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Fort St. George April 1787

Military Department

Diary

For Sent the undermentioned Letters as Entered in M.D. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

To Captain A. Montgomery

To Capt.n Alex.r Montgomery Commanding at Ongole.—

directing him to order a few Sepoys to Ramapatam to apprehend the persons who have maltreated the Tappal Peons.

To John Turing Esq.r To pay until further order to Ley Ram Reddy late one of the Cumbum Poligars the monthly sum of Pagodas 132, being the amount of a pension granted him by Government — The above allowance to be paid by them from the 1.st January 1787.

To the Military Paym.r Gen.l

To the Military Board — To report upon a claim of Lieutenant Stuart Hall's during the time he commanded the Troops of Irrichinopoly Cavalry.—

To the Military Board.—

To Captain Blacker — His Claim on account of the Cloathing will be discharged if properly authenticated — The Drill allowance will also be liquidated if the Chiefs said to be Country Sepoys by the Commissary

To Capt.n Blacker.—

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1st Commissary & Paymaster are produced—
Their charge for the Carriage of Shot & Grain
cannot be admitted.—

To the Comptroller Genl. of Army Accts.

To Colonel James Capper—with the
Copy of a letter addressed to Doctor Ander-
-son & his reply thereto.—

At a Consultation Present

Alexander Davidson Esq.
Acting President
&
James Henry Casamajor Esq.
The Honble Sir A. Campbell absent

Friday
6th April 1787.—

Minutes of last Consultation read
& approved.—

Read the following Letter from
Bengal.—

To the Honble Sir Arch.d Campbell K.B.
President in Council
at Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

From Bengal—The muskets landed at Bombay from a Transport under the Orders of the Commander of San Carlos are to be forwarded from thence

Having been informed that 100 or
108 Chests of muskets were landed at Bombay
in the year 1782 from one of the Transports
under the orders of Captain Smith of his
Majesty's Ship St Carlos, and delivered
into

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into the Custody of the Agent to the Naval Storekeeper, with whom they have since remained except one hundred Firelocks which have been delivered out for the use of His Majesty's Troops; We have desired the President in Council at Bombay to receive charge of them, and forward them by the first convenient Opportunity either to your Presidency or to this.—

Thence either to Fort S.t George or to Bengal.—

We understand that the Belts and Cartouch Boxes are in very bad condition and that many of the muskets are damaged.—

We have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

Cornwallis
Chas. Stuart
J. Shore

Fort William
Secret & Military Department
26.th February 1787

(Signed)

To the Honble Sir Arch.d Campbell K.B.
President in Council at
Fort S.t George

Honble Sir,

From Bengal, advising of the Contract entered into by them for supplying the Coast with double distilled Rum & Arrack.—

Having advertised for Proposals to supply the Presidency of Fort S.t George & its Subordinates with a Quantity of Double

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Double distilled Rum & Arrack, in Conformity to the request contained in your Letter of the 21st November last, we have contracted with Messrs. Ferguson, Barretto & Finney on the one Part & Messrs. Harris & Lambert on the other to Supply you respectively with Two hundred and Seventy five Leaguers of Double Distilled Rum making altogether one hundred & fifty Gallons each Leaguer, and an equal quantity of arrack deliverable at Fort St. George & its Subordinates in the following Proportions.

At Fort St. George	1000
Ganjam	14
Vizagapatam	26
Masulipatam	60
	1100.

One half of the Quantity contracted for, is to be delivered before the End of September and the remaining half at or before the End of January, conformable to musters which have been delivered in, and approved. These will be sent by your Forecaster. The Price is to be one Lecca Rupee & Nine Piece per Gallon & one third of the Amount is to be now advanced on Certificates — and the third on Certificates

— on

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in September & remaining third on-produc-
-cing Certificates from Fort St. George that
the Contracts have been completed.-
Sufficient Security has been taken,
from the Contractors for the due Performance
of their Engagements.-
We have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a

Fort William
Secret & Mil.y Departm.t
26.th February 1787.-

(Signed)

Cornwallis
Chas. Stuart
J. Shore.-

Minute thereon.- Agreed that Extract of the letter
from Bengal respecting Arrack be
forwarded to the Agent for the Manage-
-ment & Distribution of Liquors for the
use of the Army.-

Ed. Geo.e Barton

Arch.d Campbell

Ja.s H.s Casamajor

6 Fort St. George April 1787.-

Diary

7th Received the following Letter.-

To the Honorable Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President & Governor &c.a in Council.

Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

From the Committee of Stores - The Garrison of Vellore in Want of Sheathing Boards order in Consequence - Coolies Dooly to be made up for the Powder Barrels.

We have the Honor to inform you that we have received a Letter from the Committee of Stores at Vellore enclosing a Return of Sheathing Boards in that Garrison, & requesting a Supply might be sent from the Presidency, as the Engineer could not compleat the number of Poultry Boxes he had received Orders to make.

approved.

As we do not conceive the Sheathing Boards now in Store at Vellore, are of very material Use, we have desired the Committee to

approved

appro-

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appropriable there they have there to the Service required by the Engineer

The Commissary General of Stores represented to us at our last Meeting that a number of Copper Hoops are wanting for the Gunpowder now making ready.-

We therefore agreed to direct the Military Store-keeper to purchase a Quantity of Copper to serve for such a Number of Hoops only, as are necessary, till a fresh Supply of Copper arrives from Europe for though the Price of Copper is

approved

somewhat encreased, we think, it more eligible to purchase the Quantity required at an advanced rate, than to run any Risk of Accidents that may happen from the

approved

Powder

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Powder continuing loose
in the Magazines.

The Storekeeper at
Vellore sent in Accounts
of Sundry Expences incurred
by him in his Department
at the Garrisons of Amboor
& Vellore, amounting to Pags.
82. 2b. we examined them &
finding them conformable
to the Regulations for
Storekeepers, we ordered
them to be certified & returned
to Mr Fonaine.

approved.

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

6th April 1787.

(Signed) „ J Casper
„ Wm Petrie
„ S. Moorhouse

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President & Governor &c.a Council of
Fort St George

From Masulipatam
in the Subject of
laying up Provisions
in Londapilly.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Secretary's Letter of the 21st
Ultimo was duely received and your
Orders

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10th Order therein conveyed to us have been complied with.—

Your Honor &c.a are already acquainted, that a Person named Dossiddy raised a disturbance in the Year 1785 on the Zemindaries of Polavaram & Gootalah; and that having been taken Prisoner, he is still kept in confinement at this place. our Chief lately received a Representation from Mungapatty Dora, the Zemindar of Polavaram, complaining that two Brothers, and the adherents of the same Dossiddy are again exciting disturbances in that Country; and that about 1200 Peons were actually in Arms, in consequence of which information, we required of Colonel Brathwaite, to order whether such a force, as he might deem sufficient for restoring the peace of the Country, & supporting the authority of the Zemindar, and ensuring the Collection of the Company's Revenue and have the Honor of acquainting you, that three Companies of Sepoys under the Command of Captain Pickat have accordingly been detached by Colonel Brathwaite on this Service. From the information which we have received, we do not apprehend—

That

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10th That this insurrection, against the authority of the Zemindar of Pdavarame, will be attended with any thing of consequence; but at the same time, we shall be careful to Acquaint your Honor &c.a with whatever may come to pass.-

It having lately been reported that Lief Sung, who entered this District with an Armed Force, in the Month of March 1785, was returning to the Guntoor Circar, at the Head of Troops, intended to compell the Zemindars of that Country, to comply with the Sayana demands upon them; and as it is possible, in case this measure should take place that such of the Zemindars of Guntoor, as might be pursued by Lief Sung, would (as Venkatadree Nandoo did in the year 1785) endeavor to take Shelter in this District and that he might follow them hither, with the Troops under his Command; Colonel Brathwaite has written Letters on this Subject, recommending that Six Months Provisions, for 400 Men, might be laid up in Condapilleur; & informed us, that he should therein think it necessary to order the Commanding Officer

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10th Officer to evacuate the Place on the approach of an Armed Force, altho we are under no apprehension that Condapollee would be in any danger, before it could be relieved from such a Force as that with which Lieut Long entered this District in 1785 or even that he would venture to make any attempt upon it or to enter the Company's Country yet as we conceive it to be a necessary maxim in all Governments, to be provided for its Security; and as we are willing to be guided by Colonel Brathwaite's judgement & opinion in all Military points, so far as we think ourselves warranted; We have consented to the laying in of one Months Provisions at Condapollee, for the number of men he has mentioned, which will afford more than sufficient time for its being relieved, either from this Garrison or from Ellore; and offered our reasons to Colonel Brathwaite, for thinking it ought on no Account to be evacuated, if Lieut Long should approach or even enter the borders of this District, which we are at present under no apprehension of; with an Armed

Force

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10th Force.—

We have the Honor to be, very respectfully.— &c. &c.

Masulipatam 6th April 1787.

(Signed)

Charles Floyer
Geo. Westcott
W. Dobbyn.—

Received the undermentioned Letters, entered in Miscellany Book No. 6—7—8.—

From the Commandt at Malangaibas—

From Colonel Machenzie—advising of having obtained the Cajan Leaves on which the Renter wrote to his people, ordering them not to allow their Sheep to be sent to his Cantonment.

From Captain Montgomery, stations a small guard of Sepoys at Namapatam for the protection of the Tappy Peons—since which no complaints have been made.—

From Dr. Dr. stating his own and the Renters wish, that the Troops may not be withdrawn from the Districts of Palnaud, lest the Poligars should be induced to take advantage of their absence and plunder the Country.—

From Captain Montgomery Commanding at Ongole.—

From Dr.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15.—

To

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10th To the Honorable Basil Cochrane—

To the Honorable Basil Cochrane. With extract of a letter lately received from the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, on the subject of the Arrack Contract.—

To the Military Board—enclosing a letter from Captain Dawes of the 4th Battalion on which they are desired to report their opinion.

To the Military Board.

11th To the Commandant at Walanja—and the Head Butcher is furnished with the means of providing Sheep which are to be delivered at Walanjanbad, at the same prices as they are issued to the Europeans at Poonamalle and at Arcot.—

To the Honorable Coll. Mackenzie

15th To Masulipatam—The Board approve their laying on one Months provisions at Condapillee and adopt the sentiments expressed in their reply to Colonel Brathwaite.—In case of any incursion on the part of Seif Sung, the Board refer them to their letter of the 4th May 1785 for instructions.

To Masulipatam

Circular Letter to our Garrisons and Subordinates with directions not to blend Subjects of a Military with those of a political, or Secret Nature.—

Circular Letter to our Garrisons & Subordinates.—

17th To Captain Taylor—ordered to receive on

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To Capt.n Taylor of the Snow Amphitrite

14th on board his Vessel for Bengal, Lieutenant Carlisle of the Artillery, with 2 Syrangs, 1 Tendal, and 2 Lascars.—

To Ensigns Mich.l Schooley R.d Lalor & L. Hallyburton.

To Ensigns M.l Schooley, R.d Lalor & L. Hallyburton with permission to proceed to Europe for three years on half pay.—

At a Consultation Present
The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President
Alexander Davidson Esq.r
&
James Henry Casamajor Esq.r

Tuesday 17th April 1787.—

The Governor having returned from his Excursion now resumes his Seat at the Board.—

Minutes of last Consultation read and Approved.—

Read the following Letter from Ganjam.—

To the Honble Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council at
Fort S. George

Honble Sir,

Observing by the General Orders of the 10th Ultimo that it is the Intention of Govern.t

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From Gangam recommending that part of one of the Silhendy Battalions be ordered into that District the Magazine at Artha in want of Repair

Government to raise a Corps of Sebendy Sepoys for the Revenue Service, We take the liberty of again calling your attention to the present Condition of the Troops in this District who from the dreaded Malabe in which they are continually kept, We apprehend would be of little use should there be occasion for their Services The Commanding Officer of the District & Ideas on this Subject corresponding with our own, We are induced to Submit to your Honor &c.a the Expediency of ordering part of one of the Silhendy Battalions onto Gangam or raising an independant Corps of Seven Cons for the immediate Duties of this Garrison by which means the greatest part of the regular Battalion might be kept together on the Cantonments at Artha, ready to March as occasion might require, which We are convinced has better effect in preserving Tranquility than a much greater force being dispersed or at a Distance

It having been represented to us some time since, that the Magazine at Artha is almost a ruin, the Engineer was in consequence directed to lay before us

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a Plan and Estimate of a new one which We have herewith the honor to transmit as well as Estimates of a Shed & repairs of Storerooms recommended by the Committee of Stores as necessary for the preservation of the Stores from white Ants and protection of the Platforms now exposed to the Weather.

Accompanying We have the honor to transmit a return of Stores in this Garrison together with a General return of Troops doing Duty on this District for the Month of February.-

We are very respectfully.-

&c.a &c.a

Tanjam
9th March 1787.-

/Signed/ M.r Williams
R. D. Munro
George Wynch

The Chief Engineer to report on the State of the Magazine at Asha.-

Agreed that the Enclosures relative to the proposed Magazine at Asha be sent to the Chief Engineer, & that he be directed to report thereon to the Governor.-

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores.-

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To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President & Governor &c.a in Council
Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

From the Committee of Stores - In Respect to Gunpowder made up at Vellore - made of the new Ponches approved - Laboratory Stores to be made up. - Recommending that the damaged Powder & Dust be sold at Public Outcry; Military Storekeepers Minute on the Subject Enclosed.

Colonel Capper represented to us at a former Committee that he had received Accounts from the Storekeeper at Vellore of his having made up 61 Candies of Gunpowder amounting to 300 Barrels. -

On a reference to our Proceedings we observed that in December 1785, a Letter had been written to the Storekeeper at that Garrison desiring him to refrain from making up any more Powder until the Quantity already in Store was proved, we therefore agreed to write another Letter to Mr. Lomain, desiring to know what

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what Quantity has been made since the date of the first Letter, & by what authority.

At our last Committee we received a reply to that letter enclosing Copies of two Letters of a prior date, which authorized him to make use into Gunpowder all the Sulphur he had received from his Predecessor Mr. Agilone; Copy of Mr. Doriaux Letter & its enclosures we have the honor to lay before your Honorable Board.

As Captain John Baillie was inspector of Stores & Commandant of Artillery at Vellore in 1785, we agreed that he be requested to attend the Committee to inform us of the State of the Gunpowder when those proofs were

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were made.

Captain Bailey attended accordingly & reported that there was a very large Quantity of Gun powder at Vellore which had not been aired for some years & was in a very bad State, that the whole of the Powder made by Mr Ogilvie was under Proof, & that the Powder since made was but barely Proof.

As the General bad State of the Powder in a Garrison of so much importance as Vellore is a matter of a very serious nature we beg leave to recommend to the Governor in Council, to order Colonel Sydenham to send a proper Officer to prove all the powder at Vellore & to make a report thereof to us

Approved
Lt Col. Sydenham will receive orders Accordingly.

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To your Honorable Board
& to the Committee of
Stores.-

The Commissary
General of Stores Layes
before us Musters of the
Old & new Pouches, —
together with an estimate
of the difference of the
Price in the Blacking
them by which it appears
the new Ones are some
what dearer in the prime
Cost, but they will
be much cheaper in
the end by the Composi-
-tion being Stronger &
of a nature more effec-
-tually to throw off the
Rain which will
render them more dura-
-ble we therefore beg
leave to recommend
that the new Mode
be adopted.-

Approves

At the same time
the Commissary General
of

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In future a List of Stores delivered on a
accompanied by an List of Laboratory Stores
Estimate of such Stores
should always be laid wanted to complete the
before the Board, Statement of Stores on Hire
before they are ordered
Garrison.—
to be made out.—

We have accordingly
ordered the direction of the
Approved. Laboratory to make them
out as soon as possible

The Military
Storekeeper at our last Meeting
delivered in a Memoir
/Copy of which we now
enclose/ respecting the
damaged Gun powder
& powder which he has
received from the Magazine

We in Consequence
beg leave to recommend
to the Governor in Council
that the damaged Gun
powder & powder Dust
be sold at public Outcry
part of it we conceive
will be purchased by the
Captains of Country Ships
& the remainder by the

Makers

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Makers of Fireworks on the Black Town – we have very maturely considered this Subject & have been induced to adopt this mode of disposing of it in order to avoid the good & bad Powder being mixed which has sometimes happened & in time of actual Service has been productive of very bad consequences.

Approved.–

The Commissary General of Stores layed before us a List (Copy of which we enclose) of Stores received from the Military Storekeeper last Month, Musters of which were examined & approved.

We received & examined from the Contractors Yard 50 Platforms Carts, which being made of good materials & well finished, we ordered to be received on the

Approved

Compts.

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Company's Books.-

We have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

S.r Capper

S.r W.m Petrie

S.r W.m Sydenham

S.r Moorhouse

Fort S.t George

15.th April 1787.

(Signed)

The Military Storekeeper begs leave to inform the Committee, that after several Trials he finds it impracticable to restore the Honble Company's damaged Gun powder & Dust which he received from the Magazine some Time ago to the Proof established for serviceable Gun Powder & to shew the Committee that he does not advance this without sufficient Grounds he acquaints them that on remaking some of this Powder he allowed a larger proportion of Salt Petre, than is ever used in this Country Equal to the Quantity which is adopted in Europe for their strongest Powder & that he likewise bestowed more Labour in rendering the Composition, than is applied to the first making, yet after all it fell considerably short of Proof. He is therefore convinced that the other Ingredients have been

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been originally bad or that the Powder has been irreparably damaged, by the access of Salt Moisture and on this account he requests that the Committee will recommend some Method for the disposal of it If the Military Storekeeper is obliged to remake it, he will not only sustain a very considerable Loss, but the fruitless Operation will greatly impede the Manufacturing of the Company's Gun Powder; it is not uncommon for Powder Makers to mix up the Damaged Powder with the Good, & thereby get quit of it in Bulk without even the expence of remarking, but this is a Practice which he thinks ought not to be tolerated upon any Account whatever; for besides the Probability of the good Powder being in time completely damaged by the bad he means of the Latter has been impregnated with the moisture of Sea Salt there is a Door opened for abuses which may be practised with Impunity, & to the great prejudice of the Service —

The Military Storekeeper takes the Liberty of suggesting one of these modes for the Consideration of the Committee in order

that

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That the damaged Powder may be disposed of with as little loss as possible to the Company. either that it shall be sold to the Country Ships, or served out for salutes & Common practice, or that he be directed to redissolve it & recover the Salt Petre, in which case he will take care that the Company shall be put to no expence but for Firewood, & the hire of the Coolys who attend the Bailers.—

It may be necessary to add, that this Quantity of damaged Powder came in part from Ships during the last War & a part from the dampness of the magazine on the South Curtain.—

The Storekeeper confesses he is particularly anxious, that the damaged Gun Powder may be disposed of in such a manner, as to prevent the probability of its being hereafter intermixed with the Gun Powder which he is now making up

Signed Wm Petrie

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Chase

Pth to the Comm: of Stores

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Signed Wm Petrie

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Shaw

Pth to the Comm: of Stores

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Military Board.-

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor &c. &c. &c. in Council
Honble Sir & Sirs

From the Military Board on the Claims of Captain Lieutenant Stuart Hall and Capt. Dawes - and requesting that the Civil Storekeepers may be directed to furnish their Secretary with Stationary.-

We have the Honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Edwardes Letters of the 3d & 9th Instant with their several enclosures.-

Captain Lieutenant Stuart Hall, for Arrears of Pay and Cloathing for the Lorchimo[illegible] Cavalry, We cannot find in the papers we have received any information upon which we can form a decisive opinion, nor do we understand why Captain Hall should have suffered it to remain so long demand, But if it be well founded, We think in order to establish that point he should produce the original Order for his Appointments to the Command, a Certificate from the Paymaster General that his demands have not already been discharged, and get his Accounts regularly certified by the Commanding Officer on the Spot. After all these necessary forms

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Forms shall have been duly observed We are of Opinion, that the arrears of Pay, and Clothing money, should be paid to the Individuals entitled thereto, agreeable to the former recommendations of this Board in similar cases, which have met with your approbation.—

In the perusal of the Letter from Captain Dawes, to the Commander in Chief, We observe that the Circumstances exactly resemble those formerly represented by Mr. Adjutant Innes in behalf of the 10th Battalion To obviate these difficulties therefore we beg leave to recommend that the mode before suggested by us in the above instance be adopted on the present occasion that a Court of enquiry be ordered to assemble, to identify the persons of the Claimants; and that the Arrears due, be then paid to them, in the manner prescribed by the General Order of the 12th September 1786.

