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Fort St. George July 1785

Dear Sir,

of S. C. & A. C. & B. C. & D. C.
The Proceedings
of the Lake Forest
Meeting at Chicago
General Secy of Lake
Forest.

Fort George

To John Chamber Esq.

1968

Fort St George

July 1905

By the Commandant
in Chief on the
Coast.

15th Letter of this date, regarding our
that the Commandant in Chief was to be
had informed the Board he had directed
me to furnish an authenticated copy of
the proceedings of the Sub-Board. I have
in a written requisition for that purpose
been forwarded, and that you are to be
by the Sub-Board. I ordered and have with it been
sent a copy of the same.

The Sub-Board's report of the Commandant
on the proceedings of the same, and the
information on that point. I am directed to
direct to forward copies both to the Government
at Simsbury, & to the Commandant in Chief
at Simsbury, and to the Board, and
conformable to the Act of 1863, and for
conforming with it, it is ordered that
the necessary fees shall be paid for the same.

I have shown the Board to conform
your that it will be made as good as it is
to comply with the requisition of the Board
in the same way as we are to do, and I have
forwarded instructions for the purpose from the
Commandant in Chief on the Coast.

Fort St George
July 13, 1905

Yours
Very

15th July

J. Hutchinson

15th July 1905

Mr

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Don J. George July 17/85

I should be very sorry to inform the
 of the order to you. I hope the W. W. Wood
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Lord George July 1785.

15th inst, and Captain Scott relating to the Right,
and Lord to request that on the paper annexed
of that Right at Lord Grant's request of our Lordship
I do not think to enter the sum of 1000
Rupies thereon towards five thousand, to be
immediately paid to Captain Scott, on the
Hon^{ble} Company's account, especially to the
honour of my Government and I am

I am with the greatest respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your very Obedient
Wmth Lord

Belquis Samuel Hanmer

Resident

Agreed that the death of the President
at Madras upon this Government for about
Rupies 12,500, in favour of Captain John Scott
be accepted, and that 1000 be drawn upon
the Governor General & Council for the amount
1000
In consequence of the foregoing
Despatches, the following Orders were ordered
to be written to Bengal and to the Right
Hon^{ble} Lord Alcock.

To the Hon^{ble} John Macpherson Esq.

Gentlemen, I am the honour to transmit
as Lord William

We have

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Fort St George July 25th

Enclosed is a Packet under your Address arrived
this day from the Presidency.
The by leave to enclose Copy of the
Letter from the Council of Directors dated the
10th March to the Presidency. The Council are
most sensible that their Packet to your
Government is to the same Effect.

We request the favor of you to
deliver the enclosed Packet to the Right Hon^{ble}
Lord Macartney.

We have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient
Loyal Servants
Wm. David Jones
Comd^g

Fort St. George
25th July 1785

To the Right Hon^{ble} Lord Macartney K^t

Y^r Obed^t Serv^t

Wm. David Jones
Comd^g

My Lord

We have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your Letter of the 28th inst.
in your appointment to the distinguished station
of Governor Gen^l which will be signified to your
Lordship by the present Commission.
Our satisfaction is the more complete
from the conviction of the happy consequences
that will result from these abilities & that
your Lordship

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Fort S. George July 1783

The papers which are in my charge to the present
State of the Company's Affairs & which I have brought
with me, I enclose to you, to be with the highest esteem & Myself

Fort S. George
16th July 1783

Your Lordships Most Obedt^l
Most humble servants
James & Wm. Davidson

Enclosed the following Letters

To the Honble. M^{rs}. Davidson

President & Governor & C^o. Council at

Gentlemen

Fort S. George

I am to inform you
that the Board has
received of the
Council, copies of the
minutes of the
last meeting of the
Council, and that
the final Decision
of the Government
General will be
despatched to Fort
S. George.

I am to inform you that I had
delivered to the Governor General and Council
the Packet address to them, which you had
entrusted to my Care, and that I hoped in
two or three days to be able to communicate
to you their Resolutions and Determinations
upon the Subject of the

The Independence of the M^{rs}. Davidson,
one of the Members of Council having presented
a regular meeting of the Council, the Council
has been regularly assembled, but have
not the pleasure of acquainting you that
Thursday next is fixed for the discussion of
it, and that in the course of the Week their
Final Decision and Instructions will be
despatched

is

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Fort St George July 1735

of despatches beyond the Cape

I enclose herewith a duplicate of
my last letter to you with the Narrative
143 which were enclosed in it

I have the honor to be with great
respect -

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient &
most faithful humble servant
J. Rogers Esq

To the Honble Alexander Davidson Esq
President of the Honble Council of

Honble Sir & Sirs

Fort St George

on Mr. Cunningham
being Agent on
Cochran having
appointed an
Agent to be called
the Drury

I report prevailing that Mr.
Cochran has been appointed to succeed Mr.
Rogers in the Office of Agent for distributing the
Traders State the liberty of requesting your
Honors will be pleased to consider the
Subject for the following Reasons

In the month of April 1735 was
appointed Deputy in that Office, & have
hitherto continued to act in that Capacity
by and having been in the Service more
years longer than Mr. Cochran, I flatter
myself

1775. Fort St. George July 1775

of myself with having a letter from a friend
to the 4th Edition of the late Act of Parliament
which he had made a personal application
to the different Members of Government had
the view of Mr. Pitt's intention to resign,
but, as I understood it was only made
yesterday, I was deprived of the oppor-
tunity of paying that necessary attention
to the subject to submit the above to your consideration
and with a perfect Pleasure at your Letter
and I am sure have the honor to be with the
greatest Respect

Honble Sir and Sir

Yours most Obedient

Humble Servant

Wm. Pitt

J. Thompson

D. 1775

Fort St. George

1st July 1775

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Received the undermentioned Letters

forwarded in M^{ss}. 8. 65. 66. 67.

From the Dutch
Garrison

From the Dutch at Pulicat, advising
of the Garrison's apprehension by them to secure
back the possessions belonging to their Nation

From the Dutch at
Pulicat

From the Dutch at Pulicat, advising of their
having detected the Detachment of the 73rd Regt
and to halt on the Banks of the Tiberak,
till the order of Government respecting it be
received.

From the Dutch at
Pulicat

From Lord James Cunningham dated

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Fort St George July 5/85

18th Letter of Director of the 3rd December 1784

To the Commanders
of the Bangoes
and

To the Commanders of the Bangoes
to take charge of dispatches for the Government
generally to be delivered with all the dispatches
in his Power

To Mr Ogilvie

To Mr Ogilvie, accepting his Resignation
of the Superintendence of Vellore, to which
Post he appointed Mr. Tassan.

To Mr. Robert Latham

To Mr. Robert Latham, at Palacaud, directing
him to use his Influence in the District
to promote the Sale of the Bangoes Grain
in which the Company are interested, as
the Board has decided leaving the Makh,
and credit was his balance to the Company
but from the Sale of his Grain.

19th

Sent the following Letter to Major General
Sir John Burgoyne Bart.

To Major General Sir John Burgoyne Bart.

Sir

To Major General
Sir John Burgoyne
informing him that
as we have to
maintain here
the Staff of the
Army in India
the Government
has decided
that it is necessary
to remove
the Staff of the
Army from India
to Europe

The Commander in Chief in
India, having acquainted the Board, that
the Majesty has judged proper to recall
the Major General serving in India, and
that notification of the Royal Pleasure
has been made to you accordingly I am
directed by the President and Council to
inform you, that you are no longer
to

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19. To consider yourself in the Staff of the Army
as usual with the rest of the Army also to report
the satisfaction that you will have
yourself of the fort & the satisfaction of staying
the things necessary to be done to get
by the General Order.

Fort St George
19. July 1785.

Yours most Obedient
Servant

James O'Connell
Lieut. General

A Consultation, Trained
The Honble. Mr. Davidson Esq
President

Thursday
25. July 1785

Lieut. General Sir John Dalrymple
James O'Connell Esq

Minutes of last Consultation read
and approved

The President deliver in the
following words

In Council 25. July 1785
In consequence of Mr. O'Connell's Motion

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Sent to George 3rd July 1785.

Proceedings in which
showing why the
Appointment of
Mr. Baker to the
Paymaster'ship of
Palmerston is
agreeable to the
late Act of Parli-
ament.

reference is made to the late appointment to
Palmerston under the late Act of Parli-
ament as well to the intention of the Act of Parli-
ment as to the 2^d Clause of the Act of Parli-
ment. I have from England at the 9th
I would have been in the City of London to
see a few words.

When I doubt we a short time
few days before this Appointment took place
as to the meaning of the 2^d Clause of the
late Act although I had never myself
applied especially to Mr. Baker - his answer
concerned me in some opinion. These letters
I sent to the Board at the last meeting &
I am sure they may be entered in the
Proceedings.

The declared intention of that
Clause is to secure to the servants of the
Company Civil and Military under the
Degrees of Commission and Commission in
Chief, Promotion and advancement according
to a variety of appointment in the Service
in a regular progressive Succession that
is to say, as I understand it, that a Officer
must be promoted or advanced to the
Rank of Major after five years Service
an Officer in progressive Succession to
the Rank of Lieutenant and so on, as long as there
be

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Fort St George 21 July 1780

be argued completely for describing from the fact
 when the Government was in London and in London
 made at large for a thing such that the
 would be specific in London and in London
 in London in London in London in London
 which only is proper for them and
 which can be applied to the Government
 in the Government, to which is the fact
 can be argued. The appointment of a person
 then to any particular station under the
 Degree of Chancellor or Commander in Chief
 has no reason of preference to the fact
 fourth fact and cannot therefore be
 within the meaning of the act

I agree with Mr. Pitt that
 the Clause is to prevent Supercession
 and that Appointments must of necessity
 take place agreeably to the Clause
 as in my Opinion but has not of
 Supercession. The act is where a person
 is placed on the general list above and
 of the same rank originally below him, or
 promoted suddenly to an advanced rank
 in the Service at from Master to Captain
 Merchant from Bengal to Captain and
 the Head of all where places are the

But
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intermediate Rank of Factors and Lieutenants
the other who is a servant of the
Company of an Office is considered as a servant
of the Company and is appointed
to be a way for some other servant
Neither of these cases is applicable to the
present Instance of the Appointment to the
Rank, which confers no Rank and where
there is a vacancy. It is not a vacancy
but a preference, and such a preference as
the Board have a Right in my Opinion
to show in selecting servants for the various
Offices of Fort. and to reward faithful and
able service. To better effect according to
Law is proper as a general Rule, which
should not on light occasions be disregarded.
but if no latitude of Preference whatever were
allowed, the most incapable men might be
placed in the most important situations
and the consequences would be a great deal
be destructive of all order and good Govern-
ment. To suppose the Legislature could
mean to introduce a system so pregnant
with evil would be departing from the
Respect we all owe to that august authority.

Nothing can more manifestly
prove the Interpretation of the Directors
of that part of the Act of Parliament than
the Recommendation they give of one of their
servants

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about which in answer to the 14th and 15th articles they desire to appear to the Society
 recent Resolutions and they wish the 15th
 Clause unopposed for one of their own purpose
 either to show that the Act does not annul the
 Patronage or to render of no Effect their
 own Recommendation and last with a view
 the Merits and abilities they acknowledge

Signed Alex^r Davidson

Benjamin Lubian Esq^r
 Attorney General

Sir,

Doyle having drawn up to the
 meaning of the 12th Section of the Act of Parliament
 passed of the 21st of his present Majesty Chapter
 25. I am to desire you will furnish me with
 your Opinion in regard to it, and particularly
 whether it makes any and what alteration
 respecting the Patronage heretofore exercised
 by the different Presbyteries.

I am
 Sir

Your most Obedient Servant
 Signed Alex^r Davidson

To the Honble Alex^r Davidson Esq^r
 President & Governor of Fort St George
 Madras
 I have had the honor to receive

Fort St George
 4th 11 July 1785

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Your favor of the 6th Instant informing me that
you had having arisen as to the meaning of the 2^d
Section of the Act of the 24th of this present & by your
Chapter 25. this you desired that I should furnish
you with my Opinion in regard thereto, and particu-
larly whether it makes any and what alteration
respecting the patronage heretofore exercised by the
different Princes.

The Clause Sir, you are about to direct
that all promotions & advancements of the officers
and servants of the Company as well Civil as
Military in their respective lines or professions
under the degrees of Counsellors & Commissioners
we I have made upon every urgent occasion
shall be made according to a priority of appoint-
ment in a regular progression, and that
and that all promotions and advancements
whenever it is contrary to the directions of the
Act whether by the Court of Directors or the
Princes, shall be null & void.

The words promotion & advancement
being interpreted to an increase of rank
in the civil & Military Services, and the exception
in respect to Counsellors & Commissioners in Chief
who are eligible without regard to rank seem
to me fully to decide to the meaning of the
Legislation.

By the 20th Feb^r the Court of
Directors are empowered to choose three
Counsellors

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Consent has been amongst those servants who
 subscribe the 23rd to appoint any person they
 may think proper to be their Chamberlain or
 Chief in their own estates, therefore they are
 under no obligation to attend to a contrary
 will than are they in the choice of their own and
 but as regards to all their other servants,
 provisions in the army and establishment
 in the civil service, are to be made according
 to seniority of appointment, or in other words
 according to priority of occupation and
 the several Classes of the service, irregular
 progression & exceptions.

The intention of Parliament seems
 therefore to have been solely to prevent Super-
 vision in the ordinary case in the army &
 Military law except in those instances where
 such Supervision is allowed, it does not
 appear to embrace any other objects, the usual
 Patronage of the Government or power of
 awarding Superiority. With the intention
 from amongst the servants under their orders
 of such as may be fitted for the different Stations,
 Offices, & employments in their disposal, as
 left with them not only recommended,
 but recommended.

The latter Part of the Clause
 has reference to Sects 16, 20, 23, 26 and 29 which
 regulate

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regulate the nominations and appointments
to be made by the Council of Directors & to look
after the relations to those of the Company,
Councils to be made by the President.
it also refers to that point which immediately
precedes it, and which in case of suspension
directs that these latter shall enter on their
Minutes of Consultations, their reasons at
large for deviating from the general rule
of regular promotion & propose any advancement

I have the honor to be with much
Respect

Humble Sir

Your Most Obedient

Thos. M. Servant

Signed James M. Servant

Read the following Letters

To the Honble. Alexander Davidson Esq
President and Governor & Council of
Fort St. George

James M. Servant
on M. Servant's
appointment to
Patent & Trade

Humble Sir & Sirs

I did myself the honor of
addressing your Honble Board the 1st 4th
on the Subject of the Appointment of a
Master of Patents & Trade and it is with much
concern I have since learned that a Junior
Servant

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For want by three years has been communicated
to that body.

The late Act of Parliament respecting
that of a servant of the Company is superior
did the reason for an inferior, shall
be enclosed in the Account. I have therefore
agreed to the Company's Standing Order,
to require that every be furnished with an
Extract of the proceedings in relation to an
Act of the Company that I may have an opportunity
of reviewing any proceedings against any
Delinquency as a servant of the Company, I have
been conscious of having done every Duty
during the last Year to the satisfaction of
my Superiors.

I have the honor to be with
the greatest respect

Your most Obedient &
Dutiful servant
Wm. Dobbins

Fort St George
13. July 1785

To the Honble. Alexander Davidson Esq
President & Governor of the Council of
Honble Sir & Sir
Fort St George

From M. Hammond
and M. Cook
Apprentices of
Agent the Honble

On the 16. Instant I did myself
the honor of addressing you in Letter, regarding
that the Apprentices of M. Cook

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to the Comptrol of Agent for collecting the
Taxes might be recommended. At the same
time addressed another to your President
saying that as the appointment had not
been notified officially to Mr. Colburn
it might not appear until my Letter had
been taken into consideration. In consequence
of this Letter your President was pleased
to send for me, to my great astonish-
ment informed me that my appointment
of Deputy Agent had ceased from the
time the Mallocke attached to the Army were
discharged (October 1794) and that if I had
received any allowances since that time
I ought to consider the same as an Indulgence
with all deference and respect to your
President's Order, I humbly presume that
an Appointment is valid until annulled
by the Power from whence it was derived,
and to show that Government did not
consider mine as annulled, I enclose
Copy of an Official Letter addressed to me
by the Acting Secretary dated the 25th
July last - on reference to a List of
Persons not holding Employ, lately laid
before the Honble Board you will find
that my Name is not inserted therein, but
in

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in the General List of Officers and Gentlemen
for the present year of 1785 as holding the
Employ of Deputy, &c.

On the above grounds I have not
made application for three months since
agreed to the Article of October 1784 many
of which my Rank in the former would have
entitled me to, as the one being I have performed
in the Line in which I have acted for a space
of four years, and now claim no more as a
very heavy Deposee all my Campaigns.

I have nothing further to urge
in Support of my Claim and should be glad
to have you be pleased to inform Mr. Clerk
in the Approbation, I trust, on that Case, by
leave to resign my post as the Deputy, and
not satisfied with the pleasing reflection
of having by this and my former Address,
discharged the Duty I owe to myself, to my
Friends, & to the Service.

I have the honor to be with the greatest

Respect

Respect for &c &c

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

Wm. J. Hume

Wm. J. Hume

Wm. J. Hume

Fort St George
19th July 1785

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To the Honble Alexander Davidson Esq

President and Governor, 2^d Council of

Fort St. George

From Mr. Lewis
an Mr. Cockburn
Apprentices of
Agent Vintner

Willing for and for.

My interest & situation on the
highland side of St. Thomas affords me little
opportunity to hear of public occurrences,
but some private persons having yesterday
called on to the Fort & about that the Office of
Agent, a post of considerable importance had at
the last Council been conferred upon Mr. Thomas
Cockburn. An avowal of such interesting measure
to me and which so deeply affects our prospects
in the Honble Company's Service will, I trust,
furnish some excuse for this Representation.

It is well known to your Honor 2^d
that the advantages arising from the Company's
Service are the objects which all their servants
look up to as the just and proper reward for
their sacrifices, which the Generality of them
are forced to make where they forsake their
native Country & first embark on the Company's
Employ. Near sixteen years have now elapsed
since I first experienced that trying hour
and during all that period I have never
to my knowledge omitted any Act of Duty
that it became a good and faithful servant
to

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to perform. I am sure of our merit. I think
 Discipline it has never been any good father
 to be placed on circumstances which might
 have matter and to consider for the sake of
 of consequence that we felt to be a great deal
 watched from one before any holding it could
 be naturally useful to us. Employers, we
 advantageous to myself. But in the whole
 Major and I Department of Business, it has
 been my constant Endeavour to merit the favour
 notice from Superior, and the Master and
 which I have mentioned by them to the Health
 Court of Directors upon the Business of my
 having the Civil Accountants, is a brief
 that in this Endeavour I was not unsuccessful.
 On reference to the 4th Paragraph of the
 General Letter to England dated the 17th
 October 1777, your Honor 8th will perceive
 that, what I say in this respect, is not founded
 on a vain presumption or any unwarrantable
 I will then appear that the Health Board
 if that have felt some Regret about having
 it in their Power to believe a Compensation
 upon me, in return for the Suffering they
 conceived had been done me. However, in private
 usually, on the part of the Health Board. Let
 me add that to this Honor I have never owned
 any Appointments, or other thing whatever, that

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that can be looked upon in the Light of a
Compensation and, that, even my last
Return to India was almost a double reward
age, I'd my family have been leaving at the
Presidency, the Expences of which your
Hon. G^d are well apprised of, without
receiving the Value of a single Feathering
from the Company in the way of Allowance
or advantage of any kind even. I have been
constantly soliciting for much beneficial
Employment as my Rank and Pretensions
in the Service might be thought to entitle
me to, and have been told that my request
would be favorably considered whenever
Government should meet with an Opportunity.
I hope it will not be deemed presuming too
far, to suggest that Mr. R^d's Designation of,
or Removal from, the Office of Agent, for as
yet I know not how the Vacancy arose, affords
a fit Occasion for advertizing to my Situation,
as one of the Company's Servants who was
unprovided for, and was even senior to Mr.
R^d who had before held the Employ. A
Person who stands in need of Favors, it must
be owned has no Right to choose them; but
admitting that such a privilege could have
existed, it would little have availed in the
present

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Fort St. George 25 July 1795.

