in great Measure prevented all Intercourse with this Country, & considerably affected the Prices of Provisions, & expressing his idea that if the Lt Lindt became responsible for the procuring a restitution to the Merchants an immediate release of the Bullocks & a free intercourse through the Ghauts would take place.-

Agreed that Lieut. Lindt

Moogrel

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Resolved be enformed that the Board at
consideration the Petition of Morgaill as
enformeth Jorall Robberies committed
on his Pattamar & forall Plunder
Monies thereon brought unto th, & that unless Full
& immediate restitution be made
orders will be given to disprove him
of his Pattamar from the Jurisdiction of
which Government will be unable
to do justice to the aggrieved & the
same Board to Punish a Delinquent
this must be provided in Strong
Colours to the Petitioner J Morgaill
& it is Agreed to authorise Lieutenant
Lovell to Inform said Mustafaha
that Full Restitution should be made
to his Merchants.-

From Mr. Ogilvie Lieut. 6th Regt stating his disappointment
in not receiving ready Money on
payment of his late Contract for the
building of Granaries & Pallisades &
requesting that the Board will pay
him at the rate of 1000 Pags/Month
until the whole is paid off - Mr.
Ogilvie further represents that he
has on Hand a Hundred Candy of
Bombay

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Boromahal accounting at Fort
to upwards of Pagodas 1300 & requests
your Government have set aside his
Contract for making Gun Powder
that the Board will purchase the
Boromahal Stone now in

Agreed that Mr Ogilvie
be informed that when a Company's
Bond was tendered to him in Payment
of his Contract, it was because no other
Mode of Payment was in the Power
of the Board; but if it should not suit
him to receive it, he must necessarily
make with the Situation of the Company's
Affairs inapplicable Government to
discharge the Amount in some manner
more agreeable to them at present this
not possible to make any Advance
of Cash on this Account.-

Minute thereon

With respect to the Boromahal
stone which Mr Ogilvie has on hand,
it is Agreed either to take it at Fort
St, or allow him to use it with the
other remaining Materials on
Making up Gun Powder upon the
same terms as before - of this resolu-
tion it is further Agreed to advise
Genl Lang, Majr Scott, Mackay &
Moorhouse

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Moorhouse's letter ongoing to Pallamcotah
Minute thereon
they will decide upon either of the above
Modes which may be most beneficial
to the Company & agreement M.Pybus
with their Determination

From Mr. Light, Madura
of the Lake Paymaster at Palamcotah
dated the 7th Instant stating that the
Commissioners of Accounts have called
upon him as Examiner to the Lake Fund
to refund to the Company Pag.s 2907.23.4
on Account of sundry Payments made
by Mr. Light which were Contrary
to the Regulations ensuring Copys
of Letters from the Revenue by which
the Funds in his possession at Major
Lidingtons & not the Lake Mr. Lights
Charge is responsible for these Charges
to the Company & requesting that
the Commissioners of Accounts may be
directed to transfer their Demands
from him to Major Lidingtons.
Minute thereon
Ordered to lie on the Table.

From Mr. Hastier dated
5th Instant stating that the Company's

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Buildings are insufficient to afford
Quarters for the Officers at Cuddalore &
requesting to be informed whether there is
to rent Houses on the Company's Account
for the Accommodation of the Officers
or whether the usual Sum for House
Rent is to be allowed to them.—

Mr Hepburn

Agree that Mr Hepburn
be informed that House Rent must
be allowed to those Officers who cannot
be provided with Quarters at Cuddalore.—

Macartney
Rob Barry
Alex Davidson
J Daniell

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8th Dispatched the following Letter

To Major General Campbell

Commanding at Arcot.

To General Campbell
Leave to be reduced
& put under charge
of the Paymaster
Recruits also
to be reduced

Sir

I am directed by the Right Noble President & Council to inform you that they have determined to reduce the number of Sepoys at Arcot to 200 which will be sufficient for the Duties of the Cantonment, the Board therefore desire you will be pleased to give the necessary Orders for the taking the above Number from the Different Corps embodied, after which they are to be put under Charge of the Paymaster, by which means they will be ready for duty, & will be delivered by him upon Londents Counter-signed by the Commanding Officer of the Cantonment — The remainder of this Body of Men the Board desire may be sent to the Presidency.

The President & Council have also resolved that 210 Gun Lascars shall remain at Arcot, & that all above that Number

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9 Number be sent to the Mount

The Board likewise request that all the Havaarrahs be discharged, excepting only two Guides which are to be chosen by Capt.n Pringle, & are to be attached to him.

I have the honor to be Sir Your most Obed.t Servant (Signed) J. Chamier Adj.t Gen.l Military & Pub.c Departm.t

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To Major General Campbell Commanding His Majesty's Forces on the Coast

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble President & Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters of the 2.d & 6.th Instant & to inform you that they have resolved that the Men of the 73.d Regiment desirous of going home, shall be embarked at Negapatam or Nagore for Manelipatam where they will remain under a proper Guard

To Lt. Col.l Campbell
The Men of the 73.d who are desirous of returning home to be embarked for Manelipatam
Compliance of the Papers relative to the Mutiny at Trincomalee ordered for his consideration & decision.—

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9 Number of them are Officers until the Ships from Bengal, or those to be dispatched to England from hence may take them up & convey them to Europe According to their desire.

The Board in Consequence desire you will be pleased to sign & give the necessary direction that the Men may be in readiness to March as soon as the Board's Orders shall be issued for that purpose - which will not be delay'd a Moment after the Ships shall be ready to convey them to Manufacture in the mean time they must remain where they are. -

Same for the directed to send you a complete Collection of all the Papers relating to the Mutiny of the Detachment of the 52d Regt quarter'd at Pondamallee with Lieut. Defray's Answer to the Complaints made relative to his Conduct at Pondy together with the Observations of the Board upon the whole.

The President & Council request you will be pleased to peruse these Papers with attention, after which you will take such Steps thereupon, & give such directions with

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g with regard to any further proceedings in the
Case of the 52d Regt as you may think the
Service required.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obd. Servant
(Signed) L. Chamier
Adjt. Genl.

Receives the following Letter

(Military Dept.)

Head Quarters Adjt. Genl's Office 9th March 1785

My Lord & Gentlemen,

Lieut. Gen.l Campbell
requesting to be
informed when
it will be convenient
to the Board for a
part of the Detach.t
of the 52d to march
from Permaulle
to Arcot.

Colonel Stranbenzie has reported to me that a Party consisting of 5 - 2 - & 14 Men
of the 52d Regt
going to the Detachment of the 52d Regt
at this Cantonment, are now on the Carnatic
of Permaulle ready to join their Companies,
I have therefore to request that your Lordship
&c. will cause necessary Arrangement to be
made for their Subsistance on the Road
and inform me when it will be convenient
that they should March from Permaulle
to Arcot.

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I have the honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your Most Obed.t Servant

Allan Campbell Maj.r Gen.l

Comm.g his Majesty's Forces

in India for the time being

The Right Honble

The President & Council

of Fort St George

To the Right Honble Geo. Lord Macartney K.B

President and Governor, &c.a Council of

Fort St George.

My Lord & Gentlemen,

From Mr. Sloper
His Commission being
executed returned
the public papers
which were
entrusted to him

I have been honored with
your letter of the 2.d instant to which I have
only a reply by assuring you that I am
much flattered by your approbation of
my Conduct, and by the Honble testimony
you have conferred upon my services
in the execution of the Commission with
which you was pleased to entrust me.

The Commission being now
at an End, permit me to return to your
Lordship & Co.a Council each of the public
Papers

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10th Papers which have been committed to my Charge as may further appear by enquiry on any future Occasion

Have the honor to be,

Fort St. George
the 10th March 1785

My Lord & Gentlemen,
Your most Obed.t &
most humble Servant
(Signed) Charles Stuart

Received letter from the Secretary at Bengal, as entered on A.B. N.o 37 enclosing Captain Oldham's & Lieut. Forbes receipts for Money advanced to them in Bengal

From the Secretary Bengal

Dispatched letters (as entered in A.B. N.os 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. & 44

To Mr. Hodges informing him that the allowance of house rent is to be to such Officers as cannot be provided with Quarters.

To Mr Hodges

To Mr. Welch

To Mr. Welch informing him of the reduction to be made on the Lascars and Hircarahs; & desiring to know what proportion of Doolay boys there are to the Number of Europeans at Arcot

To Lieut. Swiett ordering him to be

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To L.t Lindt

10th be given to Reprove the Polligars of Mogral of their Pollams, if immediate Recompence be not made for the Robberies committed on the Syed Mustapha to be informed that Such Restitution will be made to his Merchants.

To Masulipatam & Vizagapatam

To Masulipatam & Vizagapatam informing them that Stores are imbarked on the Pardaine for their Passage.

To Lt. Monhouse directing him to Ship the above mentioned Stores.

To Lt: Monhouse

To Mr Ogilvie informing him that a Company's Bond in payment of his Contract was tendered to him, because no other mode of payment could be adopted and that if he does not chuse to accept it, he cannot wait for Letters Answers.

To Mr Ogilvie

To the Committee of Stores telling them that the Board are desirous of attending to Mr Ogilvie's request respecting the Bungalow on his hands and that it is agreed it shall be either expended in making Gun Powder, or received into the Company's Stores.

To the Committee of Stores

At

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At a Consultation Present

Saturday 12th March 1795

The Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

President

Majr Davidson Esqr Saml Daniell Esqr

Lt Genl Lang Absent

Minutes of last Consultation read & approved

The following Draft of a Letter to Bengal being approved it is ordered to be Copied and dispatched

To the Honble John Mc Pherson Esqr

Governor Genl & Hons Council

Fort William

Gentlemen

We have received the Honor of your dispatch of the 7th Ulto acknowledging the receipt of our several Letters of the 14th 23d & 25th Novemr 11th & 24th December & 3d & 10th Instant - but you have not been pleased to take any notice of a Letter from us dated the 29th Decr of a very serious nature. We are from that

Dr Bengal - the Letter from hence of the 29th Decr not having been noticed in their last address a Copy of it is now enclosed - entreating them to take into their most serious consideration the answer of Dissatisfaction of the Government for framing a Mode for sending to England from the Coast - full Invest- ment with

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that circumstance disagreeable that you have never received it & therefore we know not transmitting to you a Copy of it. Indeed we can scarcely imagine that if you had received it, or at least perused it with any attention, you would have written to us in the singular Stile of your last Address. We should have hoped to find that you were more disposed to give immediate relief to our distresses than to entertain the most distant doubt of their existence, & that you would rather respect our Opinions than seem to question our Veracity. —

The relative Station which they now hold to this Government (under the Act of Parliament) renders the Responsibility of yours & our Boards truly arduous if unprovided attention to the Concerns, were each among the first fruits of your Administration. The Revenues of the Company arising from whatever part of its Dominions must be employed wherever they are most wanted & cannot either in Reason or Justice be considered as locally appropriated to one Province more than to another. — This great & fundamental principle

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Principals of our Indian Conquests it is hoped will never be forgotten, our Safety & stability depend on an adherence to it, & we are persuaded that our deputation your will find it not less troublesome than we do ourselves.

Since the Conclusion of the Peace, this Government having had sufficient Leisure, and Opportunity to complete the general State of the Company's Affairs with a particular view to the Relief of those Distresses, which have been entailed on this Presidency by the enormous Charges of the late War, we think it our duty to request the Aid of your Advice and concurrence in forming such a Plan for this purpose, as may appear best calculated to promote an Object so essential to the future Welfare and Security of the Company on this Coast.

The Statements which were transmitted to Bengal by our President on October last, will have fully apprized you of the Extent of our Encumbrances & the Principal Difficulty we labor under

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Under it present, it is to draw the heavy
Arrears to the Military & Civil Establishment
from once provided for, we should hope
to be able with the Aid of the Nabob's Assign-
-ments to defray our current Expences - pay
the Interest of our Bond Debt, & discharge
by Degrees every other Demand that is
likely to come upon us, but until we are
relieved in this point, we owe nothing before
us, but a Succession of Embarrassments, &
Difficulties of the most perplexing nature.-

We beg leave to offer it to your
Consideration, whether it might not be
advisable in this Situation of our Affairs
for Bengal to take upon herself, such
part of our Arrears as we can transfer
by Draughts, which may be funded
by you, and paid at different Periods
According to your Ability - some plan of
this Kind may perhaps be adopted equally
suitable to your Circumstance & to our relief

Our Wants have obliged us
with only to be very Sparing in our Advan-
-ces for Investment, but almost entirely
to suspend it - The Goods however
Made

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make up in this Coast are so valuable, even we believe to a clear profit of 70 or 75 p Cent that we are very desirous to carry home the full investment ordered by the Honble Court, if ways and means can possibly be found to effect it and as we have little reason to flatter ourselves that you can yet extend your Assistance to us beyond what is indispensably requisite to discharge the Arrears due to our Civil & Military establishments we would propose to your immediate consideration our raising as much Money as may be wanted for Completing the Court investment from Individuals on Bond bearing an Interest during the possession of the Cloth & the Amount then exchanged at 1/6 Rupee payable in England in Months & additional bearing an interest at the rate of Five & Twenty p Annum, in Months from the expiration of that time, at the rate of Four Pagoda - The Profits which would arise to the Company on such Sales we hope would not only warrant our Drafts on them for that Investment, but that they would keep up

Exchange

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Assures the Receipt of their instructions on
such terms, which cannot be accomplished
by means of the Revenue — such an employ-
ment of the Marine likewise, which
would so much interfere the provision of
Boats for foreign adventures, it was then
our first consideration in favor of the
Service and we mean to make
the Establishment without Loss of Time —
if it should coincide with your Opinion
We therefore request that you will
favor us with your Sentiments as soon
as possible, upon this particular point,
as well as the other important objects which
We have recommended to your Considera-
tion & decision —

We have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obed.t
Humble Servants
(Signed) Macartney & Co.
Council.

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12th March 1785. —

Read the following Letter from
Brigadier General Stone —

May

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My Lord & Gentlemen

Since my Arrival at the Command with which you have honor'd me I have been diligently employ'd in procuring information respecting the Distribution and Arrangement of the Southern Army I have found them divided into a Variety of different Cantonments and Stations unconnected by relative Situation from their destination being guided with an attention to the facility of Subsistence in which regard to their Utility as Military Posts does not seem to have been combined, but as the necessity that required this Division no longer operates, it therefore becomes expedient to effect its Continuance and it will be attended with much advantage to the public Service & with particular convenience to the Troops destined to Join the Southern Cantonments to be collected as early as possible

Yet previous to any European Corps being upon the Coast it becomes necessary for your Lordship & Yr to decide on the Mode of proceeding even for

From Brigad.r General Stuart represents the State of his Cantonment, recommends the Mode for providing Quarters for the Troops requests an additional Allowance for Forage to enable him to support with Horses the dignified Style in which he sells, and Leaves that the Extent of his Authority over the Officers of the Garrison of Fort St. George may be defined in order to prevent Disagreeable Altercation

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For the Officers for the only quarters on this Island have been built or repaired by the Officers of Artillery, many of whom are still on Leave I shall therefore take the Liberty of suggesting what appears to me the most expeditious as well as the most Oeconomical plan, which is to grant to each Officer Conformable to his Rank a specific Sum and a proportion of such Timber as the Country affords out of which he shall be obliged to build his own Quarters in a Manner as durable as the Materials and Allowance will admit. This Mode will be attended with the Advantage of regularity as each Corps will be restricted to a certain Space and as Mr. Powis has informed me, that the Wood can be provided by the different Polygars and Renters without any Considerable expence, which the Lascars and Bullocks in the Departments of the Commissary of Stores can be employed in transporting to the Cantonments, it will perhaps be found the Cheapest

I have your Lordship &c.

Dis approval of the above proposal the only

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only alternative is to form a plan of the quarters to be erected and to advertize for a Contract to finish them on a limited Term, This may prove less troublesome but would I apprehend be more dilatory and Expensive.

In the two Pagodas of Warriore the whole of the Europeans to the Southward may be quartered and in the vicinity and on the Island of Seringham several Battalions of Sepoys may be stationed without much immediate expence

It is also necessary I should trouble your Lordship for instructing my Quarters for myself as Commanding Officer. Mr Jackson by a grant from Hyder keeps the Nabob occupies the only house on that Island, fit for my Residence, and I have been under the necessity of moving to one of his Highness houses on the Island which is so ruinous as to be scarcely habitable, and attended too with many inconveniences on Account of the distance from Warriore, which you have been pleased to fix on for Head Quarter

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Quarters for the Officer Commanding the Southern Forces, your Lordship & I will therefore I doubt not give early permission for quarters being built for him suitable to his Rank and consistent with the Importance & Dignity of his Station.