Repeated applications having been made to the Civil Storekeeper for Stationary for the use of this Board, which have not been complied with, on the plea of there being none in Store; we take the liberty of requesting that your Honors &c.

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We will be obliged to order that some be purchased; as the small quantity which has been received in part of the Secretary's Indent, is now entirely expended.

We have the honor to be, with perfect respect.

&c.a &c.a

Fort S.t George
12.th April 1787

(Signed)

S.t Casper
J. Bilcliffe
Wm Sydenham
S. Moorhouse

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Storekeeper be directed to purchase Stationary for the use of the Military Board, & the Stores under his charge do not enable him to comply with their Indents.

Read the following Letter from Bengal.

To the Honble Sir Archibald Campbell Kt
President in Council at
Fort S.t George

From Bengal requesting information on a Claim preferred to the Court of Directors by Capt.n Donald Campbell.

Honble Sir

Captain Donald Campbell of the military Establishment under your Presidency having been employed on some Political

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Political negociations between the months of January 1783 and May 1784 and having incurred Expence on Account of Travelling and other Charges during that Period, has preferred a request to the Worille Court of Directors on his return to Europe to have the amount thus expended reimbursed to him. It is stated at rupees 23,320 agreeably to the Account delivered in by him a Copy of which is transmitted to you herewith.

As Captain Campbell's Claim has been referred to us for adjustment, we request that you will acquaint us what Sums were drawn by this Officer, either on Account of Pay, Batta or otherwise during the Period above mentioned, and that you will favor us with your Sentiments in regard to the different Articles of his Charge, of which you are better qualified from local knowledge than we can be to form a Judgement.

We are

Fort William
Secret & Polt. Departmt.
1st March 1787.

Sir & Sr.
(Signed)
Cornwallis
Chs. Stuart
J Shore

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Fort St. George 17th April 1787.—

January 1783.

Travelling Charges from Biddanore to Coundapore including the Pay & Batta of 16 Palankeen Bearers 1 Baggage Cooly maintaining 14 Lascars that had been prisoners at Bidanore taken upon Service. Batta to the Detachment that escorted me there & upon their return ..... Rupees — 470—

8 Rupees given to each of the above 14 Lascars to bear their Expences home their Passage on Vessel to any ports Water and provisions for them — 200—

Hiring a Vessel to Tellicherry, sending Letters and intelligences to different Malabar Princes & to attack Nang who had revolted Fought desperately and was not subdued long after the Peace with Tippoo Sultaun was concluded. — 700—

To a man who undertook at some risk & brought me an answer to a Letter I had wrote to the Chellidan of Attanga-kove which almost then effected & afterwards facilitated the Surrender of that Place. — 200—

Carr'd Over — — 1570—

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Brought over Rx 1570—

— Paid a Foreign Vessel to land Copys of my Dispatches at Anjengo being taken ill and French Privateers then upon the Coast - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 300—

Sea Conveyance from Tellicherry to Anjengo and transmitting Letters & Intelligence to the King of Travancore - - - - - - - - 400—

March Expences from Anjengo to Tranquebar by Land, the distance being 700 Miles including Palanquins for myself and Dubash, or Interpreter 28 Palanquin Bearers 14 Coolys to carry Baggage Furniture Wines & Provisions Batta to different Guards of Sepoys, and to large Bodys of Poligars who escorted me, the Situation of the Country rendering it at that Time necessary - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 4700—

Extraordinary Expences at Tranquebar and passage from thence to Madras the enemys Fleet being on the Coast - - - 2000—

April My Passage to Bengal from Madras having been driven away the Vessel - - 2500—

June Extraordinary Expences at Calcutta sending Pattamars to Nyal Saheb and General Mathews by Hydrabas and Goa - - - 1400—

Carried over - - 12870—

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	Brought Over Rupees	12870-7
July	Travelling Expences from Calcutta to Madras by Land distance of 1400 miles including Pallanquins 28 Pallanquin Bearers - 23 Coolys to carry Baggage Furniture Beds & Provisions and Sepoy Batta	520--
August	A Sea Conveyance to Negapatam	500--
Septem.r	Travelling charges from Negapatam to Anjengo by Land a distance of 700 miles including 28 Palanquin Bearers 25 Coolys to carry Baggage Furniture Wines, and Provisions Batta to a guard of Sepoys & Bodys of Poligars	1300--
November	Expences in sending Letters and Intelligence to the King of Travancore & paying them a visit to deliver Mr. Hastings Letter	800--
	Paid for a Sea Conveyance to Tellichery and sending Letters to Ullah. Nary & the Prince of Chenica by the Seahorse, now useful to the Company	900--
	Paid for a Sea Conveyance to Bombay	500--
1784 March	Extraordinary Expences attending my Residence at Bombay acting in conjunction with Mr. Sulivan to promote the public Service & in correspondency with Mr. Hastings by Pallanquin &c.a	1400--
	Carr.d Over	26470--

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Brought Forward Rs. 26,470.—.—

April Paid for a Sea Conveyance from Bombay to Anjengo . . . . . 1000.—.—

May Travelling Charges from Anjengo to Madras by Land about 800 Miles including 28 Palanqueen Bearers 22 Coolys to carry Baggage Furniture and Provisions and Batta to Sepoys 360.—.—

Paid a Dubash or Interpreter for 15 Months @ 15 Rupees pr. Month . . . 225.—

Rupees . . 32,320.—.—

A true Copy
J. Sumsden
Sub Secry

Minute thereon

Agreed that a certified Account of the sums received by Captain Donald Campbell at this Presidency between January 1783 & May 1784 &c. be sent to Bengal, & that the Governor General in Council be advised of our inability to give any opinion upon Captain Campbell's Claim, as the Services stated to have been performed by that Officer are not upon the Records of this Government by whom he was not employed.—

As Captain Campbell appears

to

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to have acted under the orders of the late
Governor General Mr. Hastings, it is conceived
Do.- that the latter or the Bengal Government
are the only proper judges of the Services
performed by Captain Campbell & of the
Expences incurred in the execution of them.-

Read the following Proceedings
of the Hospital Board.-

Hospital Board
April 16th. 1787.

Read a Letter from the Purveyor
general under date 26th. March accompanied by
such returns as he says he has been able to
collect which we have the honor to lay
before the Honble President in Council.

Proceedings of the Hospital Board on the Backwardness of the Purveyor General in furnishing his Returns.- The Surgeon of the 71st Regiment desires to know how he is to be supplied with such Medicines as are not to be procured from the Company's Stores.- The Head Surgeon at Masulipatam constructs Doolies upon a new & eligible Plan.-

The Purveyor at the same time
informs this Board that from the indis-
position of the Gentlemen at the out
Garrisons who have done him the favor to
act for him, he is not able to send the
returns of his department compleat.- This
Apology from the Purveyor general has
been extorted in consequence of our repre-
sentation of Government in our last
to Proceedings by which the members of this
Board meant not only to exculpate
themselves from so great a defect in the
Returns

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returns of their Department but also to point out that unless Mr Garrow obeys the orders of this Board in their full extent and not the request as particularly as in the remark upon the face of their last Proceedings it will be impossible that we can at all times answer the expectation of Government in forwarding the returns of their Department in due time.-

Read a Letter from Mr Horneman Surgeon 71st Regiment dated 20th March which we also beg leave to lay before the Honble President in Council.

The Hospital Board have directed their Secretary in reply to remark that General Orders issued in July 86 have sufficiently pointed out the proper mode for obtaining such medicines as are not on the Public Store by applying to them for permission to purchase them.-

Read a Letter from Mr Turing Head Surgeon Masulipatam setting forth that in consequence of General orders it is expected he should as Head Surgeon to the General Hospital at Masulipatam visit and inspect the Hospitals subordinate to his Station. We have directed our

Secretary

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Secretary to reply to them that when we deem it expedient for them to do so, he shall have proper notification from us.

Mr Twining also informs us of Books which he has constructed on an Elegible plan for the better conveniency of transporting Sick and Wounded — a Model of which we have also directed our Secretary to desire them to transmit for our inspection and approval.—

(Signed) B. Rollo Act. Secy
for W. Berry.—

Ensigns Schoby, Lalor, & Haly burton permitted to go to Europe on Half Pay.—

The President in his Character of Commander in Chief, proposes, That leave of absence to Europe on half pay for three years be given to Ensigns Schoby, Lalor, & Haly burton.—

As there are Supernumerary Ensigns on the Establishment it is Agreed to comply with the request of the above Officers.—

From the Town Major.—

Read a Letter from the Town Major (entered in the Miscellany Book No. 16) enclosing his Accounts for the Cloathing of the Invalid Sepoys at Madras, Chingleput & Nellore for the year 1786, & requesting

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requesting that the Balance due to him
being Pagodas 2136. 32. 65. may be liquidated

As the above accounts are supported
Minute thereon by the proper Vouchers, it is Agreed that the
Balance be discharged. —

Arch.d Campbell

Ed.d
Geijsbert Haarsten

Alex.r Davidson

Sa.l W.m Cazenove

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Diary

18th Dispatches the following Letter to Bengal.-

To the Right Honble
Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.
Governor General in Council
at Fort William

My Lord

We have been honored with the receipt of the Letters dated 25th 26th February and 1st March from your Lordships, & the Council at Fort William and shall pay due attention to their Contents.-

To Bengal, enclosing an Account of the Sums received by Captain Donald Campbell at Madras between January 1783 and May 1784 &c.-

We enclose an Account certified by our Deputy Military Paymaster General stating the Sums received by Captain Donald Campbell at this Presidency between January 1783 & May 1784 &c. With respect to the Claim which he has preferred for a Reimbursement of 22,320 Rupees We are unable to give any opinion to your Lordships, as Captain Campbell was not employed by this Government, and of course the Services stated to have been performed by him are not to be found upon our Records.—

as

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18th As it appears that Captain Campbell acted under the orders of the late Governor General Mr. Hastings We conceive the latter or the Bengal Government to be the only proper judges of the Services performed by Captain Campbell & of the Expences incurred on the execution of them.-

We have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

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Arch.d Campbell
&c.a Council

1784 1st July 31. Captain Donald Campbell his pay from 1st Sept.r 83 to 30th June 84 Peon Oil from February 83 to June 1784 Gratuity from 1st August 83 to 31st May 1784 and house Rent for May 84 ..... 533. 32. 60.

Do his pay Oil and Peon for July Gratuity and house Rent for June 57. 1.—

June 9th Do. Do his pay from August to December 1784 Gratuity from July to December 1784 ..... 260. 10. 80.

Pagodas 851. 2. 20.

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The above allowances were paid to Captain D. Campbell at Madras.

(Signed) Joseph Farrow
D.y M.r of Pr.s

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19th Received Letter from Ganjam, as entered in M. B. No 17, stating, That conformable to the late Regulations, they have advertized for sealed Proposals for executing by contract, the Works ordered by Government.

From Ganjam

Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos 18-19-20-21-22.-

To the Hospital Board, The stationing of Surgeons as mentioned in their Proceedings of 9th March, not to take place, until they have laid before Government, a correct List of Surgeons, specifying their seniority and present stations with the proposed removals subjoined.-

To the Hospital Board.-

To Mr. Hughes, to purchase on the Company's Account, such stationary as may be necessary for completing the Indents from the Military Board.-

To Mr. Hughes.-

To Colonel Ross, to report upon the accompanying Plan and Estimates from Ganjam.-

To Colonel Ross.-

To Captain Dawes enclosing the Report of the Military Board on his Letter.

To Capt.n Dawes.-

To the Military Board, orders having been given to the Civil Storekeeper for supplying them with Stationary; To report upon a Letter from Mr. Gordon Surgeon, accompanied

To the Military Board.-

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19th accompanied with vouchers on the Subject of M.r L. Gordon's Claim.--

At a Consultation, Present,
The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B
President
Alexander Davidson Esq.r
&
James Henry Casamayor Esq.r
Members of last Consultation

Tuesday the 24th April 1787.-

read and approved.-

Read the following Letter
from the Military Board.-

To the Honorable Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K. B.
Governor &c.a &c.a &c.a in Council

Honble Sir and Sirs.-

From the Military Board on a Claim preferred by M.r William Gordon in favor of M.r Joseph Gordon.

We have been honored with M.r Secretary Chamier's letter of the 18th instant enclosing a letter from M.r Gordon, with some vouchers annexed.-

We beg leave to remark, that notwithstanding the observations of this Board, in their Proceedings of the 19th December 1786, which had the concurrence of your Honble Board; M.r Gordon has not produced the

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The original order appointing Mr. Joseph London to the 73.d Regiment was his leave of absence to proceed to Europe, nor indeed any other voucher, except a set of pay bills, and receipts by which it would appear, that the sums claimed by Mr. London have been received by Lieutenant Lyball of his Majesty's 71.st Regiment or by Mr. London himself. We can therefore perceive no ground for any deviation from our original sentiments which might be favorable to the claim.

We have the honor to be with perfect respect

&c.a &c.a

Fort S.t George
April 20.th 1787.-

(Signed)

I Capper
Patrick Ross
Henry Malcolm
James Campbell
H. Ridcliffe
William Lyndsay
L. Moorhouse

Agreed that Extract from the foregoing be sent to Mr. London, informing him that the Report upon Mr. L.'s London's Claim is confirmed by Government.

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores.

To the Honble Major General Sir Archibald Campbell KB President & Governor &c.a in Council Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs,

We have the Honor to inform You that at our last Meeting, we examined the Books of the Director of the Laboratory, & the Conductor Books containing the Accounts of the several Departments, viz.t Ordnance, Ordnance-Stores, & Gun powder, 2.nd Small Arms, Muskets, Ammunition, & Quarter Master Stores, 3.rd General Stores, & Pioneers Tools all of which were found regularly brought up to the end of last Month.

The Commissary General of Stores proposed to the Committee that 50 Casks be made up to carry Arrack or Spirituous Liquors into the

From the Committee of Stores— The Books of the Director of the Laboratory & the Conductors found regularly brought up— Fifty Casks to be made up, to carry Arrack.—

approved:—

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The Field —

As great Inconveniencies frequently arise for the want of Strong & Light Carriages for this purpose, we beg leave to recommend to the Honble the Governor in Council, that the Contractor be ordered to make them as agreeable to the Number now in the Arsenal. —

We have the Honor to be
&c.a &c.a

provided it be at the usual prices. —

S Capper
Wm Petrie
Wm Sydenham
S. Moorhouse

Fort S. George
18th April 1787.

(Signed)

Read the following Letter from Mr. Cochrane with an Enclosure, entered in Mr. B.s No. 23. —

To the Honorable Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council
Honble Sir & Gentlemen Fort S. George

As I understand by a Letter I have received from Mr. Secretary Chamier, that the

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From the Agent for Spirituous Liquors recommending that one hundred & thirty Leaguers of Bencoolen Arrack be purchased from Captain Lloyd, by Bills on the Supreme Government.-

the Bengal Supply of Spirits will not arrive here before the month of September next, it will be necessary to procure a Supply of Arrack in the meantime.

Captain Lloyd as you will perceive by the Letter I have the honor to enclose you, has brought over a Hundred and thirty Leagers manufactured by the Honble Company at Bencoolen which is to be sold by him on their account and the amount paid into the Bengal Treasury. I therefore purpose if it would not be your pleasure to take these Spirits at the price he has offered them, forty one Pagodas per Leager, and to grant him Bills on the Bengal Government for the amount.-

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

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(Signed) Basil Cochrane
Agent for Spirituous Liquors

Minute thereon

Agreed that Mr. Cochrane be desired to receive from Captain Lloyd such Quantity of the Bencoolen Arrack as may be necessary for the Consumption of the Troops until September, & that a Bill be drawn upon Bengal for the Amount.-

Read

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Read the following Letter from
the Paymaster at Palamcotah.-

To the Honble Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President and Governor &c. &c. Council
of Fort St. George

Honble Sir and Sirs,

The Circumstances I have to
lay before your Honble Board make it an
indispensable Duty on me to trouble you
with this address - I will endeavor to be
as little tedious as consists with Perspicuity
and the nature of the Subject.-

A few days after the arrival of
Major Macleod on this District he inform-
ed me, by letter, that the part of his
Detachment which came from Tinchinopoly
was much in want of Pay, and I immediately
dispatched money to pay those Troops up to
the end of February, for which month the
7th. Battalion belonging to this District
and now forming a part of his Detachment
had already been paid.- my Servant waited
on Major Macleod to advise him of the
arrival of the money in Camp and that
he was ready to issue Pay on the Pay Rolls
and Chitts being presented.- Major Macleod
asked him if he had brought old or new

Fanams

From the Paymaster
at Palamcotah;
stating the Conduct
of Major Macleod,
in forcibly taking
away from the
Paymaster's Servant
the Company's
Cash Chest.-

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Fanams and what was the Exchange
She was informed that the Fanams were
now and the Exchange 165/8 pr Star Pagoda
as settled by Government in their orders
of May last, agreeably to which the Troops
in this Garrison had ever since been and
continued to be paid - he objected never the=
=less to his Detachment being paid in
the Fanams at that Exchange and the
next morning he directed my Servant
to issue money as an advance on part
but not in full for February - my Servant
replied that he had no orders from me
to pay in that manner and wished to
have my Instructions concerning it -
Major Macleod then directed him to
issue money as an advance and to
inform me he had given him those orders
on Account of the great Distress of the
Troops - my Servant, overawed by the
earnestness with which he was told to pay
as an advance and the Distress which the
Troops were represented to him to be in, thought
himself obliged to issue money in the mode
required, and did accordingly advance by the
direction of Major Macleod to each Subidar
200 gold Fanams - each Jemidar 100 - each
Havildar

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Havildar 40 - each Naigue 30 - and Peach Sepoy 2½ gold fanams. announcing withal the nearest Sicca to the full monthly Demand at the established Exchange of 16⅝ p.t Pagoda. -

The Distress of the Troops alluded was urged as an apology for this Innovation would not naturally induce a Refusal to receive their Pay in the same manner and at the same Exchange it was issued to the rest of the Troops in the District - it was not complyed a Resistance of the Orders of Government in regards to the Exchange, but tended likewise to give a dangerous Example of partiality of Payment - I was anxious therefore, as soon as possible, to apprize Major Macleod of the Order I had received and by which my Payments had been invariably regulated. - I stated to him the Impossibility of my paying the Troops under his Command at any other than the Exchange of 16⅝ Gold Fanams P.r Pagoda it being the Rate at which by order of Government, I received money from the Nabobs Phoujdars and paid it to the Troops in this District - I urged that in case the Representation which had been

made

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made regarding the Exchange should cause any alteration to take place, the Degree of Badness could not be supposed to depend on the Circumstance of the Detachments being paid in full for the month or only in part as an advance, guided as Government would no doubt be by the impartial Rule of Paying all the Troops on the District upon to the same Period all the same Exchange— That for these Reasons it became as I conceived my Duty to apply to them to know if he would allow me to complete the — Payment for February, for which month my Servants had already paid, in — consequence of his Order, a certain Sum, as an advance— To this question he made no reply, but observed that I could not conceive him either of the Justice of paying 16⅝ to a Sepoy for a Star Pagoda, or that I had the Orders of Government to make unfair Payments to the Troops— I replied that as his Letter took no notice of my request to know if he would allow me to complete the Payments for February I must conclude he did not think proper to permit it— that my Letter did not contend either for the Justice or Injustice of

of

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of Paying 16 5/8 Colley Fanams to a Sepoy for a Star Pagoda - a question which occasioned no discussion between a Commanding Officer and Paymaster - It was sufficient that I acted in obedience to the Orders of Government for paying the Troops at 16 5/8 which I had done without deviation from the time of my arrival on the District, and therefore had I been on the Spot I should have paid his Detachment at that Exchange, or not at all - On his next Letter he declined allowing me to complete the Payment for February - a few days afterwards, he wrote to me to complain that my Servant would not pay an Account of Working money which he had countersigned, nor give 30 Pucchaums on receipt of the Officer commanding the Artillery in part of the Pay of the Europeans for this month - That my Servant he said, gave him to understand that my Instructions to them did not admit of his complying with his Major Macleod's orders, that though he should as much as possible avoid the slightest Encroachment on the Rules laid down by me to the Person sent with the money it was possible he might be necessitated on some occasion to command compliance with his orders -

after-

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After having explained to him to fully as I had done the orders of Government for paying at the Exchange of 16/8 I might have expected he would not exhibit as a Complaint against any Servant his not making a second advance - yet this was not more extraordinary than the Doctrine laid down that he might be necessitated to command, from a Paymaster, compliance with his orders - I replied that the Charge he countersigned for Working money to the Escort in assisting to get on the 2 Six Pounders did not appear to me authorized by the Practice of the Service and therefore I had directed my Servant not to pay it - and in regard to his declining to give 30 Pagodas as an advance on part of pay to the Europeans for this month; I informed him that, in so doing, my Servant had acted conformably to my orders, and I took the same occasion to repeat what I had before observed to him, that I could not pay the Detachment under his Command in any other manner or at any other Exchange than I did to the rest of the troops in the District Thus, that I could not make advances on part of Pay because it

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it was the invariable usage to make <u>compleat</u> <u>monthly Payments</u>, on which alone I could obtain the proper Vouchers - that with respect to the concluding part of his Letter he must permit me to add that my Instructions to my Servant with his Detachment, were, to pay the regular monthly Demands on their being presented to him but to refuse to make any Extra or unusual Charge - that this was in strict Conformity to the Duty of my Office which comprehended a Discretion respecting Payments, and admitted of no Control but from Government itself.