My dear Sir, I have since it appears that the
 Right Honorable Secretary of the Admiralty
 and the House of Commons of Great Britain that it
 has kept open but for a very small time. I have
 been possible for the Service in general to
 hear of the Vacancy and to put on their
 respective Claims. I should most unwillingly
 have been among the foremost to annoy your
 Honor yet in my favor. I think it has been
 not unusual for Government to give their
 servants at large an opportunity of applying
 for any vacant Employment, and does not
 long remain the Honble Board allowed an
 appointment to lay open for the space of
 more than a Month. I think it is found
 as fair and as impartial regard to the
 Rights of Individuals cannot but be desired
 by all who success the Principles of
 Justice and Equity. That, I think, has
 enabled to apply and that any Hope had been
 overcome by the Superior Consideration of a
 Competitor, especially that of a superior by, or
 any Circumstances in his situation had
 weakened the Comparative feelings of the
 Honble Board, and I challenge an Effect of
 Generosity in his favor, out of the regular
 course of Advancement, I should then have
 submitted without opposing. But
 as the Matter now stands, a Gentleman in your
 service

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favored by Men of Years & Service and who could
 rightly have been myself upon the List,
 as proposed above me, notwithstanding he
 was already in Possession of what has
 generally been esteemed a good Appointment
 and is certainly better than many of his
 Services were worth. While I, & much his
 Senior, are left as before, destitute of any
 Provision whatever. Should such sacrifices
 grow into Practice, where shall the Old
 Servant look for the long expected Reward
 of his faithful Toils? I have already
 said, that I never yet had an Employ-
 ment which I could account myself upon,
 except the necessary Stipend, which all
 Fortune deprived me of. Yet I always comforted
 myself with the Hope that Time and Length
 of Service would lead to a Dismissal, and
 would enable me to recover the Sum I had
 expended while so long forced to subsist upon
 my own resources either of Money or Credit.
 But this only remaining Comfort, this
 last Hope, is now taken away by Mr.
 Cookburns Appointment; since it is evident
 if such a principle prevails, that notwith-
 standing an Act of Parliament has esta-
 blished the Right of Seniority, I may
 continue to waste whole Years in fruitless
 Expectation

Follow the Table

Sir and Gentlemen

From Cassandora
Hughes, enclosing
a List of a val
Horse, and many

1795

Fort St. George 14 July 1795

at Madras and
having to be in
about 1000
men in the
presence of
Government.

Commissioners of the Admiralty, having acquainted
me that the Navy Board, had applied to the
Court of Directors of the East India Company,
to know if they were willing to purchase
such Naval Stores belonging to His Majesty,
as may remain in the East Indies, after the
ships of the Squadron are supplied for their
homeward bound passage, they had been
informed that the Company had no objection
to receive such as may be necessary for and
proper for their Service, upon a fair Valuation
to be ascertained by officers in His Majesty's
Service, and then belonging to them. The said
Valuation, or altered Copies thereof, to be
transmitted to the Navy Board, and Payment
of the Amount demanded of the Company in
England.

Having received order to deliver over
the Naval Stores as aforesaid to the Company,
I have enclosed a List of those remaining at this
place, and request to know, what part will
remain upon board, that I may be enabled
to judge how to act accordingly.

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George

the 14th July 1795

Sir and Gentlemen

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant
[Signed] Chas. Hughes

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Accounts of the
Latter Letter

Agreed that the List of Naval Stores
be sent to the Committee of Trade & that there
be desired to report whether the several
Articles are wanted for the Campaigns Service

Accounts of the
Latter Letter

Resolved that inasmuch as the Goods
be provided that from the present State of
the Treasury the Board are unable to raise
above the Naval & Shippen for the Service
advanced before for Godwin Ship

Read the following Letter from
Major General Sir Peter Bagnall

To the President & Council
of Fort S. George
Gentlemen

From Sir Peter
Bagnall on
behalf of the
Hon^{ble} Council
of the
Company

I yesterday received a Letter
from your Secretary to inform me by your
Order that as His Majesty had given the proper
to recall the General Officers serving in
India; that satisfaction being had sent
made to me by Lieut General Mordaunt
as our Chief, I was no longer to consider
myself in the Staff of the Army, or serving
with it. I further that you expect that
I should avail myself of the first Opportunity
that offers of returning to Europe in Con-
sequence of the King's Command. My
Commander

Part 2

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Fort S. George 25 July 1725

Answer to the
London Letter

Agreed that the List of Naval Stores
be sent to the Committee of Trade & that there
be power to report whether the several
articles are wanted for the Campaigns Service

Answer to the
Latter Letter

Resolved that Commodore Mordaunt
be informed that from the present State of
the Treasury the Board are unable to receive
more than the usual Discharge for the same
advanced before for Godwin Dock

Read the following Letter from
Major General Sir John Burgoyne

To the President & Council
of Fort S. George
Gentlemen

From Sir John
Burgoyne in
his own Name
to the Staff of the
Army

I yesterday received a Letter
from your Secretary to inform me by your
Order that as His Majesty had judged proper
to recall the General Officers serving in
India, that as I had been of that number
made to me by Sir John Mordaunt
son in Chief, I was no longer to consider
myself in the Staff of the Army, or serving
with it. I further that you expect that
I should avail myself of the first Opportunity
that offers of returning to Europe in Consequence
of the King's Command

By
Commander

1998

St. George's July 1775

Commander in Chief having always regarded
 the service as being in the utmost degree
 subject to his Orders, and the same having
 fully convinced me even when that the
 subject upon which I should be required
 former Command will be absolutely
 kind of service. Indeed, but my Command
 in Chief that will be and I am no longer
 belonging to the service - I am subject of
 the subject 22^d Reg^t of Light Dragoons
 I will not acknowledge. However in the
 Command, which I previously find it to be
 by my Command in Chief - All the
 Major's Commands for any other
 to Chief, they did not come through you
 and shall I have to say anything more
 about them to the Chief to put in them with
 Command in Chief should be that hour.
 But when as this as well as in every other
 Person will be subject to the
 Command and shall be subject to the
 after the late Month of April, and what
 the Government of the Province has done
 is fully proved to have acted towards me
 with the most wanton Cruelty, and
 Injustice, and not expect to have
 received a Letter from you in which much
 disrespectful Terms both to me personally

1799 Fort St George 24th July 1795

The Surgeon Major

Madras
July 24th 1795

Dear Gentlemen

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

Stewart L. Murgoun

M.D. & C. 1795

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As Sir John Murgoun is pleased to
submit that he is in his Letter, which
allied the Board, and has a right to
and no one else should be sent - they have
only in the present State to adhere to
their former Regulations, since the State of
the above Letter is similar to those which
occurred their Informations

Read the following Letter from
Major General Campbell

The Honble the President & Council of,
Fort St George

From Major
General Campbell
requesting certain
allowances

Noble Sir & Mrs
On the 25th October 1783 the
Honble the President and Select Council
of Fort Saint George were pleased to appoint
one, a Major General on the Staff of the
Presidency,

plea

2008

Fort S. George 25th July 1785

Residence; I received from the above date
 Major-General but a man of war and
 as of Malta, from the 25th December
 1782, on the 14th June 1785 I received a
 letter from your Honorable Board informing me
 that I was not any longer to consider
 myself in the Staff of the Army.
 I am sensible, when you take into your
 consideration the great service which is
 now to be done, that I am by, but that
 you will allow me to be Malta from the
 25th October to 25th December 1785 also that
 you will be pleased to allow me, Bay &
 Malta as Major-General I shall be extremely
 obliged, I am ever looking for I ought, as well
 to the Majesty's orders, as your own, I shall
 embrace the first opportunity of taking
 leave, regarding it as such, you will believe,
 me it necessary to discharge the Post of
 House on the Fort which I was constituted
 to take when I was ordered from the
 Government of direct to this Presidency.

I have the honor to be with most

Respect

Honorable Sir &c

Your most Obedient

Son &c

Signed/ Allen Campbell

Major-General

Fort S. George

25th July 1785

2001 Fort St George 2^d July 1785

As per the Minute

Ordered to be on the Table.

Read the following Report from
the Committee of Affairs with Instructions lodged
in the Office.

Fort St George 2^d July 1785

At a Committee of Council

From Committee of
Affairs with Report
of their Proceedings
of the 2^d July

Present

Genl. Colonel Ross

Genl. Colonel Rigault

Bryan Scottney Esq.

Genl. Colonel Moorhouse

Genl. General Sir John Dalrymple.

Abt.

Read Proceedings of this
Committee of the 25th Ult.
with the remarks of the
Right Honble President
and Council thereon.

Read two Letters

from Mr. Percival late
Company's Cooper, under
date the 25th of May 1785.
With the letter enclosing
an Account of Receipts and
extra Charges to the
Amount of Pay. 2677. 31. 4.

The Committee on
reporting

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Fort St. George 25th July 1785

Residency; I received from the above date
 Bay as a Major General, but soon on my return
 from of Malta, prior to the 31st December
 1783, on the 11th June 1785 I received a
 letter from you Honble Board informing
 me that I was not any longer to continue
 myself on the Staff of the Army.

Having doubt, when you take into your
 consideration the great services which I
 have rendered in this Country, but that
 you will allow me to be Malta from the
 25th October to 31st December 1783 also that
 you will be pleased to allow me Bay &
 Malta as a Major General that an opportunity
 offer of my embarking for England, according
 to the Majesty's order, after your I shall
 embrace the first opportunity of State of
 health requiring it. I trust you will think it
 most reasonable to discharge the Post of a
 House on the Fort which I was appointed
 to take when I was ordered from the
 Commandment of the Fort to this Presidency in

I have the honor to be with great

Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient

Son & servant

Signed/ Allan Campbell

Major Genl in
 Chief

Fort St. George

25th July 1785

2001 Fort St George 2^d July 1785

John MacCall

Ordered to be on the Table.

Read the following Report from
the Committee of Affairs with Indorsements
in the Office.

Fort St George 2^d July 1785

At a Committee of Council

Present

Genl. Colonel Ross

Genl. Colonel Rigault

Bryan Scottney Esq.

Genl. Colonel Moorhouse

Genl. General Sir John Dalrymple.

At.

Read Proceedings of this
Committee of the 25th ult.
with the Remarks of the
Right Honble President
and Council thereon.

Read two Letters
from Mr. Lascell's late
Company's Cooper, under
date the 25th of May 1785.
With the Letter enclosing
an Account of Parcels and
extra Charges to the
Amount of Payd. 267⁷/₈ 31. 40.

The Committee on
referring

From Committee of
Affairs with Report
of their Proceedings
of the 2^d July.

Fort St. George 25th July 1785

referring to their proceedings
of the 12th November 1784.

Whereas Mr. Lavelle's bill
will was ordered to be
paid up to the 11th July
and that on consideration
of the prices being then
much higher than they
thought necessary they
at that time recommended
to the Right Hon^{ble}
President & the Council
to pay the Coopers age
on the former footing;
they approved thereof and
ordered that the same
prices as had been usual
in peaceable times,
should in future be
paid - and this order
was perceived to have been
agreeable to the Original
Intentions of the Hon^{ble}
Board by the following
Extract from the
Military Magazine
which limits the high
prices to the service of
the War only.

Extracts of the Minutes
of Council taken the 6th Dec^r
1782.

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Ordered that the Bills amounting to the above sum be paid for Powder War etc. Page 2036. 34. to the Civil Paymaster's Account Page 166. for the Redoubt Page 24. 3. be paid as is Carried to the proper Head in the Cash Account & in the accounts of the several Companies.

Resolved in consequence that the Company's Cooper during the Present War be allowed to charge for such articles as he may supply after the said order that he has done on the Bill he has now produced to the Board and that he is to apply for Payment of his Demands in future to the Heads of the different Companies whom he furnishes with any Paperage.

Attest Extract

Signed) Chas. Trueman
Secretary

Agreed to lay Mr. Lapsley's two Letters and the Bill in question before the Honble the Gov^{rs} and Council with

Fort St George 26th July 1785

The following Remarks on
the several articles, which
for the sake of perspicuity
are numbered.

That tree, that, on our
last arrival, to the command
of Mr. Lascelles / 5th / as
his ship was procured,
the Committee did receive
a report of 1st 00 Powder
& 2nd 00 Cartridge Barrels
being on board, in
consequence of which
they called upon Capt.
Wadsworth (who had acted
as Commander of the ship)
to know the Reason of it,
who informed them that
when the Barrels / for
which Mr. Lascelles was
afterwards paid / were
received in July 1784 he
told him not to make
up any more, & that Mr.
Lascelles, when he received
these Directions had
neither materials nor
Barrels on hand.

The 500 Powder & 200
Cartridge Barrels / 1784 /
made up since the 15th
before mentioned have been
made

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made Contrary to the Orders
of the Commanding General
of this, especially given in
the presence of Captain Mifflin
whilst in that Department
and before given the same
decisions. If Mr. Lascelles
has made up any according
to the new order the Com-
manding General of this is
sensible as he did not furnish
him / Mr. Lascelles / with
the new order & would not
send the with propriety
yet it not having received
within the approbation of
this General then or the
Honble Board.

The Charge of 15 for
attending the Powder mill
cannot in reason be allowed,
it being as well known to
Mr. Lascelles as to the
Commander of this that
no powder has been man-
ufactured there, without
the time for which the
charge is made and
Consequently no attendance
could be necessary. The

Approved

2006

Fort St. George 21st July 1785

The Committee beg leave to shew that the Company's
 for from their being a quantity of them having
 worth of Poudre Muscove. The date of their report
 1000 have been so long, that they have not
 in it that 200 of them. Indeed from Villars
 are damaged by the white which is the cause
 and the more that all the Poudre Muscove
 number is increased the more is the loss.
 more will be subject to be sold at a low
 price. — The Company's part of the price

The Company's part of the price
 of the large Poudre the
 Poudre the Poudre is also
 to be of a large & thick
 Lie Poudre the Poudre is also
 Lie of the Poudre is also from
 the Melange of the Poudre
 in Liberty March 1785
 last of the Poudre with
 indeed from Villars

Poudre and the Poudre
 with respect to the latter.

The Committee are of
 Opinion they ought not
 yet to be complac'd with
 as they chiefly contain
 Poudre which of which
 there are no more in store,
 and recommended that one
 part of the Poudre be sold
 this

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The reason to be feared is that
all the ships expected to come
have landed their cargo
immediately after which the
Board will be better able
to judge of the proportion
they can allow to each
Indiant

Approved

The Board are informed
by the Commanding General
of the Port and Indiant from
the 1st Regt of Cavalry for
Indiant that has been already completed
with wood having examined
some 12th Regt Garrison Trail
Carriages & have 12 Indiant
Wester Wood, found them
made of good materials
& well finished & therefore
recommended their being
received on the Company's
Books

Approved

(Signed) Patrick Relf
" M^cDonagh
" B. Lottney
" J. Moorhouse

Read the following Letter from Fort
Maitland

To

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Port J. George 21 July 1755

To the Right Honble George Ferrers

President & Governor of the Council

Port J. George

My Lord & Gentlemen

The ill state of Health of the
which our President John Waples Esq. has
long labored with the symptoms of every
kind of Weakness which he has been for
relief have subjected him to the necessity
of proceeding to the other side of the Bay

As We have no other means
of conveying a Packet for the present and to
prevent occasional business from being
the President's side, We have to request you
will pay attention to any representations
he may make in regard to the affairs of the
Coast; and should he make application
for payment of his allowances as
President, We by his request may be
complied with.

The Vessel in which he is to
Proceed, We have just ordered made his
Orders

The accompanying List of
Military Stores and Hops, We beg your
compliance with.

(M)

From Port J. George
The ill state of
their Governor
has obliged him
to visit the former
particular signifying
that any Representa-
tions made by
him may be paid
attention to by
Governor and have
satisfactory result
of Military Stores
wanted for the
Governor

2009 Fort St George 21 July 1735.

We have the honor to be,

My Lord and Father,

Your Obedient humble servant

Wm. John Crisp

J. Calmer

Robert Moff

Fort Marlborough
June 1735

Agreed that the Indent enclosed in
the Indent to be sent to the Committee of
the House of Commons.
Read the following Letter from
Mr. Commissioner Lachlan.

To the Honble. Alexander Davidson Esq.
President and Governor of the Council.

at Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

From a Mr. Lachlan
Commissioner,
stating the result
of the Survey
into the Country
between the
Army Accounts.

In the course of my Examination
of the Accounts of the Lachlanpolly, Lachlan and Lachlan
Army Accounts, I have viewed a variety of
Accounts charged in the different Regiments,
detachments, for Cash advanced to a Body
of Men, and a small Troop, who were
formerly in the Service of His Highness the
Nabob, but since the Commencement of the
late War, have served with the Honble Compa-
ny's Troops, their Accounts appearing to me

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we, to require a strict investigation, & concluded it could be done more to the purpose by making a separate audit of those, than by examining them together with Paymaster General, and herewith have the Honor of laying before you, the result of my enquiries.

On application to Mr. G. B. the Paymaster at Fort St. George, who was directed by Colonel Mordaunt to settle the Account due to the Regent, and Mr. Mordaunt Troopers &c. I was furnished by him, with Accounts in which the whole of their Allowances, were comprised and this amount to Pagoda 102076 Rs. 28 as well as particulars appear in the Accompanying Statement, in Support of which I was likewise furnished with Pay rolls Abstracts, and Vouchers countersigned by different European Officers, commencing in December 1776, and ending the 31st July 1784. the day on which your Honor &c. I understood upon enquiry, decided that the Regent and all other other Troopers should be discharged the Service.

The Pay Rolls and Abstracts which I have before shewed were prepared then Account, at the countersigned by different European Officers then being

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Insurances were made out accordingly, and the
Hutts Company charged at our higher Rate,
than the Insurers commanding had agreed
to have for - I applied to several Persons from
whom I concluded could have given me useful
Information, but I am sorry to observe that your
Honour is that the answers I received were only
upon their Recollection, on which I did not
think proper altogether to rely on, they how-
ever I could be put on more on my Guard,
because I could get nothing from the Insurers
but repeated Declarations, that their Policies
and Abstracts had been drawn out agreeably
to the Custom observed in the Highness's
Service at which Rate they had agreed with
Captains Barrowes at first, and afterwards
with Colonel Wason to have the Hutts &
Company during the War - after some
Consideration I imagined there would be no
Impropriety in my applying to Elabon
Carron, the Highness's the Walcotts manager
at Fort Mifflin, to send me the Particulars
of the Manner of paying these Persons,
in the Highness's Service which he readily
complied with, and this at first sight I
affirmed exceedingly intricate, yet by due
Examination, I found that the Insurers had
debited in Accounts, not made out according to the

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Fort F George 21st July 1785

to the State they has agreed to deliver you,
 having committed to deduct a Number of
 Circar Postages &c from their Pay which,
 which however, I have never done for them,
 and your Honor yet will be pleased to
 observe that instead of the Balance as their
 own Statement, being Pagable 46332 4 32
 the full amount after deducting for
 Circar Postages &c Pagable 35386 1 32

Difference Pay 10946 1 32

which I am, I take the Liberty of presenting
 to your Honor &c may be deducted from
 their Account of Pay

There are two other Charges which
 the Juniors have made & want the Company
 included in the Statement, the first is, for
 Honor and Allow, Killed and wounded, on the
 Service amounting to Pagable 1705 34. and
 they have produced Vouchers, signed by
 different European Officers in Support
 of their Charges on this Account, but I
 cannot find that this Custom was observed
 on his Highness's Service, nor can I hear
 by what authority they concerned themselves
 entitled to be paid for their Honor, Killed
 and wounded on Service on the Canadian
 Station. I am however, as before, in this
 account to my satisfaction, that these Charges

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Fort St. George 21st July 1785

were permitted in the British Service, they
have therefore, to recommend by your Honor's
not to allow of them.

The second Charge is for Salaries
— given here to British Officers and other Staff
@ 37 Rupees per Month each, according to Pagoda
182. 16 Paise as I find this allowance was
authorized by Colonel Sullivan as a mark of
Distinction to these Servants, in of opinion
that they should be allowed to draw less 10/
Pagoda per Month each for a Platoon, which
is at the same Rate as a few Commandants
of Depots, are allowed in the British Service.

I have the Honor to be with the
greatest Respect

Yours for &c &c

Your most Obedient

James M. Servant

Signed W. Jackson

Comptroller of Accounts

Statement

Warren

13th July 1785

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to the State they has agreed to serve for
 having committed to deduct a Number of
 Circar Expences &c from their Pay which
 which however I have now done for them
 and your Honor will be pleased to
 observe that instead of the Balance as their
 own Statement. Circar Pagoda 46332 4 32
 the full amount after deducting for
 Circar Expences in Pagoda { 35398 2 32

Difference Pay 10936 1 32

which I am to take the Liberty of recommending
 to your Honor &c may be deducted from
 their Balance of Pay

There are two other Charges which
 the Junedars have made against the Company
 included in the Statement, the first is for
 Horse and Men, killed and wounded, on the
 Service amounting to Pagodas 1705 34. and
 they have produced Vouchers, signed by
 different European Officers in support
 of their Charges on the Account but I
 cannot find that the Customs was allowed
 on the Highness's Service, nor can I have
 by what authority they considered themselves
 entitled to be paid for their Horse, killed
 and wounded in Service on the Customs
 Station. I have taken no Notice in this
 answer to my Application, that their Charge

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Fort St. George 27 July 1785

were permitted in the Madras Service. They
have therefore, to be considered as having been
not to allow of them.

The second Charge is for Salaries
given here to British Officers and others. Each
at 57 Rupees per Month each, according to Pagoda
183. 16 Paise as found the Allowance was
authorized by Colonel Pulteney as a mark of
Distinction to those Officers, and of opinion
that they should be allowed to have less than
Pagoda 57 Rupees per Month each for a Lieutenant, which
is of the same Rate as a few Commanche
of Sepoys, are allowed in the British Company's
Service.