Mr. Digby has communicated to me a Statement of the Southern Debts which being also before your Lordship & it is unnecessary for me to enter on. I must however entreat that on all future Payments to the Troops both of Arrears & monthly issues a general equality may be observed & that no Paymasters shall be permitted to stay any Garrison or Station on account of the whole which Conduct has already produced discontents and has been the subject of representation & Complaints to me.—

The necessary Expences of forming this Cantonments considering the Heavy Debt on these provinces & Comfort

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consists seems attended with embarrassing circumstances but I thought to be communicated that our Safety consists in being prepared to attack as well as to Defend by which only Peace can be procured and those Revenues secured upon which our Existence as materially depends as I understood the Province of the Southern Country is destined solely for the Payment of Interest and the Current Expences of the Troops in this Quarter I see the Freedom of intimating the expediency after providing the Arrears of the whole and Provision for the Monthly disbursements that the Surplus of the Revenue be appropriated to defray the Contingent expences arising in the Formation of this Cantonment

To avoid all future references to your Hon'ble Board and to prevent Litigations with the Officers who have Official Appointments to the Forces of Fort St George I must request your Lordship &c will Define the Extent of my Authority over those

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as Commanding Officer of the Troops south of the Coleroon, and what, if any is the Independant power with which they are respectively invested; I consider any communication to this Command as conferring the same authority exercised by my Predecessor informing and removing the Garrisons of the different Forts with the Exception of Officers officially appointed to Command, as may be most conducive to the good of the Service but I shall decline all interference until I am honoured with your reply.

I entrusted with an extensive Territorial Command which I am ambitious of filling with Honor and of rendering it of that Consequence which the Dignity of the Service requires I must request the attention of your Lordship &c. to my present allowances of Colonel Pay & Batta without any other advantage whatever this small allowance inadequate even with the strictest Economy to the expences of any Table, is altogether insufficient to defray

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Defray the necessary Charges incurred by Travelling to visit and inspect the different Forts & Stations and Save Harmless Your Lordship &c. will see the propriety and necessity of granting some Additional Allowance, to enable me to Support the Honor of my Station.

I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect,

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most Obedt &

faithfull Humble Servant

(Signed) Matw Horne

Head Quarters
Warrenore 5th
March 1795.

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

The Board concurr in Opinion with General Horne on the expediency of collecting the Troops destined to Join the Southern Cantonment as soon as possible, & an order that Quarters may be provided without delay for the Officers at Warriore & it is agreed that Captain Byres be desired to proceed immediately thither & to Join

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Capt. Byres to prepare plans for the different Buildings for Quarters for the Officers at Warriore

Sent off under the Orders of General Stuart who must direct them to prepare Plans of the different Buildings which are necessary & to make such estimates of the Expence which the General must be desired to transmit to the Board for their final Determination.

On Quarters for the Officers Commg. the Southern Command

As the Nabob has given permission to Mr. Lushington to inhabit his House there Quarters must be provided for General Stuart - The General may either occupy a House for himself among the buildings to be erected or he may build at himself, should he choose to adopt the latter, he must be desired to furnish the Board with an Estimate of the Expence, that they may form their judgement & decision in Consequence.

On Quartering the Troops composing the Southern Establishment

The Board approve the Generals intention of quartering the Europeans in the Pagodas at Warriore & the Seapoys on the Island of Seringham, and are well pleased that it will be effected without much immediate Expence - In this & in every Department under General Stuarts Charge it must be recommended to him to observe the strictest frugality -

With

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The Extent of Genl Honni Authority defined

With respect to the Extent of General Honni Authority as Commanding the Southern Forces, & the Line to be drawn between him & the Commandants of the different Garrisons around them—it is agreed that the General be informed that all Commandants are to make Returns to him but that he is not to remove the Troops in charge thereon any Garrison since the Troops in such Garrisons are placed by Government under the Charge of the respective Commandants if at any time he should think a removal or change necessary, he must address the Board on the Subject who will pay proper attention to his Recommendation

General Honni request for an additional allowance is impossible

It is impossible for the Board to comply with General Honni Application for an increase of his Allowances—The Charges of his Staff, the heavy expences which will be incurred in establishing the Cantonments with the low state of the Company's Finances must absolutely prevent Government from granting the General's request—& particularly since it was understood that no extraordinary Expences should be incurred

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to the Company from the giving a Brigadier Commission to him, & since no additional allowances are given to Colonel Braithwaite, who Commands the northern Cantonments.

Agreed that General Horne be desired to give Orders for the discharging all Bullocks on the Department of the Commissary of Stores / as has already been done at Arcot / - whenever Bullocks are wanted for any particular Service they must be hired & instantly discharged after the Service is performed. -

All Bullocks to the Southward to be discharged

Ordered that a Letter to the Foregoing Effect be written to General Horne. -

Upon examining an Indent for a Months pay to the Garrison of Sangor, the Board remarks many Charges which upon Objection, & it is therefore agreed that a Letter be written to the Resident desiring him to examine minutely each Article, & to report his Opinion upon the Several Charges specifying such as may be immediately struck off, & such as are indispensibly necessary that the Board may put into Execution their resolution of observing the strictest Oeconomy on

The monthly Charge of the Garrison of Sangor taken into Consideration & examined. -

Deductions to be made. -

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on every branch of Publick Expenditure

The Board agreed to continue to

allowance fixed for the Civil Servants at Tanjore

Mr. Huddleston the allowance of Pay £250 P Month which was granted to the Late Resident

& it is further Agreed that each of his Assistants be permitted to draw Pay £90 P Month, in full for all Allowances Dett Money & Salary excepted, which must be drawn as usual. In addition to these allowances Mr. Hopkirby as Paymaster is to draw the usual Allowance of Captains Pay & Batta & he is to pay the Sibbendies as well as all other Troops.

all Carriage & Draughts Bullocks to be discharged

Agreed that Mr. Huddleston be desired to discharge the Carriage & Draught Bullocks at Tanjore, as above directed for the Cantonment at Warriore also the Lascar Operator Moorahdee, & Hircarrahs attached to the Commandant, & the Hircarrahs under the Resident these Servants being removed on a Peace Establishment.—

The following Gentlemen, who were Assistants to Mr. Lowrie & Mr. Sullivan during the War are now fixed as follows

Wm. Hewlett Digby — Paymaster to the Southern Forces commanded by Brigadr

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Brigadier General Stone -

Mr Digby appointed Paymaster to the Southern Force -

Mr. Richard Thomas Orson, Mr. Johni Lane Hippesley & Mr. George Sulivan Master Assistants to the Resident at Tanjore

Assistants appd to the Resident of Tanjore

Mr. Robert Andrews, Mr. Benjamin Swain & Mr. Nathaniel Henderley Assistants to Mr Swain

Assistants appd to Mr Swain

Ordered that the usual intimation be accordingly given. -

Read the following Letter from General Coutenceau to the President

Pondicherry 10th March 1785.

My Lord,

From Brigadier Genl Coutenceau agrees to refer to their respective Courts the Claim Made by him on the part of his Nation to the Seven Pagodas dependent on Villenour

I have received the Letter that you did me the honor to write me on the 5th Instant -

On the difference of Opinion

My Lord, regarding the Subject on which my Claim is founded I can only give that Interpretation which naturally results from the dates of the Inscription of the Pagodas, and of Subsequent Orders from the Court of Tanjore which put France in possession of the District of Villenour

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Deliverance by these Means Secrecy to the Ministers of his most Christian Majesty a Satisfactory Representation of the Object, on which they may foresee the necessary Elucidation to founce the Claims shewn established at Carnatic Jaguiere with Relation on referring the Matter to our Deputation Court, and I shall always strive to convince you, that my wish is to exercise as much as possible Economy and good Understanding; Receive &c. Sey of you, this assurance as well as both of perfect Consideration with which I have the honor to be

My Lord,

Your very humble & very Obed. Servant

(Signed) Coudemaire

(Literal Translation)

I Have the French Translation

Agreed that the President be requested to inform General Coutemaire that the Board are well pleased that he concurs in Opinion with them on the Impropriety of a reference to their Superiors in Europe, respecting the Collection of the Dutch and Dispute, & it is According ly resolved to communicate to

Minute thereon

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to the Court of Directors by the earliest Opportunity what has passed on the Subject, that the Matter may be by them Adjusted to the Satisfaction of both Courts.

Read the following Letters from Majr General Sir J. Burgoyne.

Madras March 7th 1785

My Lord & Gentlemen,

I have received your Acting Secretary's Letter of the 5th and shall only observe that any former Declaration relative to the report Cornt Maxwell made me, still holds good, the Matter of fact itself I leave to the Right Honble President & Mr Boehm, and Cornt Maxwell to settle among themselves. I was well aware of the Extract from the Mutiny Act you have favored me with, like all other Laws, it must be subservient to common sense, and to the well known Practice, that what is impossible cannot be done — when a Corps is disbanded by His Majesty every Man that did belong

Extract from Sir John Burgoyne the Extract from the Mutiny Act sent to him on the 5th Inst: must be like all other Laws subservient to common sense — all Corps disbanded by his Majesty are free from the Service with or without a Discharge.

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belong to the Corps from the Service with-
or without a Discharge, the Article of
War applys to Men discharged from a
Standing Corps by a Field Officer as to
the additional Companies these Men
belong'd to, were discharged by the Hon.
Lord no Field Officer of their Regiment
and without a Discharge is signed by
one, it's not valid; and besides from a
Variety of Circumstances it was impos-
sible they could have any regular
Settlement; — your having ordered them
to be shewn the Letters to me, as
notwithstanding your diligence in
discrimination it proves our Opinions on
this Subject differ that they have a right
so to be, I have taken
the Sense of the Board to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most Obed.t
Humble Servant
P Burgoyne
Dy Jt

Madras 8th 1785.

My Lord & Gentlemen

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From Sir John Burgoyne shall still consider himself as an Arrest, & protest against it as illegal — the Number of Horses coming from the Northward to mount his Regt are 165 besides ten which are private Property.

Yr Acting Secretarys Letter of the 6th Instant and shall in consequence thereof consider myself under an Arrest which I still protest against as illegal by the Right Honble President and Members of the Council of Fort St George in like manner as I did before to that imposed on me by the Right Honble President and Members of the late Select Committee —

I am likewise to acknowledge the receipt of another Letter of yesterdays Date, in which to prevent Error, you wish the number of Horses should be specified to you that are coming from Hyderabad to mount His Majestys 25th Regiment of Light Dragoons which will be, if no Accident happens to any of them one hundred & Forty five; and with five already bought here will make one Hundred & fifty; the number I had the Commands of the Governor General and Supreme Board to buy besides these there are Four Ponies and one Horse of high price for myself and ther for Colonel Floyd another for Lieut Colonel Wangenheim, and

three

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Three or Four more which I have suffered
my Quarter Master to buy for his own
Conducement if it thought necessary that
these Horses should not pass Toll free
the Duty must be paid for them — though
I should have been glad that the Recruits
of my Regiment could have come down
with the Horses yet I must beg that on
no Account whatever the Horses may be
delayed on the road, or could not if the
way my great Object has been all
along to get them hither before the
Land Winds prevail as I know by
experience how prejudicial they are to
young Horses: if an Order was given to
the Officer Commanding any Recruits
at Ellore to send down twelve carefull
Men to meet the Horses at Condapollah
by the 1st of April, it would not be like Mutiny
and be of much benefit to the Service.

I have the honor to be
My Lord &c &c &c
Your Most Obed
Humble Servant
J Burgoyne
Lt Col

Agreed

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Agreed that orders be given to
the Commandants & Renters of Ongole & Nellore
Minute thereon that Escorts may be granted to the Officers in
Charge of the Horses should be apply for
them, & that 115 which is the Number
purchased for the Company, be passed
duty free — whatever Horses there may be
exceeding that number, must be considered
as private Property, & pay the usual Toll
accordingly. —

Ordered that Letters be written
to Masulipatam & to the Committee of
Assigned Revenue accordingly

Read the following Letter as
entered in the Miscellany Book N. 49. 50. 51. —

From Mr Pope Shipperley
From Mr Shipperley Paymaster at Tanjore dated the 20th Instant. —
the former endorsing Sundry Accounts &
Statements received from him, the latter
stating several reasons why he should
no longer be considered as an Assistant
at Tanjore, & requesting that he may be
relieved from that Appointment. —

Agreed that Mr Shipperley be
Minute thereon be informed that the Board cannot relieve
him from his Original Appointment of
Assistant

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Assistant at Tanjore, it being absolutely necessary
that every Civil Servant there be placed
under the Control of the Resident

From Mr. Welsh dated 9th Instt.
stating that the Remnant of Grain of Rice
delivered at Arrol, after having been brought
From Mr. Welsh from the distant Countries from whence
Lechaplies can be procured will be nearly
140 Pags. & recommending that Price for
the use of the Cantonment be sent from the
Presidency since it can be furnished from
thence even at a Cheaper Rate than it
can be procured by any means at Arrol
Representing the Board that the Head
Merchants are unwilling to enter into any
Engagement for furnishing Rice & that
he believes there is very little Grain
of any Kind in the Place.

Ordered that 50 Garce of Rice
In consequence be immediately shipped from the Stores,
of the Scarcity Vizt to Arrol, & that Mr. Welsh be
of Rice at Arcot informed that more will shortly be
50 Garce ordered sent—in the mean time he must provide
to be sent thither as well as he can for the immediate wants
from the of the Troops.
Presidency.

The Attorney to the Administrator
to

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to the Estate of the Honble George Padagan having applied to the Board for a Bond for the Amount due to the said Estate by the Company for Tents which Claim appears by the report of the Board of Accounts of the 10th Nov. 1783 to be just, agreed that a Bond be granted accordingly, & that the Accountant be directed to make the necessary adjustments in the General Books.

a Bond granted to the Attorney to the administration to the Estate of the late Mr. Padagan for Tents.

The President acquaints the Board that Mr Wm Ross, the Agent, has applied to him for a Company's Bond of Pagodas 10,000 in part of the Ballance due to him.

a Bond for 10,000 Pagodas granted to Mr W. Ross

Agreed that a Bond for that amount be granted accordingly.

Macartney

Ro: Lang

Alex. Davidson

J. Daniell

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13th Dispatched the undermentioned Letters, which are entered on the Con. Bk. Nos. 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61,

To the Resident of Tanjore, ordering an Indent of one Months Pay for the Garrison of Tanjore, which he is to examine into, and report to the Board the Reductions necessary to be made stating the allowances established for the Civilians in that Garrison; and directing that all Draughts and Warrants be immediately discharged together with the Interpreter Munshie, and two Peons attached to the Commandant, & the 25 Peons under him / the Resident /

To the Resident of Tanjore.—

To the Commandant of Tanjore advising of the Reductions ordered to be made at Tanjore, and directing him to order Capt. Byres to proceed to Warriore, and place himself under the Command of Brigadier General Horne.—

To the Commandant of Tanjore.—

To the Paymaster of Tanjore stating the Deductions which the Resident have been ordered to make, and informing him that he cannot be relieved from his Original Appointment of Assistant to the Resident.

To the Paymaster at Arcot informing him

To the Paymaster of Tanjore.—

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13 Know that Jeffry Jarvis of Price is Ordered and
To the Paymaster at Arcot. to Receive from the Paymaster in the mean while,
he must Subsist the Troops as well as he can.
To the Garrison Storekeeper. To the Garrison Storekeeper, directing him to
deliver 50 Candy of Rice to the Agent.
To the Agent. To the Agent; directing him to receive from
the Garrison Storekeeper Jeffry Jarvis of Price &
send the same to Arcot with as little delay
as possible.
To Mr. Swain. To Mr. Swain informing him that Mr.
Andrews has been Appointed his Assistant.
To Mr. Dighy. To Mr. Thomas Digby informing him
of his Appointment to the Paymastership of
the Southern Forces.
To Messrs. Orpen & Andrews. To Messrs. Orpen & Andrews, the former
Appointed an Assistant to the President
of Fanam the latter to the Collector of the
Southern Revenues.
To Lieutenant Stephens. To Lieutenant Stephens, directing him to deliver
over the Command of Fort Cornwallis to Captain
John Cudmore, and remain there till further
orders.

Sent the following Letters.