The Day before Yesterday, Major Macleod told my Servant that Captain Oliver (who was then present) and some other Officers of the Detachment wanted money he replied that they would be paid on delivering the usual Bills as Vouchers - Major Macleod and Captain Oliver said they would not draw for their Pay in that manner, but must have money <u>advanced in part</u> for which Receipts should be passed, as they would not receive Pay at 16/3 - Major Macleod then asked my Servant whether he would advance money on a receipt or not? he answered that it

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it was out of his Power, having been ordered
by me to pay on the Pay Rolls and Spitts
as usual and at the established Exchange
of 16 5/8 as paid to the Garrison of Palamcotah
and no Answer - my Servant said he
would write to me again on the Subject
if Major Macleod wished it - Major
Macleod replied that he wanted money
immediately and once again asked my
Servant if he would give an advance
of Money on a Receipt - and being answered
as before that he could not disobey the
Orders he had received from me, Major
Macleod said he should then take the
money himself and asked for the Key of the
Chest - being told that I had delivered it to the
Cash Keeper he sent a Havildar for him
as likewise for the Cash Chest, and both
were brought before him - the Cash
Keeper refusing to open the Chest Major
Macleod told the Havildar to inform
him that if he did not immediately open
it he would take off his Cloth and flog
him - the Cash Keeper still refused - Major
Macleod then demanded the Key and on
the Cash Keeper saying that he was my
Servant and could not deliver it without
my

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my orders Major Macleod snatched at the Key with such Violence as to break the String which tied it to his Sash - Major Macleod then opened the Chest himself and took possession of its Contents.

I have the honor to be with Respect.

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) T. Oakes

Paymr.

Palamcotah 18th April 1787.

Minute thereon

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing be sent to Major Macleod with a Letter from the Secretary desiring him immediately to explain his Conduct, & reminding him of the Orders of Government by which the Exchange in the Districts of Madura & Palamcotah was settled on the 2d. may last - of which orders it is conceived he could not be ignorant.

Captain John Cox permitted to proceed to Europe for three Years, on half pay.

The President in his Character of Commander in Chief informs the Board that Captain John Cox has applied to him for permission to proceed to Europe for three years on half pay, which, as there are Supernumerary Captains, he recommends may be granted.

Ordered

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Ordered according by.

The Commander in Chief

proposes in consequence the following Arrangement

arrangement propos-ed by the Com-mander in Chief, in Consequence of Captain Cox having obtained Permission to proceed to Europe.—

Captain Wynch to command the 16 Batt.n of Native Infantry

Vice Cox

Captain Alexander Read to Command the 28.th Batt.n Vice Wynch

Ordered that the above be published in General Order.—

The Commander in Chief

recommends to the Board that Lieutenant Saunderson of the Artillery be permitted to resign the Service agreably to a Request which he has preferred— The Commander in Chief at the same time informs the Board that Lieutenant Saunderson's Conduct has been highly unbecoming the Character of an Officer & a Gentleman, & recommends that this report of him be made to the Court of Direction in order to prevent his obtaining any new appointment in the Service, should the Board consent to permit his resigning his Commission.—

Lieutenant Saunderson permitted to resign the Service & why.—

Agreed that Lieutenant Saunderson's resignation be accepted & that

Lieut. Saunderson's Conduct to be represented to the Court of Directors.—

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That the above report of Sir be mentioned in the next dispatch to Europe.

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Dugald Campbell.

To the Honorable Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K.B. Governor, & Commander in Chief in Council

Honble Sir

From Colonel Dugald Campbell, recommending that the officers commanding Regiments of Cavalry may be allowed a Complete Set of Saddles for their respective Regiments, & enclosing Proposals from Major Lourdan & Captn Young for furnishing them.

I have the honor to enclose you a Letter received from Major Lourdan Commanding the 2d Regiment of Cavalry, and Captain Young Commanding the 2d Regiment of Cavalry and I take the liberty of informing you, that I coincide with them in opinion that they should be allowed, a Complete Set of Saddles for their respective Regiments, Their Proposals for supplying them, are I think, very reasonable.

On the 28th of July 1784 I did myself the honor of addressing the Right Honble the President, and Select Committee requesting the usual Allowance, of half a Pagoda pr. Month each Horse, for supplying, & keeping the Saddles in repair, for Captn Stevenson's Corps and my own, then composing the Native Cavalry, as

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as we had some time before that been furnished with Saddles, for the number of Horses, then on the Regiments, & agreed verbally, with Lord Macartney, to keep the number of Saddles we then had, tho' much out of order, and that if we should afterwards receive more Horses, Saddles for them, should be supplied by Government.—

Captain Stevenson and myself are therefore bound to keep our respective Regiments complete in Saddlery for the number of Horses belonging to each of our Regiments, at the time the allowance was granted, and if complicated with Horses, and Saddles, to the present Establishment, the Commanding Officer of each Regiment, to continue to keep that number of Saddles, in good order ever after: I therefore flatter myself that the allowance of 4 P.s and a half each Horse, will be ordered for the number of Saddles necessary either for the Complete Establishment, or for Horses as received.—

Should this meet with your approbation orders will be necessary for the Paymaster at Arcot, to pay the allowance of 4 Pagodas and a half p.r Horse.

for

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For each Horse that any Regiment receives above the number drawn for in June 1784; and for all the Horses, the 2.nd & 3.rd Regiments have now, or may receive hereafter, it will also be necessary for the Paymaster of Brigade only to receive orders to the same effect for Captain Stevensons Regiment, as the Paymaster of Arcot, may for any Regiment

Permit me to acquaint you, that the 2.d & 3.d Regiments will each have 250 Horses in a few days, and will in consequence require the immediate advance of 1125 Star Pagodas each Regiment, for furnishing Saddles for those Horses

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

Fort S.t George
April 24.th 1787.

/ Signed / Dug.l Campbell
Lt Col. Cavalry

To Lieutenant Colonel Campbell
of the Cavalry

Sir,

We beg leave to address you on a Subject that you are well acquainted with, and very interesting to us. In consequence of a letter of yours to Government the Committee of Stores We understand, that given it as their Opinions, that we should furnish

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furnish Saddles and keep them in repair from the allowance of half a Pagoda each Horse, and has left the matter to be determined upon by the Honble Board - our Idea ever was, that on a Corps being new raised, the Regiment should be furnished with a Set of Saddles by Government and over after the allowance of half a Pagoda each Horse, should keep them in repair & compleat on number. - From what you said on the Subject we flatters ourselves your Idea of the matter was the same, altho' not particularly expressed in your Letter to Government - We have to request you will explain this matter fully to the Honble Board, moreover we understand it is an invariable Rule on his Majestys Service to furnish a new raised Corps the first Set - We also beg leave to intimate that if the Honble Board complies, which we do not doubt on a clear representation from you, we are ready to make up a Set of Saddles compleat with Bits, Stirrups & Irons also Spurs at the rate of 4 1/2 Pagodas each Saddle - We have the honor to be &c. &c.

Edward Lowdan
W. Young

(Signed)

Arcot
April 18th 1787 -

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Agreed to inform Lieutenant Colonel Campbell that Government consent to make the advances requested by the Officer Commanding Regiments of Cavalry for the supply of Saddles &c.a & that orders will be sent to the Paymasters at Arcot & Tanjore to supply to those Corps for the purchases — after which the half Pagoda monthly for future supplies, & for keeping the Saddles &c.a in Repair will be the only allowance to be drawn for on the above Account.—

Minute thereon

The President proposes that Capt.n Carlile of the Artillery be sent to Bengal for the purpose of recruiting Lascars, and that the following Instructions be given to him from the Secretary.—

To Captain Charles Carlile
of the 1.st Battalion
of the Coast Artillery

Sir,

The Hon.ble Board of this Presidency having directed that you should proceed to Bengal for the purpose of recruiting Lascars for the Service of the Coast

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Coast Artillery you are to observe the following Instructions for your Conduct.

Instructions

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board proposed Instructions to Captain Carlisle of the artillery for recruiting Lascars in Bengal for the service of the Coast artillery.—

1st That the number of Lascars to be recruited shall not exceed 540 privates

2d That you are authorized to offer a Bounty of 20 Rupees to every private Lascar who shall enlist for the Service of the artillery on the Coast, and to inform them that they shall have the option to return to their native Country after having served 5 Years with the Coast army unless in case of actual War; That they shall be provided with a passage to Bengal at the Company's Expence for themselves and Families and shall receive a Gratuity of one months pay to subsist upon until they can find Employment.—

3d That in recruiting Lascars you are to confine yourself to such able Seamen as are actually Seamen or Boatmen settled within the Limits of the Presidency of Bengal, and particularly such as may have served with the Bengal artillery in the Carnatic during the late War; provided they come within the above Description and are fit in point of age Strength

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Stay in Bengal and on their passage to the Coast - And you are authorized to acquaint those Officers that if their Conduct is found deserving of Advancement, the Commander in Chief of the Madras Army will appoint them to the first Vacancies on their respective Ranks, that shall occur after their Arrival.-

6th That as this Latitude in appointing acting Officers is meant as an encouragement to the Native Lascars of that Presidency who shall assist you most effectually in recruiting Lascars of the best Cast, proper Age, Strength and Size you are to pay the most compleat attention to these Circumstances.-

7th That the Native Officers of Lascars and private Lascars, who shall agree to serve the term of Five years shall have a small Portion of waste Land on the Coast allotted to them fit for cultivate and to build upon, and that such Land shall be assigned in proportion to the different Ranks - and that such Lascars as bring their Families to the Coast shall be entitled to a double Portion of Land to those who are single.

8th That when they are employed in the Field on Service their Families shall be

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be protected and measures taken for their receiving regularly every month such portion of Pay as the absent Lascars may deem to appropriate for the purpose.—

9th That it is to be clearly explained to the natives of Bengal who enlist for the Service of the artillery on the Coast, that when they become unfit for Field Service by Wounds or otherways they shall be entitled to the Benefit of the Invalid and pension List on the same manner as is regulated for the native Troops of the Establishment with the Option of receiving this allowance either in Bengal or on the Coast.—

10th That the pay of a Lyrangassy Pagodas monthly; of a 1st Lindal 2 22½ of a 2d Lindal 2 2 and of a private Lascars 1 34 besides which they will annually receive Clothing and that when on the Field, or employed on Working parties they will receive Batta and working money on the Several Ranks on the same proportion as is issued to the other native Troops of the Establishment.—

11th That for the purpose of supplying you with money for carrying on the Recruiting

Service

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The Board approve the foregoing Instructions, & it is agreed that they be copied fair & dispatched.

approved.-

Read the following Letters entered in the M. B. Nos 24. 25. 26. 27. 28/.

From Mr. Gordon Surgeon.

From Mr. Gordon, Surgeon dated the 15th December & 17th Instant with Sundry enclosures, stating the Severe Losses & Hardships sustained during his campaign under Colonel Fullarton, enclosing a Letter from that Officer to him on which Colonel Fullarton acknowledges his appro=bation of his Services, & requesting that some relief may be given to him, in consequence of his having been obliged to discount the Certificate upon Bengal, received by him in payment of the Balance due & of the rejection of his charges for repairing Doolies, which Charges he declares were actually incurred, Vd. Vd. Vd. as the Testimony of Colonel Fullarton appears to be much in Mr. Gordon's favor, & as he must have suffered materially by discounting the Certificate given to him,

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it is Agreed that a Company's Bond be granted to him for Pags. 926. 23. 50. which is the Amount of his Charges for repairing Doolies

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Books, after deducting 25 Pcent upon the
Settlements of the different Bills.-

From Mr. John Philip Burton

dated 30 March stating that a Sea Voyage
has so much reestablished his health as
to render a trip to Europe unnecessary
& requesting that he may for the above
reason be readmitted on the Establishment.

From Mr. John Philip Burton

Agreed that Mr. Burton's request
be complied with, & that the Secretary do
advise him accordingly.-

Minute thereon

From Mr. William Mallet

From Mr. W. Mallet late Surgeon on this Establishment enclosing
Surgeon.- sundry papers relating to his Case, &
requesting a reconsideration of it.-

Ordered to lie on the Table.

To lie on the Table.

From Mrs. Maria Haze stating
the misfortunes which she suffered when
Pulicat was taken by the English -
detailing the particulars of her forlorn
From Mrs. Haze situation & requesting that some small
pension may be made to her in consequence
of her being decided to quit the asylum-
-and on the General Hospital where for
some time she has been permitted to -
reside.-

In consideration of the very
distressed

Minute thereon.-

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distressed situation & advanced age of Mrs Hare it is agreed that she be allowed a pension of 10 Pagodas Monthly from the period of her leaving the apartments in the Hospital.-

Ex.d
Geo.s Stratton

Arch.d Campbell

Alex.r Davidson

Ja.s W.m Cazenajor

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Diary.

25th Sent the undermentioned Letters for two in M, B, & C 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34,

To the Agent for Spirituous Liquors directing him to apply to Captain Lloyd for such quantity of Arrack as may be necessary for the consumption of the Troops until September next, delivering him a receipt for the liquor agreeably to which Bills will be granted on the Bengal Government.

To the Hon'ble Bt Cochrane - Agent for Spirituous Liquors.

To Major Macleod - To Major Macleod with Copy of a letter addressed to Government by the Paymaster of Palamcotah - to which an immediate explanation is desired.

To M. J. P. Burlton - To M. J. P. Burlton - readmitted to the Service on this Establishment, in consequence of the Reestablishment of his health.

26th To M. Wm Gordon with the report of the Military Board respecting the claim of M. L. Gordon which has been approved & confirmed by Government

To M. W. Gordon -

28th To Colonel D. Campbell - orders will be given to the Paymasters of Arcot

To Col. D. Campbell

&

to

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N.B. Trichinopoly, to make the necessary advances for the purchase of Saddles - after which the half Pagoda monthly for future supplies & for keeping the Saddles &c.a in repair, will be the sole allowance to be drawn for on the above account

To the Paymaster at Arcot. - 30th To Mr. Welsh - Pay the Officers Commanding the 2d & 3d Regiments of Native Cavalry the following sums, being for the provision of Saddles &c.a for their respective Regiments. -

2d Regt. 250 Saddles @ 4/2 Pagt. each for 250 horses.
3d Do. 250 do. do. do. do. do.

From the Chief Engineer. - Received the undermentioned Letters as Entered in M, B, No. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. -

From Colonel Ross - the estimates for constructing a small powder Magazine at Ashta, a Shed for Stores; & for making the Old Bombproofs that were formerly inhabited by the Invalids into Store Rooms are reasonable. -

From the Agent for Spirituous Liquors. - From the Honble Basil Cochrane - Receives from Captain Floyd 91 Leagers & 86 half Leagers containing 1805 2/8 Gallons of the Honble Company's Arrack manufactured at Beaconsfield, which at 48 Star Pagodas P 150

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30.t 150 Gallons makes 4924.P.s 9 Fanams 48 Cash
for which Bills on the Bengal Government are
to be given to Captain Lloyd.-

From M.r John Mackenzie - relative
to his rice accounts with the Government.-

From Ensign Granby Sloper - requesting permission to return to Europe for -
three years.-

From Colonel Bridges - transmitting
an estimate for completing Barracks for a
Battalion of Sepoys delivered home by Lieutenants
Ogg of the Engineers.-

From M.r John Mackenzie.-

From Ensign Granby Sloper.-

From the Comm.r at Palamcotah.-

At a Consultation Present
The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President
Alexander Davidson Esquire
& James Henry Casamajor Esquire
Members of last Consultation

Tuesday
the 1.st May 1787.-

read & approved.-

Read the following Proceedings
of the Hospital Board.-

Hospital Board
April 25.th 1787.-

Read a letter from
the Military Secretary
under date the 18.th Instant
conveying

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Report of the Hospital Board with a correct List specifying the Seniority and present Stations of the Surgeons with the proposed Removals — Their Motives explained for the Removals which they recommended in their Proceedings of the 9th March Observations of Government thereon —

The Council are well satisfied with the Justice and Impartiality of the Hospital Board, in their late arrangement of Surgeons according to their Seniority; and are persuaded that the same laudable motives will inspire them to preserve the like regular order of Promotion, on every future Occasion. —

There was an Original Error in the Proceedings of the Hospital Board, in calling Messrs. Pringle, Mein, Sahagan and Welton, Supernumerary

conveying the orders of Government, that this Board should lay before them a correct List, specifying the Seniority and present Stations of the Surgeons with the proposed removals subjoined —

The Hospital Board beg leave to express their satisfaction at their having an opportunity of explaining their motives for the removals which were recommended in their Proceedings of the 9th of March, because whenever in Support of Seniority a Surgeon is spoilt to the inconvenience of moving from North to South, or vice versa, an eligible Station, to one that may be the reverse, the members of the Hospital Board feel a repugnance

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Supernumerary Surgeons, because Messrs. Gillespie, Blackadder, Swiney and Ruddiman, as the youngest Surgeons ought, in fact to have been the Supernumeraries of that Rank. - Had the Hospital Board given in a List of the Surgeons according to Seniority specifying the Date of their respective Appointments, this Error would have been early discovered and the 3d Class of Rank specified in the Order of the 28th of May, would not have been obtruded on the Establishment. That Class being now abolished, it must henceforth be recorded, that the Combined Establishment shall only consist of 4 Classes, on the following Order. -

1st Class to comprehend the Hospital Board -
2d Do Dear Surgeons to Hospitals. -
3d Do Surgeons to Regiments, Garrisons & Fortifications.
4 Do Mates to Hospitals Regiments & Residencies -

The Governor and Council

reluctance in recommending the measure, but when on the other hand, it was their order to clear and distinct from Government respecting promotion in the medical Line, it is almost impossible they can act, whilst the Rights of the Individual is their Object in view, and impartiality their guide. -

In their General Instructions under date 14th of April 1786 they are directed, that the promotion of Surgeons to the Hospitals shall be from Regiments; and by the General orders of the 28th May, the Rank of the Medical Gentlemen is particularly classed, as per annexed Paper No 1, and conformably to this Idea, the Surgeons were arranged agreeably to their Seniority

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Council concure that the List of Surgeons given on the 25th ult.mo is agreeable to their Seniority on the Service but as there are no Dates specifying their appointment as Surgeons & as the want of such Specific Documents is necessary for the Information of Government, the Hospital Board is directed to give in such a List without Loss of time.—

Mr. Binny having had the Permission of the Governor and Council to remain at Ganjam, till further Orders as had also Mr. Ferrier at Vyagapatam, Mr. Addiston to remain with the 2d. Battalion of Artillery at the mount and Mr. Ferguson with the 2d. Regiment at Ellore; The Hospital Board will be pleased to arrange the same accordingly; shewing at the same Time that the Permission granted to these Gentlemen

Seniority on the 17th of June, as will more fully appear by Paper No. 2 annexed.—

Both which by the departure of Messrs. Simpson, Gillespie and Briggs on leave to Europe, and Mr. Dundiman had obtained permission from Government to attend their Highnesses the Nabob, Mr. Gordon, also who had been stationed at Palamcottah, being likewise permitted to reside in the Black Town.— The 4th Regiment of Infantry, Palamcottah and Changleput became Vacancies which required to be filled.— The Hospital Board at that time had no other resource than recommending Mr. Alexr. Means to be promoted from a Mate to do Duty with the 4th Regiment about to march; but when Government

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in this Respect, is not to supercede the Right of their Seniors to Hospitals, should vacancies in that Line occur. —

Government disapproved making a full Surgeon, whilst it was urged there were Supernumerary-ries upon the List, and as the 3d Class or Third Surgeons to Hospitals were proposed by the Hospital Board, and "approved because it will" "dispose of 4 Supernumerary "Surgeons with advantage "to the Service otherwise it "would have been inadmissa-"-ble, as it is contrary to the "order of the Honble Court "of Directors," and as they were not originally classed by Government, it became self evident, that this order of Surgeons were the Supernumeraries alluded to, and therefore it was resolved to recommend that First Surgeons to Hospitals might be abolished, and

from

from this Idea, that as they were created in consequence of the recommendations of the Hospital Board to accommodate the Service at one Period, so at another, when their utility did not appear conspicuous to Government the Hospital Board thought it their duty to recommend that they should be done away; and thus originated the removals in the Proceedings of the 9th Inst.