I have the Honor to be with the
greatest Respect

Yours for &c &c

Your most Obedient

Thos. M. Servant

Signed W. Jackson

Comptroller of Accounts

Warrone
13th July 1785-

Statement

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Fort St George 25 July 1755

Statement of Pay for the Grand and Malabar Troops, Garrison of
 from the 3^d December 1754 to 25th July 1755. Approved by the Council and ordered
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Malabar 30th 1755
 Pay & Allowances from 3^d December 1754 to 25th July 1755 - as 31 months & 26 days
 By the Council & ordered (as above) - 1011 19th 33 25
 By the Council & ordered (as above) - 1705 35
 By the Council & ordered (as above) - 188 16
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13th July 1755

2015 Fort S. George 25th July 1775

The President delivers in the following
Manner

Memoirs in Council 31st July 1775

Take this Opportunity where
a Report of Mr. Commissioner Jackson is before the
Board to call the Attention of the Members to the
Accounts of that Gentleman in settling the Grand
Accounts of the Grand Army.

I am more induced to propose the
consideration of Mr. Jackson's Claims to the
Attention of the Board because other Persons employed
in the same Service have derived considerable
Advantages & Salaries, while he to this hour is
unrewarded - Mr. Jackson & his Wife whose
Duty it was to have settled the very Accounts
afterwards entrusted to Mr. Jackson have had
Large Salaries & Allowances, at the same Time
of the Business were performed by the latter - Mr.
Mearns drew Sixty Colonies Pay & Allowances, besides
50 Pounds for a Deputy 100 Pounds per month
Salary & upwards of 1000 for Writing, Conception
&c. &c. & last month the Board empowered Mr.
George Ligon to visit on Commissions of Peace
to the Presidency the Account of the Fees
realized by him and as a Compensation for his
Expenses & Trouble, they have permitted him
to draw 5 Pounds upon the Purchase he shall
make.

W.

President's Memoir
proposing as a
Compensation for
the Services &
Expenses of
Commissioner
Jackson on the
Board of the
Grand Army
under the
two following
Articles that
have been & shall
be considered by
the Board & placed to
the Company's
Credit.

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Fort St. George 21st July 1795

Mr. Jackson's Claim to a Commission
will appear very strong when the difficulties
which attended him in the execution of his
Trust are considered. He has been obliged to
draw out an Account Current with every
Man who received Order from the publick
Store, and to trace and recover small
Balances that a Labrynth of Accounts, but
that I say not take up at present the time
of the Board. I shall beg leave to refer to the
Records for the particulars of the Services he
has rendered to the Company in the military
line which cannot be less than many months.

I propose that Mr. Jackson be
allowed to draw a Commission of 2 Years
upon all such sums as he may have received
I shall receive from Officers for account
of Grain delivered to them from the Company's
Store, & that the Attorney be in power to
every thing in the Grain Department be
made to Mr. Jackson in Company's Bonds,
or in such modes as may suit the State of
the Treasury.

H. G. Davidon,

The Board Council in Opinion with
the Board Council the President, & agreeance in his proposal
in Opinion with the President
of allowing Mr. Jackson as a General for his
services

Vide Council 22^d
Aug. 1794.

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Carrying a Commission of 2. P. per upon all
 Sums that have been, & shall be received
 by him & placed to the Company's Credit
 in the Settlement of the Grain accounts of the
 Grand Army.

The following Letter being drafted &
 is to be sent to Mr. Jackson.

To Mr. William Jackson
 Commissioner of Accounts.

Sir

To Mr. Jackson
 Jackson, appearing
 the instructions
 recommended
 by him, except
 for Calcutta
 this to Calcutta
 & 1/2 way
 back, which
 may be allowed
 in proportion
 of 1/2 way
 from Calcutta
 to the destination
 of all sums
 brought in to be
 lodged by him
 to the Company's
 Credit.

I am directed by the Honble
 President & Council to acknowledge the receipt
 of your Letter dated the 13th Instant, & to inform
 you that they approve the deductions you have
 recommended on the Accounts of the Muzul &
 Mahabul Troops, excepting the difference
 of Calcutta, & 1/2, which the Board think
 may be allowed, as a mark of deduction to
 Calcutta from your List, the not warranted
 by the Order of the Company's Service.

In consideration of the trouble you
 have had during these three years past in the
 Extra Charges committed to your management
 of settling the Grain Accounts of the Army &
 as a Reward for your Activity & Services,
 the President & Council have been pleased to
 resolve that you shall be permitted to
 draw

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Mr. Jackson's Claim to a Commission will appear very strong when the difficulties which attended him in the execution of his Trust are considered. He has been obliged to draw out an Account Current with every Agent who received Grain from the publick Stores, and to trace and receive small full Balances from a Labvrent of Accounts; but that of every Agent has been kept from the view of the Board. I shall beg leave to refer to the Records for the particulars of the Service he has rendered to the Company in this respect. I have much to say in relation to his Services.

Vote Council 92?
Aug. 1794.

I propose that Mr. Jackson be allowed to draw a Commission of 2% upon all such sums as he may have received. I shall receive from Officers the Account of Grain delivered to them from the publick Stores, & that the Allowance be in favor of every thing in the Grain Department & made to Mr. Jackson in Company's Bank, or in such mode as may suit the State of the Treasury.

Respectfully Alex. Davidson,

The Board Council in Opinion with the President, & acquiesce in his proposal of allowing Mr. Jackson as a General for his Services.

Yr
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Dear & pleasant Remembrance upon all I receive
which have been & which shall be brought
by you to me & placed to the (outgoing)
Credit in the Grain Department.

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Dear Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Chambers
Surgeon

The Commander in Chief informs the
Board that having since the last meeting
taken into Consideration the present situation
of the Army, he has had some
alterations proposed, in which alterations
& Reductions, are proposed, these alterations
he has now the honor to lay before the
Board accompanied by three Minutes
which explain the reasons of what he
recommends to the Consideration of
Yourself.

Minute of the Commander in Chief
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The Governor and Commander in
Chief can have any Good they choose from
the Army; it is therefore proposed to reduce
the two Corps established as Governor and
Commander

The Commander in
Chief has before
the Board the
minutes in which
alterations &
reductions are
proposed for the
Commander in Chief

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attached to the
Commander in
Chief's Guard
to be in the
Governor's Apartment
in Chief's Guard
Guard the following
soldiers are the
Black Troops
the 1st & 2nd Regts
attached to the
Native Cavalry
Regt. &c.

Commander in Chief's Guard, the annual
Expense of which is 12,299^{Rs} 6^{As}. The Troopers of
Horse of the Governor's Guard to give the Regt
of Cavalry, each of the Infantry, and the
Commander in Chief's Guard as shown may be
distributed among the Regiments.

The Company of Artillery in 1784
from an annual expense of 2950^{Rs} 26^{As} and
are of very little use.

It has not appeared to be the General custom
of the Country, for native Cavalry to have Horse
supplies, nor is it absolutely necessary they
should discharge the Horsemanship of the
Native Men Company & private Troopers of the
four Regiments, and deducting their Wages from
the Contract will be a saving of 27,360^{Rs} 24^{As}
per annum and the Cavalry Contract for a
Regiment will then stand -

For feeding 45 Horses	270 ^{Rs} 00 ^{As} 00 ^{Ps}
at 6 Pagodas each	
For 466 Do.	2213 ^{Rs} 24 ^{As} 00 ^{Ps}
at 4 R. 31 P. 40 As each	
Saddles & Furniture for 54	255 ^{Rs} 24 ^{As} 00 ^{Ps}
Horses at 1/2 Pagoda each	
Total	2739 ^{Rs} 00 ^{As} 00 ^{Ps}

The great want of Natives to assist
the artillery in the Field, and the necessity of
having

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having then to be depended on appeared, suddenly during the last month we had got notice from Bengal - The proposed Establishment the saving of 55,454 Pagodas. The 40th Rank & amount is much better, calculated for the purposes of the Service than the present and equally answers the purpose of keeping the Native Artillery and Cavalry in the Service under different denominations. The alterations proposed on the Supply Establishment reduces the number of cattle and so on annual saving of 155,454 Pagodas.

For the want of Organizing the Troops, Majors of Grenadiers must be appointed. The Duty of Town Majors of Calcutta, Barrack, Village, Fort, & Tanjore was formerly done by the Fort Adjutants. This can be done again, and the pay of Town Majors appropriated to the necessary officers of Majors of Grenadiers.

The 2nd Discharge have been allowed 8 Pagodas each three months for feeding by reducing the Contract to 6th - which allows half a Pagoda in consideration of their Horse being brown or small saving more of 12,000 Pagodas.

Signed / John Dalrymple

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Indications of Expenses		Page 100 8.
General Guard of Honor	13862. 16.	
Commander in Chief's Guard	4434. 30.	
Compt. of Balances on the Cash	2950. 24.	
1000 Horses taken from the		
Native Cavalry at 1/2 Pay	27960. 00.	
Difference of pay between the		
Native Cavalry & Gun Cavalry	8549. 25. 40.	
and the proposed Establishment		
Difference between the present &	155454. 16. 60.	
proposed Establishment of Horses		
Contract of 396 Horses of the 23 ^d		
Dragoons reduced from 3 to 6 1/2	7120. 00.	
Pay of Month		
Total	720379. 28. 20.	

In the course of the last 12 Months
 it has cost the Government 5304.
 Pay for Tent for small Guards
 & Troops during duty about
 Madras.

It has also cost the Service about
 9000 Pagodas last year for
 House Rent at Madras.

These sums amounting to near
 15,000 Pagodas the Compt have
 nothing for and would almost
 have built Barracks for the

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Officers & Troops quartered on the Houses
the Barracks & Tents.

By the alterations in the lodging established
considerable savings will arise in the
Contingent charges particularly in 1755
as 1754. Moreover the new Establishment
requires less Camp & Quarters than is
necessary for a Regt. & 1000 in the present
state.

Should the present Troops not
be wanted to assist in building Cantonments,
a considerable saving would arise by
reducing them.

Minutes of the Council on Chief
24th July 1755.

I submit to your Consideration

Minutes of the
Council on Chief on
Chief on brigading
the Army.

The propriety of forming two Army into
Regiments, a measure so agreeable to the
better disciplining of the Troops, and to
avoid the very great inconvenience which
was generally felt in the Army during
the late War, in the maintenance of Field
Officers, for the current duties of the Line
which has now been, and must be considered
as a very great defect in the Company's
Service. The number of Field Officers being
so much less proportion to that of other
Rank, than any Service in the world.

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and affording but small an inducement, and
 reward to those Officers who having sacrificed
 to the Service, their Embrace of Ambition & Wealth
 have nothing but a Rank to look up to in
 return.

Our present Peace establishment
 amounts to about 25000 European and
 Native Infantry, and to correspond to a force
 we have but few field Officers whereas in
 the Majesty's Service, there are upon the
 smallest calculation, upwards of four field
 Officers to every thousand men. To obviate
 in some degree, these deficiencies in the force
 of the Company which must operate so
 forcibly in the breast of every man who has
 been and emulation sufficient to make
 him fit for a Soldier, and as an attention, due
 to the long Services, and merits of the Senior
 Officers of the Army, I would propose, that the
 two European Regts now consisting of two
 Battalions each be formed into four distinct
 Regts of one Battⁿ each, either on the present
 or an augmented strength as may be judged
 most expedient. This would make an
 additional of two Colonels and as the four
 Batt^{ns} now composing the two Regiments
 have always had their full complement
 of Staff Officers no additional contingency
 would

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would be required by such an alteration
should the above propositions be all agreed
to take place, and the Army therefore sent
the Brigades I would propose their being
commanded as follows

1st Brigade - consist of the 1st Regt Europeans
and 2nd Battⁿ of Sepoys to be commanded
by the Colonel of the Europeans Regt
2nd Brigade - 1st Regt Europeans Regt and
1st Battⁿ of Sepoys to be commanded as above -

3rd Brigade - 2nd Regt Europeans and
2nd Battⁿ of Sepoys to be commanded as above

4th Brigade - 3rd Regt Europeans and
3rd Battⁿ of Sepoys to be commanded as above

5th Brigade - 4th Regt Europeans to be
commanded by Lieut Colonel

6th Brigade - 5th Regt Europeans to be
commanded by Lieut Colonel

I have not mentioned the number of
Sepoy Battⁿ for each Brigade, as it cannot
be ascertained until it is determined the
number to be kept up in the Service -
should the proposition of altering the
establishment of the Europeans Regts, and
brigades the Army be advisable, it will
cause an addition of two Colonels & two Lieut
Colonels, and as one additional infantry
should at present be brought up as -
they should remain on the post, attended
by a party of the same force which they were
formerly

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permitted, until the pleasure of the Board of
Directors shall be known, it would be one
by saving in one other Part of our
military establishment, and thereby to make
an increase of expense in this.

Should the Board not think
proper to make an alteration in the European
Regts. I would then propose, that the 1st Regt.
should be on the 1st Brigade and the 2nd Regt.
on the 2nd Brigade - and the Brigades comman-
ded by the Colonels of those Regiments res-
pectively. The 3rd 4th 5th & 6th Brigades will
then be composed of Europeans only, and should
each be commanded by a Lieut. Colonel - this
mode would make a provision of four
Lieut. Colonels who should remain on the pay
of the rank from which they were promoted
as before mentioned - Six Brigade Majors
will be required, I would therefore propose
to strike off and give the allowances to the
Major of Brigade the Town Majors of Tanjore
Trichinopoly, Villore and Masulipatam the
most idle and useless posts in the establish-
ment; the duty may then be done by the
Town Adjutants, who will have as little to
do, any Gentlemen in the Army -

a Quarter Master to each
Brigade may be thought in some degree
necessary - but may be dispensed with, until
we

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deliberative capacity, shall meet in the manner
here an Official capacity, as the material
consequences of such decision in his place
of Council, to them and thereby immediately
supposed to have been regularly proposed
of such orders without any subsequent
communication of them thro' the Secretary,
or any intermediaries of other inferior Officers,
as may have hitherto been in use.

The previous Terms therefore
being thus abridged, the Commander in Chief
will of himself proceed to satisfy such orders
either to the whole of the Troops collectively,
or separately according to the particular
Application of them, to one or both of the
two Services.

From the Commander in Chief
thus as from the single source, all information
necessary for the army under his Command
will flow thro' two direct & distinct
channels, the Adj. General of his Majesty's
& the Adj. Gen. of the Company's Troops, each
of these Officers being exclusively restrained from
passing the bounds of his own particular
Service.

In the Distribution of Genl. Orders
to Garrisons whether Commanded by Kings
or Company's Officers, the same mode may
be

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be considered as a present Objection - that
 is all - and to such of your own to make that the
 Company may be made the best General
 of the King's Troops, however, with a view
 might be considered to any Corps as they
 in the Majesty's Service doing duty in and
 forward, respecting its national interest.

Wm. J. Dalling

Resolutions of the
 Board in favor of the
 District of Columbia
 by the Commandant
 are filed

Agreed that the Commandant in Chief
 Body Guard be immediately ordered by the
 Board to make the Company of Artillery in the District
 of Columbia and the Town of Alexandria, Virginia,
 respectively - Alexandria, & Fairfax, &
 that the same be published in General Orders.

At the same time, a copy of the

Order submitted to the Commandant of
 the Board by the Commandant in Chief, require
 the greatest attention it is agreed to defer a
 decision upon them until a future meeting.

Read the following Letter, / as
 entered in the Secretary's Book / 17th July 1786.

From Mr. Green dated 10th Instant
 acquainting the Board of his having selected
 one the District of Alexandria to the whole
 of the County of the State he has
 taken in consequence of the order for settling
 the Southern District to the State.

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I desire to know whether the Balances due on the 28th June are to be received by the Company.

Minute Book

Agreed that Mr. James be informed that all Balances due on the 28th June are to be received by the Nabob & that Mr. James's Accounts are to be closed on that day.

James's Accounts

From Masulipatam dated the 10th & 12th Instant desiring to know what Allowances are to be paid to Capt. Little the Deputy Adj. General, & requesting that an Assistant Surgeon be sent to Meer.

Minute Book

Agreed that the same Allowances which are fixed for the Deputy Adj. General are to be fixed for Capt. Little and that an Assistant Surgeon be sent to Meer as soon as one can be spared.

From Mr. Monbray dated 8 Inst.

From Mr. Monbray

dated 8th Inst. for Deputy Clothing stating that the Clothing returned from the 23rd 17th Batta of Sepoys is equal to issue, & observed that he is not therefore blameable, if the Sackets do not fit the Men of those Batta.

Minute Book

Agreed that the Commander in Chief be requested to order new Musket Sackets.

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Resolved to be procured, & that the Agent be
devised to adopt the said, & that the Agent
to the same Master, after which he is to
state his Life to the Board that it may be
taken into Consideration.

From Mr. William Gibson Jackson

Mr. W. B. Jackson dated 4th Feb. requested a recommendation
of his Superior as Secretary to the President
to the President, according to the 17th 1775.

Minute Book

Resolved that the President be
devised to order the Clerk to be Secretary,
where the State of the President will be
of it.

The Commander in Chief requests
his wish to the Board, that they will permit
him to absent himself for a few days from
the Presidency, in order to visit the Eastern
part of the Province, & the Garrison in its
neighbourhood, & after which he will be the better
enabled to give an Account of the State
application for a renewal of the troops from each.

The Board agree
to the Application
of the Commander
in Chief.

The Board approve the Governor in Chief
application, & give their orders accordingly to the
proposed measures.

Wm Davidson
J. M. Dilling
J. Daniell

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23. Received the underwritten Letters /
 entered in M. No. 8th 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37.
 From M. Hifford dated 23rd July enclosing
 the Act of Distribution for the Factory of Porto
 Novo to the Dutch.

From M. Hifford

From Col. W. H. H. H.

From Capt. H. H. H.

From the Commandant of the 73rd Regiment
 dated 17th July requesting that the usual
 allowances granted to Officers on their Return
 to Europe, may be paid to Lieut. Gatchell.
 From Capt. Montgomery dated 18th July
 representing that the four Hircarab orders
 by Government to be reduced, are not employed
 for Intelligence as the Board supposed, but
 in keeping up the Communication with
 the Troops on the Island.

From M. H. H. H.

From the Hon^{ble} Major Genl. H. H. H.
 dated 20th July enclosing several Papers
 relative to the Pay & Allowances awarded to
 the Appointments of Adjutant General &
 Quarter Master General of his Majesty's
 Troops in India; and requesting that a
 sum of Money may be issued to him, that
 the Arrear due to the former may be
 liquidated.

From the Agent
 to the Captains at
 Lagganashpore

From the Agent to the Captains of Lagganashpore
 dated at Lagganashpore 28th June relative
 to their Claim of a Strick of the Prize Goods
 there

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23rd then taken

From Capt^l Leach
Anderson

From Captain Lieutenant Anderson
dated at Madras 12th July, enclosing
several Certificates, on which he expresses
his Hope for a ³³Succession of his
Worthy

From Capt^l Leach
& Barron

From Capt^l Leach & Barron enclosing the
Act of Prohibition for the Port of a
Port Dependence to the States General

Sub the following Letter to Barron

To the Honble John Macpherson Esq^r

General Gov^l of Bengal

To the Governor
General Council
Advancing of having
drawn in the
favor of Calcutta
South for the
Tonght of his
Ship to bring
Despatches from
Rangoon

Gentlemen at Fort William

We have the honor to inform
you that, in consequence of our Agreement
between the Provincial Council at Rangoon
and Captain John Scott of the Regatta for
the Tonght of his Ship to bring Despatches
from thence to the Presidency. We have
drawn in our Government in favor of
Captain Scott in the Sum of 13,500 Rupees
Rupees, and thirty Days Light

We have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your Obedt^l Servant
Signed J. Macpherson Esq^r

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That the undermentioned Letters sent
on 11th 12th 13th 14th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th 21th 22th 23th 24th 25th 26th 27th 28th 29th 30th 31st

To Commodore Charles Hughes - informing
him that the State of the Treasury will not
permit of a further advancement to the annual
allowances of the four claimed by him for
Governor Packer

To Mr. George Monbray late agent stating
that there were Masters of Shipboard Cloathing
have been ordered from the 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th 13th 14th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th 21th 22th 23th 24th 25th 26th 27th 28th 29th 30th 31st
for the purpose of adapting them as far as
possible to the rejected Cloathing of those
Battalions - To deliver over to Mr. King the
the Cloathing made up for the Superannua-
ries of the Corsican Battalions.

To Mr. Maitland; informing them that the
allowances drawn by the Deputy Adjutant
General at Arcach, must guide them with
respect to the Officer appointed to that
Station to the northward of the Westward

To the Committee of Store enclosing a
List of Naval Stores transmitted to Government
by Commodore Hughes, and desiring them to
state the articles wanted for the Company's
Service.

To Mr. Lind enclosing an Extract from
the Minutes of the Committee of Assigned
Revenue, respecting his Account Current to
which

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25th the Secretary of Fort St. George of the fort
of London

I have the honor to be with perfect
respect

My Lord

I have the honor to be with perfect

I have the honor to be with perfect

I have the honor to be with perfect

Extract from the proceedings of the 24th the
Governor General & Council in the House of
Deputies 20th Dec 1785

The Governor General lays before the Board
a letter which he has received from the Hon^{ble}
Hon^{ble} Lord Mansfield dated the 21st Instant.
Respecting the consideration of the Petition
from Fort St. George dated the 1st and ordered
in Council the 14th Instant.