Military & Pole Department

To Brigadier General Horne
Commanding the Southern Forces

Sir

Fanam
I am directed by the

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To Brigadier Genl Horne Governor to concur with him in the propriety of forming the Southern Cantonments as soon as possible The Engineer must give in an Estimate of the Expence for building Quarters for the Troops & Head consent to his building a house for himself — The extent of his Authority over the Commandants of the Garrison and limit of the increase of Allowances therein cannot be Admitted although Straw & Carriage Bullocks to be immediately discharged

I Right Honble President & Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 5th Instt and to inform you that they Concur entirely in opinion with you on the expediency of collecting the Troops destined to form the Southern Cantonments as early as possible —

In order to provide Quarters for the Officers at Warriore without delay, & upon the Cheapest Scale the Board have directed Capt. Byres to put himself & under your orders immediately to whom you will be pleased to point out the Stations, & Spots where Quarters are necessary directing him to prepare Plans of the different buildings with the Estimate of the Expence & Recommending to him the retrench Alteration to necessary — after you shall be furnished with the plans & Estimates you will be pleased to transmit them to the Board for their final determination —

As the Nabob has given permission to M. Jackson to inhabit his House, when Quarters must be provided for you, & the Board are willing to give you the Option of including a Room for yourself among the buildings to be erected

Under

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13 Under the direction of Capt.n Byres or if
building it yourself - if you should chuse
to adopt the latter mode, you must furnish
the Board with an Estimate of the Expence
that they may form their judgment with
a decision on Consequence.

The Presidency & Council approve
your intention of garrisoning the European
in the Pagodas at Warriore & the Sepoys on
the Island of Seringham, & are well pleased
that you will be able to effect it without
much immediate Expence on this &
in every Operation and during your Charge
the Board recommend to you on the
strongest terms the utmost frugality -

It is the intention of
Government, which has been communicated
to Messrs Lowen & Digby, that Current
Payments be once the month of September
be equalized as much as possible - This
will again be recommended to Mr Digby

With respect to the Extent
of your authority as Commanding the
Southern Forces, & the Line to be drawn
between you & the Commandants of
the different Garrisons around you & in
Districts

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13 Dated to inform you that all Command-
-ants are to make returns to you, but you
are not to remove the Troops, or change them
in any Garrison, which Troops in such
Garrisons are fixed by Government under
the charge of the respective Commandants -
if however you should at any time think a
removal or change necessary you will
be pleased to address the Board on the
Subject, who will pay every proper
attention to your recommendations.

The Board are concerned to be
under the necessity of returning an unfavor-
-able answer to your application for an
increase of your allowances - the Charges
of your Staff - the heavy Expences which
will be incurred in establishing the Canton-
-ments with the low state of the Company's
Finances must absolutely prevent Govern-
-ment from Complying with your request
they direct me to remind you that it is
was particularly understood that no
Extraordinary expences should be incurred
to the Company from the granting a
Brigadier's Commission to you & also to

Officers

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13 Have that an additional allowance be given to Colonel Braithwaite who Commands the Northern Cantonments.—

The General Order this day published at the Presidency which will be transmitted to you by the Adjutant General will inform you what Troops are directed to join your Cantonment, to which will be added a proportion of Cavalry as soon as that arrangement shall be settled at the Generals return from his present tour.— The President & Council desire you will immediately give orders for the discharging all Bullocks in the Department of the Commissary of Stores as has already been done at Arcot— when ever Bullocks are wanted for any particular service they must be hired & punctually discharged after the service is performed.—

I am Sir
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) L. Channier
A. G. Stores

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Military & Political Depart.

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To Charles Oakeley Esqr.

& Gentlemen of the Committee of

Assigned Revenue

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right

To the Committee of assigned Revenue

Sir John Burgoyne has made Applica-tion for an order directing the Renters of Angole & Nellore to transmit 145 Horses purchased for his Regt to pass Toll free. - To insure the necessary orders in Consequence that all above that number must be subject to the usual Duties. -

Honble President & Council to inform you that Major Genl Sir John Burgoyne has made Application to them for an Order directing the Renters of Angole & Nellore to pass the Horses purchased for his Regiment, duty free.

The President & Council in consequence desire you will send the necessary orders to the Renters above mentioned, observing that there are 145 Horses expected on Account of the Company & that all above that number must be considered as Private Property and of course Subject to the usual Duties

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I am Gentlemen
Your most Obed.
Humble Servant
(Signed) J. Chamier
Act. Secry

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Military & Political Dispatch

To Brigadier General Pontenean

&c &c &c

at Pondicherry

Sir,

To Brigadier Gen.l Pontenean expressing Satisfaction at his concurring in Sentiments with this Government on the Propriety of referring to European Decision the Claim to the Seven Pagodas Depending at Villenour

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 10th Instant.

I am very glad that you concur in Opinion with me on the propriety of a reference to our Superiors in Europe respecting the Collection of the Pensions in dispute. I shall take the earliest Opportunity of communicating to the Court of Directors what has passed on the Subject & trust the Matter will be by them Adjusted to the Satisfaction of both Courts.

It is both my Duty & Inclination to cooperate with you at all times in promoting that Harmony so essential to the interests of our respective Nations, & shall eagerly with pleasure embrace this Opportunity of expressing the Sentiments of personal Esteem, & consideration with which

I have

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Fort S.t George
15th March 1785

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most Obed.t
humble Servant
(Signed) Macartney.

Received the following Letter from Mr.
Hippesley -

Tanjore March 9th 1785

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.
President & Council, Fort S.t George

My Lord & Gentlemen

From Mr Hippesley
a Brahmin with
large Escort
of Sepoys arrived
at Tanjore charged
with Letters & a Present
Presents for the
Rajah from
the Governor of
Pondicherry
the Rajah's
according the
Mission the
the Sentiment
of the Board
are known
thereon

I have the honor to inform Your Lordship & the Honorable Board, that a Brahmin with Letters & a large present of French Presents for the Rajah arrived this Morning in the neighbourhood of the Fort, charged with Letters and presents from the Government of Pondicherry to his Excellency the Rajah, but no official intimation has yet been given either to the Commandant of the Garrison

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15th Garrison to the Presidency—

Having this Evening had the honour of an Interview with his Excellency he has desired me to acquaint your Lordships &c. That it is his determination not to receive any Mission from the French or any other foreign Power, until the pleasure of Government shall be notified to him, and he has agreeably to this Resolution desired that the Persons &c. may in the interim, remain without the Walls of the Fort.—

His Excellency further desires me to represent to your Lordships & the Honble Board that as the foregoing the present Mission engaged has found the safe Reception of the Magnus he hopes to expect that he considers this Reception to have been solely made to the Honble Company. & that it is by no means his Wish that any communication should take place between his Excellency and the Government of Pondicherry in consequence of the Surrender of those districts to the French.

I have the honour to be with the greatest Respect.—

My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most Obed.t
humble Servant
J. Pote. Wesp.y

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15th In consequence of the Receipt of the foregoing
the following Letter was written to the Resident of
Tanjore.—

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1785

John Huddleston Esqr
Resident at Tanjore

To the Resident
of Tanjore Govert
are well pleased
at the Rajahs
Declaration
expressed in the
foregoing Letter
and conceive
that the Rajah
may receive
the Letter &
Presents sent
to him by the
French & a
Salute answered
returned
in Terms as
stated.

Sir,

We have received Mr. Kisnapa's Letter of the 9th Instant informing us of the arrival of a Braman, with an Escort of Sepoys in the neighborhood of Tanjore, charged with Letters & Presents from the Government of Pondicherry to the Rajah which Mission His Excellency had declined to hear by the receiving until our pleasure should be known to him on the Subject.

We desire you to express our Approbation of the Conduct of the Rajah, which seems dictated by a prosperous attention to his Engagements with the Company.

We are inclined to suppose, as he does that this Mission is occasioned by the late Cession of the Magans and Karical to the French, and that the Letters are merely of a Complimentary Nature— We think that the

Rajah

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15th Rajah may receive them, and if they be of the
kind We suppose, that a civil answer may be
returned to this Effect.

After Compliments:- "That he, the Rajah
had on consequence of His Friends Sick & attached
"to the English Nation consented in conformity
"to the Treaty between Great Britain & France,
"and at the particular Request of the East India
"Company that this Government to deliver to us
"the English the Wagers which the King
"of England had engaged to procure for the Rajah
"to serve as a Dependency on Bencal, that
"he had confirmed this Obligation on his Friends
"the English as a testimony of his Esteem & that
"having received the proper Acknowledgements
"from them, he is fully satisfied that it is more
"than his desire to live on terms of Amity &
"good Correspondence with all his neighbors and
"that he will ever refuse to receive any Letters,
"or Representations they may at any time
"have occasion to send to him, but that he
"requests in future such Letters may not be
"accompanied by any Escort of Sepoys, but
"transmitted thro' the ordinary Channel of
"Phubdars or Hurcarras.

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Mean Sir,

Your Most Obed.t Humble

Servants

(Signed) Macartney &c

Council

Received the undermentioned Letters which

are as entered on the M.B. Nos. 63, 64, 65

From Colonel Barry enclosing Accounts

From Colonel Barry transmitted to him by the French Surgeons at Pondicherry who had Charges of the English Hospital at that Place.

Ordered to be paid, and charged to the Marine Store Keep.

From M.r Hoffard, enclosing Monsieurs Lavidé's application and receipt for the Stores

From M.r Hoffard left at Cuddalore by the late French Commandant

From D.r Raine communicating his Misfortune, in not having succeeded to the Appointment as

From D.r Raine Surgeon, which has been given to his Assis-

-tant M.r Bowie.

Received the following Letter from

Sir Henry Oxby.-

To

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

My Lord & Gentlemen

Storm & its Consequences

Copy of Letter representing the unfortunate State of the Bramins at Pechanapoly

Recommending that they should be permitted to carry their Point

Since the Arrival of the last Storm on this Coast we have felt ourselves much distressed for Magazines to place the Gun Powder and Shot, Articles on the Consumption of which in particular has of late days laid on rather for our Security, Mr Falk this day ordered to be conveyed to a Stone House on the Rocks that has long been occupied by us, the Bramins in consequence of this came in a large Body to my House to remonstrate against it saying the Place Lay in the road that their Swamy was frequently carried and that they could not use the necessary Ceremonies if Powder was kept there, and at the same time pointed out the Barracks occupied by Captain Blackburn Battalion not far from it as a situation better situated & willing to oblige them as far as was reasonable I sent a person to examine it who reported it totally unfit for the Purpose, their circumstances, I was

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15th was alleged to keep the Powder in this place
it was first, assuring the Brahmens by repeated
Messages to them / for they were by this time
making a great noise on the Top of the
Pay-da / that it should be removed the
Moment a proper place could be found, but
this would not satisfy them and as if
determined to carry their point in the most
arrogant Manner hoisted a number of Stand-
-ards in different Parts of the large Buildings
on the rock where they assembled a great
number of People and continued making
the most hideous noise by sounding of
Instruments shouting &c and even went so far
as to send word to the Officer of the Guard
that they had entered up there to die, meaning
that if the powder was not immediately
removed they would precipitate themselves
down the Rock. I was also at the same time
given to understand they were using endea-
-vours to leave the Bay an shut up. — as I
could observe their Conduct from my own
House and conceived from their Antick Actions
and shouts that actuated by a Spirit of
Fanatick folly and Madness it was probable
some unhappy wretch amongst them
might

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15 Might be worked up by a Spirit of contra-
=diction to an hundred confusions of themselves, and
lastly reflecting that it would be better they
should be made sensible of their error by
Your Lordships & Council than
as they had thought proper to proceed such
Long this was Opposition to a measure absolutely
for the good of the Government, and which
they were protected, I should at first
punishment on them withdraw the powder
and refer the Matter to your Lordship &
Council, which they were hardly enough
to disperse peaceably, and continued their
shooting till it was absolutely removed
permit me my Lord & Gentlemen to know
that if these people are allowed to carry a
point of this kind & in such a manner
without suffering for it in some respect
or other, there is no saying where it may
end, nor should I be surprised if on
the same principle they were to oppose
the Cantonments of our Troops at Seringapatam
or in the Neighbourhood of any of their
places of worship before I conclude
this necessary I should remark to
Your

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15th Your Lordship &c. that at this very moment the door of our grand Magazines is within twenty paces of the gate of the great Pagoda and much more in the way of their ceremonies than the place in Question, which is really at a Considerable distance on that upon every ground they appear in the present instance to have been actuated more by a Spirit of perverseness than any thing else, your Lordship &c will also observe from the foregoing the distress we are in for Magazines & Store Houses to cover the great quantity of Stores lately arrived, and on their way, & which I was unwilling to expose or shield any of the old buildings remained empty.

I have the Honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your Faithfull
& Devoted humble
Servant
H. A. M. Cosby

Trichinopoly
15th March 1785

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=quence to the Committee of Assigned

Purveyor

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16th Revenue

Military & Political Departmt

To Charles Oakeley Esqr

To the Committee of Assigned Revenue

Committee of Assigned Revenue directing them to stop the allowances assigned to the Brahmins at Tinchinopoly till further Orders.

Gentlemen

I am directed by the Right Honble President & Council to inform you that they have received a Letter from the Commandant of Tinchinopoly Complaining of the disorderly Conduct of the Brahmins at that Garrison upon his ordering some Gun powder to be placed in a Storehouse long occupied by the Company on the Rock.

As the Brahmins appear to have been actuated by a Spirit of Pride =ous the Board are resolved to bring them back to a proper Conduct & they therefore desire you will Cause their Allowances to be immediately Stopped, & continue to withhold them until you shall be made Acquainted with the further Determination of the Board relating to them.

Sam

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Sam

Gentlemen

Your Most Obdt
Humble Servant

Signed, S. Shannon
Act. Secry

---14th The following Reply was returned to Sir
Henry Osby.—

Military & Political Department

To Lieut. Colonel Sir Henry Osby

Commanding at

Trichenopoly

To Colonel Osby
informing him
of the orders sent
to the Commattee
of Assigned Revenue
after the Bramins
that have been
brought to a
proper sense of
their Conduct, he
will cause the
Gun powder
also conveyed
to the Hostrouw
on the Rock.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right
Hon'ble President & Council to acknowledge
the Receipt of your Letter of the 11th Instant
and to inform you that they concur in
Opinion with you on the propriety of
not Suffering the Bramins to Carry their
Point, & they have in conformity to this
Opinion directed the Commattee of Assigned
Revenue to stop the payment of
their Allowances, until they shall leave

Pondicherry

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17th Further Instructions from the Board

As the the President & Council have directed this measure, they are very desirous of bringing these People to a proper sense of their intemperate behaviour by gentle persuasive means, and to avoid if possible proceeding to extremities - you will therefore be pleased to try the effect of gentle Lenity & Moderate Conduct, assuring the Poinaps Brahmans that Government would be on no account interfere with their religious Ceremonies or interruptions their Celebration but that at the same time they never will suffer their Authority to be wantonly Contested or allow any persons to Brahmans their Carrying Weapons into Excutions which are for the General advantage of the publick you will further add that the Board expect they will make Suitable Concessions for their future behaviour & return to that line of decent forbearance & regularity which is not only best Adapted to their religious Character but best calculated to ensure the protection of Government.—

Should your endeavours

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If Representations be ineffectual, you must resort to coercive Measures, & in Addition to the Stoppage of their Allowances, you must place Guards round the Pagoda to prevent any thing being carried in or brought out until the Brahmins themselves signify a due Sense of their irregularities — after which the Board desire you will cause the Gun Powder to be conveyed to the Storehouse on the Rock, according to your first intentions. —

I am Sir

Your most Obedient humble Servant

Fort St. George
17th March 1785.

(Signed) J. Chamier
A.D.J.G.

Received the following Letter from Major George Baillie —

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

My Lord & Gentlemen,—

As Poland Rose and Lion Departures

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From Major Banks
representing the
Sufferings that has
fallen on the
Corps of Engineers
in Consequence
of Colonel Davis
having been appointed
to destroy the Fort
of Chillambaram.

17th Departure to Masulipatam presenting Sir
Gentlemen of the Council in behalf of the
Corps of Engineers on Colonel Davis's appoint-
ment to Chillambaram Stake the Liberty
in justice to myself and those Gentlemen
to represent the hardship and disgrace we
shall undergo by it. — It implies a want of
professional knowledge or what is yet
dearer to an honest & honorable man the trust
we have been before engaged in as to the
Work, I hope the Officers of the Corps are
equal in abilities to Colonel Davis and
I should be sorry if many years study
and experience in that Science did not
entitle me to more credit to the Contrary
than by testimonials in my favour that I have
been an economist when employed, & that
my Services for it were rewarded, and
that my attention to my Duty was
the cause of a broken constitution which
obliged me to go to Europe where I
only remained 11 Months & returned
with to my Duty with a trust from
the Honble Court of Directors — my
imprudence not my Lord & Gentlemen in
you are not strangers to, nor am I
wanting

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17th wanting in gratitude to acknowledge the favours you granted me, and in a gratuity for my sufferings. - If then Officers of the Engineers have been wanting in their Duty as to the confidence reposed in them I hope your Honor will be pleased to bring them to trial that the Corps at large may not feel the weight of the Worlds censure, which at present is so striking to the whole Army. I sincerely hope, that we may look up to the Noble Board as our Friends in this emitance by redressing what seems to strike greatest Stigma on our Characters, as Men and Soldiers, by employing a Gentleman out of the profession and I dare answer that with Seven Engineers you may depend on this, as any other undertaking that they will be able to execute it with satisfaction to the Noble Board, & with credit to themselves.