By a comparative View of the List of Surgeons with the Dates as made by Government in General order of the 30th May, and conformably to the instructions of the Honble Court of Directors as communicated to this Board, in their Secret Instructions; they trust it will be found, that they have acted cautiously and uniformly for the good of

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of the Service, and that they have not recommended Gentlemen to be removed to great distances, wantonly; but only in such cases where the rights of the Individual was to be supported by placing him in that Class and Station to which he properly belonged, and through which agreeably to the Tenor of our Instructions his advancement in the line of his Profession must be established. —

This premised, the Hospital Board have now the Honor to subjoin the Lists proposed removals with their remarks or rather the Reasons which operated with them in suggesting the expediency of each respective Surgeons removal.

Upon the Idea then that First Surgeons to Hospitals

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Hospitals were abolished,
Regimental Surgeons are
the first of the 3d Class for
Promotion.-

Mr Pringle therefore who is
the first for a General Hospital
Mr Binny who is Second
Mr Mein Do. Third
Mr Gahagan Do Fourth
Mr Wilson Do Fifth
Mr Ferguson Do Sixth are
stationed to the six Regiments
of Artillery and Infantry
with as nice an attention
to the convenience of the
Individuals as they could
suggest.- excepting that
it would occasion less
removal, to appoint Mr
Pringle to the Second
Battalion of artillery and
leave Mr Ferguson in
his present Station with
the second Regiment of
Infantry.-

Mr Turner who was out
of his Depth in a Chief ship-

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to a Garrison— Mr. Howel who had a Regiment, before the Civil Surgeons to Hospitals became abolished,— to a Garrison Mr. Addenton.

— Do. — Do. —

Mr. Richardson who had no fixed Station, but was doing Duty occasionally at Asha— to a Shipwright.— Mr. Watson who lost his Regiment, as Mr. Howel and Mr. Addenton,— to a Shipship and Mr. Blackadder who was out of his proper Station at Madeira to the Shipwright of Cuddalore, in the room of Mr. Simons, whose age Infirmity and growing Blindness, induced the Hospital Board to recommend him as an Invalid.—

The Hospital Board having thus represented the proper Stations of the respective Surgeons— according

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according to their seniority
conceived they had done
their Duty by recommending
the removals to Government,
who alone have the Power
to approve or disapprove.-

Read a Letter from Mr.
Duffin requesting leave for
Mr. Inglis Assistant
Surgeon with the Cavalry
at Arcot to visit the
Presidency on particular
business.-

approved

The Hospital Board
recommend the above request
being granted

Signed And.w Berry
Secry Hospl. Board-

Sick

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List of the Surgeons. With their present Stations and their proposed Removals.

Colley Lyons Lucas	Chief Surgeon Fort St. George	
Thomas Davis	Head Surgeon Madras Hospital	
William Raine	Surgeon Black Town	
William Gordon	Black Town by permission of Govern.t	
James Whyte	Head Surgeon Trichy Hospital	
Robert Turing	Do. Do. Masulipatam Do.	
William Duffin	Do. Do. Vellore Do.	
Patrick Pringle	First Surgeon Madras Hospital	2d Regt. Europeans Ellore
George Binny	Surgeon Chiefship Ganjam	4th Regiment European Arcot
Nicol Mein	First Surgeon Trichy Hospit.l	1st Regiment Europeans Trichy
Terence Gahagan	Do. Do. Vellore Do.	3d Do. Do. Vellore
Thomas Weston	Do. Do. Masulipatam Do.	1st Battn. Artillery Mount
Finlay Fergusson	Surgeon 2d Regt. Ellore	2d Battn. Artillery Trichinopoly
Alexander Terrier	Surgeon Chiefship Vizagapatam	to the Garrison of Madura
Thomas Howel	Surgeon 1st Regt. Trichinopoly	Do. Palamcotah
William Roxborough	Do. Samulcotah by permission of Government	
Jermiah Adderton	Surgeon 1st Battn. Artillery	to the Garrison Chingleput
Job Bulman	Medical Storekeeper	

James Richardson	Surgeon at Aska	to the Chiefship Vizagapatam
Alexander Watson	Surgeon 2d Battn artillery Warriore	Do Ganjam
Alexander Blackadder	Surgeon Garrison Madura	to the Chiefship Cuddalore
Anthony Simones	Surgeon Chiefship Cuddalore	Supernumerary
William Ruddiman	Do With the Nabob	

Brevet Surgeons

Alexander Main	Wallajahbaad
George Anderson	fixed at Ongole by order of Govt
Alexander Anderson	Committee of Circuit
George Oglvie	Residency Negapatam

Signed) Jas Anderson M.D.

Physician general & director of Hospitals

Fort St George

April 26th 1787

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In order to ascertain the date of admission of every Surgeon & Surgeons mate into the Service, it is agreed that a General Order be published directing them to Transmit to the Hospital Board the dates of their admission, that the same may be compared with the Records of Government, after which it is Resolved that Commissions be given to them on the same manner as practised in His Majestys Service.

Commissions to be granted to Surgeons & Assistant Surgeons

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores.

To the Honble Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K.B. President & Governor &c. in Council Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have the honor to inform you that at our last Meeting the Commissary General of Stores delivered in a List / Copy of which we now inclose / of Gun Carriages indented for for the use of the Garrisons of Masulipatam Vizagapatam & Ganjam.

From the Committee of Stores, with a List of Gun Carriages indented for, for the use of the Northern Chiefships, & recommendation in Consequence -

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As the Guns at Masulipatam & Ganjam are on
approved agood State & the works
regular, we beg leave to
recommend that Trail
Carriages be sent to those
Garrisons, both as there are
no regular Fortifications
at Vizagapatam & the Guns
at that place are only old
Dutch Guns, we are of
Opinion that Truck
Carriages will serve for
this latter.-
We have the Honor to be
&c.a &c.a
(Signed) J Casper
Wm Petrie
Wm Sydenham
J. Monckhouse

at

Fort S.t George
26.th April 1787.

List of Gun Carriages Indented for by the
Northern Garrisons

Masulipatam.

Garrison Trail Carriages	24 Pds.	5
	20 Do.	2
	12 Do.	6
	9 Do.	23
	6 Do.	14
Limbers	24 Do.	2
	12 Do.	2
Mortar Beds	5 1/2 Inch	2
	4 1/2 Do.	2

Ganjam

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Tanjam

Garrison Field Carriages 12 Pdr. — 1
6 — Do. — 11

Vizagapatam

Mortar Beds — 4/12 Inch — 1

Signed J. Moorhouse
Comm.y Gen.l of Stores

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24.th April 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) T. Chase
Sec.y to the Com.tee
of Stores at the Presidency.

The President in his Character of
Commander in Chief for purposes this following
Promotions.

Engineers

Ensign and Practitioner Engineer Ld Robert
Prescott to be Lieutenant and Sub-Engineer
Vice Gardiner permitted to go home on half
pay, date of Rank 21.st February 1787.

Promotion per-
by the Commander
in Chief.

Artillery

Lieutenant Fire-Worker William Coupland
to be Lieutenant vice Saunderson resigned
date of Rank 26.th April 1787

Infantry

Lieutenant Hope Stuart to command Senior-
-ests.

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The following Promotions is ordered in the Infantry List to supply the vacancies occasioned by the formation of the Revenue Corps.—

Captain Lieutenant D. M.c Neil to be Captain — } Date of Rank 2 Nov.r 1783

Ditto Parr — ditto — — — 6 ditto

Lieut. Campbell — ditto — — 8 ditto

Lieut. Laving — ditto — — 16 ditto

Ensign — Johnson Brown to be Lieut.t 18th March 1787

Agreed to.—

Ordered That the above be published in G. O.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Casspar —

Honble. Major Genl. Sir Archd. Campbell
K. B. Governor in Council
Honble Sir & Sirs

Before the Military Regulations are finally settled I beg leave to submit to your consideration, the allowances to be paid to the Staff of the army which at different times have undergone various alterations In this fluctuating state subject not only the Commissary General but even the Commander in Chief himself, to continual complaints of a partial distribution of the

From the Commissary General, desiring to know if the adjutant & Quarter Master Generals are to be allowed full Batta.—

Field

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Field allowances -

Government has been pleased to give
the allowance of Full Batta to
the Inspector of the Drill
the Master Masters
&
the Aid de Camps who are all
of them obliged to keep up such an esta-
blishment of Palanquin Boys, Servants
& Horses as enable them to take the Field
at the shortest notice, but should this
necessary Indulgence be granted to the
abovementioned Officers some others on the
Staff, consider themselves as hardly treated
in being subject to the same expence -
without receiving the same allowances
amongst these are the adjutant & Quarter
Master General who are continually liable
to be employed, & whose Pay in Garrison
is hardly sufficient to defray their
Current expences; & much less to pay the
Extra Servants necessary for an Officer
of that Rank when he takes the Field -

Besides in addition to this
argument in their favor 'Tis but Justice
to them to remark that their Station about
the Commander in Chief, deserves them
of

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of all hopes of enjoying any advantage to be derived from Commands.—

As the Book of Regulations is far advanced, I must request you will honor me with your orders on this Subject that I may furnish the new Regulations for the Payment of the Troops on this Coast

I have the honor to be with Respect

&c.a &c.a

Fort St. George
30th April 1787

(Signed) L. Casper
C. E.

Agreed that Colonel Casper be desired to give his Sentiments respecting the Propriety of placing upon Staff Batta the Staff officers whom he has not particularized therein.—enlarged in his letter.—& to lay before Government the amount of the extraordinary Expence which will be incurred, if the Indulgence that he has recommended should be admitted.—

The President recommends to the Board, That an additional Volunteer be appointed to His majesty's 76th & 52d Regts on order to grant them an Equality with the 74th & 72d Regiments.—

an additional Volunteer appointed to his Majesty's 76th & 52d Regiments.

Ordered Accordingly.—

Read

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Read the following Letters entered on the M. B. N.os 1, 2, 3, 4/

From M.r Gardiner late Paymaster at Angola, enclosing his Account Current with the Company, closed to the 31.st Dec.r 1785. with the Certificate of his accounts having been audited to the above Period, requesting the discharge of the Ballance, & expressing his hope that Interest upon it will be allowed from the 31.st December 1785.

From M.r Gardiner Late Paym.r at Angola.

As M.r Gardiner's Accounts have been regularly audited It is Agreed that the Balance be discharged by a Certificate on the Bengal Government agreeably to the mode established for the liquidation of Military Arrears.—

Minute thereon

With respect to M.r Gardiners request for Interest from the 31.st December it is Agreed to inform him that it is inadmissible.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Dugald Campbell stating, That in September 1784 he obtained permission of the Commander in Chief to occupy the Remains of the Nabobs Palace at Arcot there being a deficiency of Quarters, & requesting a reimburse-

From Lieut.t Colonel Dugald Campbell

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reimbursement of 400 Pagodas that he expended on repairs upon the Palace, which has by means of these repairs been rendered a Quarter for the Commanding Officer at Arcot — representing that there are no other Quarters for them at the Cavalry Cantonment.

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Lieutenant Colonel Campbell that in Consideration of the Circumstances stated in his Letter, the Board consent to repay to him the Sum of 400 Pags. which he expended in repairing the Palace at Arcot.

Do

With respect to Colonel Campbells application for Quarters at Arcot, it is agreed to acquaint him that the usual Allowance will be granted to him in the same manner as practised with the Officers of Cavalry at the above Station.

From the Paymaster General stating that upon discovering an Error of 10,000 Pags in the Paymaster of Sanjore's Accounts while Mr. Sullivan held the employ, he applied to Mr. Sullivans Attorneys who have tendered to them Company's Bonds, as a liquidation of the overcharge — desiring to have the Board's Orders on the Subject.

Minute Thereon

Agreed to inform Mr. Swiney

That

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That, as the Balance of Mr. Sullivan's Accounts was paid to him in Company's Bonds, it will be right to receive back the Amount of the overcharge in Company's Paper.—

From Colonel Kelly, Commanding at Arcot, stating the Want of a Fort adjutant, representing the decayed Condition of the Ramparts at Arcot, & requesting he may be indulged with the same monthly allowances that are granted to the Commandant at Vellore Vizt.—

From Colonel Kelly.—

Four Hircarahs	Pags. 8—
One Linguist	5.—
Stationary	" 2½—
	13. 2½

Agreed to inform Colonel Kelly that Government consider the appointment of a Fort Adjutant unnecessary as well as his proposed Repairs of the Ramparts to Arcot which is shortly to be evacuated.— With respect to his application for the allowances abovementioned, it is Agreed that

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That they be granted.—

Ed.
Geo. Jul. Martin

Arch.d Campbell

Alex.r Davidson

Ja.s Hay Chamayor

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Diary—

2.d Dispatched the following Letters

To Bengal.

To the Right Honble Charles, Earl Cornwallis
K.G. Governor General in Council
at Fort William

My Lord,

In consequence of the notification from your Lordship & the Council of Fort William respecting the Supplies of Spirituous Liquors for the use of the Military under this Presidency, which Liquors are not to be delivered until September next, We have directed our agent for this department to receive from Captain Lloyd of the General Elliott such Quantity of the Company's Arrack placed under his charge by the Government at Fort Marlborough as will be requisite for the consumption of the Troops until the arrival of the expected Supplies from your Presidency—

To Bengal.
Bills on that Presidency granted to Capt.n Lloyd, for Bencoolen Arrack received here of him.

As Captain Lloyd was directed to pay into your Treasury the amount Sales of the Arrack from Bencoolen, We have given him Bills upon your Presidency for the Quantity landed here which being 91 Leagers

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2.d Leagues & 86 half Leagues, at 4/ Star Pagodas
p.r League, makes the Sum of Star Pagodas
4934. 9. 48. for which the usual Credit is given
here.-

We have the Honor to be
&c.a &c.a
(Signed) Arch.d Campbell
& Council

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Received the undermentioned Letters,
(entered on M.B. N.o 567.)

From Lieutenant Home - requesting
Permission to draw the difference between
Lieutenants & Captains allowances during
the Seven months he commanded Irregular
Invalids, employed on Revenue Service in
the District of Masulipatam - & the same
off-reckonings to officers now Commanding
revenue Battalions. —

From Lieutenant Home.

From Lieutenant Colonel Bidcliffe -
desiring permission to proceed to Europe
on half pay for 3 Years, in consequence
of his health being much impaired from
length of Services.-

From Lieutenant Colonel Bidcliffe.

From Ensign Cunningham - Enclosing
a Certificate from the Surgeon General in
Bengal, stating the necessity of an Europe
Voyage for the recovery of his health; &
requesting

From Ensign Cunningham.

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2.d requesting that he may be indulged with 3 years leave of absence on half pay.—

Dispatches the undermentioned Letters Entered on M.B. N.os 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18.—

To Masulipatam.

To Masulipatam.—M.r Dobbyn to be paid on account of M.r Sec.y Garrow, the amount of the Hospital Cloathing delivered over to him by M.r Statham, agreeably to the G.O. of the 17.th Janry 1786.—

To Colonel Robert Kelly.

To Colonel Robert Kelly Commanding at Arcot.—The Board deem the appointment of a Fort Adjutant at Arcot unnecessary—& consider the repair of the Breaches of the Fortifications equally so, from the intention of shortly evacuating the place.—The Monthly allowances similar to those enjoyed by the Commanding Officer at Vellore will be paid him.—

To M.r Thomas Welch.—

To M.r Thomas Welch.—to pay Lt. Colonel Kelly the following monthly allowances, to commence from 9.th of Febry last

Town Mircamahs	P.s 8.—
One Linguist	5—
Stationary	" 21
	P.s 13. 21 ½ to

Lieut.t Col.o D.d Campbell P.s 400 on account of

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2d of reports executed by him to the palace at Arcot.—

To Lieutenant Colonel D. Campbell—

To Lieutenant Colonel Dugald Campbell.

The Board have thought proper to allow his charge of 400 Pd expended on the repair of the palace at Arcot. The usual allowances for quarters at Arcot will be granted him, in the same manner as practised by the Officers of Cavalry at the above station.—

To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts—desiring his Opinion respecting

To Colonel Capper.—

the propriety of placing upon full Batta the Staff Officers not particularized in his letter; with the amount of the extraordinary expence which will be incurred, if the indulgence recommended by him should be admitted by Government.—

To Ganjam—The estimates approved

To Ganjam.—

for the Powder Magazine at Ankai; for the Shed for Stores; & for the converting the old Bomb-proofs with Store-Rooms—which the works are to be executed by contract agreeably to the orders of Government.—

To Lieut. Colonel Ross to report his

To the Chief Engineer.—

Opinion upon estimates for completing a range of Barracks at Palamcotah, for one Battalion of Sepoys with its Officers.—

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To the Hospital Board - To make the necessary alterations in their proposed arrangement of Surgeons, in consequence of Mess.rs Bonny, Lennie, Adderton & Ferguson being permitted to remain in their present Stations.

To the Hospital Board.