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That it appears the letter from the Hon^{ble}
Lord Mansfield to the Governor General dated the 21st
Instant, and recorded in the 14th Instant
of the same consideration of the Petition
of Fort St. George and the Hon^{ble} Lord Mansfield
Company

The Board, after the most careful
consideration of the petition, and the
views of the Hon^{ble} Lord Mansfield
and the Hon^{ble} Lord Mansfield, the great
importance of the

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25 Arguments advanced by the Right Honble
Lord Macartney are of Opinion that they
cannot authorize the Presidency of Fort St
George as they be supposed to delay the
Execution of the Company's Service for
the Surrender of the Management of the Revenue
of the Country to the Mohol of Madras. But
the Board are fully aware of the Incon-
venience and Loss of Revenue which
may immediately result from a Transfer
of the Collection from the Charge and Control
of the Company's Servants to the management
of the Mohol and his Ministers.

They are further of Opinion that the
exhausted State of the Treasures of the
Government will not admit of any extra-
ordinary and continued aid to Fort St George
should any great Loss of revenue from
the Contribution of the Government produce
the Distress that is apprehended from the
measures; and upon this Ground the Board
admit that there are arguments of increased
Weight in Support of those Reasons which
have given cause to the Appeal of the 1st
of June from the Presidency of Fort St George.

It appears at the same time to
the Board that the orders of the Company
for

25th for recommending the apportionment was given after much consideration and with the full view of the consequences which were likely to arise from them. The measure must have been approved by the majority of Directors as well as by the Council of Directors and seems to have been founded on a liberal principle of national justice, a principle universally connected with sound political wisdom.

It appears further to the Board that the Company have taken extraordinary pains in their letter to the Nabob of Arcot to explain to the Highness the conditions upon which the business of Opium must be carried on here. That of course which the Nabob must learn from the Letter is, that the satisfaction of the Company will be a certain consequence of the wise performance of those conditions. The great advantage which the Company propose as the great basis of the Security of this Country, is so much interested in this part, and so favorable to the real rights of the Nabob, and of the Royal of Mysore that it would be a fault even for a Foreign State to take any notice of it.

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25 in the neighbourhood of a more equal
transaction. In a short
time we have a more equal
Constitution to the Government of the Carnatic
of the Carnatic and Tanjore to the
for the full application of the Revenue of
the Carnatic and Tanjore to the
Security of our Possessions upon the Coast
of Coromandel and with the utmost
Regard that can be shown to the Rights
of our Native Allies as well as peace as
was the Peace of Pondicherry that this
important arrangement is connected
with the order relation to the arrangement
that the Execution of them could not be
suspended without paying to that arrange-
ment, should the great & generous progress
get be defeated by any failure on the part of
the Nabob, or of the Rajah of Tanjore, the
justice of the Company and the liberal
Policy of the State will not be the least
conspicuous, as will the Conductors of the
Nabob have great cause of Displeasure
or Complaint.

The Governor General and Council
see the Justice and feel the Policy of having
to

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25th To order & consider the former and in principles
of national justice and directed to the
public good then full scope and proper
effect and they trust that the State will
find greater resources than the providing
of Fort St. George asked from his last
Dactions.

Resolved that these Opinions be
communicated to the Right Hon^{ble} Lord
Macartney.

Resolved further & declared unan-
imously that it be recommended to the
Administration of Fort St. George to carry
the Company's orders relative to the
business of the aforementioned only execution
without delay and that the such
administration be approved that every act
of violence, and every Expropriation within
the power of this Government, shall be
cheerfully granted to achieve any destiny
or recover any Inconvenience that may
arise on the occasion from the immediate
Execution of the Company's Commands.

Resolved that the Governor General
be requested to write an answer to the
Letter of the Madras of dated 24th Dec^r
last stating to his Highness in the
most forcible and decided manner the
Consequences

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25th Consequence which he would immediately & inevitably result from some failure on the part of his Highness, his Committee, or agents in the personal performance of the Negotiations under which his Excellency is ordered to be authorized to have said that the State he further informed that his Highness as to consider the Declaration contained in the late Letter from the Court of Directors to him as a final Determination and arrangement relative to his connection with the Company and with the English nation.

The Secrecy of this Secret which have fully and faithfully fulfilled their engagements with the Company must be preserved as particularly attended to that it will be proper for the Governor General to demand that the State that any injury or oppression towards these Directors from his Highness's Government will be considered as an act of Hostility towards the Company.

above Extract

(Signed) J. Hay,
Secretary

Dispatches the following Answer
To

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To the Right Honble Lord Sacartory

My Lord

The Lord Sacartory
Government as
well as his Lordship
has not been wanting
in his Endeavour to
support the Repre-
sentations made
by the Board to
the Govt Genl &
Council. He has
been Lordships like
disposition will
reach him in
time to prevent this
embarrassing for
Europe.

We have had the honor to
receive your Lordships Letter of the 27th
with 2 Letters with them enclosed,
Enclosures.

We are well convinced that no
Court can have been more anxious in your part
to support the representations which were
made to the Governor General & Council
in the Letter presented to them by your
Lordship, & the reason that should their
actions prove even by make to our
speculations, or inefficient to achieve
our interests, then necessary must
be provided from the present inability of
the Government of Bengal to assist the
Company's Affairs at this Presidency.

We shall not at this time take
leave of your Lordship because we
flatter ourselves that a confirmation of
your late appointment to the distinguished
Post of Governor General will
enable you to have to prevent your
embarking for Europe conformably to
the

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25th the intentions declared in your Letter of the
2^d Instant.

We wait with impatience
to hear of your having accepted the above
important Trust, & have the honor to be
with the highest Esteem & My Love

Your Lordships most Obedt^t

& most humble servants

(Signed) M^{rs}. Davidson

& J^{rs} Pennell

Fort S. George

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Received the following Letter from
The King's Exchequer General.

To the Honble M^{rs}. Davidson Esq

President of Governor &c. Select Committee
of Fort S. George

Summ^d. & directed
requesting the sum
of 11,530 R^{ds} for
the service of
enrolling for
Life the Men
serving in his
Majesty's Regiments
in India for
India only

Honble Sir & Mrs

In Consequence of General
Orders for the enrolling for Life, as many
of the Men who now serve in the King's
Regiments in India for India only, who
are willing to accept of the King's Bounty
of two Guineas each Man, I must beg to
make a Requisition of four thousand
five hundred Guineas, or Six Pagodas Seven
thousand

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15th the sum of five hundred and fifty, one pounds
to forward that sum, according to the
respective Regiments, that have received
from the several Officers commanding the
undesignated Reg. 4th Regt.

33 rd	Colonel Lloyd	400 Guineas
36 th	Colonel Knox	1000 Guineas
52 nd	Colonel Bantock	1000 Guineas
73 rd	Colonel Eppendine	1000 Guineas
78 th	Colonel Stuart	1000 Guineas

amounting in the whole to 5000 Guineas equal
to Pagodas 11,550.

Should any Balance of the above
Requisition, remain in the Hands of any
of the Gentlemen, Commanders the above
Regiments, which Balance will be allowed
in Account on the ensuing distribution.

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I have the honor to be,
Honble Sir & Son

Your most Obedient
Servant

(Signed) William Burke
Paym. Genl of Regt
Force in India

I sent the following Letter to the
Gentlemen appointed a Committee to
ascertain

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25. ~~commission~~ ^{to} ~~commission~~ ^{to} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~Commissioner~~ ^{Commissioner} ~~of the~~ ^{of the} ~~Highways~~ ^{Highways} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~Nabob's~~ ^{Nabob's} ~~Creditors~~ ^{Creditors},

To Messrs Edward Garrow,
William Webb,
John Mitford,
James Sanden,

Gentlemen,

To Messrs Garrow,
Webb, Mitford,
& Sanden, appearing
before me as
Commissioners to
ascertain the
Claims of the
Nabob's Creditors,
with instructions
for their guide.

The President and Council,
have appointed you to be a Committee to
ascertain the several Claims of the Nabob's
Creditors in the old and new Consolidation
and Cavalry Loans, for which purpose,
Extracts of the Company's Commissions of
the 9th December concerning their Continents
upon the Subject, are now sent to you,
that you may well as make them
the rule of your Proceedings.

You are in the first place, to
procure and lay before the Board, a Regis-
ter of the Bonds granted by the Nabob
comprehended within the three Classes of
Debts mentioned in the 85th Para. of the
Company's Orders, stating the principal
Sum standing in the Body of each Bond
as

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15th thousand five hundred and fifty, are ordered to be forwarded that sum, according to the respective Regiments, that have received from the several Officers commanding the undesignated Reg. 4th Regt.

33rd Colonel Hays 400 Guineas

36th Colonel Barr 1000 Guineas

52nd Colonel Bantony 1000 Guineas

73rd Colonel Lifford 1000 Guineas

78th Colonel Stuart 1000 Guineas

making in the whole 5000 Guineas equal to Pagoda 11,550.

Should any Balance of the above Regiments, remain in the Hands of any of the Gentlemen Commanders the above Regiments, which Balance will be allowed in Account in the ensuing distribution.

Fort St. George
15th July 1785

I have the honor to be,

Respectfully Sir & Son

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

(Signed) William Burke

Paym. Genl. of Army

Force in India

I sent the following Letter to the Gentlemen appointed a Committee to

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Fort St George July 1705

25. ~~concerning~~ ^{concerning} the Claims of the
Highways the Nabob's Creditors,

To Messrs Edward Furrow,
William Tilly,
John Milford,
James Sanden,

Gentlemen

To Messrs Furrow,
Tilly, Milford,
& Sanden, appearing
before them a
Committee to
ascertain the
Claims of the
Nabob's Creditors,
with instructions
for their conduct.

The President and Council,
have appointed you to be a Committee to
ascertain the several Claims of the Nabob's
Creditors in the old and new Consolidation
and Cavalry Loans for which you are
to take of the Company's Cassants of
the 9th December concerning their Continents
upon the subject, as is directed to you,
that you may well as make them
the rule of your Proceedings.

You are in the first place to
procure and lay before the Board a Regu-
lar of the Bonds granted by the Nabob
comprehended within the three Clauses of
Bills mentioned in the 85th Part of the
Company's Orders, stating the principal
Sum Standing in the Body of each Bond
at

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25th at the house it was first given, together with
 the date and rate of interest which each
 Bond bears, and what sum or sums if any
 have been paid by the Debtor or any person
 or persons, on behalf of him or them, as
 in discharge of such Bond, & finally
 stating the Balance due upon each Bond
 at the close of the year 1784, according to
 the rate of Calculation prescribed in
 the Extracts enclosed. The Bond in fact
 a Disputation will likewise prove the
 Condition, and the Highness the Master
 of any differences should arise which
 cannot amicably be decided, a
 reference to Government will afford you
 their Opinion for your future proceedings.
 If on each Disputation from the Condition
 or Master should officially meet you
 you are in that case to make application
 there for the particular abovementioned
 to the Bondholder or their Agents &c. as soon
 as they report their Demand.

I am Gentlemen

Your most Obedient
 Servant
 (Signed) John Channing

Fort S. George
 25th July 1785

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25 In consequence of the above Resolution
the following advertisement was affixed to the
Publick

Fort & George 25th July 1785

The President & Council are pleased to
inform all those whom it may concern, that
they have appointed Messrs. Garret, Webb,
Mitford, & Landon, a Committee, to ascertain
the several Claims of
the Wabsh Indians in the old & new Conces-
sations & Cavalry Land, and have fur-
nished the Committee with the Company's
Orders for their Guidance.

The above Gentlemen have received
Instructions to accept any Deputations which
the Creditors on their part & the Highness
the Wabsh on his part may nominate for the
adjustment of the Creditors Accounts.

By Order of the Honble President
& Council
(Signed) John Charnick
Secretary

At

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Fort S. George July 1785

25th at the time it was first given together with
 the date and rate of Redemption which was
 Read before and what sum or sums of money
 have been paid by the Debtor or debtors
 or persons, or their friends or assigns, or
 in discharge of such Debt, & finally
 stating the Balance due after such Paid
 at the close of the year 1784, according to
 the rate of Redemption prescribed in
 the Extracts enclosed. The Board enquire
 a Disputation will be made from the
 Creditors, and the Highness the Mahal
 if any differences should arise which
 cannot amicably be decided, a
 reference to Government will afford you
 their Opinion for your future proceedings.
 If on each disputation from the Creditors
 or Mahal should officially meet you,
 you are in that case to make applica-
 tion for the particulars above-mentioned
 to the Bondholder or their Agents &c as you
 shall Respect their Discretion.

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Yours Gentleman

Yours most Obedient
 Humble Servant
 (Signed) John Channing

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25th In Consequence of the above Resolution
the following Advertisement was affixed to the
Public,

Fort St George 25th July 1785

Advertisement
concerning the
Appointment of
a Committee to
renew the
Charters of the
Mabell's Trustees
who have been
devoted to such
a Disputation
from the Mabell
& from the Order
of the Board
store for the
adjustment of
the Business

The President & Council are pleased to
inform all those who at any occasion, that
they have appointed Messrs Garrison, Webb,
Melford, & Gordon, a Committee to ascertain
the Report to the Board the several Claims of
the Mabell's Trustees on the old & new Conso-
lidation & Enrolment, and have fur-
nished the Committee with the Company's
Order for their Guidance.

The above Gentlemen have received
Instructions to meet any Deputation which
the Trustees on their part & his Highness
the Mabell on his part may nominate for the
adjustment of the Trustees Account.

By Order of the Noble President
& Council
Signed John Chamion
Secretary

At

Fort St. George 25th July 1795

It a Consultation, Present

The Honble. M^r. Davidson Esq^r

President

Monday

25th July 1795

Genl. G^o. or John Dalling Esq^r

James Daniell Esq^r

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved

The Commander in Chief being
leave to enter the following minutes

Minutes of the Council in Chief in
Council 25th July

The Commander in Chief requests the

Commander in Chief

minutes of the

authority to be

revised by the

principal Council

and Military

servant, agreeable

to the instructions

of the Council which

he is desirous of

strictly adhering

to

attention of the Board to the Company's Letters

of the 29th March 1794 and 7th May 1795, a ship

sent to Bengal, but generally applying to

their other Governments in India, and also

to that of the 13th of April 1794 to their President

In these letters our Employers have

learned, with accuracy, the true state of their

affairs, and have been directed by their principal

Civil and Military Servants

To give energy to the Civil authority

and preserve its general command which has

heretofore been overpowered by the Board

at

Fort St. George 25th July 1795

The Commander in Chief recommends
the following Persons as Candidates of Honor
who have been reported by the Commanding
Officers of the several Regiments of the Garrison.

Mr. Blaney-Madden was 25 miles from

Mr. John Dwyer was 25 miles from

Mr. John Dwyer was 25 miles from

Ordered that the above Persons
be admitted to the same rank as the

The Commander in Chief says before
the Board the following Letter from the
Adjutant General.

The Honble. Miss Davidson Esq^o

President and Governor of the
Council

Gentlemen,

Fort St. George

On the departure of Col. M. M. M.
for Europe, that the honor be conferred upon
as Adjutant General and as the appoint-
ment was made, without any restriction
I am now to inform that I have the
intention of the Right Honble. the Board
and select from the list of Candidates
who have been reported by the
Commanding Officers of the Garrison.

From the Adjutant
General of the
Company's troops
requesting that
a new Commission
may be made
out for him, as
the Commission
is now expired, as the
one held by him
is now expired.

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the military
Department
ordered

the Staff

Ordered accordingly

For John Balling under the

following Minute with its Enclosures

The great distress now due to the
Army being an object of the most serious
consideration, the Commander in Chief feels
it to the Road the necessity of his offering
to the Troops the enclosed address, to bear with
the 1785, and the accompanying circular
letter to the Commanding Officers of Regts.

Commander in Chief
submits to the
Board an address
to the Troops
which he requests
be necessary to
be issued in
consequence of
the heavy demands
on the Army
also a Circular
Letter to the
Commanding
Officers of Regts

He has left blanks for the names
of liquidation, till he knows the sense of
the Board in that respect

(Signed) J. Balling

Fellow Soldiers

Your Commander in Chief feels
acutely the very heavy weight of arms
now due to the Army, not only as it affects
the public, but the individuals, of whose
gallant services during a long & fatiguing
war, it was but the just return - he trusts
however, that that Spirit which then so
valourously sustained those fatigues, because
they

weigh

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Fort St. George 23rd July 1795

Respectfully begs the Honble Board will
order the word memorial to be erased from
my Commission as the Rank of Lieut
Colonel which is added to the Office of Adjutant
General, can never affect the rank of any
Officer at present above one, or thereby
in any respect to be prejudiced. I have
the honor to be Gentlemen with every
highest respect

Yours most Obedient

Samuel B. Lord

Adjutant General

Fort St. George
24th July 1795

Humbleton

I agreed that a new Commission
be prepared for the Adjutant General, &
that the word Memorial be omitted, at the
same time carefully noting that the
rank of Lieut. Colonel is to determine with
the Post of Adjutant General. I agreed also
that the Commission to Lieut. Colonel
Richardson be drawn out in other respects
similar to that of his P.decessor Lieut.
Colonel Malcom.

The Commission

Chief begs to be

allowed to draw

monthly allowances

of his Staff from

the

The Commander in Chief

Submits to the Honble Board, that he

may be allowed to draw from the military

Paymaster General the monthly allowances

of

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the military
Exercises formerly
ordered

the Staff

Ordered accordingly

Lieut John Dalling orders the

following Exercise with the Troopers.

Commanding Officer
submits to the
Board an address
to the Troops,
which he represents
as necessary to
be signed in
consequence of
the heavy service
done to the army
also a Resolution
written to the
Commanding
Officers of Troops

The great losses incurred to the
Army being an object of the most serious
consideration, the Commander in Chief feels

that to the Board the necessity of his signing
to the Troops the enclosed address, to be read before

the 1783, and the accompanying circular

letter to the Commanding Officers of Troops.

He has left blank for the private

of his signature, with the sense of

the Board in that respect

(Signed) J Dalling

Fellow Soldiers.

Your Commander in Chief feels
acutely the very heavy weight of arms
now due to the army, not only as it affects
the public, but the individuals, of whose
valuable services during a long & fatiguing
war, it was but the just return - He trusts
however, that that Spirit which then so
vigorously sustained these fatigues, because
they

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they were necessary for the general welfare
with some readily made from immediate
Classes, when the public indignation is so
unhappily shown

Your Lieutenant General would
not thus, in this paper, the present, and
recommended to the consideration of the
Army and the Council to give their
attention to the regularity of all future
Payments, and to see that the influence and
the Government, of which he is a Member
for a due regulation of all the military
debts for which last time he has proposed
the following plan for discharge, by
installments, the Service of the Army
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With this idea be recommended that
a schedule of what is due to each Corps
within each of the above periods, specifying
the individual Claimants, should be made
out by the several Commanding Officers, to
whose Government will pass general obliga-
tions for the same, and they their obligations
to the several claimants of their respective
Corps.

Your Lieut. General is convinced
he will, on this occasion, meet the ready con-
currence of the Commanding Officers, and
that by their influence and reasoning, they
will urge with the Officers and men of
their Battalions, the necessity of this measure,
and how much, under the present circumstances
of Affairs every man's interest is advanced
by freely adopting it.

Circular

To the Commanding Officers of the several Corps and
Garrisons.

Gentlemen,

I most earnestly request your
calling together firstly the Officers under
your command, and then, with those officers
the

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the soldiers, consider that together you
may induce the whole to adopt some small
measures as proposed, in the military shape,
for the regulation of the service due to them
and I must flatter myself that when they
shall be conversed with the ideas that the
first best thing for them is to be with
the power of Government in these dis-
tresses, to fulfill. They will readily and
the most best for the sake of that Government
I also would, were it in my power, with
profusion satisfy not only they not I mean
but even the wishes of those of whom gallant
services it hath ever been so thoroughly
rewarded.

The Commander in Chief lays
before the Board the following Plan:
of the Plan for an improvement of the
Native Cavalry for the purpose of the Army
the King with the General's Observations.

Proposed

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Proposed Establishment of Native
 Infantry. Twenty five Battalions each
 Battalion to consist of one Grenadier, one
 Light Infantry, and Eight Battalions
 Europeans.

Commissary in
 Chief statement
 his plan for
 the arrangement
 to be made
 before the
 year 1785
 then with his
 eventual history

Strength of a Company.

Subaltern	Ensign	Surgeon	Drum Major	Sergeant	Private
1	1	5	1	68	81

Two Drums & four Fife are allowed to each
 Battalion. Two fife for the use of the Battⁿ
 and Drums to each Grenadier, & a Drum
 and fife to each Grenadier, and Light
 Infantry Europeans.

European Company										Native Company		
Officers & Sergeants										Officers & Sergeants		
Company	Ensign	Surgeon	Drum Major	Sergeant	Private	Subaltern	Ensign	Surgeon	Drum Major	Company	Ensign	Surgeon
one Battalion	1	3	2	4	1	3	10	10	50	50	1	1
25 Battalions	25	75	50	100	25	75	250	250	1250	1250	25	25

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Our Father's promise to be stayed for us each
 Subaltern as an allowance for a Librarian and one each
 and half a Subaltern from north Sweden as an allowance
 for our Household in 1735.