I have the honor to remain with the greatest respect,

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your Most Obd.t &
most humble Servant
Geo. Banks
Lieu.t & Dep.y Engr.

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18th Returned the following Answer.-

Major Geo: Banks
4th

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Engineers

To Major Banks
Engineer and
Sir,

I am desired by the Right
Honble President & Council to inform you
that they have received your Letter, & that the
Sudden Departure of Colonel Ross did not
prevent him, as you presume, from addressing
himself to Government on behalf of the Engineer
upon the occasion of Colonel Davis's
Appointment — on the Contrary Colonel
Ross, whose well known merits ensured
it unnecessary for him to entertain the
Study or the experience, or to draw Conjec-
-tures with others, and whose good Sense
& Discretion for his Post, would not permit
him to suspend for a Moment what he
you suggest might be the case, that
any Orders could be misplaced if their
want of Professional Knowledge or
honesty did interest himself strongly
in their favor, & endeavor to impress

Government

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18 Government on the [illegible] Service on which Colonel Davis was ordered, I always particularly to the Engineers Province - but the Board thinks there will & whatever excellency the Engineer Officers may exclusively possess in erecting Edifices & Fortifications do not consider that the Condition of them is of a Nature to be solely confined as a Monopoly to any Separate branch of the Military. It is therefore the Intention of Government to consult upon occasions of this Kind such persons as they shall think fit & without regarding any particular Line of the Service, & they desire to hear nothing further from you upon this Subject.-

I am, Sir,

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

Signed I Hamilton

A. A. G. Genl

Sent the undermentioned Letters

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Rt Secretary as entered on the M.B. Nos 65. 66. 67/—

To Major Shaw

To Major Shaw, directing them to issue Orders to the Paymr of Pondicherry to furnish 145 Horses to serve through the District Toll-free.

To the Commandants of Bngde & Pallavr

To the Commandants of Bngde & Pallavr to furnish an escort to protect the Horses on passing through their Districts

To the Board of Accounts

To the Board of Accounts, directing them to call upon Maj. Dalrymple for an Explanation on the Subject of the Charges brought by them against the estate of the late Paymaster at Pallavr ostah. —

Received Letters as entered in the MB. Nos 68. 69. 70. 71. 74. 75./

From the Commandant of Pallavr

From the Commandant of Pallavr Captain Grant Marches for Coast with the 12th States the Number of Troops about to furnish his Garrison on Duty. —

From Capt. Davies

From Capt. Davies, Covers a Tender and Thirty Letters in Charge of Ensign =bourg, and requests to know if he is to draw Pay for that Garrison for the

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18th the Months of February & March.—

From Mess.rs Lind & Close

From Messrs. Lind & Close, the Royal Letters replying to the Letter addressed to them by the President from Mr. Welsh, as of Opinion that a Reduction of 40 or 50 Dooley Boys on the Numbers attached to the Canton-ment might be made.—

From Mr. Welsh & Minute thereon

Agreed that Mr. Welsh be directed to make the Reduction in the Dooley Boys accordingly, and that General Campbell be advised of the same, / vide M.B. N.o 72 73.— /

From Masulipatam

From Masulipatam, the Detachment of his Majesty's 102.d Reg.t embarks Gen Bragge on board the Admiral Hughes the Command-ant refuses permission to the Men to enlist into the Company's Service.—

From Lt. Atkinson & Minute thereon

From Lt. Henry Atkinson requesting to be placed on the Company's half Pay and to proceed to Europe

Agreed that Lt. Atkinson be informed, that upon his procuring & presenting to the Board through the Commander

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18th Commander in Chief the proper Portuguese to be willed be recommended for a Participation of Lord Clive's Bounty. - Vide M.B. N.o 76 /

Received Letter from Mr. George Stuart

From Mr. George Stuart & Surgeon / as entered in M.B. N.o 77 - Surgeon Taylor at Tanjore setting forth his distresses, and requesting the Loan of 700 Pagodas in part Payment of Arrears due to him.

Agreed that the Commandant & Paymaster at Tanjore do take such Steps as may be in all Respects to relieve Mr. Stuart from the distresses which he has represented, and that he be informed of the Reference made to them / vide M.B. N.os 78, 79, 80. /

Remits thereon

From Mr. Palk

Received Letter from the Paymaster at Trichinopoly as entered in M.B. N.o 81 / respecting the building of Boats for the Service of the Southern Rivers.

Agreed that Mr. Palk be informed that the Board wish to

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18th to receive from him Specifick Proposals
Minute thereon for the Construction of the Boats represented
by him to be necessary for the Service
of the Rivers / Vide M.B. 1st 82/.—

At a Consultation, Present

The Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.
President

Saturday 19th March 1785.— Hect. Davidson Esq.r Lt. Col. Daniell Esq.r
Lt. Genl. Lang absent

Minutes of last Consultation
read & approved.—

The Memorial from Mr.
Mr Bury's Memorial taken into Consideration. de Bussy transmitted in Genl. Coxton's
Bury Letter of the 1st March being
taken into Consideration, the President
delivers in the following Memorandum.—

The

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Lord Macartney's Minute on the Nature of the Claim made by Mr. Bury from an Indemnification for the Capture of his Vessel in the Roads of Pondicherry contrary to the Capitulation which secured the Effects & Merchandize of the French Inhabitants.

The Claim of Mr. Bury is of such a nature and attended with such particular circumstances that it may be necessary to have further Information before any Accurate Judgement can be formed of the Propriety or Extent of it.

It is true that the Capitulation secured the Effects and Merchandize of the French Inhabitants & allowed them to carry on their trade under the Protection of the British Flag, but from the time that Hyder Ali entered the Carnatic, it is necessary to determine on what Light the French at Pondicherry ought to be considered — they Complain of being abandoned & left to the Mercy of Hyder but at Pondicherry was there an open Town, it was impossible to secure it and withdrawing our Force from it was in our then circumstances the best protection we could give it as it left no pretence for Hyder to

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to consider them as Enemies, which he
would certainly have done had they
been openly under the guard of any
of our Forces.

The Abandonment of Pondi-
=cherry ought undoubtedly to be considered
in this point of view, and the French
might have taken Advantage of it to
remain in their Houses without
disturbance from one side or the other
leaving the Garrison, but they seem so
enclined, but there were some among
them, and in particular one M.
Perron who took the Lead openly, that
negotiated with Hyder - carried on a
constant Correspondence in his Camp
and did every thing in their Power
to aid his designs against us so that
in the earliest Stage of the War We
had reason to consider the Town
of Pondicherry, as completely in
the Interests of Hyder. -

It was this probably
that

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that gave rise to the Capture of M.r De
Bourg's Vessel by Hyder's Troops was in
fact possessed of the Town, and one of
his Officers Commanded & directed
every thing there for the Interests
of his Master M.r Sheardon's Letter
says "that the Boat mentioned by M.r
De Bourg's Vessel was taken possession
of by Hyder's Troops and by his
Intelligence, some of them were actually
on Board her the Morning of the
Day she was taken."

Whatever Inquiry M.r De
Bourg may now conceive himself
to have sustained by the Loss of the
Vessel, it seems pretty evident that
he did not at the time act as if
he thought himself entitled to
Compensation or Restitution as an
injured Subject of ours, for as
M.r Sheardon says: "within an
hour after the Vessel was taken,
his house was surrounded by Hyder's
People

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People and he made a prisoner as he
supposes at the request of Mr De Berry
for after being kept at Pennacoil by
Hicks Hyders General acquainted him
that if he could obtain Mr Berry's consent
he would immediately on receipt of
it, send him Mr Sharon to Oeddalore
as he was made a prisoner in consequence
of the Capture of Mr De Berry's Vessel"

If the Sufferings of Mr
Sharon be balanced against the Loss
of Mr De Berry, the latter will be
found to have obtained ample Revenge
for the Slighting if indeed he sustained
any from us but it is not at all clear
that he would have received any Com-
pensation for his Rice from Hyder
who had made so free with the
Property of it & that it was in fact
a circumstance of small Moment in
the Main Situation of the Rebel whether
the Rice were taken by our People
or

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or by the Enemy; the Latter had certainly laid the first hand upon it - if this was not the case Mr. De Bourg's Claim is more admissible for Cause only as before it was sold to the Enemy by Mr De Bourg or with his Knowledge and Consent.

But exclusive of these Considerations it would be now so difficult to ascertain the Quantity on Board the value of the Vessel & what Sum ought to indemnify the Loss ought among many many others to be placed to the Account of an unfortunate and complicated War, by which so many Individuals of both Nations suffered from the peculiar Situation they were occasionally thrown into by the turmoil of a barbarous Invasion and in which the English witness the Calamity of

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of so many of our Officers & people both of the Army & Navy to Tryden by Mr Saffron suffered beyond all proportion more than the French—

Before I conclude I must observe that this affair of Mr Berry's Vessel happened long before any Arrival can London & was indeed a total stranger to it till the receipt of Mr Berry's Letter now before us, but I have made every possible enquiry into the Matter and altho I have examined the Records of Government & searched the Madras Register of the Arrival and Departure of Ships for the years 1780 & 1784, cannot find the smallest Trace of any order to seize Mr Berry's Vessel or the name or similar name of any Ship called the Tenka, or of any Commander called Henry Thermant—

I enjoined Macartney

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The

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The Board agree with the President.

The Board Consulting Affairs &c
with the President, Ordered that a
Letter to the Subsidiary Effect be sent to
Genl Porteneau.

Read the following Letter from
the Chief & Council at Masulipatam
with Enclosures as entered in M B 8th
83. 84.

Military & Political Department

To the Right Honble Lord Macartney Kt.
President & Governor &c Council of
My Lord & Gentlemen Fort St George

We have been honored with
Your Commands communicated to us
by your Secretary under date the 2d
Instant as also with the two enclosures
transmitted by him to us - Herewith
we beg to continue to his Lordship &c the 4th Nov. &c our
Address

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Furnish the Accomptant of Fort St George monthly an estimate of the Quantity of Provision necessary for 500 Europeans, for Six Months

add to Letter of the 23d of the same Month

in which time we had the honor of forwarding Copy of our Renters reply to the Arzee of Muckhoo Mall formerly for the Renter of Palnaud, together with two Papers enclosed therein. In the Month of January last Hurry Sing who is the Renter wrote the Mr Daniell complaining that Lawder Caun who farms the Land Customs at Hydrabad prevented the Lombardy Merchants from passing thro' the Palnaud District as usual by which means he sustained a considerable Loss of Revenue, as we had no authority over Lawder Caun who is Dependant on the Nizam, we thought it most proper to transmit a Copy of Hurry Sings Complaint to Mr Johnson Resident at Hydrabad requesting he would endeavour to prevail on the Soubah to issue such orders as would effectually prevent any innovations such as the Renter of Palnaud represented had taken

place

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Please W Johnson a Packet to our Letter on the 29th January informing us that no Orders had been issued for enabling the Lombardies to proceed as usual without any new expedition, and also wrote a Letter to W. Hodges on the 18th Febry inclosing a Draft for the Lombardies to proceed Port Palmas without Molestation on the part of Cuttack Cause—

The above is a brief Account of what has passed on this Subject, and for more full information "we beg leave to refer you to our Letter & to the enclosed Copies of the Letters and Papers which we have quoted, we likewise transmit you the Original Draft sent in by W Johnson that it may if you think proper be delivered to the Master of Palmaras to be transmitted by him to the Lombardies for the purposes mentioned in W Johnsons Letter. — In

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In hopes that the bonds for the Lombardies will prove effectual we have deferred ordering Mr Scott to proceed to Nuddegudda & Balnaud until we receive your further directions being of Opinion that his presence there could not be of any material advantage as the representations of the two Renters transmitted to us in writing might furnish probably as much information as Mr Scott would be able to give us after a local investigation, besides his Duty here would make it inconvenient to send him away from the Settlement as he has only two Black Writers under him & None of the other Assistants are acquainted with the business of his Office, we therefore request that if the information contained in

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in the Accompanying my Papers should
be deemed irregularities & that your
Lordships Sense of Opinion it is
necessary to order an Assistant from
hence that you will permit me
to send some other person whose
Services can be better dispensed with
than Mr. Scott can at this time

I will become as much
our duty to prevent any innovations
or encroachments on the Privileges
appertaining to the Civil Servants
and the Company's own Possessions as
to discourage any practice that
might be detrimental or unwarran-
-table with respect to the Revenues
or Districts of the Carnatick, by
the Poudr, from the Sunbah now
transmitted will have as we wish,
the effect of removing Complaints in
future, we are of Opinion any Losses
alledged to have been sustained
can be better settled here with the
respective

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respective Renters than by deputing a
Person for that purpose; if your Lordship
&c. should be of the same Opinion, and
direct the Renter of Poliwaud to send a
Person, with the necessary documents to
ascertain his Claim the Subject will
be considered with Equity towards the
Parties & your Lordship &c. informed of the
result.

Agreeable to your Secretary's
letter of the 19th Ultimo we have the honor
to enclose an Account of the Quantity
of Company's Arrack remaining in Store
here, and likewise an Estimate of the
Quantity necessary for 500 Europeans
for 6 Months delivered in to us by our
Storekeeper

We have the honor to enclose
you Copy of a letter which we have
received from Mr. Robert Gardiner Pay-
master of Bengal, containing an Application
for 4000 Madras Pagodas for the Disburse-
ments of that Garrison after the Commence-
ment of the late War with Hyder Aly

we

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We received Directions from your Honourable Board to Supply Mr. Gardiner with Money for the Disbursements of that Garrison, The Officer Commanding at Ongole was at the same time Directed to Comply with any requisitions we might make of him, and has ever since sent us a Monthly Return of the Troops under his Command - We request therefore to know whether it is your pleasure that we should still continue to Supply Mr. Gardiner with Cash and receive Returns of the Troops at Ongole, as that Garrison is Dependant on the Carnatic and has no Connection with the Districts under this Settlement in times of Peace We shall in the present instance comply with Mr Gardiners Application & wait your Orders for our future guidance

We have the Honour to be
very respectfully
Sir Your Lords & Gentlemen
Your Most Obed.t Servants
Anthony Sadleir
James Hodges
Thos. Barnard
P. Boileau
Jam.s Hathorn

Masulipatam
12th March 1785

[Signed]

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Agreed that that part of the Letter which relates to the Complaints in the Petition with the Enclosures be extracted & sent to the Committee of Assigned Revenue for their Consideration.

Letter to be sent from Masulipatam

With respect to the future Supplies from the Paymaster at Angole for the Disbursements of that Garrison, this Agreed that the Pettah at Masulipatam be desired to supply him in the same Manner as they have done during the War

2000 Gallons of Bengal Rum to be sent to Masulipatam

Ordered that the Garrison Storekeeper be directed to send 2000 Gallons of Bengal Rum to Masulipatam by the first good Opportunity in order to compleat the Garrison Store of Liquors at that Settlement.

Read the following Extract from the Minutes of the Committee of Assigned Revenue on Mr. Digby's Letter & enclosures of the 16th Febry with the Presidents Remarks thereon as entered on the Consultation of the 1st March.

Extract from the Minutes of the Committee of Assigned Revenue Dated 28th Febry 1795

At the Presidency

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Extract from the Minutes of the Committee of Assigned Revenue on Mr. Digby's Letter & Enclosures of the 16th Instt.

on the Committee's proposing clearly ascertaining that the Sums allowed to by Mr. Digby were received by Colonel Fullarton from the Polygars of Ramnad Sevagunga, and Shevagunga, and as there is every reason to Suspect, although no accounts of their expenditure have yet been delivered to the Paymaster, that they were disbursed for the purposes of the Southern Army, that Agreed to recommend to the Board that Mr. Digby be directed to bring them into his Accounts by crediting Assigned Revenue & debiting Colonel Fullarton for the Amount until the particulars of the Disbursements are explained when they may be carried to the proper Heads.—

Thomas Extract,

(Signed) S. Sandon
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Read the following Letter from the Committee of Assigned Revenue with Enclosures entered in Mss. Bs. 4. 85, 86, 87, 88, 89.—

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To the Right Honble G. L. Macartney
K. B. President and Governor &c &c &c

My Lord & Gentlemen Fort St George

From the Committee of Assigned Revenue enclosing Translates of Several Sunnuds and Papers produced by the Calastry Rajah and the Hill Polygars concerning their respective Claims

Agreeable to the Commands of the Select Committee through the Secretary Chamier, we have the honor to lay before you Translates of the several Sunnuds and Papers produced by the Calastry Raja and the Hill Polygars, concerning their respective Claims.