To the Military Board - Report their opinion upon Letters from the Quarter Masters of Cavalry & Depoy Adjutants soliciting for an encrease of Pay.

To Lieutenant Colonel Bilcliffe &

To Lieut.t Colonel Bilcliffe, & Ensigns G. Hoper & Cunningham.

Ensigns G. Hoper & Cunningham, informing them that they have the Boards permission to proceed to Europe for three years on half Pay.

To John Turing Esquire

To the Military Paymaster.

The Board approve his accepting the Bonds tendered by Mr. J. Lulevains Attorneis, in liquidation of the over Charge on his accounts.

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Fort S. George 4th May 1787—

At a Consultation Present

The Honble Major General

Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.

President

Alexander Davidson Esq.

Friday
the 4th May 1787—

James Henry Casamayor Esq.

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved.

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Read the following Letter from

Colonel Capper.

To the Honble Major General

Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.

Governor in Council &c.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have been honored with the

From the Commissary General, states that full Batta should be allowed the Kings & Company's adjutants General, and the Quarter Master General.—

Mr. Secretary Chamiers Letter of the 1st Instant in reply to which I beg leave to observe, that exceptting the Staff Officers specified in my last letter of the 30th Ultimo, I know of no Officers who appear to me to have a well founded Claim for the allowance of full Batta, exceptting the Adjutant General of His Majestys Forces.—

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The Extra expence of putting the
adjutant & General of the Kings & Company's
Troops, & likewise the Quarter master General
on Full Batta will amount altogether only
to 450 Pagodas a month; which appears to
me a very trifling Expence & no very conside-
-rable reward, for Officers who hold Posts of
such great Trust & Responsibility.

I have the honor to be with great
Respect
Sir
Your most
Obedt Hble Servt
(Signed) S. Capper
C. G. 2d B.

Fort St. George
4th May 1787.

Minute thereon

As the Adjutants and Quarter
Master General are obliged to keep up an
expensive Establishment in order to enable
them to take the Field at the shortest notice
& their Stations attendant on the Commander
in Chief deprive them of the hope of benefi-
-ting by Commands which other Field Officers
occasionally enjoy It is Resolved that they be
allowed monthly Full Batta, with respect
to their Deputies who are not obliged in
time of Peace to keep up the same Establish-
-ment and who are to look up to the Perks
of their Principals for Rewards for their
Services.

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Services. It does not appear necessary to grant the same Indulgence to them.

The President on his Character of Commander in Chief recommends the following Promotions & Appointments.

Promotions recommended by the Commander in Chief, & approved by the Board.

Mr. Alexander Falconer Conductor of Artillery to be a Lieutenant Fire-Worker vice Coupland promoted - date of rank 27 April 1787.

Lieutenant Henry Williamson to be Quarter-Master to the 2d Regiment of Cavalry vice Leonard resigned.

Lieutenant Saml. William Ogg to be Adjutant to the 4th Batt.n of European Infantry Vice Conyngham permitted to go home on half pay.

Lieutenant George Martin to be Adjutant to the 2d Batt.n of native Infantry vice Stewart

Ordered Accordingly.

The President informs the Board that he has written to General Home desiring him to recall the detachment under the Command of Major Macleod on the District of Palamcotah, provided no unforseen

The President informs the Board that he has given Directions for the Detachment under Major Macleod to be eventually recalled.

Circumstance

circumstance unknown at the Presidency should render it necessary to detain the above Force in the Field.-

The Board approve the additional Orders given to General Horne by the President.- approved.-

Read the following Letter from Colonel Casspur.

To the Honble. Major General Sir Arch.d Campbell K.B. Governor in Council &c.a

Honble Sir & Sirs

In the different out Garrisons on this Coast & particularly at the Presidency there are a number of Officers & men who have lost their Senses, as they draw all their allowances, are distributed about; & have no person to take care of them; they cause at a very great expence to the Company; & yet are left destitute of almost every comfort or convenience. If a House or any other Building of the Company in the Black Town, could be fitted up for People of this description, and Nurses and a Doctor appointed to attend them; it is very probable that some of those who are now Ill might be recovered; the Company maintain the remainder for a quarter of the money it now costs, and the misery of those

From the Commissary General, recommending that a Place be fitted up in the Black Town, for the Reception of those Officers & Men who have lost their Senses.-

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Have unhappy People be greatly alleviated

I have the honor to be with great

Respect. &c. &c.

(Signed) I. Capper

C.G. &c. &c.

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To lie on the Table.

Ordered to lie on the Table

Read a Letter from Mr. Oakes

From the Payt. at Palamcotah.

Paymaster at Palamcotah / entered on M.B. No 19 /

enclosing a Correspondence between him &

Major Mac Leod on the Subject of Payments

to the detachment Commanded by the latter

Minute thereon.

Ordered to lie on the Table until

Major Mac Leod's answer is received to the

Complaints exhibited against him by Mr.

Oakes.

Ex.d

Geo. Jul. Harton

Arch. Campbell

Alex. Davidson

Ja. H. Casamajor

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Diary.

5.th Sent the following Letter and Enclosure to the Paymaster at Palamcotah.-

To M.r Thomas Oakes
Paymaster at
Palamcotah

Sir,

I am directed by the Honible the President in Council to enclose for your information & guidance a Copy of a Letter addressed to Eitabar Caun by His Highness the Nabob.-

Agreably to the instructions therein given, you will receive from Eitabar Caun Six thousand Star Pagodas monthly for the Payment of the Troops on the District of Palamcotah.-

Sam
&c.a &c.a

(Signed) John Chamier
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To the Paymaster at Palamcotah, inclosing a Letter from the Nabob to Eitabar Caun on the Subject of Exchange; and desiring him to receive from his Highness's Manager Six thousand Pagodas.-

Translation

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5th Translation

To Eilabar Saiva

Although the exchange of Pouchrams at Tinnevelly was formerly settled after much objection with the consent of the Sheraffs and Setties from whom Pouchillas were taken and I wrote you on the Subject and the Governor wrote the Officers belonging to the Company thereon—yet now complaints have been received on the Exchange of those Pouchrams & the Officers have set forth to the Governor that it has risen to Twenty and Twenty one Fanams p Pagoda—Thus the Governor has represented to me and inquired to what I wrote you on the Subject you tell me no difference has happened in the Exchange and that the Company's People interfere in this business.—

In order however to put a stop to complaints in future, I have determined that the Sum of Six Thousand Pagodas Monthly for the expence of the Company's Troops, be paid from the 1st of May in Pagodas, & this can be done with the greatest ease—and the Troops will henceforth have nothing to object regarding Exchange—But in order to preserve

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5th To preserve the rate of Exchange, which we think much below it was fixed some time ago, you are to be strict with the Sherasts and Setties—and if any of them shall attempt to alter it, you are to punish & expell them.—

You are also totally to break up the new spurious fanams, and to enforce the Currency of the fanams of the old and good Coin.—

Sent the undermentioned Letters registered in M. B. N.os 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25.—

To Lieutenant Colonel Bridges, enclosing

To Lt. Colonel Bridges.— Copy of the aforegoing Letter from the Nabob to Eshabar Cawn.—

To Mr. J. Balfour to deliver to the Depoy

To the Clerk to the Committee of Works— Agent the Cloathing provided by him for the Gun Lascars.—

To Mr. Kingscote, to receive the Cloathing

To the Depoy Agent.— from Mr. Balfour and issue the same to the Gun Lascars.—

To Mr. Graham to pay Lieutenant Dome

To the acting Paymr. as Above.— the difference between Captains & Lieutenants allowances from 7th April 1786 to the 9th March 1787.

To Mr. Burke the Board have permitted

To his Majestys Paymaster General.— the Adjutant General of his Majestys Troops to draw for all Batta from the 1st Instant.

To

Fort St. George May 1727:-

5th Sethe Military Paymaster General & to the Commissary General the Board have permitted the Heads & Companys Adjutants General & Quarter Master General to draw Said Batta from the 1st Instant.-

To the Military Paymaster General & to the Commissary General,-

6th Received the undermentioned Letters entered in the M.B. Nos 26- 27. 28. 29.-

From Masulipatam

From Masulipatam with respect and Estimate from Captain Prescott Engineer which are submitted to the determination of Government.-

From Col: Stuart,

From Colonel Stuart enclosing a Letter and Estimate from Captain Byres-

Ordered that the foregoing Estimates be sent to the Chief Engineer.-

From Mr. L. Jones Conductor of Stores.

From Mr. L. Jones Conductor of Stores enclosing a Certificate of ill Health and requesting permission to proceed to Europe in Consequence.-

From the Resident at Negapatam.-

From Mr. Lewin, the Stores shipped on Board the Snow Travancore arrived on the 22d Ultimo and was delivered over to the order of General Horne.-

At

Fort S.t George 8.th May 1787.-

At a Consultation Present
The Honble. Major General
Sir. Archibald Campbell K.B.
President
Alexander Davidson Esq.r
& James Henry Casamajor Esq.r

Tuesday
the 8.th May 1787.-

Minutes of last Consultation read
and approved.-

Read the following Letter from
Bengal.-

To the Honble Sir. Arch.d Campbell K.B.
President in Council at
Fort S.t George

Honble Sir,

We have been honoured with
Letters from the President and Members of the Council
dated the 13.th and 14.th of last Month.-

From Bengal
stating the mode
by which the Pension
Batta to the Field
Officers & Captains
is to be discharged-
Bills to be drawn
on them for compleat-
ing the Purchase
of Horses for the
19.th Regim.t of
Light Dragoons.-

We are concerned that the probable
State of our Finances at the Period when the
Bills of Exchange now you are to draw on us —
become payable, will not enable us without
subjecting us to some Inconvenience to discharge
so heavy a Demand as would then be due,
were you to grant Bills on this Government in
favor of the Field Officers and Captains as well
as of the Subalterns and privates, for the full Batta
allowed to those who were Prisoners in the —
Mysore

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Myself Country, We should certainly have apprised you of this Circumstance on our letter of the 7th February last we did not supposed that the reference contained in your address of the 4th January was intended to be confined only to the case of Subalterns and Privates, and that it was settled, according to our Letter of the 29th November 1786 that the Field Officers and Captains were to be paid in Bengal Bonds: But if your Government should be pledged for the same mode of Payment to these Gentlemen as to the Subalterns and Privates we shall not hesitate, however inconvenient it may be to us, to honour your Bills for the Amount which the Field Officers and Captains are to receive should you not be pledged as we suppose, we yet authorize you to give an Option to the Field Officers and Captains of being paid in Certificates to be exchanged for Bengal Bonds or in Certificates that shall come in course of Payment according to their Place in the General Register. We imagine that the last mode of Payment would be most agreeable to them because if they should be disposed to realize their Certificates before they become due, they can do so at an easier Discount

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Discount than is generally Demanded on Bengal Bonds.—

We readily give you Permission to draw on us for the Sum that may be necessary to compleat the 19th Regt in Horses, we trust to Colonel Floyd's economy in making his Purchases on the most moderate Terms, and we should be glad if the Drafts you make on us could be made in Certificates, If not the Bills should be payable at as late a Period as they can be negociated at without much raising the Europ Exchange.—

We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Cornwallis
Ch. Stuart
J. Shore.

Fort William
Secret & Mil. Dept
9th April 1787.—

Minute respecting Prison Batta.

Agreed that the part of the foregoing which relates to the mode of discharging the Prison Batta to the Field Officers & Captains &c. be published in General Orders, that the above officers may on application to the Military Paymaster General avail themselves of either of the modes offered to them by the Bengal Government.—

Agreed also that a Letter be

Fort St. George 8th May 1784.—

Minute respecting the Purchase of Horses for the 19th Regiment Light Dragoons.—

Ordered, that a Letter be addressed to Colonel Floyd, desiring him to report to what Sum it will be further necessary to compleat the Purchase of Horses for his Regiment in addition to the 10,000 Pags already advanced to him by a Bill on Masulipatam.—

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.—

To the Honorable Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K. B. Governor &c. &c. &c. in Council

Honble Sir & Sirs.—

From the Military Board on the application of the Quarter Masters of Cavalry, and Adjutants of native Corps, to be allowed an Increase of Pay.—

We have been honored with Mr. Secretary Shannon's Letter of the 29th Instant with Enclosures from the Quarter Masters of Cavalry, and Depoy Adjutants, soliciting for an increase of Pay &c.a

After a careful investigation of the application from the Quarter Masters of Cavalry, it appears to us, from the nature, and importance of the duties attending their Stations, that the Officers holding them are entitled to a proportionate reward of their Services;— We beg leave, therefore to recommend that, their former allowance of 5/9 Pr Diem, be restored to them, in addition to the Pay

approved.

which

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which they receive exclusively from their Rank in the army.—

In the Statement of the allowances of Staff-Officers which accompanied the forementioned Papers, We observe, that the Adjutants of Native Corps have also suffered such a diminution of their former allowances, as render the advantages of their Posts very inadequate to the Fatigues inseparably connected therewith; which are obviously much greater than those of the Adjutants of European Infantry. The present made Establishment seems to make the attainment of a Staff-Appointment, an object of some importance to an Ensign, which only procures for a Lieutenant, the inconsiderable emolument of about nine Pagodas P.r Month. as we conceive it would prove more beneficial to the public Service to have these duties executed by Officers, from whose superiority of Rank, a more perfect knowledge, and experience, in their Profession, might be consequently expected, we beg leave to suggest to your Honor &c.a the expediency of granting to the Adjutants of native Corps an allowance of 5/ P.r Diem. independent of the pay annexed to their respective Rank in the Army, on the same

Manner

Approved.

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manner, as enjoyed by the Adjutants of European Battalions.—

With respect to the increase of the allowance for House Rent, applied for by the Depy adjutants at the Presidency, as we cannot perceive any reasonable foundation in support of such a Claim, we do not recommend that it should be granted

We have the honor to be, with the perfect respect.—

(Signed) J. Casper
" Henry Malcolm
Sal. Campbell
J. Bilcliffe
Wm Sydenham
J. Moorhouse

Fort S. George
4th May 1787.

Agreed to confirm the Recommendations of the Military Board & that a General Order be issued notifying the Extra allowances to be given to the Quarter Master of Cavalry & the Adjutants of native Infantry.—

Read the following Letter from the Paymaster at Palamcotah.—

John

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John Chamier Esq.re
Military Secretary
at Fort S.t George

Sir,

In consequence of my last address to Major Macleod Copy of which I transmitted to you a few days since, he applied to Eitabar Cawn for a sum of money for the use of his Detachment which Eitabar Cawn has taken upon himself to furnish him with as it was dispatched to Camp this morning -

From the Payor at Palamcotah Eitabar Cawn supplies Major Macleod with Money for the use of his Detach=ment. -

I think it of Importance instantly to acquaint you of this Circumstance for the Information of the Honble Governor in Council lest any difference in the mode of Payments by Major Macleod to his Detachment should create dissatisfaction among the Troops in this Garrison, who are receiving their Pay for the last month as usual at the exchange of 16 5/8 Colly Fanams P Pagoda, which I am well assured they would not patiently submit to, under the knowledge that any other Troops in this District were paid either at a different Exchange or in a different manner with a view of evading the Orders which had unfortunately regulated the Payments in this Garrison.- I have the honor to be. - &c.a &c.a (Signed) L. Oakes Paym.r

Palamcotah
3.d May 1787. -

and

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Taken from the Table.-

Ordered that an answer be returned to the Letter addressed to Major Macleod.-

Read the following Letter from Mr. Cockburn, with Enclosures / entered on Mr.

No. 20. 21.-/

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K. B.
Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Gentlemen,

From the Agent for Spirituous Liquors requesting that Government will take the Brandy off his Hands;- and desiring to be informed how the Troops are to be supplied with Arrack until the Spirits arrive from Bengal.-

When I had my late Contract for supplying the Troops with Spirituous Liquors to prevent a possibility of any being deficient in wholesome Liquor at a time when the Season would not permit any bringing Spirits from Bengal, I purchased a considerable Quantity of Brandy- This heavy Stock now lies on my Hands & I hope Government will be pleased to take into their Store this Stock which was purchased that I might not be deficient in wholesome Spirits for my Contract- I propose disposing of it to the natives & others at 1/4 Fanam per Draw- This is a reasonable price, & a profit will accrue to Government by selling it in this manner- The whole of the Brandy I have in

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in hand, measures Gallons 14850- and Stands me Pags. 11,975 13. 5- in my Books.-

Quantities of Brandy are disposed of in different parts, being by some considered a Spirit that does not come under the Prohibitory Clause in the General Order of 10th December 1786- & if it was intimated that this Spirit would be issued from the Publick Stores, it would prevent irregularities as the men are secretly supplied from private Shops.-

Upon balancing my agency Books to the 30th of April last, I find there are only 11634 Gallons of Arrack in the different Stores which will be consumed in about five weeks.-

I beg to be directed what Steps I am to take for Supplying the Troops until the Spirits arrive from Bengal, the consumption at present is near 10,000 Gallons monthly.-

I have the Honor to be

&c.a &c.a

Fort St. George
7th May 1787.-

(Signed) Basil Cochrane
Agent for Spirituous Liquors.-

The Brandy to be purchased.-

Agreed that the Brandy offered by the agent be purchased, & that the Amount

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Amount being Pag.s 11,975. 13. 5/ be paid one half from the Cash. & the other half by a Bill on Masulipatam.-

Liquor to be purchased.-

Resolved also that Mr. Cochrane be directed to make such additional purchases of Liquor as may be necessary for the consumption of this Employ to the 31st December next.

Letters entered

Read the following letters entered in the M.B. N.os 32-33.-

From Lieutenant Tomblanque stating the necessity of a Riding master to the Cavalry, & requesting to be indulged with the appointment which he offers to fill without any Extra allowance until the pleasure of the Court of Directors be known.-

From Lieutenant Tomblanque.-

Agreed that Lieutenant Tomblanque who is represented by the Commander in Chief as a capable Officer, be appointed to the Post he solicits & that his nomination be reported to the Honorable the Court of Directors.-

Minute thereon

From Mrs Adamson, stating that her Husband was the Heir of Peter Martin & John Mulligan, Privates who died in Prison in the Mysore Country, & claiming the

From Mrs Adamson.-

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The Batta due to them at the time of their decease, agreeably to the Powers with which she is vested by the Honble the Mayors Court — Enclosing Colonel Elphinstone's Certificate of his having seen the Wills, & ascertained the Names of the Claimants.—

Agreed that the Military Paymaster General be directed to add the above Claims to the List for the periods certified by Colonel Elphinston, President of the Committee for ascertaining the Batta due to the Prisoners in the Mysore Country.—

Minute thereon

The President in his Character of Commander in Chief represents to the Board the necessity of attaching a certain number of Artillery Lascars to the Laboratory at the Presidency both for the purpose of assisting in the Work carried on there, & to instruct them to perform the same, & being of opinion that some Encouragement ought to be given to those who may particularly distinguish themselves in the laborious employment, proposes, that a Tyrang one Serit Lendar, one 2.d Lendar & fifteen Lascars be allowed Working Money.—

a certain Number of the Artillery to be attached to the Laboratory at the Presidency, & to be allowed working Money.—

The Board approve the Commander in Chief's recommendation & it is in consequence Resolved, that the following Rates be established for

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for the People abovementioned.—

A Syrang to be allowed 3 Fanams p. Day

1st Tindal . . . . . 2 Do. . . . Do.

2d Do. . . . . 1½ Do. . . . Do.

Lascars . . . . . 1 Do. . . . .

Agreed also that the above allowances be drawn by the Director of the Laboratory who will take care that they are properly appropriated.

Ex.d
Geo. Jul.s Martin

Arch.d Campbell

Alex. Davidson

Sa.l Hollamajor

Fort S.t George 4.th May 1787.