I having been for some time absent of
 the last of them, that the Librarian's allowance should be an
 allowance of 300 Rixdallars a year and the Subaltern's allowance
 should be 100 Rixdallars a year. I have been for some time
 and where they have done much, particularly in
 that of the last of them, who is now in the
 last told to be in the command of a ship for
 sailing to the east to wintering and passing over the last
 from bookkeeping when they were ordered to do so for the
 Subaltern's allowance they are allowed 100 Rixdallars a year
 and the Librarian's allowance of 300 Rixdallars a year, &
 where they are Subalterns, they are allowed of 100 Rixdallars a year
 and they left them out on the proposed Librarian's allowance, some
 of them as Subalterns should be 100 Rixdallars a year as Subalterns were before
 on half pay.

But these Librarians have the opinion that there
 is too great a disparity of pay between the Librarian and
 Subaltern. I have therefore taken by Post from the former the
 Librarian and added to the latter.

For the Librarian the Drift allowance is struck
 off. The Drift Librarian & these Drift Librarians must be
 appointed, and their promotion of which will be as sufficient
 reward for their trouble, I must stand in place there,
 as before in the most of things.

For the most of the proposed Establishment of these
 years Officers to each Battalion taking place, they
 may be posted as follows.

The Captains Command the Battalions
 Major Captains Lieutenants
 Librarian 31

One Librarian to each Battalion Librarian, General
 Librarian to each Garrison and Eight Infantry Companies
 Captain

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The Wind will be increased by the Plans, and presented that a Battalion of Sepoys will be compact but not unmanageable body, and not sufficiently strong to bear the draught of small Detachments of men, for guard duty without doing injury to the Battalion.

The idea of having only four European Officers to a Battalion of 1000 Men, as mentioned in the former Plan, is now considered, founded on a wrong principle. The strength of a Native Corps must, I should imagine, depend more upon the example held out to them, than any other circumstance to which they can look up for example but to the European Officers. The present plan of nine Officers to a Battalion is, on every point of view, preferable therefore to the former.

It will be observed by the Wind, that in the plan now before them two Captain Lieut: are allotted to each Battalion - the reason that induced me to the adoption of this measure was to endeavor, in some degree to silence the murmurs and complaints of the Infantry Officers respecting the quick rise & continual supersessions they experience from the artillery and other Corps - By the proposed reduction of Sepoy Battalions, this grievance will rather be increased - & the Officers of Infantry will have but a distant prospect of promotion.

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I would wish, therefore that these reasons might have some weight with the Board and that from a consideration of the above circumstances they would adopt the measures which I now recommend - especially as no additional expense will be incurred thereby. There are, at present forty one Capt^{ns} Lieut^{ts} and by an order of the late Commander the whole of them are entitled to draw Captain's Batta, when Batta is allowed - In the event, however, of the intended scheme of two Captain Lieut^{ts} to each Battalion being approved I propose that the 24 Senior Capt^{ns} Lieut^{ts} only be allowed Capt^{ns} Batta - and the 24 Junior remain, as at present, with the Pay and allowance of a Lieutenant.

I have already laid before the Board in a Memorial dated the 28th Feb^r my opinion of the necessity of forming the Army into Brigades - representing, at the same time, the great disproportion of field officers on the present establishment and expressing my wish that a reform be made, in the now subsisting four Battalions of Europeans, by which they might be converted into four distinct Regiments - should these proposals together with the Reduction of the Native Infantry

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Infantry taken by four Battalions, as now given by
and the approval of the Board the European
Regiments and Brigades will stand as follows.

1st Battⁿ 1st Reg^t to become the 1st Reg^t of Foot
1st Bn. 2nd Bn. to be the 2nd Bn. of Foot
2nd Bn. 1st Bn. to be the 3rd Bn. of Foot
3rd Bn. 2nd Bn. to be the 4th Bn.

Cavalry Brigade

1st }
2nd } Regiments Major Campbell
3rd }

Infantry

First Brigade

1st Regiment of Europeans
1st Battⁿ of Foot
6th Bn. Do } Brig^{er} Gen^l Howe
8th Bn. Do
13th Bn. Do

Second Brigade

2nd Regiment of Europeans
14th Battⁿ of Foot
22nd Bn. Do } Col^l Weatherstone
23rd Bn. Do
26th Bn. Do

Third Brigade

3rd Regiment of Europeans
2nd Battⁿ of Foot
9th Bn. Do } Col^l Mison
14th Bn. Do
18th Bn. Do

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1st Brigade

4th Regiment of Europeans
2nd Battⁿ of Sepoys
7th Do. Do.
19th Do. Do.
21st Do. Do.

2nd Brigade

4th Battalion of Sepoys
11th Do. Do.
15th Do. Do.
24th Do. Do. } Lt Col. Kelly

3rd Brigade

5th Battⁿ of Sepoys -
10th Do. Do.
12th Do. Do.
16th Do. Do. } Lt Col. Bruce

For the above purposes the following
Promotions will be requisite viz
Lieut Col. Sir Henry Cosby to be Colonel
and to Command the 4th Reg^t and 2nd Brigade
Major Rob^t Chisholm to be Lieut Colonel
vice Lieut Col. Kelly appointed to the Command
of the 5th Brigade
Major Rob^t Gibbons to be Lt Colonel, vice
Lt Colonel Bruce appointed to the Command
of the 3rd Brigade
Major Rob^t Davis Superny to be Major
vice Chisholm promoted
Capt^m James Hughes, to be Major, vice Gibbons
promoted as

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As I should not, on the present occasion propose any thing that should occasion additional expense, those officers who have been recommended for promotion on consequence of the above alterations, shall continue on their present pay & allowances till under the pleasure of the Court of Directors be known,

The reducing the four Town Majors, which has already taken place, was with a view to the appointment of four Brigade Majors in their room, and thus by changing the appointment of the Deputy Asst. Generals to the 1st & 2nd & 3rd & 4th regts of Foot, that of Brigade Majors, each of the six Brigades of Infantry will be furnished with a Brigade Major without any expense being incurred.

I recommend the following Officers to be Majors of Brigade.

1 st Brigade of Infantry	1 st Lt. Col.	1 st Lt. Col.	1 st Lt. Col.
2 nd Do.	2 nd Do.	2 nd Do.	2 nd Do.
3 rd Do.	3 rd Do.	3 rd Do.	3 rd Do.
4 th Do.	4 th Do.	4 th Do.	4 th Do.
5 th Do.	5 th Do.	5 th Do.	5 th Do.
6 th Do.	6 th Do.	6 th Do.	6 th Do.

The 13th Battalion being vacant by the promotion of Capt. Hughes, I have therefore recommended Capt. Arch. Brown for the same.

Upon a view of the above plan, I conceive nothing is now wanting to the completion of

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of it, but to present out the Disposition and
Station for the Troops. The purpose of the two
Laws about to make is principally with a
view to this particular. I hope therefore to be
enabled on my return to lay before the Board
such proposals for the Disposition and several
Stations of the Army, as will fully meet their
Approbation. I signed John Dalrymple

Fort St George
July 25th 1785

Ordered to lie on the Table until

To lie on the Table the return of the Commander in Chief & with
the General's intended Town Returns from
Acquit.

Lie John Dalrymple lays before the
Board the following Letter from Brigadier
General Thomas.

Lieut General Sir John Dalrymple Bart
Commander in Chief &c &c &c

From Genl. Thomas
to the Commander
in Chief relative
to the Troops
under his command
and their distressed
situation for
want of pay.

Sir. I have the honor to transmit you
the Monthly Return for some of the Troops
of the Colours, which has been delayed
some days on account of my Journey to Madras
to survey the Ordnance & Stores of that Garrison
a report of which I shall forward to the Board
in a few days. The

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The Gentlemen employed in the Collection
of the Taxes on these Islands have never
been Charged by the Native Managers, and
therefore the Paymaster has no expectation
of receiving any more money from them to
carry on the current Expenses, some of the
Sloop Corps received a Payadeach Indian in
part of their Subsistence for February last,
but Mr. Balch had not sufficient money to
make that advance to the whole.

I believe several sums of money which
Mr. Brown reported would have been paid
before the Assignment was delivered up, &
which was intended to have been applied
for the Payment of the Troops at this Fort, is
not yet Collected, and as that money will
now be collected by the Native Managers, other
means must be found for the purpose that
was intended for, at present the Paymaster
has no Directions who to apply to for money
for the Publick Disbursements, instructions
in that head & procedure will come down
from Government.

Some orders for the months of Oct.
Nov. & December 1733 are now issuing which
afford but a partial relief, as our Battalion
Payroll was some time for that year, and

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The other Regts have numbers of soldiers
have enlisted since that time and of
course receive no advantage from it.

The European Officers have received
Pay & allowances for April, but many of them
were so much in debt before it was issued,
that their Warrants are but in a small degree
relieved.

Some time ago I gave Order for an
Account of the Service of Pay & Warrants due to the
different Corps to be sent in, but some of them
are so inaccurate that I have not been able to make
out a correct Account, however I shall in a
few days forward, as near a Statement, as I can,
of what is due to each Corps.

In the Larger Country there are
a Corps of Sepoys for the Collection of the
Revenue and carrying on the Country Duty
under the Order of the Renters and in the
Smaller Country there are Independent
Corps for the same Purpose the Pay of these
Corps is considerably less than that of the
regular Sepoys In the Trichinopoly and
Madura Districts since the time of the
Assignment being made over to the Company
the regular Sepoys have been employed on
the Country Duty and have been allowed
Warrants when in that Service the Renters
ought

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ought to have defrayed the addition of 2500
of Balla but I understand that the Directors have
done by Government it may therefore be necessary
to send Instructions whether the Malabars should
are to Defray the Expense of Balla to each
Settlement they require in the collection of the
Revenue so that the Company be not a witness
to spend it on the Company's account.

There are now at Fort St George a considerable
number of Black Officers in Half Pay,
who formerly belonged to the Malabar Service, and
were taken into the Company's Pay, when
the Disengagement was made in 1800. These Officers
belonged to Col. de Bingham's Regiment employed
in the Collection of the Revenue &c. as this duty
is highly prejudicial to the Discipline of the
Regular Corps, some of these Half Pay Officers
might be usefully employed if some Regulations
were made and kept for the Company's Service, for
the same Pay as the Soldiers at Fort St George it would
be little more expensive than the Malabars now
paid the same amount.

I have presumed to intimate these
Circumstances, as the multiplicity of other
more important matters may engage your
attention and I must further take the
Liberty to request your observance to the
present Situation the Troops are in for want

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would be pay and that measure ought to be
for carrying on the Payments in a more regular
manner than they have been. & the different
Commodore to the Government should be kept
their Payments more equal this subject
have been necessitated to represent to the
Board before, as our Paymaster being so much
in advance of the others gave great uneasiness
to the troops - I have the honor to be with
Respect -

Sr.

Your most Obedient
Servant

Head Quarter
of the Southern District
Buckingham July 14th 1785

(Signed) Nathl. Harris

Minute Book

Ordered that Letters be immediately
written to the Paymasters of Tangier
Buckingham, Madras & Palamcottah
directing them to give receipts for such
Sums as shall be tendered to them by the
Native Agents, & ordering them not to make
partial payments to any particular Corps.

Do. Do.

Ordered that a Letter be written
to General Harris to the same purpose, & that
he be desired to publish in General Orders
the resolution of the Board respecting the
future equalization of all Payments

Read the following Letter from
Major

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Major General Sir John Burgoyne

Gentlemen

In consequence of the Certificate

from the

General Sir John

Burgoyne,

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The General Letter from the Board of Directors
 to you of the 10th Decr 1784 in which they say
 "We have already intimated to you that Genl
 Burgoyne is connected with the present Spanish
 and Portuguese Court Marshal for the Island of St. Paul
 and the General Sir John Burgoyne upon the charge that has
 been exhibited against him the Board of Directors
 direct, that in the Board of Sir John Burgoyne
 accordingly you grant him the full pay & the
 usual allowance granted to Officers of his rank
 from the time of his being put on board in the
 the liberty of enclosing to you my Accounts amounting
 to Twenty thousand five hundred and fourteen
 Pagodas, I shall myself I shall not be thought
 unreasonable in making any charge the
 same as if I had been Commander in Chief
 a situation I should certainly have held
 from the 17th Sept 1783 my Conduct having
 been fully examined & yet having been proved
 to a most respectable Court Marshal that
 I have no degree whatever incurred the
 smallest Censure, Further I enclose must
 point out to you that I ought to differ

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in any shape for services of which I feel so
 humbly acquainted. & thus must be the case of
 your situation what I should have expected
 had I not been warden and master besides
 gentlemen. I hope you will look forward too
 & that it must strike you, that my future
 prospects have been equally blasted by those
 Acts of your Government which are now
 proved to have been grounded on erroneous
 premises, for had it not been for them
 I should now have had the honor to be your
 Commander in chief, - on the whole, Gentlemen,
 I submit it to you, I have no doubt but
 shall experience that Liberality in your
 decisions which my honorable Acquittal
 entitles me to hope for & expect.

I have the honor to be
 Gentlemen,

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

I Signed J. Burgoyne
 m. j.

Madras
 July 22nd 1785

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The Honble Company. 4/5

To Major Genl. Sir L. Burgoyne

To allowance as for man in the office from
17th Sept. 1753 the day when he first
went was decreed to be 30th May 1755 the day
that he first left the office } 1360^l
Dallory arrived at 3000^l per annum

To some food for said man at 100^l per annum 25th May

To my pay & of Balla as a Major Genl.
from 31st May 1755 the day he first
Dallory arrived to the 17th July 55 the
day he was struck off the Staff } 51^l

To my Aids de Camp from 17th Sept. 53
1753 to the 17th July 1755 the day
he was struck off the Staff at 10^l per annum } 896^l

To my Secretary from 10th to 10th 1755 296^l

To Balla for my Aids de Camp from
10th to 10th 1755 } 1076^l

To Balla for my Secretary from
10th to 10th 1755 } 1076^l

That Pay 2051^l

(Signed) L. Burgoyne
mg^o

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less
Sir John's account
to be sent to the
Secretary for
information
Certified that the account delivered by Sir John Burgoyne be sent to the Accountant
together with an Extract of the Company's
Correspondence

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respecting Sir John Burgoyne's allowance
on the Court of his Acquittal, & that the
Accountant be directed to examine the account
& report upon it to the Board.

The Commander in Chief lays
before the Board the following Minute -

The Commander in Chief states
to the Board, that at present the Surgeons
of the Majesty's Regiments have an allowance
for their Hospitals, at the rate of 342 Pag.
per month for 500 Men -

The Commander
in Chief Minute
respecting the
allowances of his
Majesty's Surgeons

That exclusive of this, they draw
Medicine Money and Substances as
Surgeons and indent for what Medicines
they require - and are also paid by the
Store for Victualling whilst in the Hospital.

He further states that the Surgeons
in the Hoville Company's Service, have an
allowance in line of all others of 100 Pag. per
Month and 15 Pag. for Servants.

He therefore conceives on the principle of
parity between the two Services, which
should always be observed, - That the Surgeons
in his Majesty's Service should be put on
the same footing as those in the Hoville
Company's - from whence annually saving
of abt. 1400 Pag. will be made.

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Wm. John Dalrymple

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Mr. Bracken appears
to be a resident
of the Coast
in connection
with the
Company.

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The President proposes that Mr. John
Bracken be appointed an assistant
to the Civil Engineer and that Mr. Joseph
Green be appointed Deputy Military
Engineer in the room of Mr. Stevens, which
being agreed to it is ordered that the
above appointments be notified to the
Gentlemen accordingly.

Read the following Letter as
entered in the Miscellaneous Book of 17.98.
29, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104.

From Col. Reynolds. 23rd & 24th July. The former enclosing Letter
Charges from the same Officer for their
Letter when the Bracken was proposed.
The latter requesting that his Charge for
House Rent be admitted.

Agreed that Col. Reynolds
be informed, that the Company have not
made themselves answerable for losses
similar to those he has had before the
Board, & that, for answer to the other Letter
he will be allowed the same sum which
was given for House Rent to his predecessor.
The Col. transmits the Command of
the Black Town from the fact that Col.
Reynolds had not the use of Company's
Quarters. From General Home dated 13th
July

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From Genl. Mordaunt
 Stating that he has a Claim upon His
 Highness the Duke of Devonshire for the
 purchase of a House, and to his Highness, by
 detailing particulars respecting the purchase.

Agreed that Copy of the above Letter
 be sent to the Committee lately appointed
 for ascertaining the Duke's Debt & that
 they be desired to investigate Genl. Mordaunt's
 Claim & report upon it. Resolved also that
 the Secretary do advise the General of this
 determination.

From the Chief
 Engineer

From the Chief Engineer dated 14th
 Stating that, the House occupied as an
 Hospital at the Mount being the property
 of the Duke, he conceives it would be unprop-
 -riety to expend a considerable Sum on
 Repairs & reporting that the Repairs wanting
 look at present amount to P^{rs} 622 33 51.

Mordaunt Mordaunt

Agreed that the Chief Engineer
 be desired to furnish a Plan & Estimate for
 an Hospital at the Mount to be built on the
 Company's Ground upon the most economi-
 -cal Scale, & that in the mean time such
 Repairs as are absolutely necessary be
 immediately made to the House now
 occupied as an Hospital for the Artillery
 at the Mount.

From Dr. Simpson

From M^r. Simpson Surgeon
 dated 23rd July, enclosing a Letter from
 Colonel

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Colonel Buller in his favor, & requesting a
liquidation of his Claims, and asking if
Vouchers be pay'd to 29th.

Minute Book

Agreed that Mr. Simpson be
informed that Mr. Board will take his
Claims into Consideration as soon as the
State of the Company's Treasury shall enable
them to make Payments - at present nothing
but Vouchers can be given.

From Mr. Jowine

From Mr. Jowine Surgeon to the
29th Regt of St. Domingo, acknowledging his
Claims and requesting that Mr. Commissioner
Jackson may be desired to audit his
Accounts.

Minute Book

Agreed that Mr. Jowine be
referred to an Answer formerly given to him
on the same subject.

From Mr. Jowine

From Mr. Jowine dated 18th July
desiring to know to what head the Charges
on Account of King's Ships was to be placed.

Minute Book

Agreed that the Gentlemen at
Manuel's be informed that they must
send the Bill for Provisions &c. & that
they be supplied the active Frigate to the President
or any other Vessels of the Port which they
may have that their amount may be
received from the Majesty's Agent
Victualler, & that in future they are
not to supply the Commanders of King's
Ships without payment or making them-
selves

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and is answerable for the amount at this place.

From Mr. Styer dated 25th July
enclosing his Bill for his allowance as a
Commissioner to Pondicherry.

Agreed that the President be desired
to discharge Mr. Styer's account, when the
State of the Treasury will admit.

The Commander in Chief
Reports to the Board, that in consequence
of the provision he purposed setting out
tomorrow for Arcot.

The Commander
in Chief states
the time of his
Departure for
Arcot.

Attest Davidson
W. J. M.
J. Danitt

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Received the following Letter from
Governor General of the French Settlements in
India.

To the Honble. Alexander Davidson Esq

Governor Genl. to the French Settlements of Carnatic
at the Presidency of Madras.

Gentlemen

Letter of Mr. Coatesman to
Lord Macartney dated 21st last, after mentioning
unanswered at the request of, some others
it depends whether you mean to answer,
or positively reject the Claims made by Mr.
Martin Chief of Yaman to an Peninsula
described upon that Letter.

The first Letter of Mr. Coatesman
on this Subject, in which he established
one right upon the said Peninsula is
dated 16th April. Lord Macartney in his
reply on the 20th of the same Month, very
rapidly passes over that Article, which
nevertheless was the material object to
which he had to reply after having
said that on 1775, Mr. Laflotte claimed
this Land as English Property, instead
of adding that after Mr. Laflotte's Claim,
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It was received, and on right acknowledged instead of saying the foregoing, Lord Macartney pronounced that the mail was could claim, and that even as a matter of inquiry in Popsham, is a by 13th October, and he said that our claims could be justified if we proved that we actually occupied the whole of the island under a proper title at the commencement of the late War. This is what M. de Gombesau has done in the Letter of 31st April which has not been answered, and this is what will be more fully illustrated in this dialogue. I am ignorant what Lord

Macartney means by a proper Title and have Provenances, which are the only legal Titles and Lord M. knows we had these. The Provenances of Grants do not ascertain the measurement of the Lands & are only a simple mention of districts and Villages, Rivers and Waters by those who inhabit them and by their Neighbours.

M. Martin now has in his possession the Declarations of the Deschamps of Lyesam, and of the ancient inhabitants of the Village, who unanimously affirm that this Land has always formed a part of the Territory of Lyesam. These Documents

Gentlemen

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25 of that date, and did not send it that our
respective Courts were uninformed of them
since the last Treaty is not yet signed at
Subject not taken notice of in Europe.

For this state of affairs and
agreeably to the several Dispositions of
our Sovereigns it appears proper that
this matter should be adjusted & terminated
by us. I shall wait Gentlemen your reply
respecting the Claims which it is my
duty to review and which I expressly
review in the King's Name.