The Calastry Raja grounds his Claims, on a Sunnud from His Highness the Nabob at the time he reduced those Pollams, and on a renewed Grant previous to the assignment a Translation of which is also enclosed / No 1 /

The Polygars ground their Claims on Sunnuds granted thereby by His Highness the Nabob for restoring their Pollams at the commencement of the War Translations of which

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are enclosed Nos. 2 & 3)

We also beg leave to lay before you the report of the Head Paymaster of the Carnatic, Mr. Dundas Row on the Subject No. 4) which contains the material Facts on which the Disputes stand. We trust they will prove sufficient to enable you to come to a final Decision.—

We have the honor to be,
My Lord & Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient
Humble Servants
Chas. Oakeley
Dav. Haliburton
Geo. Moubray

Fort St. George
13th March 1785

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

My Lord & Gentlemen, Fort St. George

From the Commissioners of Appeal
enclosing the
Papers required Chauncey's letter to us of the 14th Instant,
by his Lordship's Orders. We have now the honor to transmit

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Herewith an Abstract Account of the gross receipts from the assigned Districts with the Charges thereon from the 2.d December 1791 to the 11.th July last, taken from the Books, and an Abstract Account of the net receipts from the 11.th of July & the 31.st December taken from the monthly Accounts.

Should your Lordship &c.a deem it necessary to furnish the Nabob with a more particular Statement, it can only be done by sending a Copy of our Books, which being kept in the English Form would, we apprehend, afford but little satisfaction to his Highness.—

We have the honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Yours &c.a &c.a &c.a
Thos. Oakeley
David Haliburton
Geo Mowbray

[signed]

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To the Right Honble Geo. Lord Macartney K.B.
President & Governor &c.a Council
Fort S.t George

My Lord & Gentlemen

We beg leave to lay before
Your

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From the Committee of
Aff.s Revenue inclosing you
Extract of a Letter
from the Renters of
Vellore, representing
the irregular Conduct
of the Mogul Pdl
-gar.-

Extract of a Letter from the Renters of Vellore, representing the irregular Conduct of the Mogul Polligar.

We have the honor to be,

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your Most Obedient

Humble Servants.

Fort St George
16th March 1785.-

(Signed) Ch.s Oakeley
David Haliburton
Geo. Moubray

Answer to their Letter of the 13th Inst.

Agreed to inform the Committee of Aff.s of
Revenue that the Pollams now in the possession
Mr Munro on the of the Rajah of Calastry must be continued
Letter of the 13 under his management, & that he must
be authorized to take possession of the
remainder, as the possession Granted from
the Nabob renewed previous to the
Assignment, that gives him a Claim
to the possession of them which they
does not at present seem disposed
to dispute - Agreed therefore that the
Nabob Grant to him be confirmed
Accordingly recommending to him
at

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at the same time to assign some Villages
for the residence & Maintenance of the
Polligars, as long as they shall Conduct
themselves properly

The President having laid
before the Board a Memorial from
Cundapah in
consequence of
which it is agreed
that an Annuity
of one hundred
Pagodas be
granted to him.

The President laying
before the Board a Memorial entered in
M.B. Vol. 90. from Cundapah, late Subedar
Commandant of the Comp.y's 1st Regt. of Sepoys &
the same was taken into consideration & it is
agreed that an allowance should be made
to Cundapah for his Merit & Services during
the late War, & that an annuity of 100
Pag.s be granted to him, to be paid by the
Presidency out of the Secret Service Money

Read the following Letters
entered on the Miscellany Book Vol. 91,
92, 93, 94, 95, 96,

From General Campbell
dated 16th March with an enclosure from
Colonel Floyd requesting that a Serjeant
& 12 Privates of the 23d Regt be ordered
from Ellore to meet the Horses belonging
to that Regiment which are coming from
Hydrabad.

Com. Jl Campbell

Agreed

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From the Committee of
Cy. Revenue inclosing you
Extract of a letter
from the Renter of
Vellore representing
the irregular Conduct
of the Mogul Pdl
-gar.-

Extract of a Letter from the Renter of Vellore representing the irregular Conduct of the Mogul Polligar.

We have the honor to be,
My Lord & Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedient
Humble Servants.

Fort St George
16th March 1785.-

(Signed) Ch.s Oakeley
David Haliburton
Geo: Mowbray

Minutes on the Letter of the 13th

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Colonel Floyd requesting that a Sergeant
& 12 Privates of the 23d Regt be ordered
from Ellore to meet the Horses belonging
to that Regiment which are coming from
Hydrabad.

Agreed

Com. Gl. Campbell

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Agreed that the necessary Orders be in consequence given. & that Gov.t Campbell be advised thereof

To Lieut.t Colonel Davis

From the President at Tanjore dated the 13.th Instant advising of his having received the Ballance of Cash, & Charge of the Ordnance from Mr. Hopkinson, & that he shall commence at his first leisure to draw from the Rock the remainder of the Money promised by him & which as yet no part has been received.—

From the President at Tanjore

From Lieut.t Colonel Davis

From Lieut.t Colonel Davis dated 11.th Instant representing that there are at Vellumbrum 100 Candies of Gun Powder, which [illegible] what is wanted for the destruction of the Place he wishes may be removed as soon as possible & stating also that there is a large Quantity of damaged Country Powder, for the disposal of which he wishes to have the Orders of the Board.—

To Lieut.t Colonel Davis

Agreed that Colonel Davis be informed that the Powder must be removed

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Removed to Cuddalore, & that he must make the proper Arrangements for that purpose with Lieut. Col. Berry— the damaged Country Powder if totally unfit for any use must be destroyed.—

From M.r William Balfour

From M.r Balfour

Dated 17th Instant requesting that a Bill on account of Table Money for Lieut. Stuart amounting to Pag.s 7000, in consequence of an Allowance made to him by the Company be discharged

Ordered to lie on the Table—

To lie on the Table

From M.r Gahagan dated 12th March Surgeon at Vellore representing a Plaint which he prefers against the Company for a sundry Clothing & Stores belonging to him which were destroyed by order of Lieut Stuart in the Year 1781 at Pondicherry.—

From M.r Gahagan

Ordered to lie on the Table—

To lie on the Table

From M.r Welch dated 15th March enclosing his Account Current with the Committee

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Committee of Assigned Revenue

From Wm Webb

Ordered that the abovementioned Memo be thereon Recorded and delivered to the Committee of Assigned Revenue.

From Wm Garrow

Read a Letter from Mr Garrow dated in A.B. Augt 97 stating that in consequence of orders received from Government to execute the Students for the out Garrisons he had invested his Credit in purchasing Cargoes to upwards of 25,000 Pagodas part of which is still unpaid, that the Balance due to him from the Company is 6000 Pagodas half of which he requests may be paid him either by Company's Bonds and Advance of Cash or Bills on England by which means his Creditors will be in some Measure satisfied.

Ordered that Mr Garrow be informed, that the state of the Company's Finances at this time, forbids it and if the Power of Government to discharge any part of the large Balances due to them by the Company is 6000 Pagodas half of which he requests may be paid him either by Company's Bonds and Advance of Cash or Bills on England by which means his Creditors will be in some Measure satisfied.

Ordered that Mr Garrow be informed, that the state of the Company's Finances at this time, forbids it and if the Power of Government to discharge any part of the large Balances due to them by the Company is made them Company's Bonds which they will be ready to receive in Liquidation of the whole

Macartney

Minute thereon

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19th Receive the undermentioned Letters
which are entered in the M.B. N.os 100, 101,
103/—

From Col. Braithwaite — From Colonel Braithwaites enclosing
a Letter from Dr Moore, and application from the Surgeon's Mate
for Medicines for an Assistant.

From Genl Campbell — From General Campbell, enclosing a
Memorial addressed to Government by
Mr. Moore Surgeon of his Majesty's 36th
Regiment of Foot, requesting to be first on the
same footing as the Surgeons of other
Regiments by the Payment of his Arrears.

Minute thereon — Agree that General Campbell
be informed that if what is due to Mr.
Moore has not been liquidated on the
same Manner & to the same Period with
the other Surgeons, it must have been
because his Accounts have not passed &
agreeably to the established Forms, but Mr Moore
should have through the Surgeon General
and every Effort will be made to assist
him that the Treasury may admit
of Vide M.B. N.o 102/

From the Committee of Stores have
ordered that the Bombstone which Mr.
Ogilvie

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19th Ogilvie has represented to be on hand & shall be made up to December, & received from him at the Contract Price; stating the Reasons which induced them to adopt this Mode.

20th Sent the following Letter to the Committee of Assigned Revenue.

Military & Political Department

To Charles Oakeley Esqr.

&c &c Members of the Committee of Assigned Revenue

Gentlemen

I am directed by the Right Honble President & Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters of the 11th, 13th & 16th Instt. with their several Enclosures.

With respect to the Dispute between the Rajah of Calastry & the Hill Polegars the Board are of Opinion that the Pollams now in his possession be continued under the Rajahs management, & that he be authorized to take possession of the remainder since he passes a Grant from the Nabob received previous to the Assignment, which gave

To the Committee of Assigned Revenue: as the Calastry Rajah possesses a Grant from the Nabob received previous to the Assignment, the Board are of Opinion that the Pollams, which have been the cause of contest between him & the Hill Polegars should be continued to him. The Price of Grain and by Bonnamanje & the Rajahs Salary

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& Venkatagherry to Vellore must be settled according to the Current Prices when it was delivered a Medium may be taken. — the Company Papers relating to the Complaints preferred by the Polygars and Renters

which there does not at present seem proper Ground to dispute — you will be pleased therefore to confirm the Malabs Grant to them Accordingly recommending to them at the same time to assign some Villages for the subsistence & Maintenance of the Polygars as long as they shall conduct themselves properly. —

In your Letter of the 7th Inst. last respecting the Grain sent by Bommanye & the Ryots of Calastry & Venkatagherry to Vellore, you desire to be informed whether the Ryots are to be allowed for it at the prices they have charged or at the Current Value of Grain at Vellore at the time of delivering, in order to decide upon this point the Board request you will enquire what was the Current Prices at the respective places at the time when the Rice was delivered & report this ascertained, the Medium may be taken, & the business settled. —

Inclosed by order of the Board an Extract of a Letter from the Chief & Council at Masulipatam with Enclosures,

also

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20 also a Copy of the Letter which it is hoped will have the effect of removing the Complaints which are the Subject of the foregoing Papers, The President & Council in Consequence desire you will take such Steps as may appear necessary Upon a Perusal of the Papers abovementioned.

I enclose an Account Current with your Commission from the Paymaster at Arcot.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your most Obed.t
humble Servant
Signed. John Hamilton
Actg. Secry

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Sent the undermentioned Letters which are entered on the M.B. Nos. 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114.

To Genl. Campbell

To General Campbell — Orders to send Lieut. Lewis directing the Commanding Officer at Ellore to send a Serjeant and twelve Privates to escort the Horses coming from Hyderabad to recruit his Majesty's 23.d Regt of Light Dragoons —

To

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To Masulipatam 20 To Masulipatam, directions shown to give the necessary Directions as above mentioned to Colonel Braithwaite.

To the Garrison Storekeepers

To the Garrison Storekeeper, to send to Masulipatam by the first good Opportunity 2500 Gallons of Bengal Rum.

To Masulipatam

To Masulipatam, an Extract of their Letter relating to the Complaints on the Salt and have been sent to the Committee of Assigned Revenue, for their Consideration - To Supply the Garrison of Ongole, agreeably to the Indents which may be presented to them by the Paymaster in the same Manner as they did during the War

To Lt. Col. Davies

2d To Lieut. Col. Davies; to send the Gunpowder at Chillumbrum to Cuddalore, except what he may want for the Demolition of the Works; and that which is unserviceable must be destroyed.-

To Lt. Col. Barry

To Lieut. Col. Barry - to consult with Lieut. Colonel Davies on the most eligible mode of transporting the Gunpowder from Chillumbrum to Cuddalore.

To the Resident of Tanjore

To the Resident at Tanjore, to discharge the

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21st the Amount of a Bill in favor of Mr. G. Ouseley, amounting to Porto Nova Pagodas 2305.12.—

To Surat

To the Chief & Council at Surat, acknowledging the receipt of a Letter from thence under Date the 26th January.—

To Masulipatam

23d To Masulipatam, to issue Orders conformably to the Desire of Laggumma Row to prevent his People from being molested at the different Choultries erected by his Uncles for public Accommodation—a Copy of this Representation enclosed.

To Mr. Edwd Garrow

To Mr. Edward Garrow, the State of the Company's Finances will admit of no other Method of liquidating the heavy Arrears due to him, than by Company's Bonds.—

To the Garrison Storekeeper

To the Garrison Storekeeper, to dispose of the Goods delivered to him by the Commutee of Stores to the best advantage.—

25th Sent the following Letters.—

Military & Political Depart.

To Brigadier General Coutenceau

Commandant General of the Island of Sumatra

&c &c &c

at Fanduckeru

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Sir

To Brigadier General Cuthewaw

I have deferred until this time replying to the Letter with which you honored me of the 11th. inclosing a Memorial from Mr. Bury, because I was desirous of procuring all possible elucidation of the facts stated therein, & of giving every Proof of my attention to a Subject in which you appear to take an Interest.—

stating why this Government cannot become answerable for the Loss sustained by Mr. Bury, in the Capture of his Vessel at Pondicherry contrary to the Capitulation.—

I am sorry Sir, that the result of my enquiries is not likely to be satisfactory to Mr. Bury; & that it is most probable his Loss must with many others be placed to the Account of a complicated War, by which Individuals of both Nations suffered from the peculiar Situations they were occasionally thrown into by the Events of a barbarous Invasion, in which the English, Witness the delivery of so many of our Officers & People both of the Army & Navy, to Hyder ally by Mr. Laffreen, suffered beyond all proportion more than the French—

enquiries

Bury

It

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25 It is true that the Capitulation of Pondicherry secured the Effects and Merchandize of the French Inhabitants, & allowed them to carry on their Trade under the protection of the British Flag, but from the time that Hyder assumed the Carnatic, it is not easy to determine in what Light the French at Pondicherry ought to be considered, they complain of being abandoned and left to the Mercy of Hyder, but as Pondicherry was then an open Town it was impossible to secure it without withdrawing the English Force from it, as in those Circumstances at that time the best protection the English could give it, as it left no pretext for Hyder to Consider the French as Enemies, which he would certainly have done had they been openly under the Guard of the English Forces. —

At the time stated of the Capture of Mr de Bussy's Vessell Hyder's Subjects were in possession of Pondicherry, and one of his Officers Commanded & directed every thing there, for the Interests of his

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25th Master, Quarters as soon after the Vessell was taken, Mr Sheridans house was surrounded by Hyders People & himself carried to Perian, where he was for some time Confined, besides I feel not at all clear that Mr de Bussy would have received any Compensation for his Rice from Hyder, who had made so free with the property of it & it was in fact a circumstance of small moment as to the then situation of the Vessell whether the Rice were taken by the English, or by Hyders People - it is certain the latter had laid the first hands upon it - & if this were not the case, it is conceived Mr de Bussy's Claim is more inadmissible for the Grain must then have been sold to the Enemies of the English by his knowledge & consent.

Exclusive of these considerations it would be now very difficult to ascertain the Quantity of Grain on board, the Value of the Vessell & if the Government of Madras could consider themselves responsible for its wreck they cannot do more especially as upon examining the Records

&

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25th Upon reading the Madras Register of the Arrival & departure of Ships for the years 1780, & 1781 ... no trace can be found of any Order to Lauze St de Bussy's Fleet or the Name, or resemblance Name of any Ships called the Tanker, or of any Commander Called Henry Hermann.