Diary.-

9.th Received the undermentioned Letter from the Chief & Council at Vizagapatam dated the 27.th Ult.mo/ as entered in the M.B. N.o 34/ enclosing Copy of a General Order issued by Colonel Brathwaite to the Commanding Officer in their District, which appearing to Militate against the orders of Government of the 1.st November they transmit to the Board for their Sentiments upon it.-

From the Chief & Council at Vizagapatam.

Sent the undermentioned Letter /entered in M.B. N.os 35-36-37, 38/-

To Colonel Floyd - transmitting him Extract of a letter from the Government General, respecting the compliating His Majesty's 19.th Regiment of Dragoons with Horses - & to inform the Board what sum will be necessary to compleat the purchases, in addition to the Pag.s 10,000 - already advanced him by a Bill on Masulipatam.-

To Col.o Floyd Comm.d.g 19.th Reg.t of L.t Dragoons.

To Lieutenant Colonel Ross to report upon the letter & estimate from Captain Byres relative to repairs necessary for the great Fort at Tanjore & upon an extract of a letter from Masulipatam with the letter from Capt.n

To the Chief Engineer.-

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Capt. Prescott

To the Paymaster at Tanjore—ordered

788 Lt. Hippesley— to sell of immediately to the best advantage one third of the Grain under his charge which may be in a perishable condition & to report without loss of time the state of the Grain on hand, that the Board may determine what measures are necessary at present for replacing the quantity to be sold, or for disposing of a larger portion.—

10th To Mr. W. Mallet—informing him that the Board decline reversing the Sentence of the Court Martial lately held upon him.—

To Mr. Mallet

At a Consultation Present

The Honble Sir Arch. Campbell Kt.

President

Alexander Davidson Esq.

James Henry Casamajor Esq.

Members of last Consultation,

Friday the 11th May 1787.—

read and approved.—

Read the following Letter from Masulipatam.—

To

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To the Honble. Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President & Governor in Council
at Fort S. George

Honble Sir,

We think it necessary to inform you, that the new Settlement with the Zemindars & other Tributaries in this District being now concluded, the different Detachments of Sepoys, which were employed during the course of that Settlement on Revenue Service, are now returned to their respective Garrisons, excepting one Company of Sepoys under the Command of an European Officer, which, at the request of the young Zemindar of Pettapore is continued in that Country, until his authority shall have been firmly established, this Company we mean likewise shall be relieved, by half a Company of Sibbendy Sepoys, as soon as we conceive it may be done with safety to the Collections & Tranquillity of the Country.-

From Masulipatam the different Detachments of Sepoys, which were employed on Revenue Service, are returned excepting one Company which at the request of the Young Zemindar of Pettapore is continued in that Country.-

We have also required of Colonel Braithwaite, to give orders for relieving all such small Guards of Regular & Invalid Sepoys as are still out in the Districts, by Sibbendy Sepoys, as soon as he shall think the Latter fit for Service.-

We

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We have the Honor to be very respect-
fully &c. &c. &c.

(Signed) Charles Floyer
J. Dobbyn

Masulipatam
3d. May 1787.

Read the following Letter from the
Commissary General.

To the Honble. Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K. B.
Governor in Council &c.

Honble Sir & Sirs

From the Commissary General respecting the Rates of Cooly hire to the different Out Garrisons.

The rates of Cooly hire to the different Out Garrisons has been settled by the Committee of Police, and when they go by themselves as they can travel at the rate of 20 miles a day it is in their own power to make a profitable Journey of it, but when they accompany a body of Europeans marching slowly on hire of Peace, their march is regulated by the Commanding Officer of the Detachment who sometimes prolongs it beyond the time for which they are paid. This Circumstance occasions great difficulty in procuring Coolies especially at a short notice, & when they often run away on the road. which may be prevented, either by allowing them 1 Fanam a day when marching with Detachments of Europeans

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Europeans in time of Peace, or by giving them a proper daily Pay for as many days as they are employed & for their return when you have been pleased to settle this point, it will of course form a part of the new Regulations.

I have the honor to be with great Respect &c. &c. &c.

J Capper
D.A.G. &c. &c. &c.

Fort S. George
9th May 1787.

Ks Colonel Capper's ideas respecting the Hire to Coolies who march with Detachments appear just, it is agreed that they be adopted & that this Resolution be communicated to him.

Minute thereon

Read the following Extract from the Minutes of the Publick Department.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation the 8th May 1787.

Read the following Letter from the Accountant General.

To the Honble Sir Arch. Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Fort S. George

Honble Sir & Sirs.

Beg leave to suggest some alterations in the mode of keeping the Accounts of the Military

Having maturely considered the Subject & being of Opinion that the alterations

Fort St. George 11th. May 1787.-

Extract from the Minutes of the Public Department containing a Letter from the Accountant General, with the observations of the Board thereon, in respect to a new mode of keeping the Accounts of the Civil & Military expences of this Presidency.-

Military expences of this Presidency amongst to bring the whole into the Books of the Military Paymaster General, as also to save unnecessary trouble to the Subordinate Factory to the Officers of the Army, and to the Departments of the Paymaster General & Commissary General.

When the Company acquired the Sovereignty of Thoose Countries the value of the acquisition being little known to them, in order to ascertain what they should be gainers by the acquisition, they directed that all the Military and other Charges incurred on that account, should be set off against the Revenue collected and this mode was continued, till the establishment of the Board of Revenue last year

attendance for opposed by the Accountant General on the mode of keeping the Civil and Military Accounts would occasion much trouble to the different Departments and at the same time complicate the accounts of that Presidency- The Board therefore think proper to pass the following order and Resolution.-

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year, at the Occasion
for making the distinction
had long ceased to exist—
Have therefore to recommend.

Par. 1st That all Military Charges in the Current Month shall be transferred from the Books of Masulipat.m Vizagapatam, and Ganjam to those of the Military Paymaster General, by an Adjustment to be made in those several Books ending 31st Instant.—

Para 1st Approved and Ordered accordingly.—

2d That in future, that is to say, from the first day of each month, instead of detailing the Military Charges on the books of those Factories the Paymaster should receive advances from the Chiefs and Councils such advances to be carried to their Debit on the Books of the Factory, and the several Heads, and Officers be credited as at the end of each year, to Military Paym.r General & the latter Head to Accruals Current Fort St. George

2d D.o — D.o

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Fort S.t George 11.th May 1765.—

The Journal accountants will
on the 31.st of April of each
year forward to the Military
Paymaster General, a
Statement of the particulars
of the advances made to
each Paymaster to compare
with the Credits in their
accounts and the Paymasters
should send in their
Accounts and Vouchers
as vested to the Chiefs &
Councils to be by them
forwarded to the Military
Paymaster General with
their remarks / if any /
thereon particularly on the
Contingent Charges for the
information of the Commissary
General in auditing them
3.d In the books of the Civil
Paymaster at Madras, there
are Several of a Military
nature under the Heads
of Charges Garrison Charges
General, and Charges
Extraordinary, these I
recommend should in future
be paid by the Military
Paymaster General and
Charged in his instead of
the Civil Paymasters books.
4.th A Considerable part of

3.d Approved & ordered
According ly.—

4.th Resolved that such

Your

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your Military disbursements at present appear only on the books of the Superintendants of the Nabobs Accounts, the Treaty lately made with His Highness will after the date of its commencement by the 15th July next, render it unnecessary to keep separate Books and then all the accounts of the Nabobs Garrison, as well as every other military Charge of this Presidency will according to this plan be comprehended in the Military Paymaster Generals Books and the aggregate amount thereof will appear at one View, instead of having recourse to five or six different sets of Books, which has hitherto been necessary to enable us to make out the annual Statements of Expenditure.

5th In order the arrangement more Complete & to simplify and shorten as much as possible the voluminous accounts of the Office of Military Paymr. Genl

such Paymasters of Garrisons or others as have an open Account with the Superintendant of Nabobs Disbursements do continue to send in the same as at present until the 15th July next - on which day they are finally to close all accounts with the Superintendant, and the charges at present carried to his Account are from that time to be charged to the Military Paymaster General -

5th Approved and Ordered accordingly -

It is further resolved that no Officers who may leave their Stations either on Sick

thereof

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General Order

Sickness or on leave - mind that the Officers ret- - of absence, not to be - ted of drawing their Pay entitled to any Allowances on separate Accounts to receive Cutts and under different their pay at the Denominations as has Presidency or Army hitherto been the case - Other Place absent should draw the whole from their Corps, (excepting Batta) in one unless they produce Bill to be charged on the a Certificate from Books, to one Head; in the Paymaster by order however to prevent whom they were future trouble should the last paid their alterations be disapproved Allowances, of the of at home - They may time to which they continue to state the have been paid - particulars of their several and on their return Allowances Viz.t they are to be Subsistance for the present required to produce Month - } -000 a Certificate of the Gratuity for last Month-000 time to which Bat & Pens Money &c. 000 they have been 000 paid while absent This Roster will, when it is from their Corps allowed, may be also included and all Paymasters by which means the amount are to grant such of Work could easily be Certificates on appli- abstracted if an adjustment cation being made which is not probable to them. - on the old Form, should be hereafter ordered.

6th. That the Books of the Agent for Victualling the Troops

6th. Approved and Ordered Accordingly -

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Troops which have hitherto been considered Subsidiary to those of the Military Paymaster General, I would recommend to be made Subsidiary to the General Books of the Presidency, and the Balance compared of Grain and Provision in Store at the out Garrisons inserted therein as a part of the Stock of the Honble Company, the advance of Cash for the use of this Department at the Presidency will in that case be made from the Treasury instead of the Military Paymasters Office.—

7th I would also recommend that an arrangement be made in the accounts of Civil Disbursements similar to the arrangement above proposed /article 2/ for the Military and that the Civil Paymaster at Madras should be appointed Civil Paymaster General, the Salary to the Governor and Council and of the Civil Servants under Council

7th Resolved that an arrangement do take place in the accounts of Civil Disbursements similar to the above proposed /article 2/ for the Military, and that the Civil Paymaster be nominated Civil Paymaster General.—

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Council, whereby has hitherto been Charged in the Cash account, ought in future to pass thro' the hands of the Civil Paymaster General in order that the whole expence of the Civil establishment may be Comprehended on his Books.

8.th In the Accounts of the Civil Paymaster there is a Considerable monthly Charge for Cooley hire materials furnished &c.a under the head of Committee of Works, as money is likewise issued from the Company's Cash for the Charges of that Committee, and a set of Books kept for that Department, I do not see why the Civil Paymaster should interfere by paying apart of their Charges. I would therefore recommend that in future the whole

8.th approved and Ordered accordingly.

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whole of the disbursements of the Committee of Works should be issued by them, and included in their Books.—

Q.th In the books of the Committee of Works under the heads Charges General and Charges Extraordinary Charges both of a Civil & Military nature are blended; in order to discriminate them in future, I beg leave to propose that new heads be raised for the purpose viz.t Civil Charges General — Military Charges General and the like for the Charges Extraordinary.—

Q.th approved & ordered accordingly.—

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

Fort St. George
4th April 1787.

(Signed) Geo. Moubray
Accountant

Ordered that Copy of the above Resolution be transmitted to the Accountant General and that he be desired to send in conformity thereto the necessary orders and Instructions to the Subordinate Factories and to the different Departments at the Presidency.—

Ordered

Fort S. Tor of 11th May 1787.

Ordered likewise that the Secretary to the above Department be furnished with a Copy of the above Letter from the Accountant Generals with the Orders and Resolutions passed thereon and that a General Order be published to the effect of the 1st. 2d. 4th and 5th Articles.-

Above Extract
[Signed] Robert Clerke
D.J. Secretary

Ordered that a General Order be prepared
Minute thereon. agreeable to the foregoing Resolutions on the Publick Department.-

Read a Letter from Mr. William Mallet late Surgeon on this Establishment [entered in M.B. No. 29] requesting that his Memorial may be transmitted to the Court of Directors, & that he may be permitted to remain in this Country until the issue of the intercession of his Friends may be known.-

From Mr. Mallet.-

Agreed that Mr. Mallets Memorial be
Minute thereon transmitted to the Court of Directors, & that he be permitted to remain in the Country until the issue of the intercession of his Friends be known.-

Arch.d Campbell

Alex.r Davidson

Ja.s H. Harris Major

Fort St. George May 1787.

Diary.

12th Ordered That the following Letter from Mr. Secretary Hay, with the Accountant General's Reply, be entered hereunder.

To John Charnier Esqr
Secretary to the Worlle the President in Council at Fort St. George

Sir

The Military Paymaster General having been required, on the Receipt of the Letter from the Worlle the President and Council at Fort St. George of the 4th March, to prepare an Account of the extraordinary Expences of the Bengal Troops serving on the Carnatic during the late War, he has acquainted the Governor General in Council that he finds it impossible to prepare the Account in question without a further Explanation of the Purposes for which it is wanted - you are requested to state this Circumstance to the Worlle the President in Council that the explanation desired by the Military Paymaster General at this Presidency may be furnished him.

From Mr. Secretary Hay, requesting a further Explanation of the Purposes for which the Account of the extraordinary expences of the late Bengal Detachment serving on the Carnatic, is wanted -

I am
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) C. Hay
Secry

Fort William
Secret & Mily Dept
20th April 1787 -

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12th

To John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir,

I have answer to the Letter of 20th April last from Mr. Hay Secretary to the Secret and Military Department at Fort William - desiring you will inform him what the account rendered of the extraordinary expences of the Bengal Troops is for the Purpose of compleating a general Statement of the extraordinary expences of the late War on the Carnatick.-

From the Accomptant General, for reply.-

That we may be enabled to select what we deem to come under the description of Extraordinary Charges, I think you should write to Bengal for an Abstract of the whole expence of the Bengal Troops while serving on the Carnatick, arranged under the different heads of expenditure from which We shall be enabled to determine what ought to be carried to the head of Second War with Hyder Ally a proportion of which is to be charged to the account of His Highness the Nabob of the Carnatick.

A Statement of the Sums advanced at different times to the Bengal Troops by our Military Paymaster General has already

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12th already been transmitted.

Sam

Dc. a Dct.

Accountant Generall Office
Fort St. George
12th May 1787.-

(Signed) Geo. Moubray
Accountant

Copy of the Accountant Generall's Letter to be sent to Bengal.

Ordered that a Copy of the Accountant Generall's Letter be transmitted to Bengal / Vide M. B, No. 40.-

From the Pay.r at Trichinopoly

Received the undermentioned Letter from the Paymaster at Trichinopoly, dated the 9th Instant / as entered on the M. B. No. 46 requesting to be informed if the order for granting Certificates should not be countermanded- Recommending that a G.O. be again published, forbidding Staff- allowances to be drawn for an advance, except to the Aquitants & Quarter Masters to the European Corps.-

12th Sent the undermentioned Letters / entered on M, B, No. 42, 43-44-45, 46, 47, 48 /

To Vizagapatam

To Vizagapatam advising that Colonel Braithwaite would have acted with more regularity had he applied to the Commander in Chief for the permission of Government previous to his ordering Captain Smith upon a duty, which involved an extra expence to the Honble Company.-

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13th To the Honble B.r Cochrane — The Board consent to purchase the Brandy offered by Sweet, amounting to P.s 11,975. 13. 5. to be paid for one Half in Cash, & the other half by a Bill on Masulipatam.

To the Honble B.r Cochrane.

To Mr. William Mallet. — To Mr. W.m Mallet late Surgeon His Memorial to be transmitted to the Court of Directors — Will be permitted to remain in this Country some time longer for the purpose of settling his affairs. —

To the Commissary General. — To Coll Capper — His proposition respecting Cody Here, deemed just & reasonable. —

To Captain J.n Cox. — To Captain John Cox — informing him of the Boards permission to proceed to Europe for three years on half pay agreeably to his request. —

To Mr. J. Jones. — To Mr. John Jones, Conductor of Stores — permitted to proceed to Europe on half pay — a provision will be made for his passage according to the G. O. of 16th January. —

To the Military Board. — To the Military Board on the papers received from Captains Blacker & Mackay, upon which they are desired to report their opinion — also to mention what Surgeons are entitled to Off-reckonings agreeably to the G. O. of the 16th April 1796

To Vizagapatam & Ganjam. — To Vizagapatam & Ganjam Capt.n Smith

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13th Smith to proceed on the duty ordered by Colonel Braithwaite & every necessary assistance to be given him in the accomplishment of the Service which he is to perform.-

At a Consultation Present
The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President
Alexander Davidson Esq.
& James Henry Casamajor Esq.
Members of last Consultation read & approved.-

Tuesday the 15th May 1787.-

Read the following Letter from Colonel Floyd.-

Fort St. George 14th May 1787.

To the Honble the
President in Council
&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

I have the honour of your Commands in Mr. Secretary Chamiers Letter of the 8th Instant together with an extract from a Letter of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council respecting the completeating of his Majestys 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons with Horses.- Since your late orders to procure

From Colonel Floyd.- The further sum of 15,000 Pagodas wanted to compleat the Purchase of Horses for the 19th Regt. Light Dragoons.-

250

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250 Horses in addition to the former Lot, you have been pleased to supply me with 10,000 Pagodas by a Bill on Masulipatam, which at a rough guess, of 100 Pags pr Horse, will purchase 100 Horses - at the same rate it will require 15,000 Pagodas more, to purchase the remaining 150 Horses.-

In Obedience to your Honors Orders the true Price of the Horses shall be correctly stated: The foregoing sum is named merely for the sake of an estimate, but is probably near the mark & most likely, is not below it.-

I beg to assure you, Sir, that all due economy shall be observed on my part, as best to answer the purposes of Government.

I have the Honour to be with great respect,-

Vc.a Vc.a

(Signed) J. Floyd.

Col.

Bills upon Bengal for 25,000 Pagodas to be offered by the President to the principal Merchants.-

Agreed that the President be desired to offer to the principal Merchants Bills upon Bengal for Pags 95,000 being the Amount of the Sum necessary to compleat the 1st Regiment with Horses.-

Read the following Letter from Major Macleod.-

To

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To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.t B.
Governor &.c Council of
Fort S.t George

Honble Sir & Sirs

On the 1.st instant I received a letter from Mr. Secretary Shannon written by desire of the Honble Board, in which I am accused of "a breach of the orders of Government of the 7.th May last" and of having "been guilty of a very extraordinary act of violence" both Charges founded on a letter addressed to Government by Mr. Thomas Oakes Paymaster at Palamcotah, a copy of which Mr. Shannon forwarded to me, desiring an immediate explanation on the Subject of it.

From Major Macleod in Vindication of his Conduct against the Complaints preferred by the Paymaster at Palamcotah.