The Council of M. aulifiatam
have doubtless informed you, Gentlemen, of
M. Barthelemy's advice, of the Affairs
of M. Perrot an Inhabitant & Gunner of
St. Pierre at Yamam, who protests against a
note which he was obliged by force to
sign since the Peace, but previous to the
substitution of Yamam in favor of the
Nollipolly renter, for Customs that the
said Renter pretended were due by M.
Perrot for the Cargo of a Schooner, the
property of the latter. If the said Renter
was authorized by the Council at Masul-
apatam, or by you, Gentlemen, to levy
duties, and if you persist in this point,
M. Perrot must pay them, since he
Signed

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25th I have a duty & since your Excellency
 proposed a right to establish such a
 measure thought proper I shall only
 that I have signed these orders had with
 before been given from any individual
 who received from the Governor, the
 language there would manifestly
 imply to the detriment of our nation, and
 not conformable to those honorable
 Dispositions which the Queen has
 established between these Nations
 and our Christian Majesty.

I am persuaded your Honor will
 you will be disposed as much as I
 myself to terminate amicably every
 matter all the little dissension that
 unavoidably arise at the parade of
 institutions prescribed by Tradition, and
 particularly when the Motives of Justice
 and reason are manifestly evident. I equally
 persuaded myself that where any of the
 Subordinate Government shall act with
 irregularity you will condemn them
 as I shall certainly do every part that
 will result from such Dispositions
 similar to those of our respective Sovereigns
 and of providing and a hope of
 public conduct conformable to the Equity

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25 in favor of the same for the 17500 in payment
of the 5 Lacks of Salt in account with the
accepted and shall deduct the amount of
the 5 Lacks which are authorized you to pay
bills on us for under date the 10th April last

16th May

The information in this Letter
respecting Captain Macdonnell has been
communicated to his Majesty's Deputy Bay
Master.

19th Dec

We have again to be very obliged
given Public Notice in the Gazette of your
having prohibited the Chief Council
& Magistrates from accepting the Bill of
Exchange drawn by you in that Settlement
in favor of Captain Power of the Snow Goose
in order that the same may not be accepted
here.

18th May

Mr Ritchie whom you apply
for in this Letter for the purpose of conveying
the Bay & Port of George the Bay of
Patalley and other Parts of the Coast of
Cormandel sailed from hence some time
past in the Eliza & we intend to dispatch
on his return we will send him to execute
the service you require. We have the
honor to be

Fort William

the 20th June 1785

(Signed)

John Hables
Chas. Stuart

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25th

To the Honble. Alexander Davidson Esq.

President of the Council at

Fort St George

Honble Sir & Gentlemen,

We have the honor to acknowledge
the Receipt of your Letter of the 1st Instant,
& its several Enclosures, and to transmit to
you the Minutes and Resolutions of this
Government upon the Subject of them.

We have the honor to be,

Fort William

Secret Dept.

28th June 1785

Gentlemen

Your most Obed^t

Humble Servants

1 Signed / John Macpherson

John Hable

Chas^r Stuart,

N.B. The Minutes and
Resolutions mentioned in
the above Letter, are already
entered in the Diary to the
Consultation of the 25th Instant.

Despatched the undermentioned
Letters entered in M.B. N^o 105 106, 107, 108
109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117. — L

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25th Account may be liquidated immediately, of
the Company's Bonds.

To Mr. Lyle. Sir, - The Account pertaining
to the Government liability under his supervision
has been brought up to the 23rd June
I gave Receipt to the Native Agents for all
sums received since that period. I have
also been informed that a large sum of exchange
the Troops have been paid for by the Company.

To the Paymaster of the Troops
Trichinopoly
Madras &
Palanacotah
The Paymaster of the Troops
Madras & Palanacotah. Directing him to
show me a statement of the sum he has
received from the Troops, and to receive from me a sum
of money to be paid by the Native Agents
for which they must give Receipts.

To Mr. Lyle. Sir, - The Commission appointed to ascertain
the Claims of the Native Soldiers, including
Copies of Letters from Brigadier General
Horne & from Mr. Charles Holland
respecting certain sums of money due by
the Native, not included in the Provision
made by the Company for the Payment
of the Highpriest's Debt.

To Mr. Col. Ross
To the Chief Engineer, directing him to
transmit to Government a Plan & Estimate
for erecting an Hospital on the Company's
Ground at the Madras.

To Mr. R. Latham
To Mr. R. Latham, a postcard
at

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5th at Calcutta, and having received from the
members of the Committee of Enquiry
relating to the same, to which he had
been appointed.

To the Honorable

The Honorable Secretary of the
Honorable Committee of Enquiry
relating to the same, to which he had
been appointed. That he had
been appointed to the same, to which he had
been appointed.

And the following

To Lieutenant General Sir John Dalling.

Commander in Chief of the Coast of
Chromas.

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable

To the Honorable
in Chief Secretary
to the Honorable
Committee of Enquiry
relating to the same,
to forward to you
a copy of the
Honorable Committee of Enquiry
relating to the same,
to which he had
been appointed.

General Council to survey as well
of the Coast, give orders to the Honorable
Committee of Enquiry, to which he had
been appointed, to which he had
been appointed.

I enclose Copy of an answer which
Lieutenant Secretary sent to the Honorable
Committee of Enquiry.

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25th September which was made to him

Shew the same to be

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25 July 1785

Sir,
Yours most Obedient
Servant
Lieut John Harrison
Secretary

To Brigadier General Horne
Commanding the Southern Forces

To Genl Horne
the Paymasters
to the Southern
have been
directed to act
with impartiality
in their
Payments to
the Troops
and to receive
all sums
tendered to
them by the
Native agents
for which
they are to give
Receipts

Sir

I am directed to acknowledge
the receipt of your Letter of the 19th Instant
to the Commandant in Chief, and to inform
you that orders have been sent to the
respective Paymasters to the South to
receive such sums as will be tendered to
them by the Agents of the Natives the
Native - You will be pleased to signify in
P. O. that the Paymasters are in future
to make their Payments equal and on
no account to pay any particular Corps
in preference to another

In answer to your Letter of the
18th Instant I am directed to inform you
that

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29th Mr. Wall, having been much surprised at
his long voyage has been allowed for the charge
and of which he is to be paid according to
the rate of a ship and under Dispatch &
which the Board will approve the same.

From Doctor William Gordon, requesting
Mr. Ward to direct Mr. Cunningham
to have his account as soon as
possible.

From Mr. Lewis enclosing the
list of subscriptions for tobacco.

From Col. Mearns requesting the Board will settle the mode
of payment to the 3rd Regt. Pease post 2^d
between India & Demand.

31st From the Commandant in Chief dated 29th
requesting the Board to give permission to have
in order the Detachment of the 3rd Dragoons
move at once to join the main Body at
St. Louis.

Ordered accordingly that Mr. Mearns & Mr. T. H.
1st 3rd

From the Major at Sackville
states the reason of the deficiency &
Damage which appears upon many reports
of stores lately transmitted to the Comdant
and recommends a method for preventing
the loss in future. Sent

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I will send a messenger to find out what Lord
 Althorpe's letter to General Bontine contains
 of the 25th May has been received of you, it was
 in answer to the General's letter of the 30th
 April & as it contained our sentiments
 on the claims of your Nation, we beg leave
 to send a copy of it for your information
 The letter from Lord Althorpe
 dated 20th April, & 25th May contain our
 opinion & determination so fully expressed
 relative to the Lands to the Eastward of
 the Yanam Creek which have been claimed
 by your Nation as Dependencies on Mysore
 and we have not any thing to add to them.
 We shall only observe that the Commission
 sent upon Mr. Latham by the Government
 employed in investigating his conduct
 in 1876 has no reference whatever to the
 Claim which he made in 1875 & we must
 also beg leave to add that the Right of
 your Nation to the Lands in question
 has never been acknowledged - with respect
 to the Island Alcatiffa, We cannot consent
 to enter into a discussion concerning it
 after the protests on the part of your
 Nation have been referred to Europe, where
 your claims had they been deemed admissi-
 ble would doubtless have been brought
 forward.

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 expressed by
 Lord Althorpe
 in his correspondence
 dated with Mr
 B. Bontine
 the claim to the
 Island of Alca-
 tiffa cannot
 be at present
 discussed. The
 matter having
 been referred to
 Europe, the
 decision must
 arrive from
 there.

 J. Forster &
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It is proved, & we should have received or lost
from our own duties & our own government.

We have secured a Letter from
the Chief Governor at a Masulipatan on
the subject of Mr. Poo's Burial. upon
which it has been to observe that as
about 1000 & other Lascars & others in
the same circumstances with Mr. Poo
paid Customs upon their goods before
the execution took place, for consequence
of the late Society of Poo's & others but
reasonably that Mr. Poo should be
subjected to the same Duties & that if his
Wife suffered by the detention for the
Payment of the Duties it was his fault
who ought to have paid them in the
first instance.

We request you will be assured
that we never could suffer any Particularity
to be shown to any foreign Company
nation in preference to the Lascars, The
Gentlemen at Masulipatan inform us
that they have positively denied the Right
of Mr. Poo's to collect any from the
Lascars about the European W. Goods
are accustomed to pay - We trust therefore
there would not be Cause of Complaint
on,

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1st on the Subject,

We beg leave, Sir, to assure you
that none of the Company's Servants acting
under our authority will be supported
by us in any act which can tend to disturb
the harmony established between our
respective Nations - It will be our Duty
to promote it by every means in our
power & we shall be happy upon all
occasions to testify the high esteem & distin-
guished consideration with which we
have the honor to be Sir

Fort S. George
1st August 1785

Your Most Obedient &
most Humble Servants
Wm. Davidson
Jt. Council

2^d In Consequence of the orders of the
Company with respect to the Affairs of
Luzern, as expressed in their Letter to this
Government under date the 9th December
1784 - It is resolved, that the President
be desired immediately to write to his
Secretary, stating the Sentiments of the
Company, and expatiating on the advan-
tages to be derived to both Parties from
his

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1. The above full description of the Fortification
from Europe.

To the Rajah
of Tanjore

The above being taken to the
Rajah having been proposed and approved
the Council of Government to be
ordered to be dispatched under cover to
Mr. Middleton Resident at the Rajah's
Court, to whom a Copy was sent for his
Information and Guidance enclosed in
the following Letter.

To John Middleton Esq

Resident at Tanjore

At the Resident
at Tanjore. Sir
I am directed by the President
Council to send you Copy of the Letter
now adopted by the President to the
Rajah of Tanjore in the subject of the
Company's Order dated the 9th November
last enclosing Extracts of the Letter above
mentioned of the 9th November that you
may be fully acquainted with the
wishes & instructions of the Court of Directors
related to the Highness the Rajah of Tanjore.

The accompanying Papers will
clearly point out to you the line
which you are to adopt in your negotiations
with

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2^d with the Rajah in which the Board
 trust you will be successful, & which
 a successful arrangement is on the part of
 the Rajah, in the arrangements proposed
 by the Court of Directors.

It will be proper fully to
 explain to the Rajah that the Company
 after investigating the Subject of his and
 the Nabob's Representations & when thoroughly
 informed of every Particular regarding them
 have sent out their positive orders which
 a sort of no qualifications but must be
 strictly obeyed by both parties.

The following Points are first
 to be ascertained - The Exact Amount of the
 Revenues of the Lango's Country, the Balance
 due on account of the Rajah's Subsidy to
 the Company, and the amount arrears of
 the Picaud, due to the Nabob - when proposed
 of the above information you will be enabled
 to enter on a suitable Arrangement for
 the purpose of payment of his Annual
 Subsidy to the Company, & for providing
 by equalled Installments for clearing
 off the Balances due to the Nabob & the
 Company. When the Rajah reflects that the
 Nabob

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2^d A Noble of the Carnatick was obliged to
 make an appearance of his Revenue,
 towards defraying the Charges of the late
 War, & was compelled to support himself
 & family upon a part of the Revenue, he
 will not mention a sum more for the
 liquidation of his Debt as was the whole
 it must also be remembered that formerly
 the Carnatick Revenue was divided into equal
 to nine shares, of five of which some were
 paid to the Noble of the Carnatick & the
 Noble obliged to send considerable Sums
 to the British, but from these Partments
 the present Rajah under the protection
 of the Company is happily released, & he is
 only required to provide for the payment
 of Arrears due and the perpetual discharge
 of the several Sums due to the Company
 & direct to the Noble - thus situated
 the Board cannot do as we are but expect
 him to make his money for the payment
 of these just & reasonable Demands, we
 never call for the last Sum only, & the
 Board are further of Opinion that for
 the Company's interest all personal
 appeared in what regards the necessary
 Contributions of the Carnatick towards
 defraying the expenses of a military
 Establishment

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I Whithersoever they are bound by the
Treaty of 1762 from the Commission respecting
the same fulfilled. In the same manner
should be given for clearing off annually
an amount of the same of
Purchase & for securing the principal
Payment of it in future as is to be
required for the Payable share of the Expense
of the Military Establishment.

Having the above Considerations
before you, & being furnished with the
Correspondence for your Particular
questions the Board are desirous in the
hope of a successful issue of your negoci-
ation with the Rajah, they will refer
your address for circulating his name
& for procuring on his part a satisfactory
and a acquiescence in the terms required
of him.

You will be pleased to enter on
this business with as much expedition as
possible, & you are to report to the Board
your proceedings that their Concurrence, &
approbation may be obtained previous to the
execution of the Treaty with him.

I am Sir

Your most Obedient
Humble Servant

Wm. Pitt Rivers

Fort S. George
21 August 1785

Fort St. George, August 1795

I enclose the following Letter

John Chamberlain Esq.

Writing to the Secretary of the Board

Department

From General

Thomas the Mahab

Representative at

the Board

and has been through the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant

to send a draft

to send to the

subject of the

the Board

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Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge

the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant

and have immediately forwarded it to the

proper authorities for their consideration

and have the honor to inform you that

the Board have been instructed to

consider the subject of the

draft of the

Board and to report to you

the result of their proceedings

and to inform you of the

result of their proceedings

and to inform you of the

result of their proceedings

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result of their proceedings

and to inform you of the

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I would, I shall submit to the Congress and
 share, as the United States, the responsibility
 of Government, and the responsibility of State
 of the Finance, for the present nothing can
 be done with the Senate to have begun; and
 order to secure these parts of the Constitution
 that Officers are likely to fall during the
 American being deprived of the means to pay
 the Veterans employed as the Payment
 is a great loss to the State the distress
 many of the Veterans labor under for want of
 Pay some of the Veterans having received
 no Subsidence for February last and the
 others only a Pledge of the Government towards the
 Pay of that month and no more to spend
 them the Payment of the Arrears 1793 to
 some of the Veterans have afforded relief
 but numbers of Veterans in each Corps
 enlisted in the Service since that period
 receive no advantage from their Disbursements

But to make our Situation still more
 unfortunate Mr. Digby has failed in
 paying these Arrears to the 7th 13th & 25th
 Battalions who are now subjected to a very
 great degree and by the Representations
 officially made to me by the Officers, if they
 are not immediately relieved the consequences
 may become very serious. Mr. Digby has
 just

Fort St George August 5/35

I am just informed and be shall be able to give
 them the balance due to me from the 1st of
 the month of July 1733. I hope you will not
 think me too forward but as Mr. Dwyer
 will understand that he cannot afford
 me of the same measure to clear off the
 remainder of the money 1733 to those that
 are due to him. I have at this application
 enclosed it very truly to inform the Honble
 Board through you how of the situation
 of the Marine Corps & how much in this
 matter we are suffering from their arrears added
 to the general discontent on account of them
 and the want of Pay.

I am apprehensive also that added
 to this, the Corps will be in a very
 considerable loss from the Desertion
 being made to them in the City of London
 as since the War's manager have
 afforded the direction of the Company
 their Value has fallen considerably more
 much that the strength is diminishing
 to such a degree that they are unable to
 make the Manager yesterday published
 the exchange by some time at the rate of
 10 Pounds & some Quarters for a new
 Paper. The exchange of the Pounds
 was

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Fort St George August 1783

I was originally settled by the House of Commons
with all the necessary at the rate of 16 1/2
for a Star Pagoda, yet in the 17th year
of George the 3rd. even so was there a
that was taken in as much as 100000 in a
private. I have disposed of this property without
being a loss of more than 1/2 of a 100000
left from the Government is also much more
is rapidly increasing.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

Edmund Burke

At the Quarters of
the London Town
London July 25th
1783.

To John Chamber Esq
Military Secretary

Sir

I am the President
in Chief of the
Council of the
regiment of the
in London. I was
a copy of the
in the
Burgoyne's
directed by the
in London.
Chief of the

On my arrival here this morning
I was favored with your letter of the 25th
instant, acquainting me with the request
of the President General to give
Orders to Lord Anson to lay before
the Board, a Copy of the Proceedings
of the Court Martial, lately held on
Major General Sir John Burgoyne,
that

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Port J. George August 1785.

3 That my Lieut. is lodged in the barracks of the
with the assistance of the Provost.

The Surgeon that you will command
in the Ward, that I cannot comply
with the above request, till we should be
in, by the Government Chief in order, for the
reason stated in the former letter. I believe
to be the best in the subject the subject which
I trust you will be able to collect, and I hope
not being with me.

Yours, Sir

James O. O'Sullivan
(Signed) John O'Sullivan

Accd
26th July 1785

L. M. W. R. S.

For the undersigned Letter passed
on 12th for the Month of August 1785.
In the late August. Direction has to
provide the 36th & 73rd Regiments with
Provisions & Carriage to enable them to
march from Auck, the former to Port
cavalry, the latter to Madras.

To Major O'Sullivan, & Informing that
the Command in Chief has decided
a Court Martial upon a Civil. O'Sullivan
to sit on the 15th & 16th next at Madras.
I believe, and I believe that he
should be charged in consequence.

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Fort S. George 3. August 1775

At a Consultation, Present
The Honble. Alexander Davidson Esq^r
President,

James Lanell Esq^r

Wednesday

3. August 1775

Secy General Sir John Dalrymple
absent on Service

Minutes of last Consultation
read and approved

Read the following Letter from
the Honble. M. Crisp.

To the Honble. Alexander Davidson Esq^r
President & Governor &c. Council of
Fort S. George

From the Honble. M. Crisp

at the time I left Fort Marlborough
that a Gentleman
of the Faculty of the Settlement was testified from the want
of the Establishment of Medical Assistance, there being only
be sent on service to Fort Marlborough one Acting Surgeon on the Spot. as
recommended for the Purpose I am informed there are a Considerable
number of Gentlemen of the Faculty or
Assistant Surgeons this Establishment, I leave to represent
to your Honor &c. Council, that the
having of one to do duty at Fort Marlborough
would render a very essential Service
to

2106 Fort St George 3. August 1785

Dear Madam

I should your Honor &c. Government
just as it is expedient to comply with the
order. They have to be removed from
Hobart for the service as they are well
acquainted with the duties of the
Office, and has expressed to me a willingness
to go. I have the honor to be with
great Respect

Yours &c

Fort St George
August 3. 1785

Your most Obedt. servant
Wm. Pitt Rivers

That also - Letter from Mr. Martin
Appland Surgeon, as enclosed in the 11th
p. 2 stating that he is willing to go to
Fort Marlborough if the Board will
appoint him as Acting Surgeon while
some duty at that place.

It is also that Mr. Martin is willing
to be sent to the West Coast, & that he is
willing to be appointed as acting Surgeon
to the West Coast. He says that he is willing
to go to the West Coast, & that he is
willing to be appointed as acting Surgeon
to the West Coast. He says that he is willing
to go to the West Coast, & that he is
willing to be appointed as acting Surgeon
to the West Coast.

That the following Letter from
Mr. Pitt Rivers is enclosed in the 11th
p. 2

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Fort St George 3^d August 1785

To John Chamber Esq^r

Secretary to the Military & Political

Department

Sir,

I enclose the Deputy
Accounts with
a statement of my
particulars due
to Major General
Sir John Bargeyn

I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the 23^d instant
together with an Extract of a Letter from
the Honble Board of Directors under date
the 10th of December 1784 and an account
submitted by Major General Sir John
Bargeyn Bart which you desire I will
examine & report whether it be conformable
to the order of the Board of Directors
contained in the above Extract.

The 1st Charge on Sir John
Bargeyn's account is, "An allowance as
Commander in Chief from 14th Sept 1783
"the day Major Genl. Stuart was transferred
"to the 30th May 1785 the day Lieut Genl
"Sir John Dalrymple arrived at 8000 L^{rs}
"per annum & good as 13,600 -"

I suppose by allowance Genl
Bargeyn means the 11 Shares of Gratuity
usually paid to the Commander in Chief
of the Company's Troops - on this I have only
to remark that Lieut General Lang as
Com^d

Fort St. George 5 August 1735

Commander in Chief has already received
a post, and has still more to hear
in that account to the day. Genl. General
Dalling arrived.

The 2^d Charge in Genl. Burgoyne's
Account is for house rent at 600 £ per
Anno 1735 with respect to this Charge,
they have to observe that there is no
established allowance for House rent for
Major General but as no quarters have
yet been allotted to Genl. John Burgoyne
it remains with the Honble W. C. to
determine what allowance is to be made
to him in this Account.

The 3^d Charge in Genl. Burgoyne's
Account is for pay & Malt as a Major
General from 30th May 1735 to the day
Genl. Genl. Dalling arrived to the Staff
1735 the day on which I was promoted
the Staff Pay 517^l. The Honble Court
of Directors in the aforementioned Letter
direct that Major Genl. Genl. John
Burgoyne in the month of his appointment
shall be paid his full pay, & the
usual allowances granted to officers
of his Rank from the time of his being
ordered on service.