From the above Statement which I have the honor to lay before you, Sir, you will be convinced that the English Government upon this Coast, Cannot comply with the request preferred by M.r de Bussy for a Reinforcement of the Fleet which he has represented.—

I have the honor to be with the most perfect Consideration

Sir,

Your most Obed.t Servant

(Signed) Macartney

Fort St George
28.th March 1785

Military & Political Department

To the Honble John Macpherson Esq.r
Governor General &c. Council at
Fort William

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25th

Gentlemen,

We did ourselves the honor to address you on the 6th November last, enclosing Sundry Papers relating to a Duel which was fought by Lord William Murray & Lieutenant Waugh in which the latter was killed. These Papers will have informed you that Major General Campbell declined giving Orders for a Court Martial on Lord William Murray, whom as being only an Officer on half pay, he did not consider as under his Authority.-

Not being possessed of legal Information which might justify a decision on this point We requested you to submit the whole to the Opinion of the Judges of the Supreme Court at Calcutta & obtain their Opinion upon the Subject by which our proceedings might be directed.-

We have also had the honor to address your Board on the 28th Ult.o on the Subject of an Application from Lieut.t Pontenier for the delivering up a Mr. Daniel

Fort St. George
Letter from
Sir Bengal.-
Dated 25th March 1805.
Received
No answer to
the Letter from
hence respecting
Lord Will.m Murray's
Affair of Honor
with Lieut.t Waugh
Govr. are apprehensive that
such Applications
will not be
agreeable; &
requesting to
know if they
or, that a
Reference may
be made to
the Court of
Division for
legal Information on
those Points
wherein this
Presidency is
not competent
to decide on.-

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25th Darnell Suspected to be at Madras, Accused of various Acts of Delinquency by the French Government.

We wished to have your Opinion whether We ought to deliver up a Delinquent to a foreign Power if any application should be made to us when it might be in our Power to comply with it.

As you have not yet been pleased to send us any answer to our Letter of the 6th November We are apprehensive that these applications are not agreable to you - you must however be sensible that not being supported on this Coast by Judicial authority competent to decide on legal points, We are exceedingly obliged to have recourse through you to the Supreme Court of Judicature at Calcutta, & we have not applied but when we it was of consequence that We should proceed on sure Ground.

Your Apprehensions should be well founded We request you will be so good as to inform us, that We may make

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25th make application to the Board of Directors
for some Establishment by which, We may
have at this Presidency Legal Information & Vouchers
for such Sums & Points which may from time to time
occur. —

We have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedt
humble Servants
(Signed) Macartney &c
Council.

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25th March 1785

Received Letter from the Bengal Secretary
from the Bengal Secretary / as entered on the 11th B. p. 115 / enclosing an
Account Examined by the Deputy Paymaster
of the Army Troops at that Presidency, stating
the Periods to which he has issued their
Pay and Allowances. —

Ordered that the above mentioned
Account be remitted to the Military Paymaster
General. —

At a Consultation Present

The

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The Right Honble Lord Macartney K.B.

President

Saturday
26.th March
1785.

Lieut.t Gen.l Lang Alex.r Davidson Esq.r
James Daniell Esq.r

Minutes of last Consultation read
& approved.

Read the following Letter from
Bengal with Enclosures entered in the Mr.
B. No 116.

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

My Lord & Gentlemen,

From Bengal
inclosing Copy
of their Correspon-
dence with
Sir John Burgoyne
relative to his
Agreement with
them for recruit-
ing his Majesty's
22.d Regt. Light
Dragoons with
Horses.

You are already apprized of the
Correspondence which has subsisted between
Sir John Burgoyne & us in respect to the Permission granted to him
for completing the 23.d Regiment of Light
Dragoons with Horses purchased at our
Expence and at a fixed Price.

Tho' you avoided interfering in
this Business at first, we trust that on a
Reconsideration of it, and of our Wishes
to have that Regiment on a Establishment

that

that shall make it to be prepared for actual
Service you will give every Aid to Sir
John Burgoyne in forwarding as desirable a
Preparation.

We have the honor to send you
Copies of our Correspondence with him upon
the Subject, and assure ourselves that you
will not allow any Practices or Jealou-
=sy in the Detail of Service to —
impede our desire which cannot but be
consonant to your own / to give the Company's
Service the full Benefit of the good
Discipline of his Majesty's 23d Regiment
of Light Dragoons. Sir John Burgoyne's
present Situation with respect to your
Government should be an Obstacle to our
wishes on this subject by preventing his
Presence with the Regiment, we know
that Colonel Floyd the Officer next in
Command of it, is a very capable Officer
and of distinguished Merit, any Interfe-
=rence in these Matters which are
connected with the internal Detail of
Your Presidency cannot be agreeable to us

We

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We have been led to form by our Zeal for the
for the Interests
of the Company

We must not conceal from you, that the
troubles and distresses under which
which has been at present the Government
the 23d Regiment of Light Dragoons, We are
are anxious to avail ourselves of this Opportunity
gracious Intention in sending that Corps
to India, and the Success attending
in obtaining the Restoring of the Nabob
Territory was an Additional motive with
us for exerting to keep it complete.

We have the Honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen,
Your most Obd.
humble Servants

Fort William,
Secret Department
1st March 1785.

(Signed) { John Macpherson
John Stables
Thos. Stuart

Read the following Letter from Sir
John Burgoyne.

Madras March 26th 1785.

My Lord & Gentlemen,
I have the honor to

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From Sir John Burgoyne enclosing Extract of a Letter to him from Bengal advising of their acceptance of his Draughts on them; and of their requisition to the Governm.t of Fort S.t George to give the necessary support to have Sir John's Son the Speedy Completion of mounting his Regiment.

enclosed Extract of a Letter lately addressed to me by the Governor General and Council at Fort William.-

I have thought it necessary to send you the enclosed Extract of a Letter, although I think it most probable that you have already received one of the same import from Bengal, as that Government enjoins me in the Extract now enclosed, that they had written to you.-

I have the honor to be

My Lord & Gent.n Your most Obed.t

Humble Servant.

(Signed) J. Burgoyne

M. G.

& Lt. Col. 23.d Lt Dragoons

Extract of a Letter from the Supreme Board

To Major General Sir John Burgoyne Bar.t

dated Fort William 19.th February 1785.

We have the honor to acquaint you in our Letter of the 28.th of December that we had given Orders for the acceptance of

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of the Bill which you had drawn on us
in favor of Mr. Thomas Graham, and desired
our Sub Treasurer to discharge it with
punctuality when it should become
due.

"We doubt not but the Administra-
tion of Fort St. George, to whom we have
again written on the Subject, will
repay all the reasonable incidental
Charges that may attend the purchase
of the Horses.

"We shall certainly accept
the Drafts which you have empowered
Mr. Dawson to make on this Government
as stated in your Letter of the 27th of Janry
and 2d Instant, but to avoid irregularity
and to place the whole of the business
in a train of speedy completion we
have requested the Board of Fort St. George
to give you the necessary Assistance
&c, and in future we must leave it to
their adjustment as a part of their
internal detail.—

"We forward to you a Copy
of our Letter to them on the Subject.—

We

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We have the honor to be Gn.a &c.a

(Signed) { John Macpherson
John Stables
Phd. Stuart

Attest Cottrath.

Madras March 25.th 1785.

My Lord & Gentlemen,

From Sir John Burgoyne repre-senting that Government have badly managed with respect to his Regt. recommending that the Flanks be removed from the Flanks & that Sheds be built for them. —

The Situation of my Regiment has been for some time such, that as Colonel thereof I think it my duty now to inform you, that this unsettled the Service can reap that benefit from its Discipline which the Supreme Board in their Letter to you of the 1.st Instant, say They are so anxious to obtain, and which They hope you will allow us Nevertheless a uniformality in the detail of Service to be observed. — The Regiment is so divided and in arrange so numerous to all Regimental Orders & Oeconomy, that every part of its interior arrangement is in utter confusion. The Detachment at Arcot by your Orders is so composed, that if

Less

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has not been possible to keep Officers, non Commissioned Officers, Men or Horses with their own Troops all Accounts by this Means are distracted, and it with the utmost trouble and difficulty we can arrive at the exact knowledge of them. 110 Men for recruits have been above 10 Months at Ellore which is at so great a distance that Matters there are liable to greater confusion, and by being kept there, instead of being what they might have been by this time, perfect Dragoons, they are now I fear in a very undisciplined State, for having so many Officers from home sick, and those on the Spot, it has not been possible to gain the Recruits a proper proportion of either Officers or Non Commissioned Officers. — The Remainder is at Poonamalee where Though my Lord Colonel has done every thing to keep up the Discipline of his Command, yet from the Situation of the Place, those Troops are most just before or after Embarkation, there has been such a constant scene of Drunkenness

that

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that both the health and morals of my men have suffered in the extreme: as a Cantonment for Dragoons there cannot in the whole Settlement be found a place so absolutely unfavourable in every respect as St. Thomé.- The Horses being precluded on a soil burning Sand, for there is not a blade of Grass or any herbage near the place, have been very unhealthy, and I have lost a great Number, I am convinced from this very circumstance, the green Forage is at so great a distance, that it is impossible to procure such as the Horses ought to have, and there is no place fit for Exercise either on foot, or on horseback within the Fortifications distance. - As the Supreme Board expresses themselves anxious to have my Regt. in a Situation that should enable it to be prepared for actual Service, and as they have been at so great an Expence in enabling me to remount it, I trust these considerations will do have the Goodness weigh with you,

&c

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and that the Regiment can be brought to
together we cannot move Legally to Place assigned
Cantonments. The Recruit Horses will be
here Expected by the 24th of next Month
and I beg leave to give it as my Opinion
that if they are suffered to remain any
time at St. Thomé great Numbers will
be lost in the course of the Approaching
Land Winds of the Recruits are not found
here Effectually, we shall have so many
more Horses than Men, that the former
must be neglected and as our best and
Commissioned Officers and so large a proportion
of Officers are at Arcot, if that Detachment
is not called in, we shall be equally at
a loss to carry on the duty of the Regiment
in a manner to answer the heavy expences
I am well convinced my Regt has been
to the Company - and for which I should
hope to make amends by having it
always prepared for any Service the
Government here may think proper
to employ it on - I am clearly of opinion
myself that if the Regt is sent to

remain

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remain at any place, a great Saving would accrue to Government by Erecting Sheds for the Horses on the Monsoon, many die from the Gripes occasioned by not being under cover. The value of 20 Horses, I believe would build a Stable that would last Seven Years for the whole Regiment- my Motive for thus troubling you has really been the good of the Service, and a wish to inform you of what I must conceive you have been hitherto ignorant of, though it has been a detri= =mental both to the Hon.ble Service & the benefit of your Employers.

I have the honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen,

Your most Obedient

humble Servant

(Signed) J. Burgoyne Mr. Gen.l

& Col.o 23.d L.t D.o

Ordered to lie on the Table.-

The following Letter received from

Lt

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The Commander in Chief during his Absence is here entered.

The Right Honble Geo: Lord Macartney KB
President & Governor &c. Council

My Lord & Gentlemen

Fort St. George

Storm General
Long with a
Particular Report
of the Strength
& Situation of
Ambore -

Agreeable to my intention of leaving the Presidency & proceeded to Ambore in order to form a judgment of the Situation made on the Works of that Place & the Forces, ordnance &c. necessary for the Defence of it - I have carefully examined every Part of it & shall transmit your Lordship & Gentlemen my ideas on the Subject.

I was not a little surprized to find that a very small Part only of the Fort as it stood when taken by Hyder, now remains & it may be justly said that he has built almost an entire new Fort. I think it will be proper that one of the Engineers Corps should be commissioned to help on the further to make an accurate Survey

&

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A Plan of it from which a correct idea may be formed of it's present strength & importance

To the South East of the Gate, a Wall about forty paces in length leads down to a Bastion, which commands the Country on that side, & is from thence continued to the Southward, & terminates at a Bluff point of the Rock, which is inaccessible - This work is cut off from the Fort, & is commanded by a Bastion about 20 paces above the Gate. -

On the Rock above the Gate & to the Westward is a new work erected about Seven feet higher than the Curtain Wall of the Fort, between which, & the outer wall, there is a Passage with a Gate which leads to the Lower works on the North face - This work cuts off the outer Gate & the works to the S. E. of it -

In this Battery are three Embrasures to the Northward, three to the Eastward & one to the Southward, from this the

Country

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Contains to the Eastward the lower Fort part of the works to the Northward of the upper Fort & about the Town are commanded, & also the outer Gate & Works to the S.E.

To the Northward & facing the Hill from whence the Breach was made when last taken, & against which any attention to Repells should be directed, are three Walls, one above another with Bastions on each capable of holding heavy Guns to advantage. The upper Work abovementioned, commands the whole of these Walls, & the lower works.

The Parapet of the Bastion to the Eastward of the lower works is destroyed, & about 40 paces to the Northward, the Parapet of another Bastion & about 60 paces of the Parapet of the Curtain wall there will require some repair. Some other places built with Mud which have given way. The Walls in general are built of Stone & Cement. under the outer Wall to the

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the Northward and places made for the Troops to be lodged in & Barracks, but barely sufficient to contain a Battalion & they are ingudicious by placed being quite on the brink of Fore from the Hill & so exposed as to be very insecure, & unsafe.—

The West face is the same as when taken—on the S.W. Angle is a small Bastion, the Parapet of which is unfinished.

Round the highest part of the Rock is a new circular redoubt built of Stone & Chunam having fourteen Embrasures, four particularly directed to the Hill to the Northward— It commands the whole of that Hill, & the Country round, except where the new work to the Eastward intercepts the view.— This redoubt is particularly strong on the side to the Hill & is a most important Battery to oppose the Guns that may be brought up there against the Fort.

The Walls are in General

well

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will be built with Stone blown off for that purpose from the upper part of the Rock - the Embrasures are rather ill made & injudicious be disposed, but may be easily altered so as to direct the Fire against the Northward Hill - the Storehouses in the Hill are at present in good repair - there are three Magazines which will require some alteration to render them perfectly secure, the largest is now exposed to the Fire from the Hill -

Upon the whole it is astonishing to see the great Labor that has been bestowed, & the attention paid to this place which has been rendered by the new Works of infinite importance & strength - as the works are very extensive & the removal of Guns from one Battery to another in case of necessity will be hardly practicable owing to the difficulty of the way by which they must be transported

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Tho' it will be proper to supply it with such a number of Guns as will allow of them being placed to advantage on the Works, & be sufficient to render the removal of them unnecessary; Yet to bring as heavy a fire as possible upon the Hill, which is equal in height to the highest part of the Fort, & is at the distance of between 800 & 1000 Yards,

The Fort at the foot of the Hill is entirely out of repair - as well as the Barracks.

Considering the importance of Bombay, the advancement of the Works, the great distance from the source of Supply & the impracticability of supplying it on time of necessity & considering the proximity of the Hill to the Northward which renders every precaution necessary, & a strength sufficient to oppose such Force as may be brought upon it to batter the Walls - which can only be done with success by a superiority of fire & weight of Metal - I have advertising to these circumstances consider'd the number of Guns that should be appropriated to the Defence of the

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the plans & the extensive works on the Hills from
also taken the Opinion of Col. Moorhouse &
Captain Lake on this Subject, & have made out
a Statement of such Ordnance & Stores as I think
should be deposited there in order to secure it
in every emergency, & altho' the Supply may
appear at first sight to be very considerable,
Sum of Opinion that it should not [illegible] every thing
considered / be less than stated in the annexed
List - That as many of the Guns as possible
with a proportion of Stores should be sent
thither without Delay, there now there being
totally unprotected & not to be made use of
without imminent danger to the People in
the Fort -

I have the honor to be
My Lord & Gentlemen
Your most Obed.t
Humble Servant
Ross Lang.

Vellore
19th March 1785.

(Signed)

The Board proceed to take the Subject
into Consideration and after having adverted
to the difficulty & great expence which
must unavoidably be encurred in removing

Minute of the Board respecting Arabon. -

Arabon

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Anchors with Stores & Provisions, & the Length of Time necessary for that purpose, are desired whether if these disadvantages are weighed with the advantage which may probably be expected from the placing it on a proper State of Defence it may not be judged eligible to destroy the Fortifications - on this point the Board wish to have the sentiments of the Commander in Chief -

The Commander in Chief called upon for his Opinion relative to the demolition -

General Lang informs the Board that when at Amboyna he chiefly considered it's Value & endeavoured to ascertain what was wanting to render it capable of defence - whether it be most for the Company's Interest to abandon it as a Port, involves a new question, on which he has not sufficiently formed his Judgement to enable him to give a decisive Opinion on this he will endeavour to do & will deliver his sentiments on the subject at the next meeting -

Parties giving their Opinion to the next Meeting

Agreed that the Consideration of this Subject be deferred.

The Subject deferred

Read the following Letter from Brigadier General Horne -

947 Fort St George 26th March 1795.—

The Right Honble Lord Macartney KB

From Genl Home President & Governor &c. and the Council
enclosing a letter at Fort St George
from Sundry
Officers to Pte.
Stuart complaining
that the Rajah
of Tanjore has
refused the
Payment of Bills
for Batta &
requesting
that such arrangements
may be made in the Tanjore
Collection of the Allowance
to Cantonments as will enable them
to discharge the allowance
under the usual denomination
of Batta.

My Lord & Gentlemen,

This Morning I received the enclosed Letter from Colonel Stuart, which I conceive it my duty to transmit to your Lordship &c. without delay, together with a Copy of my answer to the Colonel.