As it is my disposition as well as duty to pay the most respectful deference to the opinion of the Honble Board, I am very much concerned and alarmed at your conducting or even suffering me guilty of crimes of this very serious nature.-

But Honble Sir & Sirs, at this I shall not here attempt to confute any part of Mr Oakes's letter-, I shall only disavow being guilty of a breach of the orders of Government-

or,

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or, having committed an act in any degree violent in this affair; altho' I can with justice mention, in return to the circumstantial and friendly narrative by Mr. Oakes, with every desire to give my conduct the appearance of violence, that my proceedings were artfully wrought upon by rumours and insolence, on purpose to provoke me to commit what might be called acts of violence -

The loss to which the troops would be subjected by the mode of payment offered by Mr. Oakes would amount to about twenty two p Cent - This is well understood by every man of the detachment under my command: - and when they learned that they were to be paid at the exchange of 116 Califanams for a Star Pagoda, and eight Califanams for the 24 Madras fanams in each Sepoys pay: - they murmured very much - and declared to the Officer their strong sense of the injustice of such payments - The Officer did all in their power to persuade them of the disposition of Government to do justice to their troops - and the Commanding Officer of each part of the detachment as had received an

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pay for February, either wrote or spoke to me letting forth the loss that would ensue to their men by the payment proposed - and requested to draw a sum for immediate relief - and to defer settling the months accounts until the resolutions of Government were known in consequence of representations which they would forward without delay. Here I beg leave to observe that I ever considered it my duty to endeavour to procure justice on their payments to the troops entrusted to my charge. and on this occasion I took it upon me to comply with the request of the troops - which I hope will be judged fair & just - and no breach of the orders of Government -

At the same time I communicated the transaction to General Horne commanding the Southern Forces - to whom also were forwarded public representations setting forth the loss to which the troops would be subjected by the mode of payment offered by Mr Oakes - and from General Horne I had official intima -tion of those representations being laid before the Honble the Governor, who had given assuran -ces of his procuring justice to the troops - this intelligence gave great joy to the detachment; and in consequence of it the

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The loss to which the troops would be subjected by the mode of payment offered by Mr. Oakes would amount to about twenty two p Cent - This is well understood by every man of the detachment under my command; - and when they learned that they were to be paid at the exchange of 16 5/8 Cali fanams for a Star Pagoda, and eight Cali fanams for the 24 Madras fanams each Sepoys pay, - they murmured very much - and declared to the Officer their strong sense of the injustice of such payments - the Officers did all in their power to persuade them of the disposition of Government to do justice to their troops - and the Commanding Officer of each part of the detachment as had received no

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men determined Patiently to bear a Few days distress by the want of pay in confidence that Government would order them to be paid in an equitable manner

Frequent Representations being made to me of the distress of the troops — I wrote to the Paymaster on the Subject requesting that he would issue Some money for their relief on part of the pay due them — but he positively refused to comply, let the consequence be what it would, unless the Cal. Sarrans were received in the manner prescribed by them — and which was about twenty two Pagodas below the bazar exchange — this obliged me to direct the money Box to be brought to my Tent — there to be opened — and to issue its contents for the relief of the troops — This was done before Several Witnesses — The Sum found in the Box was eleven Thousand Five hundred & Sixty eight Cal. Sarrans which does not exceed a Third of the Sum Stillbase to the troops for the month of February last. I flatter myself the Worthy Board will not judge this part of my conduct as criminal or unjust, notwithstanding the contrary in which it has been represented.

The Secretary's letter accuses me of a breach

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"breach of the order of Government by which
"the exchange was settled on the 3d of May
"last" I take liberty to say Honble Sir & Sirs,
had there ever been issued a clear order settling
the exchange at which the troops were to be
paid, but by which it was afterwards found,
the troops lost a considerable part of their
pay— I would consider it my duty to
represent such loss to you— and the troops
would expect justice— but no such order is
to be found on our books— nor can I or any
other Officer of the detachment recollect ever
to have seen it— or any other order of Govern=
=ment to the purpose, unless a letter dated
the 10th July 1786. to General Stone from
Mr Chamier is what he alludes to.—

The letter which I am answering says
"that the Board are the more surprised at
"the relation contained in Mr Oakes letter,
"because the distinct line between Paymasters
"and Commanding Officers has long been
"fixed, and cannot but be well known to me."—
In answer to this I must declare that I am
not acquainted with any particular line
drawn by the public authority of Government
between Commanding Officers and Paymasters
— or with any regulations on the Subject— to
which

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which one circumstance set forth by Mr Oakes against me can with propriety be referred. I recollect one order on the Subject issued since I have been in the Service, making Commanding Officers responsible for the public money as well as the Paymaster, and ordering the former to keep one of the keys of the Cash chest- this order may be thought about by, but it has not yet been countermanded.-

I beg leave to observe that nobody principles of equity & reason, but a laudable and just zeal for the Service,- and even a natural attention to their own character & Situation;- have always led Officers of Seniority and experience to exert themselves to prevent the Soldiers being defrauded of any part of the pay allowed them by the Public- this, I presume, is so material a part of the duty of Officers, and so indispensably necessary to be attended to in your corps of native troops, that I am certain, a neglect in this Point would incur the displeasure and censure of your Honors &c.a upon this idea- I complied with the wishes of the detachment by requesting the Paymaster to issue some money for the relief, until I hear from your

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your order, in consequence of the representations made, arrived:- it was upon this idea- That Stock upon one to distribute the little money that was in camp;- and that I have since, upon Mr. Baber's positively to refuse any assistance, but on terms by which the Soldier would lose near a fourth of his pay, required of the Nabob's manager to advance one a little money to subsist the troops under my command.-

I am extremely sorry to trouble the Honble Board with this tedious address- and I am sensible of my incapacity for this kind of duty, upon which I entered with reluctance, and have gone through with much uneasiness of mind- May I hope, however that tame as my representation is, it will contribute to what your Honors &c. are already acquainted with to give a plain and just idea of this subject.-

I have the honor to be with perfect respect.- &c. &c. &c.

(Signed) Don. Macleod

Camp near Coilpettah
7th May 1787.-

Minute thereon

The Board having taken into Consideration the foregoing together with the Letter from Mr. Baber which relate to the subject; Resolve that the following answer be sent

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sent to Major Macleod by the Secretary.-

To Major Donald MacLeod

Sir,

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 3rd instant & to make the following observations thereon.-

It appears to the Board that your conduct even as represented by yourself is in the strongest degree reprehensible.- it was calculated to excite a very dangerous disposition in the Troops being nothing less than a resistance to the Orders of Government which had been positively announced & from which no deviation ought to have been suffered, much less made, by any subordinate Officer, unless in a case of absolute necessity which did not exist in the respect to your Detachment.

If the Exchange of which you complain as being so oppressive to the Troops under your Command, had been really so, its effects would of course have been experienced by the Troops under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Bridges who would in such case have represented the Grievance by the proper

Channel

In Major Macleods in Reply.-

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Channel to Government - this ought to have been your line, instead of the violent outrage committed by you on an Employ acting under the express Order of Government.

The Board disapprove your applying to the Nabob's Phousdar for money this being no part of your duty, & belonging to the Office of the Paymaster who is the regular Channel for Receipts & disbursements of Cash.

The Board are surprized that any Officer who has served the Company as long as you have done, should acknowledge ignorance of the line drawn between Officer Commanding Garrisons or Cantonments, & Paymasters as such line is established by the Book of Regulations is supported by repeated General Orders, & is well known to the youngest Subaltern in the Army.

The Board desire you write word to the Paymaster the Vouchers of your Disbursements that the Payments to the Detachments may be brought to Account in the usual mode.

Sam

&c.a &c.a

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15th May 1787.

Signed) I Charnier
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The Board are surprized that an Officer who has served the Company so long as you have done, should acknowledge ignorance of the line drawn between Officer Commanding Garrisons or Cantonments, & Paymasters as such line is established by the Book of Regulations is supported by repeated General Order, & is well known to the youngest Subaltern in the Army.

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Minute of the Board upon the Conduct of Mr. Baber Paymr. at Palamcotah.

sent to the Paymaster at Palamcotah, & that he be informed that the Board do not entirely approve his not granting the Troops of Major Mac Leod's Detachment a Sum on advance until a reference could be made to Government respecting the Exchange.—

Read the following Letter from the Comptroller General of Army Accounts.—

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K. B.
President & Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs.

From the Comptroller General of Army Accounts reporting upon the Accounts on the Superintendancy Department to the End of the Year 1785.

In consequence of my Appointment to Controul the Army Accounts from the commencement of the year 1785 I have examined those in the Superintendants Department to the end of the Year, and now have the Honor to report my Proceedings relative thereto.—

Mr. Johnston Paymaster at Madura has been called on to Refund Pagodas 266. 532 for overcharges on Candle Money

Money, and Surgeons allowances, and for Errors in the casting up of his Accounts which Sum he has accordingly brought to the Company's Credit in October 1786. –

Large Sums appearing in Mr. Johnston's Accounts for the period above alluded to as Interest Paid on Sums said to have been borrowed from different natives on the Company's Account I requested that Gentleman to produce the authority of Government for the same which however he has not hitherto done, but he represents that "during "the War he was under "the necessity of borrowing "Money at very high "Interest, on his own "Bonds, in order to carry "on and Supply the "necessary Demands "of his Employ, which "instead of being objected "to, was always readily "acquiesced in by Government.

Lon

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" For that Lord Macartney in
" every instance granted
" Company's Bonds to relieve
" his, and the present Govern-
" -ment have done the same
" and are now in possession
" of his Bonds, upon which
" are marked the several
" Sums of Interest paid
" thereon; and which he
" apprehends will be consider-
" -ed the best Vouchers
" that can be produced" He
also pleads the distress of
the Garrison and the
exigency of the Service as
the reasons for his taking
up the money. The total
Amount of Interest charged
on his Accounts for the
Year 1785 is Pagodas 1,844
or Pagodas 4,406 Fanams
as the Orders of Government
and the Rules of the Service
are provided in this respect,
Sir Samuel M.r Johnston
that I could not admit
of the above Charge of Interest,
but that I should refer the
matter to your Honor &c. a
which

12 p.Cent
admitted

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which I now accordingly beg
leave to do.—
In the Palamcotah
accounts for 1785 an Irregu-
-larity appears which can
only be rectified by your
Honble Board Surgeons Sub
allowances of 115 Pagodas
per Month were paid for
February, march, and April
1785 to Ensign Mair the
circumstances respecting
this Transaction are briefly
these. Mr. Surgeon Gordon
was appointed to the Garrison
of Palamcotah on the
beginning of the year
1785 but neglecting to proceed
thither, the Commanding
Officer Captain Bidolph
applied to the Commanding
Officer of the Troops in the
Field, Collonel Kelly
for a Surgeon to attend
the Sick in Garrison Colonel
Kelly not being able to spare
a Surgeon sent Ensign
Mair, who had formerly
practised Physic to Palam-
-cotah on that Capacity with
assurances

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Assurances that he should
receive a proper Recompence
for his trouble, and he
Accordingly drew those of
a full Surgeon for the three
months before mentioned;
after which Mr. Gordon
arrived and claimed the
Pay for those three months,
in consequence of his
appointment: Mr. Munro
holding a Commission in
the army cannot claim
the allowance he drew
as his Right, but if your
Honor &c. consider that
Gentleman as stepping out
of the Line of his Duty, at
a critical period of the late
Troubles in the Country
to contribute his Services
to Government, and to the
Community at large, many
occasion whereon other
medical assistance was
at hand, it may possibly
appear but reasonable
to you that he should
be rewarded for his exertions

Mr. Munro permitted
to draw the above
allow

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& that the recompence he
received, was no more than
he justly merited.

Mr. Surgeon Leslie
drew Pagodas 176. 26. 28
in March & may more than
he was entitled to for
Extra Pay and Batta
but both he & the Paymaster
dying soon after Lieut.
Copsbrehend Government
must submit to the Loss
the final adjustment
of the Palamcotah accounts
for the year 1785 waits
the decision of your Honor
&c.a on this points.

to be rectified

Captain Olivier who
acted as Paymaster at
Pennacoil for Mr. Benfield
for part of the year 1785, has
been called on and has
accordingly Refunded
Pagodas 35. 24. — for
Discharges in apprehen-
-ding Deserters and in
Canada Money, & Coronat
bringing Lascars Hospitals
to Madras. — Lieut.

these

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Lieutenant Colonel James Campbell who also acted for Mr Bonfield at that Place for part of that year has refunded Pagodas 42.24. on the same Account and Mr Lance who succeeded Mr Bonfield has Refunded Pagodas 16 for sundan Over Charges.

Several small but unauthorized Charges having appeared in the Investigation of Accounts for 1785 Viz. for Sepoys admitted into Hospital for Extra Pay to Surgeons and for apprehending deserters. amounting in the whole to Pagodas 114.13. Mr Falk has been called upon to refund the same, and the whole has been brought to the Company's Credit in his Accounts for October 1786.

A considerable Sum is charged in several months Accounts for artificers exclusive of those belonging to the Garrison

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Garrison of Trichinopoly
amounting in the whole to
Pagodas 1051. 33. 32 M.
Palk having been called
on to explain the cause of
these Charges & to produce
his authority, has transmitted
the enclosed Extract. -
The Sum of Pagodas
80 is charged in the Trichy
Accounts for the same period
as having been paid for
Interest on Pagodas 1,000 -
for one year as Mr. Palk
has not produced the authority
of Government for borrowing
this Sum on the Company's
Account, I must beg leave
to request the determination
of your Honor &c.a on this
and the preceding Article
before the Trichy Accounts
for 1785 can be closed. -
In the September
Accounts of Vellore & Amboor
for 1785 Mr. Ogilvie has charged
Pagodas 68 for Revenue
Servants. Having learnt that
this Sum had been allowed.

Sum

To be admitted

To be admitted

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Sworn by the Committee of
Assigned Revenue, & supplied
by his attorneys here foreman
explanation of the Charge,
or to Defend the same, but
are aware to understand that
Mr Ogilvie has left the
Country without giving
any Instructions on the
Subject, or leaving any Vouchers
or Papers to explain the Charge
Mr Ogilvie has also charged
Pagodas 186. 28 -- as Interest
paid on Pagodas 4000 Princi=
=pal, and Pagodas 20. 41 --
as Interest paid on Pagodas
200 Principal, which Sallon
Principal he has paid with=
=out a Voucher of any kind
with respect to the Interest
I must beg leave to observe
to your Honble Board,
that it has frequently been
charged, but has constantly
objected to, as tending to intro=
=duce an Article of Expence,
which is limits are unbounded.

I have examined Mr
Gardiners Accounts at Bengale
for 1785 but no Remarks have
occurred. Capt. Dawes who
acted

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acted as Paymaster to the
Garrison of Chillumbrum
for a short time has refun-
-ded the Sum of Pagodas 98.
for small Charges in his
Accounts which were not
warranted by the Regulations
I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a

(Signed) L. Casper
Comm.r Gen.l Army Accts.

Fort S. George
22.d March 1787.

The President in his Character of Commander
in Chief proposes that an additional Volunteer
be allowed to His Majesty's 19.th Regiment of
Light Dragoons in order to grant that Regiment
such promotion as they may think proper.-

Ordered accordingly.-

Commander in Chief
proposes that an
additional Volunteer
be allowed to his
Majesty's 19.th Reg.t
Light Dragoons.-

Ordered.-

Ea.d Gen.l Martin

Arch.d Campbell

Alex.r Davidson

L.t H.S. Casamajor

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Diary -

18th Received the following Letter from the Chief Engineer -

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Commander in Chief President & Governor
&c. &c. Council of Fort S. George

Honble Sir & Sirs,

I have the honor to inform the Chief Engineer is of opinion as long as the repairs necessary for the Rampart and Gateways at Tanjore, & Estimate of Lieutenant Ross Scott annexed -

I have the honor to inform you that before you were pleased to send me for Examination and Report to represent the necessity there is for the immediate Repair of the Rampart and Gateways of Tanjore, least a heavy Rain entering the Cracks now open, should force the wall out and thereby occasion a much greater after Expence. -

The Quantity of Materials recommended to be provided by Captain Ross for the next three months Service at Tanjore is surely very moderate and I hope will meet your approbation. -

I have examined with attention the Estimate transmitted from Palamcotah by Lieutenant Ross, whose minuteness has led him into several Inaccuracies in Calculation

18th Calculation, though some of them materially
affecting the amount of Expence which
I think very reasonable.—

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signd) Patrick Ross.
D. Q. M. Genl & Chief Engineer

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Read the undermentioned Letters, entered
in M B. No. 49, 50.

From Mr. Raine Surgeon, stating that he
applied to the Medical Board for the Certificate
for Off Reckonings which they have not
furnished him with—and requesting the
Boards interposition in his favor.—

From Mr. Oakes

From the Paymaster at Palamcotah.
the Phoudar unable to advance 6000 Star
Pagodas monthly, but has agreed to advance
that Amount in Porto Novo; wishes to know
whether the Bazar Price, is to determine the
Exchange between them.—

Sent the undermentioned Letters entered
in M B. No. 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57.—

To Mr. Oakes.— To the Paymaster at Palamcotah; In
reply to his Complaint preferred against
Major Macleod.—

To Col. Capper.— To the Commissary General.— the Interest
Charged

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18th Charged in Mr. Paymasters Schedule admitted - Ensign Meer Ladmen Surgeons Allowances for this time he acted in that capacity at Palamcotah, which is not however to exclude Mr. Gordon the Pay he is entitled to as Surgeon of that Garrison; the overcharge made by Mr. Surgeon Leslie to be carried to the Head of Profit and Loss - Mr. Pa his charge for Artificers and for Interest on Pagodas 4,000 for one year and Mr. Gyelais Charge for Peons and Servants, and for Interest on Pagodas 4200 to be admitted the other parts of that Letter approved.-

To the Hospital Board, with Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, respecting Mr. Balmain's allowance for Commission. -

To the Hospital Board.-

To Captain Crother with Extract from a Report of the Military Board, respecting the Arrears of Half mounting due the 9th Battalion.-

To Capt. Crother.-

To the Paymaster at Madura - the Nabob has given Order to his Manager to pay monthly in Pagodas Two Lacs of Pagodas for the disbursements of his Employ.-

To Mr. Johnston.-

19th To the Resident at Tanjore - the repairs to the Fortifications of Tanjore to be executed agreably to the Estimate delivered in by Captain Byres; the Rajah to defray the above expence by Monthly

To Mr. Macleod.-

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19th Monthly Installments of 500 Pagodas-

To Colonel Stuart, informing him of the above, and desiring he will acquaint Capt.n Byres that an Estimate of the Expence of Materials to be provided, ought always to accompany a List of Materials the List furnished by him is therefore returned that the necessary Estimates may be made.-

To Col. Stuart

At a Consultation Present

The Honble Sir Archibald Campbell Kt.B.
President

Alexander Davidson Esq.r
Samel Henry Cavanagh Esq.r

Tuesday the 22.d May 1787.-

Monutes of last Consultation read & Approved.-

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.-

To the Honble Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Govern.r &.c &.c Fort Council

Honble Sir & Sirs

From the Military Board, with a further Opinion respecting the Claim of Capt.n Blacker as to Surgeons off Recommending on the Charges made by Capt.n Lieut. Mackay as Brigade Major to Capt.n Lysaghts Detachment.-

We have been honored with a

Mr. Secretary Stanieri's Letter of the 13.th instant with inclosures.-

The correspondence between the Adjutant General of the Southern army and Capt.n Blacker, seems to contain sufficient evidence

That

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That the charges made by them were actually incurred, through the exigency of the Service: We cannot nevertheless depart from our former opinion of the 23d March 1785— that it is very extraordinary, that Capt.n Blacker should have suffered three years to elapse, and Mr. Digby to leave India; without explaining the motives of his reserve, to pay those demands, after having affixed his Official Signature to the bills.—

We observe from the Minutes of the G. C. of the 14th April 1786 that the Surgeons are entitled to the pay and emoluments of Captains of European Infantry and we are of Opinion, that according to the Spirit of the above mentioned G. O. an Allowance equal to off Reckonings, should be paid to the Surgeons, in the proportion they bear, to the number of Captains of European Infantry receiving it: That is should there be one hundred Captains, and ten Surgeons, and ten of the former receive off: Reckonings; then one of the latter may be entitled to a similar allowance; but to be paid in the same manner and at the same Periods.—

We have examined with attention Captain Lindesay Mackay's Letter, to the Commander

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Commander in Chief, and Adjutant General; with the several papers accompanying them; But finding that this claim was finally settled, by Government, in their Letter to Masulipatam, dated the 4th November 1784, in consequence of a reference from that Board: We can offer no addition to so conclusive a decision.—

We have the honor to be with Perfect respect.

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) S. Capper
Patrick Ross
Henry Malcolm
Sal Campbell
Wm Sydenham
J. Moorhouse
Richd Tolson

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May 18th 1787.—

Approved

Agreed that the above Report be confirmed & that the necessary Orders be issued in consequence.—

Military Surgeons Offreckonings

The Military Board having represented their opinion upon the Off Reckonings to be allowed to the Surgeons under this Presidency, the following Orders.—are now passed upon the Letter entered hereunder from the Hospital Board.—

Hos D.