I have

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I have in consequence drawn
out the enclosed account of his arrears
agruably thereto, by stating them at the
rate of allowances paid to a Major
General in India, I have introduced
those of his Staff as a Memorandum
having been usual for Gentlemen in those
stations to draw their allowances coparatively.

Fort St George
28th July 1785

I have the honor to be Sir
Yours obedient servant
Thos Cockburn
By Accountant

Statement of arrears of Pay & Allowances due to
Major General Sir John Burgoyne War. conformably
to the order of the Honble Board of Directors contained
in the 1st Article of their Letter to the Honble Pres. Council
under date the 10th Decem^r 1784 which directs "That on
the receipt of his Acquittal he shall be paid his full pay
and the usual allowances awarded to officers of his Rank
from the time of his being put on the list."

* Pay as Major General from the
1st April 1780 to 29th July 1783 the
days on which he was in the
Burgoyne, was struck at 335⁵
His Staff is 6th days at 3th day
72⁵

* Balance as Major General 402⁶
at 6th day of Pay from 1st to 29th July 1785 7381

So Besides the above there I payed at 7381

is due to Sir John Burgoyne
Staff as included in his
account as it has been usual
for the Aid de Camp & Secretary &c.
to draw separate Chells (Signed) Thos Cockburn
as follows. - By Accountant

Pay

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Fort St. George 3^d August 1785

From the Chief
Engineer with order
for Letter to be
from the Superior
of the Exchequer
stating the alterations
which he is
desirous of making
in the Portuguese
Church as the
Plan of Town

Post Lord and Superior of the Exchequer
saying he had sent some his Exchequer
of Building in view Church, and requesting
permission to inform the said Lord, I have the
honor to say before you need to request
you that the Exchequer be prepared with
Proche Land in view Church & covered with
fence with a low fence as the
what was appropriated for a new large
building in Proche Church as originally
intended

Fort St. George
3^d August 1785

I am
Honble Sir & Sir
Your most Obedient
Gentle Servant
Signed Patrick Sp

To Col. Patrick Sp
Sir

As You was pleased to tell me
some time ago, when I had last the pleasure
of paying you a visit, that the Honble
Council of Madras had in consequence
of a Letter you wrote them on the Subject
of the Portuguese Church, of which I am
the first Minister, thought necessary for the
Government, not to grant any permission to be

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with a new Church, I readily abandoned
that project, not wishing to address the
Hindle Council on the subject, after the
information you had given me, altho' I had
provided all the necessary materials for that
purpose, but it being absolutely unnecessary
to enlarge the present Church, from the
great increase of the Christians of that
formation, I trust they can have no objection
to me enlarging the same upon the Plan
which I intend to erect hereafter, when
you shall see the house become new by
constructing Round Walls in addition
to the present building within the Spot
of Ground which the Church has now been
legally possessed of these 14 Years and by
the sanction of the Hindle Company & you
should disapprove of the additional
Building being Terrace, I will in such
Case cover it with Tiles.

Hoping that this will meet with
your kind Approbation.

I remain with respect

Sir

Your most Obedient

humble Servant

(Signed) J. C. Fordman

Superior

at the Copy

(Signed) Patrick Ross

agreed

Madras

4th August 1785

Fort George 3rd August 1755

Resolved that the Friends Father
 be desired to be permitted to report the Church
 on the 1st of Nov^r 1755. and that the Lib^r of the
 and that the Lib^r be supplied with the necessary
 be written to the Friends of the Church

The President informs the Board
 that Mr. Hollis the Mr. W. H. H. H. H. H.
 has applied to him for a bill in favour of
 £500 in part of the reasonable value
 due to his Company which the President
 recommends may be granted.

Ordered accordingly

The President has informed the Board
 that from the Mr. W. H. H. H. H. H.
 the Board of the Church of the Friends
 has been for the purpose of the Church
 of the Church of the Friends of the Church
 President recommends that the Church
 be granted accordingly.

Ordered accordingly

Read a Memorial presented to the
 Mr. W. H. H. H. H. H. H. H. H. H.
 he was employed by the late Mr. W. H. H. H. H.
 for the purpose of the Church of the Friends
 & that he has been permitted by the Friends
 death from receiving the same and that he
 services which he has been permitted to perform

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including the amount of May 18th due to him
amounting to Pounds 10⁰ 0

As the Board are well assured

Minute thereon That the Case of Capt. Carr is fairly stated
has Agreed that a Rent be granted to him
for his Allowance for travelling to Europe
1779, & that he be in future receive an
allowance of the Pounds 10⁰ 0 per month
Commencing from the Pounds 10⁰ 0 and that orders of
the President

Read a Letter from M^{rs} M^{rs}

From M^{rs} M^{rs} South
& Garrison

South and Garrison dated 3rd Instant, entered
in the M^{rs} M^{rs} M^{rs} requesting to be allowed
5 P^{rs} of Decr during the short time they
were employed in following up Ladys to
the Dutch Company.

Minute thereon, Ordered that the above Allowance
be granted accordingly.

Attest Davidson

John Sullivan

J. Danforth

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I sent the following Letter to Bengal

To the Honble. John Macpherson Esq.

Governor General of Bengal

Gentlemen, Fort St. George

I beg to inform
that it appears
from the Minutes
of the 28th June
that the Letter
from Bengal of the
1st June has been
understood
the subsequent
Letter will
be sent to the
Honble. Council
they will pay
attention to the
frequency of the
communications
made by the
Government
of the Presidency
Despatches
which they will
desire to be
forwarded
to the Government
with a copy of
the reports
and proceedings

We had the honor to receive your
Letter of the 30th June with
reference to the Letter to the Honble. Council
Members of the 28th June the above that you
considered the Letter of the 1st June
concerning a Resolution to your Honble
Council on the subject of the surrender of the
Madrass, that you have found reason
to believe that the Honble. Council
will be so satisfied but as it appears to be
of the Presidency Despatches we have only to
submit that our subsequent Letter of
the 28th June will explain the grounds
of the Government's opinion which we would
be glad to see the Government with a copy of
the reports and proceedings of the 28th June
of the 28th June

I am your Letter of the 28th June
you have been pleased to reply to several
Letters from the Presidency, but we have
not

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to send John Balling on Sunday next, and if
his answer, in which you are to observe that
he refers to his instructions, is reported in the
Records. You are to have the enclosed on board
for your information.

As necessary it being thought
that a Copy of the proceedings of a Court
martial in which the Government is so
much concerned, should be lodged with
the Records of this Presidency. It is agreed
you will desire General Balfour to give the
necessary instructions to Lieut John Balling,
that the latter may be enabled to comply with
our request.

We have received the Letter from
the Honble Governor General addressed to the
Nabob, which has been delivered to this
Highness accordingly.

We have the honor to be
Dear Sir

Your most Obedient
Servants

Wm. D. Davidson
J. P. Davis

Received the following Letter of Lieut
John Balling

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John Chamier Esq.

Secretary to the Honble the President &
Council at

Fort St. George

From Bangalore
enclosing copy of
a Letter from the
Governor General
to His Highness
of Madras &c.
relative to the measures
necessary to be
adopted by him
in consequence
of the Company's
Orders for the
surrender of the
Mysore.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit
to you a Letter from the Honble the Governor
General to the Nizam of Arcot, with a
request from this Board to the Honble
the President Council at Fort St. George
that the said Letter may be delivered to
his Highness a Translation of it is enclosed.

I am Sir

Fort William

Secret Department

3rd July 1785

Your most Obedient

Humble servant

(Signed) E. Hay Esq.
Secretary

The Governor General to His Highness the
Nizam Mulla Jah Bahadur the Nizam of the
Mysore &c. &c. May it please your Highness.

I have received the honor of your
Highness's letter of the 2nd of June, and
understand

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I understand the contents of the Letter that your
 Highness received the letter which the Company
 addressed to your Highness from London on
 the 1st of December 1784 under these great
 Seal, and which your friend the King of
 England, and the several Ministers with
 power from Parliament had fully considered,
 and approved of that Letter was fully
 explanatory of the final agreement that
 was to be settled between your Highness
 and your Majesty and the English nation
 for ever, that your Highness received that
 letter of the 1st of December 1784 you would
 not have been uneasy at the delay which
 the Gentlemen of Fort St. George thought
 necessary for your Highness's Good as well
 as that of the Company, in wishing to consult
 their Government before they received the
 Company's Order for the valuation of the
 assignment of the Revenues of your Country
 was considered.

The late Right Hon^{ble} Governor of
 Fort St. George was always of Opinion that
 the valuation of the Collection of the
 Revenues of the Carnatic into the hands
 of your Highness's Ministers and agents
 while the fortification of the Carnatic
 depended upon the English army of which

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5th while there were no other Resources sufficient
to pay that army would in the end terminate
in the ruin of the Company and of your
Highness' Affairs, and in the loss of the Cassa-
rick.

It would be endless to quote
the repeated letters which in the course of
these four years past your Highness was
pleased to write to Governor General Hastings
in opposition to those strong representations
from Governor Lord Macartney, your Highness
was pleased on two occasions to send your
faithful minister Syud assem Khan-
Bahadur to the late Governor General as
Ambassador with all the powers of your
Government, to make a Treaty with the
Governor General and Council. In that
Treaty your Highness solemnly engaged
"that if your Country was restored to your
own management, and the sum of
"Assignment surrendered into your hands
"by Lord Macartney, you would engage
"to pay more money and provisions by one
"third Proportion beyond what his Lordship
"was able to realize in an equal time to
"that in which his Lordship had the controul
"of your Revenues."

The

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1st The Governor General and Council in consequence of their former Determination, voluntarily concluded to give the Honble^{ts} the Gentlemen of Fort St. George the benefit of your Highness's offer, and to send him back to your hands the Sum of 1000000^{rs} of Government. The Gentlemen of Fort St. George being upon the Spot, represented that the great danger that would arise to your Highness and the Company by a compliance with the offer of the Government - The soldiers were reported from hence and especially destroyed - A great business, in which the Security of the Carnatic and the Safety of your Highness and of your Country were represented to be in danger, and that many Enemies were in the Country, and when the Treasures of Bengal were mostly expended in your Highness's defence and that of your Country, it would have been answer in the Governor General and Council to have sent stronger orders to the Gentlemen of Fort St. George than those which were twice sent in support of your Highness's rights, the whole business was referred to the decision of the Company in England. Your Highness's Complaints continued very strong and bitter against

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Lord Macartney - His Lordship represented
on the other hand that he was solely guided
by his duty to the Company, and that he had
a personal esteem for your Highness, but
that he could place no confidence in
your Minister, whom he stated to be equally
regardless of your own Honor, and the
Interests of the Company - your Highness
representations upon one side and those of
His Lordship upon the other since December
1784 are upon the Company's books, & have
been minutely examined by the Company,
by Parliament and even by the most gracious
Majesty. The answer to the whole your
Highness will find in the Company's letter
of the 1st of December last -

If that letter is fully explained
to your Highness, you will see on it, as the
fact is seen in a Mirror, the conditions
upon which your Country is to be restored
to you, and the consequences which must
immediately follow if those conditions are
not performed in every manner, and punc-
tually to a day, and to a Payoda -

Lord Macartney still declares,
that neither your Highness's Ministers
nor Ambassadors will perform those engage-
ments upon the part of your Government, which

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to which you have provided, and which are
absolutely necessary for your own safety, as
well as that of the Company in the Carnatic,
but for which a few years of the manage-
ment of your Revenue by the Company
would have provided an ample fund.

Should his Lordship apprehend
that the Subject before him in the end
which God forbid should involve the
consequence, and the shame which will
for ever fall upon your Highness and upon
your family. His Lordship will then
say that he was the real friend of your
Highness, altho' you would not listen.
To him that he left a new Nawab of the
Carnatic, peace and enjoying a large
Revenue. His Lordship will tell those
who opposed a conference any one engaged
in it, and in the Management of your
Revenue, where are now the Revenues of the
Carnatic? The Committee of the Government
collected in the last year of my Government
a sum of 10 Lacks of Pagodas. In this year
of the Nabob's Administration I desire
to know how many Lacks of Pagodas has
he had paid for the Support of the publick
Army and of his own Durbar. — J

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I sincerely trust in your
Highness's wisdom, and the sense which
your benevolent intentions for the
honour of your family and their own safety
and prosperity, that your answer to the
question I have mentioned may be made with
truth at the end of every successive year,
and ever more, with credit to your
Highness.

As your Highness's interest
forbid, I presume to advise you to look
to the Company's interest for your political
prosperity in this world, as you do to the
blessings of your faith for your happiness in the
world that is to come. The Company and
the English nation have marked out in
that letter, the clear and honorable road of
the prosperity of their alliance with your
Highness, and they have written so strongly
and so much upon the subject, that they
will probably never again repeat what
they have so strongly represented.

Pleased with the return of peace
in the Carnatic, & wishing to complete
your happiness, they considered your Highness
as a fellow traveller, with whom for many
years they had undergone a long journey with
every

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Every necessity of prosperity and of manufacture
and they have agreed that you Highness
and they should now set down in more
respectable houses for more, a contract of
mutual support and assistance to which
every Rajah and Zamindar from the
banks of rivers to Cape Comorin is to pay
his full quota of tribute, and which
contract is to last for ever between you
Highness's latest posterity, and the English
Rajahs shall be as your early friend
who never deceives, and happy shall
every Gentleman be who is thought worthy
of a seat in this Government to support
such a treaty which is ordered to be
concluded upon such an honourable foundation
as favourable to the rights of our nation
and its dependants, and from which
Great Britain does not propose to draw
one Rubee of unequal or unfair advantage.

After this treaty is completed with
your Highness, according to the Articles of
it which are ordered, you will of course
write as you have done in the honours
to inform me to all the Councils of India
informing them of the Substance of the
British Nation that subject, upon which
this Formed under the English Seal, will
ever

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It can be performed sooner or later to the
Little amulet as well as to our greatest

Alms.

The Payments which Lord
Macartney made with the amulets of
the Carnatic under the Company's Seal
are upon no account and under no charge
of misconduct to be broken or violated to
a hair's breadth by your Highness's men-
sors or servants. Let me beseech your
Highness to consider the Company's Faith
to these amulets, as you regard the
Company's Faith pledged to your own
Fidelity.

Your Highness has often admired
those regulations of the English Law which
equally secure the Rights of the lowest
as well as of the highest Subject of Great
Britain.

Attn: Copy

Signed/Edw. Colbrooke

Correspondent

Receives the following Letter from M^{rs}
Lord & Co.

To

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Fort St. George August 1785

To the Honble Alexander Davidson

President & Governor of the Council of

Houli for & Lrs,

Fort St. George

From Miss ^{and} ^{and}
 & others, a drawing
 of the successful
 termination of
 their respective
 transactions

On the 3rd ultimo we received
 news of the N. Indians being in possession of
 all the lands, excepting three villages,
 a detached by the N. Indians, contrary to the
 terms of the accommodation that had lately
 taken place and of our having received
 a letter to him in the N. Indian, to which
 we decided giving a friendly reply until
 we received further instructions from the
 N. Indian Superintendant. Before these could
 arrive, the N. Indian was received and
 succeeded in his object by obtaining
 ally them, and after this we sent them
 by appointment from Lyngapata after
 receiving from the N. Indian a perfect
 knowledge of the state of the negotiation
 and the cause which retarded its comple-
 tion. They expressed their dissatisfaction
 of the improper conduct of their conduct,
 and transmitted to us an order for the
 restitution of the three villages which
 from information received last night

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The Gov^t has been duly complied with,
 the Warlike business also effected the return
 of the Baggage Belations and obtained a
 Publick Order & Copy of which is enclosed
 discovering certain Claims formerly advanced
 by the Cuddeputa Council and unavailing
 resisted by us as being unfounded, received
 from Dummerston, and have since returned
 hither. — The many objects of our Deputation
 viz^t The Removal of the Highness the Nabobs
 and the Baggage Belations which had been
 unduly arrested from them, the restoring
 and preserving their rights and privileges
 openly attacked, the extinction of animosi-
 ties, and the Establishing a cordial under-
 standing between the latter, and the Cuddeputa
 Council, by a mutual exchange of Papers,
 so clearly worded, as precisely to ascertain
 the legal claims and prospects of each
 respectively, and the enlargement of the
 Baggage Belations and Dependencies being
 fully accomplished under our presence
 there as to conceiving no longer necessary
 We shall therefore wait until the Honored
 with your Permission to proceed to our
 Stations. —

WJ

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4th We have the honor to be with much
respect

Yours Sir and Son

Vincent Perry

31st July 1785

James & Richard

Smith & Son

Wm. & Son

By Close

5th Sent the following answer

To Mr. Francis Smith

& Capt^l Lieutenant Perry Close

at Vincent Perry

In Expressing the

perfect approbation

of their Conduct

and directing their

Return to their

respective Stations

I am directed by the Board

and Council to acknowledge the receipt

of your Letter of the 28th ultimo, and to

express their perfect approbation of your

Conduct in the execution of the Service

committed to your Management

The Business which has so long

employed you being now terminated in

a very satisfactory manner, you will

be pleased without delay to return to your

respective Stations. I am

Yours

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Fort St. George
5th August 1785

Dear Gentleman,
 Your most Obedient,
 Humble Servant,
 Signed John Chamberlains
 Secretary

I sent the undermentioned Lettered
 in M.O. No. 7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14

To Bengal

To Bengal. advising of having drawn on
 them on favor of Captain Donaldson, Paymaster
 of the 36th Regiment, in the sum of Rs. 25-64
 for the Payment of Arrear due to the 1st
 September last

To Mr. Secretary

To Mr. Joseph Martin, Assistant Surgeon
 granting him Commission & proceed on Service
 to Fort Charlotte, with the Pay & Allowances
 of a full Surgeon on this Establishment

To Mr. Hoyer

To Mr. Hoyer - Informing him, that the
 Board cannot admit the Charges he has made
 in his Account of Arrears as Commissary to
 Pondicherry - Stating what are inadmissible

To Father Leonard

To Father Leonard Superior of the
 Capuchins permitting him to repair his
 Church in the manner stated in his Letter
 Copy of which was presented to the Board
 by Colonel Ross

To Mr. W. Gordon

To Mr. William Gordon, Surgeon,
 repeating

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5th repeating to him that his accounts will be audited by Mr. Commissioner Jackson in this or for place

To the Commandant of the District

6th To the Commandant of the District directing him to order Lieut. Frank to proceed to the Presidency to attend as an Advocate on the General Court Martial now sitting

To Col. Mearns

To Col. Mearns directing him to pay Lieut. & Garrison to replace to the Presidency for the same purpose

To the Military Paymaster General

To the Military Paymaster General Informing him that the allowances specified in the J. O. of the 17th October last to the Surgeons & Assistant Surgeons are to be considered in full for Surg. Wells & every other thing. These are accepted & it is to be paid at five pence per month when a Company's Quarters are provided

7th Received the undated Letter forwarded on 13th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th

From Vizagapatam

From Vizagapatam dated 28th July. stating the Balances of Cash in their Treasury - and that in consequence of the orders of Government for the March of half of a Battalion from Masulipatam to their District they propose sending half

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1/2 Half of the 22nd Battalion under Captain
 taken to the Cantonment of Cochin
 and that one of the Invalids, lately arrived
 having become insane, they have applied
 to the Chief of Council at Marulipattam for
 permission to send him thither.

From Surgeon Larrie enclosing a State-
 ment of Arrears due the late M^r Leslie,
 Surgeon, which he requests may be regu-
 lated by Installments.

From the Commandant of Ongole - In
 consequence of an Application from Maru-
 pattam, he has furnished the Detachment
 of the 73rd Regiment now on its march to
 Madras, with two Havildars, five muggers
 & 23 Sepoys.

From the Paymaster of Madras stating
 that the Balance of Cash in his hands
 not being sufficient for the Payments of the
 Garrison desires to know from whence he is
 to be supplied.

From Colonel Reinbold, desires the
 small Pagaras money might be paid to
 Captains Scharnhorst, Schultze, & Roden.
 Ordered Accordingly vide M^r B. 8th

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Sent Letters to the President at
 Madras

To the President at
 Madras

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of Agents and the Surgeon General at Palamcottah
 forwarded a letter to the Surgeon General at Palamcottah
 to discharge the monthly bill of
 such Surgeons as have been entitled to
 the Company's Service by Surgeon Ward
 and informing the latter that he must
 procure a Certificate from the Surgeon
 at Palamcottah for service due to the
 Estate of the late Mr. Lister which will
 be exchanged for a Company's Bill in
 discharge of other bills when the State
 of the Treasury will admit.

At Consultation Present
 The Honble Alexander Davidson Esq
 President

Tuesday
 9th August 1785

James Daniel Esq

Sur General Sir John Callingham
 absent on Service

Minutes of last Consultation read
 and approved.