I have the Honor to be,

My Lord & Gentlemen,

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

(Signed) Mat.w Horne

Head Quarters

Warriore

March 26th 1795.

To Colonel James Stuart

Commanding the Garrison of

Tanjore

Sir,

Upon presenting our Billson
Account for our allowances for the months
of

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of January & February agreeable to Garrison
Orders the Paymaster having refused Pay-
ment of those for Batta, unless made
out for temporary Allowance, we find
ourselves under the necessity of representing
to you that we have seen no order of Government
to that Effect; that we are augmented with
any authority he may have to prescribe
such Change in the Denomination of this
ancient Allowance; and as this seems to be
a preparatory Step to deprive us of an
Allowance we have so long enjoyed and
even with which we find it very
difficult to subsist at present, We beg
of you to forward this Letter to Brigadier
General Horne Commanding South of the
Coleroon with our respectful request, that
he would please to ascertain the authority
on which this alteration is made, and if
it should appear to be from Government
that, in transmitting this Letter to the
Right Honble the President & Council he
may use such Arguments as he shall
think may weigh with Government to
endeavour

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enclose a continuance of this allowance,
under the usual denomination of Batta.

Tanjore
16.th March 1785.

We have the honor to be,
most respectfully
Sir
Your very Obedient Servants
(Signed) Chas. Glendoning Capt. 73d.
John Campbell Capt.
Spencer Cochrane Capt.
Arch.d Brown Capt.
Thomas Knox Capt.
Kenneth Macrae Lt. 73d Regt.
R. Gordon Lt. 78th Regt.
G.M. Forman Lt. 73d Regt.
M Macpherson Lt. 73d Regt.
Geo Gordon Lt. 78th Regt.
Wm Stuart Lt. 73d Regt.
Jno.s Alex.r Stuart Lt. 73d Regt.
J. A. Stuart Lt. 73d Regt.
E.M. Awlay Lt. 73d Regt.

Wm

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(Signed) Wm. Wheatley Lt. 78th Regt.

James Wemyss Lt. 78 Regt.

J. Young Lt. 78 Regt.

Patk. Alex.r Agnew Lt.

Wm. Orrock Lt.

John Long Lt.

James Graham Lt.

J. Rodgers Lt.

Geo. Gunns. Ens: 78th Regt.

C. MacRae Ens: 78th Regt.

D. Forbes Ens: 78th Regt.

R. Sutherland Adjt. 78th Regt.

A.o M.c Cally Ens.

A.o M.c Cally Ens.

J. Watkins Ens:

Nicol Young Ens: 30th Bn.

A. Jarvis Ensign.

Henr. Hempser Ens:

John Young Ens:

Colen Mackenzie Ens:

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(Signed) Sal. Wellwood Lieu.

Wm Kinsey Capt. Lieut

J Bannerman Lieut

A Cuppage Lieut

Arthur Gibbings Lieut

Wm Sober Lieu:

A Allan Lieu:

Sal. Whyte Surgeon

Nicol Meun Surgeon

Sal. Duff Lt. 73d Regt

Geo: Seton Lt. 73d Regt

Colonel Stuart

Commanding in

Tanjore

Sir,

I have received your letter

accompanied with one Addressed to you

from a Number of Officers of your Garrison.

The Commander in Chief

in

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in his reply to my letter transmitting the Memorial of the Officers then under my Command on the subject of Batta — acquainted the intention of the Honble Board towards them in the following Manner Vizt —

"I have however Authority to "acquaint you that with respect to the "Officers in Cantonment aboard it is not meant that any diminution of their Emoluments should take place for the present and therefore the former Rates are directed, that until further Orders an Allowance be made to such Officers equal to the Half Batta which was stopped by the General Orders of the 26th of September last and to be paid or accounted for in the same Manner as the Half Batta has been Commanding Officers of Garrison are to receive full Batta as usual, but as to all other Charges every possible endeavor must be used to retrench & prevent them. —

This Official intimation I deem it my duty to publish to the Troops at

diminute

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at Arcot.

What has been the determination of Government on that Head relative to the Southern Force I have had no Official information of and cannot therefore ascertain the precise Authority on which the Paymaster of Tanjore refuses to pay the Allowance of Batta / under its usual denomination / is grounded, but I suppose it arises from a Similar resolution of Government on that Subject as before mentioned extended to the whole of the Troops similarly situated

I shall transmit the Letter you enclosed to me to the Right Honble the President & Council.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Matthew Horne

Head Quarters
Near Warriore
March the 18th 1785

Agreed

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Agreed that General Stuart

Minute thereon

be desired to inform Colonel Stuart & the Officers under his Command that as the Holy Batta has been struck off by the General Orders of the 26th Septr. no bills can be paid for that allowance – If his Majesty's or the Company's Officers do not chuse to present their Bills for the Temporary Allowance drawn out under that denomination they may decline it.

Read the following Letter

from Mr. Lowen

To John Shore Esqr.

Acting Secretary to the Military &

Letter from Mr. Lowen stating that Mr. endeavour'd an Officer had been sent to the Boundary to wait a deputation from the Poroon Managers to enquire into the Complaint preferred against Lala Mauchi transmitting an account of Arrears of the Tobacco Contract Moyal Hare & Sibbald & requesting the Nabob's

Political Department

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters of the 21st February & 2d. Instant with their Enclosures, the former relative to some Complaints from Tippoo Sultaun

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allowed to liquidate the accounts Bills by monthly Installments out of Grain

Sultaun against Seven March a Poligar of this district and the Cattan in a reply to my representations on the Subject of the Arrears of the Southern Army -

I request that you will be pleased to inform the Right Honble President &c that agreeably to the direction I have conferred with General Stuart on the Subject of Tipsoo Sultans complaints; & that after some correspondence with the Cattan Manager, it has been determined to send Mr Anderson & an Officer to the borders to meet a deputation from him to enquire into the Matter, and give such satisfaction as it may appear to Merit. without such a local investigation there was no prospect of coming to the bottom of the Story I would forbear to recommend to the complainants that might continually be transferred up by the Poligars on both sides.

You will be pleased to make known to the Right Honble President

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President &c. That in consequence of their order I have appriz'd Mr Degby of their Approbation of the plan for future Disburse-ments and their resolution respecting the Bullock People, Lascars & artificers under his Department, that he may take Advantage of the modes of Assistance held out to them distinct - I also called on Mr Balch for the Arrears of the Pensions-ers by Mogal hons & Pebbendy, & have now the honor to transmit the Account for the information of the Board /Ans/

I Hope with the greatest deference that I may take to remark on any resolution of the Right Honble President &c. respecting the business under my Charge; but as the accepted Bills which I lately made a subject of representation, are likely to lean hard on my private fortune, should any Accident befal me, I trust to their candor & justice to reconsider the Matter, and to Adopt such measures for my relief, as may Appear not inconsistent

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inconvenient with their public duty
were the bills in question the property
of the Paymaster of the Southern Army
they would certainly be subject to audit
before they were paid; but as Mr. Digby
is only the drawer, and the bills have
passed from one hand to another I must
conceive the bill-holders will hardly
admit of any doubt of their validity,
or look further than me for payment
In this conviction I shall render me so
anxious for the interposition of the
Board I take the liberty to enclose copies
of the bill No 2. by which they will
learn the exact amount & the nature
of the transaction & I trust for permission
to endeavor to liquidate them by
monthly Assignments of grain, these
will not lessen the payments to the
Army but save the good Effect
of raising the value of grain, which
is so sensibly this season in Jamaica
as to be almost unaccountable and
Consequently

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Consequently unfavorable to the great drain of Specie from that country.—

This appropriation of the revenue will be so indispensible & uncertain, that I cannot, on the same ground make any calculation of present or what, or if any, surplus will remain after the Payments to the Army & the Nabob with to the Nabob. The whole on any idea, will arise from occasional monthly balances, too fluctuating to be counted on & too small to be worthy of the attention of the Board.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obedient

Servant

Eyles Irwin

Inchonopoly
19th March 1785.

To Eyles Irwin Esqr.

Superintendant of Revenue

Sir

I have the honor with the

receipt

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receipt of your letter of yesterday - & conformably thereto I now send you an Account of the Arrears due to the Mogally Horse & late Discharged Sudespendants.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obed.t Servant

(Signed) Tho.s Palk

Paym.r

Trichenopoly
7.th March 1785

Account of Arrears due to the Mogallay & Marattah Horse & Discharged Sudespendents.—

Pay.s for Cash

To Mogally Horse ..... } 55003 36 12
To Marattah Do. .....
To Discharged Sudespendents ..... 54,301. 39. 77.

S.t Pag.s ... 109305. 349.

Trichenopoly
7.th March 1785

(Signed) Tho.s Palk

Paym.r

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Copy Camp Samary 30th 1784

Sir,

At one Hundred and Twenty days Sight of this my Second of Exchange my first and Third of the same Tenor and Date not being paid, Please to pay to Messrs. Hardy & Stevenson or their order the Sum of Sixteen Thousand Seven hundred Star Pagodas Twenty five Fanams being the Account of Stores received by me on Account the Southern Army.

(Signed) Reuben Digby
Paymr. S. A.

To Tyler Erwin Esqr.
Superintendant of Finance &c &c &c

W. Fullarton

Do — on Do in favor of Dedan Ravan = thom for 8732 25 =

(A true Copy)
(Signed) R. Digby

The enclosed Copy of the bills was

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was delivered to me by Mr Digby Shaw
with my Papers with me to ascertain the amount
from if accepted but I remember they
travelled about some Days / like other bills
drawn on Europe / before they reached me.

/ signed / Eyles Irwin

The Board approve of the Steps taken
by Mr Irwin & General Stuart, respecting
the Complaint made by Lieutenant against
Mr Thomas Pearson Sam Marsh, and hope soon to learn that
the business is adjusted

With respect to the accepted
Bills which appear to be a source of
uneasiness to Mr Irwin the Board as
are willing to accede to his proposal for
their liquidation, provided, as he
represents that the Monthly Assignments
of Grain intended for that purpose do
not lessen the payments to the Army
Yet is therefore Agreed to permit Mr
Irwin to settle this Matter in such
Mode as may have the effect of relieving
him

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Lieu from his responsibility we thank — &
encroaching upon the grand Object, which
is the discharge of the Arrears due to the
Southern Army —

Ordered that a Letter to the
foregoing Effect be written to Mr. Lowrie

Read the following Letter
from Manelipatam with Enclosures —
entered in Miscellany Book No. 117,

(Military & Political Departments)

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

My Lord & Gentlemen

In consequence of your
Orders communicated to us in your
Secretary's Letter of the 24th Ultimo and the
Application of Mr. Le Forestier, we have
delivered up to him the Possessions which
belonged to the French Nation on this
Fort & in the Neighbourhood of it at
the

From Manelipatam
the 2nd March Factory
delivered up to
Monsr. Forestier
a Change in the
Spot of Ground
more convenient
to both Parties
suggested.
Requesting
Instructions
whether or not
the French shall
be allowed to
build their Store
in the Fort

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The breaking out of the late War, and our
having the honor subsisting to enclose one
of the Seven Instruments which have been
Mutually Signed by us and Some days
-lodging the Ratifications — We likewise
transmit your Copies of all our Correspon-
-dence on this Subject and your Lordships
will perceive by the enclosed N 3
that an Exchange has been
Suggested of the Spot of Ground which
formerly served for the French Factory
within the Fort Square than Spot which
might be more convenient for both Parties
Provided this Last be a Spot already
built upon You will likewise perceive
by our answer N 4 that We could not
recommend an Exchange between any
Piece of Ground already built upon,
with that which has been restored,
without very great inconveniences,
but that we have proposed another
Spot on which no buildings have
been erected & which both Colonel
Ross and our own Engineer have reported
to be a Situation fit accommodations with

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with respect to the Fortifications than any
other which could be given use within the
Fort, and more advantageous than that of the
present French Factory - The Spot we mention
seems acceptable to M.r Le Fontain, this not-
withstanding by his instructions from coming
to any Agreement about it, and as we understand
that he intends mentioning the offer we have
made to his Superiors, We recommend that
in case the French Government at Pondicherry
should accede to the Proposition for this
Exchange, that it may be accepted of as a
Measure accommodating and convenient
to both Parties - Endorsed we leave the honor
of transmitting two Plans on which the
present French Factory, and the Ground
which We recommend, and leave marked
out in Exchange are distinctly laid
down - as well as a Separate Plan containing
the Ground and English buildings of both
Factories and the Manner which Such
buildings are intersected by French
Possessions. — Previous to the late War
the

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the French has a Flag Staff within their Factory here, and their Flag was upon all occasions displayed in the same Manner, & without any distinction between it & the English Flag - by referring to Mr. Pybus's Letter to the President and Council under date the 9th May 1765 on the Surrender of Pondicherry taking place we found that he informs them "that they had hoisted their Colours here, which being always allowed them under the Mogul Government he thought could not then be refused" and thus the point was Yielded. We do not doubt Mr. Le Forestier will demand the same Privilege, and request therefore to know of us as your pleasure that we should consent to it, or if you disapprove of the French Flag being again hoisted as formerly on this Garrison we request to be informed what Steps we shall take to prevent it.

We have the honor to be very respectfully

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your Most

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Present

Masulipatam
19th March 1785 } 1 Sign.

Richard Lumbley Esqr
" Anth.y Sadleir
" James Hodges
" John Peter Moreau
" Thos. Warner

The Board approve the steps which the Chief & Council have taken relative to the Exchange of the Spot of Ground, which formerly served for the French Factory Minute thereon for another which may be more convenient to both parties — If the French Government Acquiesce the Board will not have any Objection.

With respect to the permitting the French to hoist the National Flag Do. at their Factory as practised before the War, the Board do not conceive that they are authorized to refuse it, if it should be demanded.

Agreed that the foregoing be communicated to the Gentlemen at Masulipatam.

Read the following Letter from

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From Benjamin General Moore

John Chamier Esqr.

Acting Secretary

Sir,

From Jonas Thomas I have my Letter to you of the 19th Instant
states the steps
taken by him respecting the Complaints made by the
in Conjunction
with Mr. Jones Caroon Hamidaun of the depredations comm-
Jon Cornmittary stated by Sam Naick People I informed you
the Dispatches I had sent an Harcan with a Letter to Caroon
between Tipsoo
Polygan on the proposing a mode of terminating the Differ-
Calcon Caroon District from that had arisen between the Inha-
and Sam Naick
Renters of the Districts of the Caroon Districts and the
Coimbatore Polygars dependant on our Government by
District Cudapa
that he did not fail according to this place proper people
know that the
granting him to prove the justness of his Complaints
a Brigadier &c. and that I had written also to Jonas
Commissioner and
not to be attended Naick desiring him to come down appear
with any Cobra
Expence to the =He to Mr. Jones's declarations, in order
Company - that the Complaints made by the Caroon
people might be fairly adjusted and justice
done to both parties.

The answer received from
Caroon was that he had sent a particular
Account

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Account to Colonel Corby of the Cattle & other Effects the people had been plunder'd off, which he had proved before the Person he had sent to them, that he was ready to do the same before any Person I should send to them, but that it would be inconvenient to order a number of Inhabitants so far: and that the Sam Naick's people since my Arrival had ceased their depredations but not before

About the same Period I received an answer from Sam Naick, expecting his former Account of the Business between his People and the Dependants on Paroor, that he should be always glad to obey any Orders from me, but that it had never been the custom for his Family to come to Trichinopoly on any Business having a Vakeel there who always transacted their Business at the same time observed that he was very unwell and that it would be very inconvenient for him to come himself. However if I Insisted on his coming, he would Comply.

I informed Mr. Swain of these Transactions and was answer'd in Person con-

Son

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For me to write again to the Carnac Manager, and to inform him, being desirous to terminate this Business in a fair and Equitable manner, and to prevent all future cause of Complaint, I was ready to send down two Gentlemen to some place on the Coromandel Coast to meet such people as he would authorize on his part, were Sam Mauck or his Agent should be directed to attend, where the allegations on both sides may be fairly investigated and I doubted not terminated satisfactorily.

To this proposition I have received his Answer agreeing with the proposal during a day and place to be fixed, on answer to which I have appointed the 6th of April. on Receipt of Mr Lowries advice that Mr Andrews who he proposes sending on this Business with any other person I may depute, could not conveniently be spared before the end of this Month - Mr Lowrie seems of Opinion I am Much more attend himself if ordered, but I am. I doubt his doing as I have

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I have to request you to inform the Right Honble the President & Council of the present State of this Business and should be glad if you would inform me if they approve of the Steps I have taken on this occasion, I confess it is my earnest desire to terminate this & every just cause of Complaint that might give a pretence to Tippoo, for recommencing Hostilities, — The strict Orders throughout his whole Dominions for preventing any Provisions goods &c. from being brought into our Country — and the great Levies of Troops he is making besides the encouragement given & Dandegul for raising Men, and particularly all those who have been discharged from our Service gives some cause of Suspicion of his Intentions not to preserve the Peace long should it suit his purpose to break with us.