The President delivered on the following
 Minute

In Council 9th Aug 1785

Resolved that the most
 Language be used that the strong representation
 from the Government to the Surgeon
 General

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Council, as well by Letter as through the
 President, would have drawn from them
 an explicit answer as to the Degree of
 Assistance they could afford, and that it
 might have been adequate to our Exigencies.
 Their total Silence on the Subject is truly
 distressing, I fear no other Inference can
 be drawn from it than of their Inability
 to give us effectual Relief, in which case
 we have to look for it only from our own
 resources in the adoption of a System such
 as far as may be practicable to the Circum-
 stances of our Situation.
 On a Comparative View of our Revenue
 and Expence, it will be seen what Reduction
 of Expence must be made and the further
 Resources necessary towards liquidating
 the Debt due to the Army discharging
 other pressing Demands and gradually
 recovering from the grievous Weight
 of Difficulties with which this Govern-
 ment is Oppressed - The Account as
 nearly as may be stands thus. —

President's Council, as well by Letter as through the
 stating themselves
 in the military
 Establishments
 suggesting the
 propriety of
 reducing the
 Cavalry and
 increasing the
 Troop and the
 Infantry Battalion
 the demolition of
 a number of
 small Forts in the
 Carnatic, and
 that the Government
 of Bengal do
 bear the heavy
 Charges attendant
 on his Majesty's
 Troops.

Receipts

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Receipts

Net Amount of the
Company's cash for the
Year of 1794-1795
brought forward from
Previous Statement 2000
Amount to Pay for 1795
brought forward from
Previous Statement 1000
Total 3000
Amount of the
Company's cash for the
Year of 1795-1796
brought forward from
Previous Statement 3000
Total 6000

Disbursements

Disbursements made
for the Company's cash
for the Year of 1794-1795
brought forward from
Previous Statement 2000
Total 2000
Disbursements made
for the Company's cash
for the Year of 1795-1796
brought forward from
Previous Statement 1000
Total 3000
Total 6000

The Company's proportion of the 12 Lacks
of Pagodas to be paid by the British, which
may be about 12 Lacks, is proposed to be
paid as follows: 12 Lacks for the Company's
proportion, and 12 Lacks for the British
proportion, which on the 3rd of August
amounted to 17,86,563 Pagodas.

From the foregoing Statement it
appears that without making any allowance
for an Increase in our Expenses, and
the Revenue Pagodas 4,000,000. The
Total Debt amounted to 17,86,563.
The Revenue due to the Army and Civil
Establishment is they cannot be exactly
ascertained may be estimated at 2,30,000
- Situation like this calls for instant
Attention

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Retrenchments to the utmost possible Degree
 as the only means of preserving the Government
 from Destruction. and this when the Letters
 from General Howe and the Paymaster to the
 Secretary show reason to dread the Conse-
 quences of exciting further Discontent among
 the People by failing to discharge their Current
 Pay, we actually have not the means of
 doing it - the whole amount of Cash in the
 Treasury with all that can at present be
 collected will not be sufficient to defray
 more the Expence.

The proposed Reduction of the
 Army Establishment amounts as farmed
 Statement to Pagoda 3 annam - In
 calculating the Expence of the Military
 Establishment according to the present State
 it must be remarked that a considerable
 Sum will be required to furnish half
 Pay to the reduced Commandants Subedars
 and Cornets as likewise to the Super-
 numerary European officers.

Further Retrenchments and
 further Sacrifices must be made we are
 not to consider what in a State of Prosperity
 might

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might be the proper time to keep up, but
what I see we have the ability to
maintain. The great Load of Expenses
the large Troops we are burdened with
adds infinitely to our Difficulties, and
forces us to recur to Expedients which
under less urgent circumstances would
not be inconsiderable but necessarily enforced
all or none, and there is no alternative
which is not preferable to the state of
keeping up Establishments already to an
excessive Degree in persons, who from
the Inefficiency of Numbers, are useless
must every day increase till some method
is adopted to this kind of things is the
Reduction I would propose by dismounting
the Regiments of Cavalry as Lighters,
the Garrison to be Guard in the Forts
might be furnished with Mollatores to be
Commanded by their present Officers, and
in Consideration of the Superiority of the
new over Cannon Troops, on account of
their high Cost and family, as well as to
take from them the Temptation of entering
into the Service of an Enemy the pay
of each private might be some what
more than the daily Establishment would be

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and proportion for the several gradations
 of Rank - this would be a distraction -
 sufficient; it is hoped, to reconcile them
 to the Reduction of their Pay & induce them to
 continue in our Service on the promise that maybe
 given them that as soon as it is found convenient in
 case of raising Cavalry, in any future emergency,
 they shall be restored to their former situation -
 there are decided by any Sentiments formed on the
 present Spectacle of our Affairs unconnected with
 future Expectations yet when I reflect on the
 object of the Mission of our late Right Honble
 President who is most intimately acquainted
 with our Distresses - and the zeal with which
 he enforced the necessity of giving us assistance -
 on his late Appointment of Governor General &
 the abundant Resource his abilities furnish to
 afford us Relief, I am induced to propose
 postponing the total Reduction of the Cavalry
 until we can hear from Bengal - not if from
 whatever cause the Difficulties this Presidency
 is laboring under are unattended to or unremoved
 we must obey the Dictates of an indispensable
 necessity the Cavalry should in that case
 more should be instantly reduced - This I beg
 leave to propose should be immediately stated
 to the Supreme Board, assuring them that the
 strictest Economy shall be observed in every
 Department, but if after having gone through
 all possible Reductions in the Company's Establishment
 our

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our expenses should still exceed our Revenue and
we are unable to provide a suitable fund for the
liquidation of the heavy Arrears I have told
that we shall be totally unable to pay the
Change Troops and in case they do not allow
us to draw upon them for that purpose that
we shall be driven to the necessity of
acquainting the Majesty's Paymaster General
of the Impossibility of our answering any
longer his Demands & that he must recur
to the Expedient of advancing for purposes
to secure money on that Account for Bills
in the North Government. The Supreme
Court on being shown our India being thus
Appropriated of the Exchequer we shall be re-
duced to the measure in default of aid
from them will be considered as securing
their sanction. To return to the Subject
of Cavalry. Submit to the Board the
propriety of ordering a Committee of
Officers to examine without loss of time the
State of the King's and Company's Cavalry
and the Garrison body Guard for the
purpose of curtailing every expense
possible by casting all such Horses as
may be found unfit for service.

The Amount of daily Pay to
the Cantonment at Arcot as may be
estimated

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estimated at 70,000 Pagodas of Ammunition, without
answering as I conceived the purpose for
which such additional expense is incurred.
Troops in Cantonment should be ready to
take the field at the shortest Notice. Those
at death are not in a situation to do so.
They have neither Horses, Train of Artillery,
Draft or Carriages Bullocks, nor are they
in any respect able to take the field even
than they might form any Garrison in
the Carnatic - however desirable it might
be to complete this body of Troops with every
Article of a War Establishment, which is
undoubtedly to be the situation of Troops
in Cantonment yet if our Finances will
not allow of the Expense, to incur it in part,
by giving half Batta and what too within
a few Miles of Vellore where no Batta is
Allowed were an expedient and improper
it would appear far more advisable
to put these Troops on the greatest part
of them into Garrison there - a considerable
number of the Sepoys might I presume
be accommodated there & Barracks propa-
red for Europeans in a short time & at
an easy expense - the remainder might be
thrown

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There are not above a very few of the neighbouring
 Princes as the General may think
 fit. The Advantage and Security that
 would arise from having a body of Troops
 in Cantonment completely equipped for service
 must be universally acknowledged, but the
 Expense of it is so totally insupportable to bear
 for the present the good sense of the
 King's Highness a Cantonment should, I think,
 be laid aside, and the most rigid Economy
 observed to enable us to get rid of some of
 our most pressing ^{or} ~~inconveniences~~ ^{inconveniences} — This, I think
 the wisest System is a Military as well as
 Political View, since no Dependence can
 reasonably be placed on the attachment or
 Services of the best of Troops when the means
 of paying them are exhausted.

The great number of Troops in the
 Carnatic Garrisoned by the Company's Troops
 are not only attended with a considerable
 Expense, but are represented by the Nabs
 as a great hindrance to the Cultivation
 and consequent Supply to the Revenue —
 another strong objection is that our Troops
 are dispersed through the Country in
 Detachments whereby the main strength
 of

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of the Army is much impaired. I would therefore submit to the Commander in Chief and to the Board the Propriety of withdrawing the Garrison & destroying the Forts of Mellem Chittput - Ganjee - Pandgur - Chandargherry Arree - Cardacour - Carnatic Ghur and Patour. On this Subject I have consulted His Highness the Nizam who gives his hearty Concurrence to the measure - on further Deliberation it may be thought necessary to reduce the Forts to a still smaller number, but for the present I confine myself to those already mentioned.

The next object that presents itself for Detachment is the considerable Expence of maintaining 3 Battalions of Sepoies in the Sanyal Country - in the year 1776 the Sum of 4,00,000 was agreed on to be paid by the Rajah to the Company who on their part were bound to protect his Country - this it was considered would not only be sufficient to defray the Expences thereby incurred but leave a Balance a discharge to such military Charges as were not paid by the Nizam - on this occasion the Rajah of Sanyal did not scruple to declare that the Sum of 4 Lacks as stipulated to be paid, was considerably less than what his military force usually cost

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last been. It was not until the year 1780
 that the idea was suggested of raising
 detachments for the Tanjore Country & what
 gave rise to it was the Reduction of our
 Military at that time by a very considerable
 force being sent to General Godeard
 at Surat, and a large Body of Troops
 stationed to the Northward to guard against
 any attempts that might be made by the
 Mysore or Hyder in that Quarter. It then
 became necessary to collect together as much
 as possible the remaining force on the
 Coast, and in consequence it was determined
 to raise detachments in such districts where
 they might be found necessary. Particularly
 at Tanjore, & Masulipatanam, and the
 reason which operated with great weight
 was that by employing detachments in cultivating
 the Revenue the discipline of the regular
 Troops would not be interrupted as had
 before been complained of, and it was likewise
 urged that the expenses of Balla paid to
 our Troops when employed by the Rajah
 was equal to what the pay of detachments
 would amount to - but these reasons
 were adduced only as auxiliaries to the
 primary consideration of its being necessary
 to raise these Corps owing to the Drafts
 that had been sent to Surat & to the
 Northward

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Northward - and I can trace no reason
for departing from the original
agreement - 4 Lacks were to be paid by the
Rajah for the Protection of his Country - while
the Likhendies could be considered as a necessary
addition to the strength then remaining at
Sangore, they might properly be paid by the
Company, but no longer, since the Charges
of Revenue Collections were not provided for,
and it is preventing the very Intention of
keeping up Troops for the Protection of any
Country to allow alms to creep in to the
degree of employing Sepoys on all occasions,
instead of Plans for the purposes of collecting
Revenue, which must have been done to make
the Charge of Balla paid during the
course of one year to about 1200 of the
Regular Sepoys with Officers, amount to
180000 Pagodas - so late as April last
some alteration took place in regard to these
Likhendies but without accord being said
as to the Impropriety of their being paid
by the Company, which should seem to
establish it as a kind of Right in the
Rajah to expect their Services without
expense - yet I am clearly of opinion as they
cannot from the nature of their Employ-
ment be considered as part of the force now
maintained

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maintainance for the defence of the Country,
for which description of troops alone the
Rajah agreed to pay 4 Lacks of Rupees.
That it is but just he should himself
defray the Charge of Collection - Since the
last arrangement of pay of some called
the order from England were arrived which
except the Rajah from any exclusive Contri-
bution on Account of the expenses of the
late War - the British have laid on the
Nabob for expenses which are following
are very heavy and more than he can well
bear, while the Difficulties of our Situation
for want of Resources threaten us with the
most serious alarms. some one of these means
were sufficient to support us in acquiring
the Rajah to furnish the means of paying
the Subsidies which will prove an annu-
al saving of about 26,400 Pagodas.

The Subject of Pundit's or Bounty
to the King's Troops which was some time ago
before the Board has not yet decided on.
I conceive stands briefly thus - That the
amount is in the first Instance to be deducted
from the Soldier's pay - the remainder is
made equal to the pay of the Company's
Soldiers under the Head of Gratuity and
as it was never intended there should be
any

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any difference between the Things and Company's
Troops in this Country. There can be no doubt
that the Poudage should be paid to the
Company or which is the same thing.
that the Poudage should not be considered
as deducted when the Company's Fortitude
will be less than it now is to the amount
of that Poudage - This will be a saving
of about 30000 Pagodas & Annam on the
present strength of the Things Troops.

The Leprosy being greatly increased
it would be impossible to make the proposed
Reductions without having a sum of money
to pay a part of these Annam immediately
and letting the medals which they
should afterwards be fully discharged
I presented this to the Nabob who has
agreed to borrow and advance a Lack of
Pagodas for this purpose to be considered
as part payment of his second debt.

(Signed) Wm. Davidson

The Commander in Chief
delivers in the following Minute. - When

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When the Commander in Chief
of the Port arrived within the Presidency
his gaze as was his Duty, his first attention
to professional objects.

Commander in
Chief Mr. Mordaunt
on the arrangement
of the Military
Establishment & the
best Stations for
its Station.

As the course of such an exercise
has proved personally obstructive, as
demanding more delicate notice and reform
of

The enormous expense of the present
Military Establishment, when compared
with the impoverished state of the
Company's Revenue.

and.

The better arrangement, and
Stations for the Army.

In respect to the first Point,
many Difficulties occurred & reformation
of Expense seemed absolutely necessary. but
then the present force was evidently not
more than adequate to maintain the
Company's Carnatic System, surrounded
as they are by the Dimensions of the three
Chief Powers of Southern India.

Thus viewing the Subject, in all
its intricacies, and anxious to make
necessary savings at the same time preserv-
ing the Company efficient in numbers, and
respectable

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respectable in Discipline. The Commander in Chief conceived these desirable Points ought to be accomplished without official interference with each other, by a new modelling of the Establishment.

He therefore proposed a reduction of seven Lipoy Battalions, and arranging the 24 remaining ones to all 200 rank & file each.

By such an arrangement it appeared to him evident, that many evils would be avoided, and that, from it, many good consequences must ensue.

of Coals.

The wasting down Battalions to skeletons, and rendering them almost incapable even to their own interior duties, since it is an observation, founded on undeniable fact, which cannot have escaped the youngest officer, that the regimental detail of duties, such as ordnance, baggage, Hospital, and Quarter Guards, of a Battⁿ of 1000, does not exceed those of one of 200.

It lessens the heavy charges incident to Military movements which must clearly be reduced in proportion as the number of Sub Divisions composing an

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an Army are decreased - simplification of
rank weakening the Force & adding to
the expense of Service - as simplicity gives
them strength and retards their
Deliverance.

3^d Respecting the Sifters who by
a reduction of the Strength of the Army
be discharged from guarding the coast
and watching the Sifters, many for
Sifters are necessary to the Company, who
should not be parted from, in the last
instance, since they are not like the
members of the Army, naturally brave, but
qualified for Soldiering - but by length of
training under British, and taught by
their example they acquire the Spirit,
conduct, and the discipline of those they
serve.

The good consequences which must
follow from their more settling the
Sifter Establishment are many - two of them
shall be specified.

1st The present Savina which is
wound from thence result.

2^d The Native Corps being placed
on a respectable footing to act either upon
or in conjunction as occasion may require -
for in a Country ever subject to invasion
the

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The Establishment of Peace should be efficient
 and not for training, to repel an enemy,
 not indeed necessary in case of a war should
 it be found necessary to augment the force
 of the Presidency, it may easily be accomplished
 either by adding to the three Battalions, or
 detaching Companies from them, on which
 to form them - as was the mode, adopted
 with success, in England, on the breaking
 out of a War in 1754. -

Should a System contrary to that
 here proposed be embraced, and the force
 and the number of Battalions, reduced - how
 ever important the Commanders in Chief may
 think a retrenchment of expence, or however
 reluctant he may be to acquiesce in the
 opinions of his Colleagues, yet in this open
 and honest instance, he will hold himself bound
 to record his sentiments, and to protest against
 measures, which, in his apprehensions, are
 against the true interests of the Company -
 may be vitally dangerous to the Presidency, &
 to himself, in his professional Character,
 injurious, nay perhaps, destructive for to
 whom will the Company and nation, at
 large, look up for Military responsibility
 but

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but to the Military Command in Chief

Voluntarily the same ability
 & the reform would reduce the mind
 to adopt it and thus superseding the Spy
 Establishment to be 26th Regt. The Command
 in Chief gave orders & Orders for Regu-
 lating the Army, as a measure necessary
 for establishing its Discipline & Regulation
 its Duties, its uniform and uniform.
 principles - besides which good effects
 discovered another which might result
 from these, and be for the sake of the
 great present object - peace having an
 object which when consistent with
 general security, should always attract
 primary attention - compared with the
 idea, he thought the number of Military
 Paymasters might be reduced to the number
 of Brigades who should have the pay
 of all the Garrisons held by the Brigade
 to which they were respectively attached.

Having thus arranged in his
 mind, what should be the Establishment
 of the Army, it became his next considera-
 tion where it should be stationed - and
 to ascertain this by what local knowledge

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he could soon acquire he undertook the
town, from which he is just returned.

The Directors of Fort St George
in this Presidency, present and generally where
the force for maintaining them should be
placed - and all admit, that a small
post should hold the District North
of the Krishna - a somewhat greater than
South of the Coleroon - and that the princi-
pal battery should occupy a central position
the choice of which last is the point of
present discussion.

In selecting such a one the follow-
ing circumstances should be attended to

1st That it be healthy -
2^d That it have in its vicinity
plenty of water, wood & forage.

3^d That from it movements may
easily be made, either to shield the Presi-
dency and Laghore, or, onward, to cover
the frontiers of the Nabob's Dominions -

4th That it have near it some
susceptible spot for a present Depot, & in
case of need, to secure the baggage & stores -

5th That it be communicable with
Madras & the general Magazine of the
Coast.

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County. should be shut up, & the whole of the river
and such as we may wish to cut up
and open the river.

Whichever has ultimately remained
superior, and the tract of Country covered
along it, will agree that there all these
acquiesce are to be found. It is nearly the
western angle of the English, German
conjunction south east, is nearly ready
to cover it in that quarter. It is by the passage
to the North East and westward, to strike
at an enemy entering the Germanish, when
his positions, and intentions are ascertained.

Such are the general advantages
resulting from taking up a military station
at, or near, the junction, but there are local
and conclusive reasons against making a
that place the immediate spot. The town
would be too liable to afford the subject
of Prussian Land, and would often time
interfere with the valuable body of
manufacturers established there.

The German nation in Chief Europe
remains as Germany as the place best
is situated in the German to serve the
Public. At the above mentioned military benefits
without incurring any of the prejudices to be
approached.

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approach'd from Seringapatam.

The spot he has fixed on is of
exceeding good ground - well watered, with
the River in front, and plenty of wood for
building and fuel in its neighbourhood - at
about eleven Miles to the left in Chingleput,
which port would be the Magazine, for
current consumption - and would protect
the baggage and followers, when movement
of the Army is required.

Here he remarked, that, this
Fort is on the South East Line with the
Eastward and Sea, for covering the
Lagunes, and that in case it should, un-
happily from European Hostility, become
impossible to fall back to Madras the
Fort of Ponnallie, whose Stores might be
loaded would be greatly facilitate the measure.

Ascribed to the Advantages
above ascribed to this Station, is its interme-
diate Situation between Madras and
Pondicherry, so as to protect the one, and
watch the operations of the other - a circum-
stance the more requisite, as France is
now diligently reestablishing the last menti-
oned City, and has, or will shortly have,
in India, the following forces.

European

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Expenses

At Pondicherry the Ship^t of Pondicherry
and the ship of France sent about } 2600
2000 each

At the Islands the Ship^t of Pondicherry
with part of that of France } 1700
Pondicherry in France, and expected } 800
thoroly at Pondicherry

Total 5100-

Expenses

On Day at Pondicherry & Marseilles - 2000

General Total - 7100

Wherever we are disappointedly so considerable a force in the hands of our natural enemy, and who are assisted in the best authority, having at the same time the constant communication kept up by Messrs. Basse and his Successors, Mr. Comte de la Roche and Mr. Lovellac with the Algerians, the Morabek and other Country Powers, will be bound by the necessity of keeping a strict eye on Port St. George; and therefore also, will result a conclusion strongly favorable to the first proposition of this Memoire, viz. the more their independence, the absolute necessity of keeping up the Fleet in a former Establishment.

But as he is not so certain than he originates, from operations on all sides, he will

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will be applied to the Plan of Containment

That it will be attended with

an heavy and unneccessary expense hard
to be supported, and is incompatible with the
present State of the public Treasury

Greatly by thus drawing the Army
within the Lines, the Company's
own Discipline will be diminished.

To the first objection it is replied
that the whole expense of their maintenance
and carrying five thousand Men will not
exceed 15,000 L^y. That of the Madras Capital
as it justly be returned to him, the Troops coming
from there must be also above 15,000 L^y. and
that at a rate little short of not more than
the above and that, by this Plan, the cost
of carriage to the Army will be reduced
in a proportion as the loss from it to
Madras is thereby contracted.

To the second objection, the
answer is, that injury to the property of
the Madras operates equally against the
Company as if done to its own District-
but in this case Discipline / more rigidly
kept up under the immediate view of the
Commander in Chief, / will preserve more
safe public and private property. That the