I have been honored with your letter of the 13th Instant and shall attend to every part of the Hon'ble Boards instructions contained in it. The Orders for discharging all the Bullocks in the Commissary of Stores

purpose

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Stores Department I have given Directions
for the greatest part of them were employed
in bringing Stores from Negapatam to
Trichanopoly, and there are still more to be
brought up.

In consequence of the G.O. of the
18th Instant the Battalions appointed to
join the Warriors Cantonment will proceed
thither all but the 2d Battn which I shall
direct to remain where they are at Madura
Until I further Orders, as I perceive by the
Returns there are only a few of the 25th
Battn to do the duty of that Garrison if the
2d be withdrawn should the Bn ordered
to Ordon the 9th or 15th Battn now under orders
for Bombay & Vellore or one of the other
Battns intended for the Coast Station to
relieve the various Detachments of the 25th
Battn left on the Coast. If Fort St. David
the Pulicoon, the 25th Battn would be
sufficient to Garrison Madura, and Capt.
Macintosh would be happy in having
an Opportunity of once more bringing
his Corps into that high State of Discip-
line he once had it in.

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It is ever the greatest Concern to
me whenever I am obliged to address my
Superiors on any Subject that concerns
myself, but I cannot avoid Observing that
the Paragraph in your Letter directing your
to remember that it was positively
understood, that no Extra Expences should
be incurred to the Company from granting
me a Brigadiers Commission, This
Circumstance I declare, I did not know
before I received your Letter - Its true
the Rank was my principal Object, when
I applyd to the Right Honble the President
to obtain that Appointment, but I asked
it on grounds that I conceived would
justify me to the Company from
there had been a Precedent in the Service
for by General Pollard having had a
Brigadiers Commission while General &
Commander in the Command - soon
after my Appointment I sent in Pay &
Batta Bills, the same as General Pollard
had drawn, but was informed by Mr.
Jackson the Commissary who laid them
before

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Before the Board does Lieut. Lowe only to receive Colonels allowances for the present, but as there was only acting Commanding Officer at Post on General Lange's absence, I did not conceive it was meant to restrict me to that allowance after I should be appointed by Government to convey an extensive Command as this is. However as it is not the pleasure of the Hon'ble Board to grant me any other I shall acquiesce in the only Staff that I can admit of being any additional Emolument to the Company as my Account is the Secretary allowed me, the others are solely intended to carry on the Public Duty.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient

Servant

(Signed) Math.s Horne.

Head Quarters
New Worrior
March 26th 1785.

The Board have already approved & wrote thereon the steps taken by General Horne &c.a &c.a Lowe, respecting the Complaints exhibited against

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against Lawi Marichs People & expressed
their hopes that the business will soon be
terminated -

It is a Matter of Surprize
to the Board that General Horne should
declare he did not know until the receipt
of the Secretary's Letter, that it was under-
stood when a Brigadiers Commission was
granted to him that it was not to be
attended with any Extra Expence to the
Company; The President Certainly under-
stood it in that Manner & recommended
it Accordingly, and the late Select Committee
agreed to the Appointment on that
Ground, for they would not otherwise
have been justifiable in their at that time
or at present in making any Appointment
which would be productive of additional
Expence to the Company. -

Read the following Letter
& Enclosures from Major General Campbell

(Military Department)

Head Quarters Arcot 24th March
1795

My Lord & Gentlemen

I herewith have the

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From Majr Genl
Campbell inclosing Honor to enclose the Copy of a Letter which
Copy of a Letter &c
he has received & just now received from the Honble Lieut.
Col. Thoroud stating
many Gratuity Colonel Thoroud Major of the Majesty's 36th Regt.
as Commanding
the 36th Regt of Foot.

I have the honor to be

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most Obedt

Servant

(Signed) Allan Campbell Majr Genl

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

Commr in Chief of His Majesty's forces
in India for the time
being

Arcot 24th March 1785

Sir

Having learnt from Lieut. Colonel
Polk that he received while serving on this
Coast, Gratuity as Lieut. Col: Commanding
the 101st Regt while General Bruce was
yet in India, I made an application
to Mr Webb, on a late distribution of
Gratuity claiming what I supposed my
right, - Gratuity as Lieut. Colonel -
Commanding the 36th Regiment. - Mr

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W. Welsh laid my Letter before the Board, whose answer was as I learnt by an Extract of a Letter from Mr Chamier, "That my Name not having been made on proper Grounds, the Board cannot declare compliying with my request"

On receiving this answer, I naturally suspected that I had been misinformed by Lieut. Colonel Pott, and wrote to Madras to learn from the Pay office what Gratuity had been paid to him and I send that Lieut. Col. Pott had actually receive Gratuity as Lieutenant Colonel Commanding the 100th Regiment from the 21st July, the day on which he landed at Madras, to the 15th of Sept. the day on which he embarked for the Malabar Coast, — and also in Advance to the 31st October 1783. —

May I request you will take the trouble to represent to the Board that Lieut. Col. Pott had the same Commission

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Commissions in the 100th Regiment that
Lies in the 36th — and of course that I am
entitled to the Allowances accruing by their
own Situations as to the Command of their
respective Regiments being Junior.

I hope that the Board may
yet think proper to comply with my
Demand, but even on the worst of a Second
refusal, the Statement of a Case so
exactly in point, must screen me from
the imputation of having made an
ill Claim.

I am, Sir,
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) J. Knox

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

A true Copy
J. K. Campbell Secry
Majr Genl Campbell

Ordered to lie on the Table —
Read

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Read the following Letters as entered in the Miscellany Book N.o 108, 109.

129 From M.r Talbot dated 18.th March giving an Account of the Price of Paddy & Rice at Negore at present— the former about 37 Pag.s P. Garce the latter about 76 Pag.s P. Garce exclusive the Charges of Sending it to Madras—

From M.r Talbot

Minute thereon

Agreed that M.r Talbot be desired to make enquiry in his Neighbourhood, whether any Persons are willing to Contract with Government for delivering here to the Garrison Store-keeper free of all Charges 40 or 50 thousand Bags of Rice necessary in payment Bills on the Boundary of Bengal at 600 A.R. P.o P.r if any Person should be willing, M.r Talbot is to be desired to make an Agreement with them.—

Ordered that an Extract

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of the Letter from the Governor General

&

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Council giving permission to draw upon them for the above Purpose be sent to Mr. Talboys & that a Letter to the Cashier be written to Mr. Brown who has stated the great quantity of Grain in the Treasury Country.

From Lieut. Cooke

Lieut. Cooke dated 21st March requesting his Company's Bond be discharged or exchanged for a Bill on England, as he purposes returning thither shortly.

To lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the Table.

From Mr. de Villeneuve

Mr. de Villeneuve dated 10th March employed as Surgeon at Pulicat, claiming 5/. 2d. P day exclusive of his present Allowances.

Minute thereon

Ordered that Copy of this Letter be transmitted to Capt.n Smith & that he be desired to give an explanation of its Contents.

Many Inconveniences having arisen from the imperfect State of the Book of Regulations, which does not contain many orders & Usages since

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its publication, & is of course very incomplete, It is Agreed that a new Edition be published & that a Committee be appointed for that purpose who must be desired to revise the whole & propose such alterations additions & illustrations as they think may render the new Edition more explicit & complete

The Book of Regulations to be Amended & a new Edition published

Resolved that Robert Mannuld Esq. be appointed President of the Committee, & that Messrs. James Call, Thomas Lewin, Lieut. Col. Moorhouse, & Lieut. Col. Richardson be named the other Members. & that Instructions be prepared for them Accordingly.

a Committee appointed for that purpose

Macartney

Rob. Lang

Alex. Davidson

J. Mannuld

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Received the following Letter and Enclosures from the Committee of Revenue.

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney &c.

President and Governor &c. Council

Fort St George

My Lord and Gentlemen,

We beg leave to enclose Extract of a Letter from the Renter of Angole, complaining that the Inhabitants of Ganjam, a Village in the Rajampatam District have destroyed a quantity of his Salt. We request Your Lordship &c. will take this matter into consideration and send Directions to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam to employ their Authority in preventing such Disturbances in future.—

from the Committee of Signed Revenue, with a Complaint from the Renter of Ongole against the Inhabitants of Ganjam, a Village in the Rajampatam District.

We have the honor to be,

My Lord and Gentlemen,

Your most obedient,

Humble Servants.

Fort St George

25th March 1785

(Signed) Chas Oakeley

David Haliburton

Geo: Moubray

Extract

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Extract of a Letter from the Renter of Ongole to the Governor. Dated 15th March 1785.

I have already represented to your Excellency the ill behaviour of the People at Ganjam in the District of Rajamundrum, who prevented Salt from being made in my District. Some Sepoys having been sent to protect my People. Those of Ganjam seeing that they could not prevent them from making Salt, assembled in the Night time & destroyed a great quantity of it to the Amount of 300 Pagodas by throwing it into the Water the making of Salt is thereby stopped, from which I am likely to suffer a very heavy loss. I therefore hope Your Excellency will write to the Chief of Masulipatam to see that nothing of this kind happens in future.

(A true Extract)

(Signd) L Landon Secy

Minute thereon.— Agreed that a Copy of the foregoing Letter & Enclosures be sent to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam, and that they be desired to take

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27. take the subject into Consideration, and give such Orders as may be necessary in Consequence.

Despatched the following Letters, agreeably to the Resolution of the last Consultation.

To Robert Maunsell Esqr
W.m James Call
W.m Thomas Lewin
Lieut: Col: Moorhouse
Lieut: Col Richardson

Gentlemen,

To Messrs Maunsell, Ally and Lewin — Colonels Moorhouse and Richardson — appointing them a committee for revising the Book of Regulations; and desiring them to propose such alterations as will render it complete.—

The Right Honble President and Council have appointed you a Committee of which Mr Maunsell is to be the President for the purpose of revising the Book of Regulations, & proposing such additions as you may think conducive to the advantage of the Publick Service.—

You will be pleased therefore to assemble as soon as possible, & carefully examine every Page of the Book which I now send you, inserting every regulation as will appear to have been

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2d Loan made by a reference to the Book of General Orders, & suggesting such alterations, additions, & Illustrations as may render the new Edition so full & clear that it will not be liable to any misconstruction.

You will please to lay before the Board whatever additions you may think proper to recommend that they may be approved by them previous to insertion.

The Records in the Military Secretary's Office will be open for your perusal & reference, & you will be furnished by the Secretary with every Assistance in his power to afford.

I have the honor to be Gentlemen Your most obedient humble Servant (signed) John Chamier Act. Sec.y

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To Anthony Sadleir Esq.r Chief & Council at Masulipatam.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honble Presidents and Council to acknowledge the Receipt

to Masulipatam. The Board approve this having changed the Loan &

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French Factory should the French demand the Privilege of hoisting their Flag at the Factory, it cannot be denied them.

No 27 Receipt of your Letter of the 6th Inst with its Enclosures, and to inform you that they approve the Steps you have taken relative to the Exchange of the Spot of Ground which formerly served for the French Factory for another Spot which may be more convenient to both parties, and the Board will give their acquiescence to the measure, if the French Government accede to the proposition.

With respect to the permitting the French to hoist the National Flag at their Factory, as practised before the War, the Board do not conceive that they are authorized to refuse it, if it should be demanded.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your most obedient
humble Servants,
(Signed) John Chamier
Act. Sec.y

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To Brigadier General Horne
Commanding the Southern Forces

Sir,

To Brig.r Gen.l Horne, Approving the Steps he has taken with regard to Sam Naick - Studious only to avoid giving Cause to any Cause of Complaint,

I am directed by the Right Honble President and Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letters of the 26th & 28th Instant with

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27 with their Enclosures, and to inform you that they approve the Steps you have taken in conjunction with Mr Powney for investigating the Complaint against Sam Naick, & they flatter themselves the business will soon be terminated.

Complaint, no appearance at present of any hostile designs by him against the Company's Possessions. The Company incur the at any Expence by the granting him a Brigadier Commission.

If the Rajah Company's Officers at Tanjore do not object to accept the temporary allowance granted in lieu of Pally Batta, they may obtain it - It is merely optional -

Although the Board have no reason to suppose that Tippoo at this time has any hostile designs against the Company's Possessions, yet it will be prudent to avoid what carries every Cause of Complaint & to prove to him that Government is desirous of keeping upon good terms with him - This will be your care as much as possible in the adjustment of the above affair with Sam Naick - Enclose a Memorandum of information relating to that Pally gar -

The President & Council are surprized at that part of your letter of the 21st which states that "until the receipt of my letter of the 25th you did not know it was understood by Government that the granting you a Brigadier Commission was not to be attended with any Extra Expence to the Company - I am now desired to assure you, that the President certainly understood it in that manner, this Lordship recommended it, and the Select Committee only agreed to the appointment on this Ground, for they would not otherwise

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27 have been justifiable either at that time, or at present in making any appointment which would be productive of additional Expence to the Company

I am reply to your Letter of the 20th transmitting one addressed to Colonel Stuart by Sundry Officers under his Command I am directed to inform you, that as the Half Batta has been struck off by the General Orders of the 26 Sept. no bills can be paid for that allowance — If his Majesty's or the Company's Officers do not chuse to present their Bills for the Temporary Allowance, drawn out under that denomination, they may decline it — this you will be pleased to signify to Colonel Stuart & to all Officers under your Command.

That part of your Letter of the 25th Inst. which relates to the detail of the General Orders of the 13th Inst. is referred to the Commander in Chief who will write to you thereupon.

I am
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) John Hamer
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To Eyles Irwin Esq.

Collector of Revenue &c. &c.

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Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble President and Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 19th Inst. with its Enclosures, and to inform you that they approve the Steps which you & General Horne have taken for ascertaining & settling the Complaint against Jam Naick, which they hope by these means will be properly investigated & soon adjusted.

To Mr Irwin, approving the steps taken by him with regard to Jam Naick, The Board cannot take more proper by him of relieving himself from all responsibility & relative to Bills accepted by him. As Grain is now cheap & Sincerely, must procure some for Angal Bills.—

With respect to the accepted Bills regarding which you have expressed uneasiness the Board is willing to accede to your proposal for their liquidation, provided as you represent, that the Monthly Appointments of Grain intended for that purpose do not depend the Payments to the Army; it is therefore left to you to settle this matter in such mode as may have the effect of relieving you from your responsibility without encroaching upon the grand object,

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27th which is the discharge of the Arrears due to the Southern Army.

As you have represented that there is a great Quantity of Grain in the Circuitry Country the President & Council think it necessary to send you a Copy of a Letter with an Enclosure this Day addressed to Mr Talbot, & they request you will be pleased to make ingeiny Endeavours to procure some Grain upon the terms & subject to the Conditions expressed in the abovementioned Letter

I am
Sir,
Your most obed.t
Humble Servant
(Signed) John Hamier
Act.g Sec.y

Sent the undermentioned Letters which are entered in the Miscellany Book No.s 121, 122, 123, 124.

To Masulipatam, enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Committee of Assigned Revenue, with Extracts of a Letter from the Renter of Ongole to the Right Honble President, complaining of the ill Behaviour of the People at Ganjam in the District of Nizampatam, in preventing Salt from being

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27 Letters being made in his District, and requesting that Orders may be sent to Trafulipatam to prevent a similar Conduct in future.-

To Captain George Smith, enclosing

to Capt. G. Smith. Copy of a Letter addressed to Government by Monsieur De Vellenenne, to which he is required to reply.

To the Paymaster at Madura, many

to Mr Johnson. Charges in the Disbursements of his Garrison which must be immediately discontinued.-

To Mr Tattersall, to make inquiry

to Mr Tattersall whether any Persons in his Neighbourhood are willing to Contract with Govern.t for delivering Rice at the Presidency for Bills on Bengal at 400 Arcot Rupees for 100 Current Pagodas.

Received Letters (as entered in Miscellany Book Nos 125, 126.)

From Capt. Barnes, some Letters ocurring in the Transportation of the Stores from Chillumbrum

to Cuddalore; a Return of Stores enclosed, which

to Capt. Barnes differs in many Point from his former ones; requests an Answer to that part of his Letter of the 4th Inst. which relates to paying the Garrisons of Chillumbrum.

From the Governor & Council at

From Tranquebar. Tranquebar, advising of the Death of the Second Member of their Council, and of Lieutenant-Colonel Resbrook's Succession to that Post.

Mr