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Hospital Board.-

May 5th 1787.-

Read a Letter from Mr. Burnette Assistant Surgeon taken at Dongee during the late War with Hyder accompanied by Certificates from Officers who experienced his humanity and good Services when fellow Prisoners with Hyder Ali, which the Hospital Board have the Honor to forward to Government observing at the same time that Mr. Burnette, though a capable Assistant, and very fit for a Battalion of Sepoys, is not a Person they wish to promote to a Surgeon on the Establishment.-

Report of the Hospital Board recommending Mr. Burnette to be taken into Consideration.

Report of the Hospital Board recommending Mr. Burnette lately returned from the Mysore Country, to be duly entitled to a Battalion of Sepoys, with the Pay of an Assistant Surgeon, Particularly any Vacancies Assistant Surgeons entitled to off-Reckonings.-

Taking into consideration the Claims of the respective Surgeons for Off-Reckonings agreeably to the Order of the 11th of August 1786.-

It appears that Mr. Pringle

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an allowance equal to
off Reckonings will be
paid to the Surgeons
recommended by the
Hospital Board, provided
they bear a proportion
to the number of
Captains of European
Infantry receiving it -
That is - should there
be 100 Captains, & 10
Surgeons & 10 of the
former receive off-
Reckonings the name
of the latter will be
entitled to a similar
allowance to be paid
in the same manner
& at the same Periods. -

Pringle, Mr. Bunny
Mr. Mallet - until the 30th
of January, when he forfeited
the Service by the Sentence
of a General Court martial
Mr. Mein,
Mr. Gahagan
Mr. Weston, and
Mr. Ferguson are the
seven Gentlemen to whom
the Hospital Board are
to grant Certificates; and
also to Mr. Ferrier from
the 30th of January when
Mr. Mallet's dismission
from the Service was
announced in General
Orders. -

The Hospital Board
have thought proper to
report to Government the
names of the Gentlemen
who stand entitled to
Off Reckonings by virtue
of the General Order
before quoted. -

They however esteem
it

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It was ordered to forward to Government Two Letters from Mr. Paine and Mr. Gordon who have thrown in their claims for Overcharges, but the Letter of the General orders excludes them altogether whatever the Spirit of it under the Investment Influence of Government may extend to.—

Read a Letter from Mr. Budenan, stating that a number of Europe Medicines not at present in the Hospital Company's Store, and which are wanted for the Service may be procured in the Black Town.—

The Hospital Board wish as much as possible to avoid giving their Sanction for the purchase of such Articles at all Times; but as it appears the Service cannot be carried on without some few, that are not at present

on

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in the Store. - They have directed Mr. Bulman to procure such Medicines as are indispensably necessary. -

They disapprove the Apothecary's purchasing Claret to substitute in the room of Port Wine, and therefore have directed that Madeira alone shall be supplied, until Port can be got.

Approved

Approved. -

Signed) Andw. Berry
Every Hospl. Board

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores, with five Enclosures entered in P. C. pp. 57. 59. 60. 61. 62/.

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K. B.
President & Governor &c. in Council
Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have the honor to inform you, that at our last Meeting, the Mulchary Storekeeper delivered in a Memote

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From the Committee of Stores Recommending that the Victualling Storekeeper be permitted to purchase a certain Quantity of Spirits of Wine,—Stating that the damaged Powder & Powder Dust have been sold by Public Outcry—Proposing Rates of Freight for all Military Stores Shipped on Country Vessels—Recommending that short Issues be issued for the use of the Artillery Lascars & to be deficient at the Presidency.—

Minute, a Copy of which we now enclose No. 1. on the Subject of purchasing a quantity of Spirits of Wine, the property of a Merchant in the Black Town, for the artillery Compositions on the Laboratory.—

As the Price is more than 100 ℔ᶜ. dearer than the Charge upon the Spirits of Wine sent from England for the above mentioned purpose, yet as the Spirit appears upon Trial to be of a very superior Quality indeed, we beg leave to recommend that the Storekeeper be permitted to purchase the quantity, as set forth in his Minute; which if your Honble Board approves will be reserved for actual or important Service, as it is well known that the Sale of an Action and

If the Spirits of Wine sent out are not of a Superior kind the circumstance should be reported to the Court of Directors.—The Spirit should be examined & reported upon immediately on their being received into Store.—

Ordered That the Quantity recommended be purchased.

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and the safety of our army may depend on the goodness of the Tubes used by the Artillery.

The Military Storekeeper & the Commissary General of Stores, have reported to us, that agreeable to the orders of Government the damaged Powder & Powder Dust were sold on Friday last by Publick Auction at the Sea Gate, to an Armenian Merchant for 12 Pagodas and a half the Candy, which considering the inferior quality of the Powder, they conceive to be a good Price, at the request of the Merchant they consented that the Powder & Dust should remain there by days in the Magazine when he would be able to take them away, and at the same time to pay the Amount of the purchase.

We have likewise the honor to transmit to your Honor

Approved

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From the Military Storekeeper No. 2 and enclosing leave to submit to your consideration, the expediency of drawing the rates of Freights settled upon all Military Stores, on Country Vessels from the Presidency, to the different Settlements upon the Coast, and when Stores Regulation is once established upon reasonable Terms, we conceive that the Persons employed in the Company's Production should be obliged to conform.—

The Freights to be fixed as recommended.

Gun Powder excepted for which occasional Provisional agreements should be made.

Lieutenant Colonel Sydenham, Layd before us a Minute, Copy of which is enclosed No. 3 and for the reasons therein mentioned we beg leave to recommend the Expediency of drawing the Short Swords, for the use of the Artillery Lascars under his Command.—

Agreed.

The Commissary General of Stores represents that as the Indent for Tents from

Tobe considered

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From Pollard and the number ordered to be left at Poona-malu & Wallajabad, have reduced the number ordered to be kept in Store at the Presidency, we have therefore the honor to recommend for the approbation of the Board, that the deficiency be supplied, agreable to the accompanying return N.o 4.

The Commissary General of Stores delivered in a List [N.o 5] of Stores received from the Military Storekeeper in the course of last Month, Musters of which we have examined and approved.

approved.—

We have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

Fort S.t George
9.th May 1787.

(Signed) S Capper
Jno Petrie
Wm Sydenham
S. Moorhouse.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Path with Enclosures entered in M.B. N.o 63-64-65-66.—

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To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K. B.
President & Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Honble Sir

I am with much reluctance
I feel myself compelled to embrace an early
From the Paymaster at Trichinopoly respecting a Complaint against Lieut. Colonel Sumner.
honor of more importance, or laying
before you a circumstance which has been
committed by Lieutenant Colonel Sumner,
the Temporary Commanding Officer on
General Horne's absence by his making
a demand upon me for the pay of the European
Invalids then under marching orders, for the
month of June - The accompanying papers
contain the whole that has passed between us
on the subject Nos 1 & 2. and his Client &
positive orders for my deviating from the
established rules of the service, & give me other
Motive to induce me to comply therewith, than
that he would delay their march for my
answer to which I beg leave to refer your
Honor to No 3 & 4 as General Horne never
wished me to deviate from the prescribed line
of my duty without giving me good reasons
for it, & strong assurances to take all the
consequences upon himself - in case I should be

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be likely to suffer by my compliance, I cannot but complain to your Honor of this opprobrious conduct in Lieutenant Colonel Sumner, as well as for his attempting to arrogate to himself that authority over me, which I cannot allow to exist in a Commanding Officer. Government never having to my knowledge placed me in that Situation. Whilst I am very properly made responsible for all my disbursements of the public money, I shall I doubt not, be allowed the option of doing it or not, when cases like the present come in point, & on destitute of support: lest therefore this threatened delay to the march of the men, might take place, and disappoint the expectations your Honor may have formed by no impediment being given thereto, I have advanced them Pay for a Mo: but hope that I shall be exempt from the consequences that may happen by any ill timed Application or loss of it, & that your Honor will be pleased to put an effectual check to such uncomfortable interruptions being given to me in future.—

I have the honor to be most respectfully—

Co.a &c.a

Fort St George
15th May 1787.

(Signed) Thos. Palk
Paym.r &c.

Fort S.t George 22.d May 1707.

The Board disapprove the Conduct of Lieutenant Colonel Tanner & direct in Minute thereon - consequence Agreed that a Letter be written to him by the Secretary.

The following being Drafted is approved & ordered to be dispatched -

To Lieutenant Colonel Tanner.

Sir

The Paymaster at Trichinopoly having laid before Government a Correspondence between him & you on the Subject of your requisition for an advance of Pay to European Invalids under marching Orders I am directed by the Honble President in Council to inform you that he disapproves your Conduct which militates in a pointed manner against the established Regulations of the Service of which it is concieved you cannot be ignorant -

To Lieutenant Colonel Tanner disapproving his Conduct -

The Board desire to know by what authority & from what motives you were induced to require from the Paymaster Disbursements of which he was unwilling, & for which there does not seem to have been the least necessity as the Invalids had been paid on advance for

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for the month of May, & they could not be at any expence for Provisions on the Road. — The Board at the same time remark, that the very peremptory manner in which you addressed Mr. Pitt on this occasion, was by no means suited to that harmony which ought to subsist between a Commanding Officer & Paymaster for acting under this Presidency, & they trust that, under similar circumstances, the like may not again be attempted, as it cannot fail to draw from Government the most pointed reprehension, —

Sam.

Fort St. George
22d. May 1784.

Do. do.
(Signed) Solon Chamier
Secy

The President recommends that the following Gentlemen be appointed Paymasters to the Settlements. —

Paymasters appointed to the Settlements. —

Mr. Lane Hippisley Paym.r to the Settlements South of the Coleroon

Mr. Roger Darvall Paym.r to Do. in the District of Masulipatam

Mr. Joseph Baker Do. — Do. in the District of Vizagapatam. —

Ordered that the usual notice be given. —

The

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The President in his Character of Commander in Chief recommends the following Appointment:-

Mr. Thomas Benjamin Dorman Gent. to do duty as Ensign and Practitioner Engineer until the pleasure of the Court of Directors shall be known.-

Mr. Thomas Gent. to do duty as Ensign and Practitioner Engineer.-

Ordered That the above be published in General Orders & That the nomination be mentioned in the next Dispatches to the Honble Court.-

To be referred to the Court of Directors for confirmation.-

Read the following Letter from Mr. Shipperley Storekeeper at Tanjore with two enclosures entered on M.B. Nos. 67-69.-

To John Chamier Esq.
Secretary &c. &c. &c.
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the Honor to inform you that I have proceeded to obey the Commands of Government by causing the accompanying notice to be circulated where the price of the Grain is taken one quarter of a measure

Shearer

From the Storekeeper at Tanjore recommending the Disposal of the old Grain.-

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Cheaper than the Bazar rate, which is necessary to invite a preference, the Grain in the Bazar being much better than any in Store:— as the Bazar Price fluctuates, so may the Company's

It is not very probable that any Large quantity can be sold within the Fort, as such families as have the means are already provided but I would beg Leave to submit to Government the Expediency of issuing an Order that the Sepoys' Gun Lascars, Store Lascars &c.a in Garrison, should receive half their pay in Grain, one quarter of a Measure Cheaper than the Bazar Price, on the 1.st of each month, till further Order by which a consumption of about P. 15,000 Cullums monthly, would take place, and, I conceive, that the Sepoys would have no just ground of Complaint.—

Another Expedient offers in disposing of a large quantity on the Spot, & I suppose that the Merchants might, at 6 Months Credit take off the entire third of the present Stock at the rate of 2 3/4 Gold Fanams P Cullum, which appears to be an equitable price between the Merchant & Government, but few, if any, Merchants could, at present,

purchase

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purchase, for the Fort consumption, on the 1st ult. in money,—and the Grain in Store would not answer for export.—

They beg leave to observe that both the Grain laid in the year 1785 as well as that of last year, is of a very inferior & perishable Quality,—so much so that I constantly objected to the receipt both to the late Resident (who then had the Controul of the Garrison Department) and to the Minister of the late Rajah. It is but Justice to the Resident to say that I have frequently remonstrated, but in vain, and the Paddy was at length received because the Minister offered that no other could be had in.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. C. Hippesley

Tanjore
13th May 1787.

The Board approve Mr. Hippesley's recommendation relative to the disposal of one third of the Grain in Store at Tanjore, & direct that in consequence agreed that the same be acquainted to him & that Colonel Stuart be desired to issue the necessary orders for the native troops to receive a portion of their pay in Grain.

Read

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Read a Memorial entered on the 11th. Inst. from Mrs. Mary Smith stating that She is the Widow of Captain Joshua Smith late of the Madras Service whose meritorious Conduct obtained for them a Resolution of the Select Committee that he should be appointed Inspector of Ordnance &c. provided he could be spared from the Army—that Captain Smith soon after died before the Appointment took place & that she is left in indigent Circumstances with Three Children praying on Consequence to be admitted to a participation of Lord Clives' Bounty, &c. &c. &c.

From Mrs. Mary Smith—

The Board conceive it is not in their power to recommend the Widow Smith for a participation of Lord Clives' Bounty, because her Husband was never on the Company's Military Service, they are at the same time desirous of affording relief to the Family of an officer who rendered essential Services—in the Army.— Resolved therefore that the above Memorial be transmitted to the Court of Directors, & that the memorialist be recommended to them—on the mean time it is Agreed that she be allowed 10 Pags. Monthly.—

The

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purchase, for the Fort consumption, on the ready money, - and the Grain in Store would not answer for export.—

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&c &c

Tanjore
13th May 1787.

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Minute thereon

Read

179 Fort St. George 22. May 1787.—

Read a Memorial entered on the M.B. 9th. Inst. from Mrs. Mary Smith stating that she is the Widow of Captain Joshua Smith late of the Nabob's Service, whose meritorious Conduct obtained for him a Resolution of the Select Committee that he should be appointed Inspector of Ordnance &c. provided he could be spared from the Army — that Captain Smith soon after died before the Appointment took place & that she is left in indigent Circumstances with Three Children praying on Consequence to be admitted to a participation of Lord Clives' Bounty, &c. &c. &c.

From Mrs. Mary Smith.

The Board conceive it is not in their Power to recommend the Widow Smith for a participation of Lord Clives' Bounty, because her Husband was never on the Company's Service, they are at the same Time desirous of affording relief to the Family of an Officer who rendered such Services — with the Army — Resolved therefore that the above Memorial be transmitted to the Court of Directors, & that the memorialist be recommended to them — on the mean time it is Agreed that she be allowed 10 Pags. monthly —

Memo to Hereon

The

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Fort St. George 22d. May 1787.

The Dispatches Via Bussorah read & approved

The Dispatches for the Honble Court of Directors being prepared, are now read, Ordered to be copied fair, that they may be sent to Bombay &c. to be forwarded to England Via Bussorah.

Ed. Geo. Talbot Harries

Alex. Campbell

Alex. Davidson

Sa. Whatmaugh

Fort St. George May 1787.-

Diary.-

27th Read the following Report from the Hospital Board.-

Hospital Board
May 26th 1787.

The Hon'ble President and Council having resolved to abolish the Class of First Surgeons to Hospitals, and to station Mr. Bonsey at Tanjore, Mr. Ferrier at Vizagapatam Mr. Ferguson with the V. Regiment at Illore, and Mr. Alderton with the 1st Battn of artillery at the Mount:-

The Hospital Board in conformity to the orders of Government proceed to fill up the present Vacancies and accordingly recommend that

Mr. Pringle be appointed to the 4th Regiment vice Mr. Ruddiman permitted to attend his Highness the Nabob and Family;-

Mr. Mein to the 1st Regiment vice Mr. Howel recommended to Palamcottah;- Mr.

Report of the Hospital Board- The present Vacancies filled up- The Apothecary's Charges for April countersigned- -The Purveyor to make up Cotts & Cloathing for his Majesty's Regiments.- -on the Subject of Off-Reckonings.-

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Mr. Lahegan to be 2d Regt.
vice Mr. Rolle to Cuddalore,
Mr. Watson to Chingleput
vice Mr. Gillespie gone to Europe.
Mr. Howell to Pallamcottah
vice Mr. Briggs promoted to
go to Europe.—
Mr. Rolle to Cuddalore
vice Mr. Simmes recommended
to be invalided on the Proceedings
of the 27th Ultimo.—
The Hospital Board
recommend also that the
Assistant Surgeons at present
with Corps may particular appoint=
=ment be stationed as follows.—
where Medical assistance
with Sepoy Battalions appears
most wanted.—
Mr. Reid, relieved by
the return of Mr. Blackaden
to Madura, to the 1st Batt.n
at Chinglepatore.—
Mr. Bannantine to the
1st Batt.n at Seringham
as long at a distance from
the Fort of Trichinopoly, the
river frequently impassable and

approved.—

approved.—

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And Mr. Boswel to the
27th Batt.n at Condapilla.

Countersigned the
Apothecarys Charges for
April being Pagodas 1596..
32.15. for Medicines and
Pags 239.26.. advice
Commission of 15 p.C on the
above, on all Pags 1076..11..15..

The Hospital Board
in answer to the Surveyors
letter of the 18th Ultimo,
have directed him to have
always in readiness 150
Cotts and Cloathing for
the use of each of the General
Hospitals of Vellore Trichy
and Masulipatam; 50 Do
for his Majestys 19th Regt
of Dragoons; and 150 Do
for his Majestys 71st Regt,
agreeably to the average
number of their Sick.

Read a letter from Mr. Watson
Surgeon to the 2d Batt.n
of Artillery respecting the
claims to Off Reckonings.

The Report of the Military
Board dated the 18. Instant
& confirmed by Government
has settled this point.

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Mr. Watsons Letter,
although it is penned with
Fervor, yet Speaks of Facts
some of which the Hospital
Board cannot but admit
and therefore have resolved
to forward it to the Honble
President and Council, —
remarking at the same time
that when the Surgeons
upon the establishment
were recommended to Off-
Reckonings as per proceedings
of the 24th. and 25th. July 1786.
this Board was fully
engrossed with a sense
of the Hardships, Gentlemen
without off-Reckonings &
only 50 Pags per Mensem
would Labour under — Surgeons
many of whom had served
with reputation during
the late arduous war with
Hyder Ally, and had been
in charge of Brigades, whilst
some of the present Surgeons
to His Majesty's Regiments
were only mates, and who
Now

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The advantages should be
provided not inconsistent
of Publick Service while
it would regulate the
Pay might lead to
Improvements in the
Medical Establishment

now not only draw Off
Reckonings, but are on the
enjoyment of a great many
advantages, the Honble
Company's Surgeons are
Strangers to.—

The Honble Board
also were pleased to remark
upon the Face of those
Proceedings that.—

"Allowance equal to
"Off-Reckonings will be
"given to the Surgeons not
"Supernumerary, in Pro-
"portions similar to those
"enjoyed by the Captains
"of Infantry, that is, a
"certain number of Surgeons
"will receive to the amount
"of 600 Pagodas annually,
"another proportion will
"receive to the amount
"of 500 Pagodas, and the
"remaining consistency of
"the youngest will not be
"entitled to any thing more
"than the usual Pay and
"Gratuity of a Captain."—

This Order was erroneous
& not conformable to the
meaning of Government.—

Read

22d

Read a letter from Mr. Wright enclosing an application from Mr. Randall for leave to visit the Presidency on private Business &c.

Ordered, That Mr. Land Assistant Surgeon at present doing Duty at Balasore Lookout Station the Hospital Board have recommended Mr. Howell, they see no objection to his request will be granted.

Ordered, That the Hospital Board have the honor of forwarding to Government a General Return of the Sick on the Coast for the Months of January, February and March 1787.

Signed, Andw. Berry
Secy. Hospl. Board.

24th Dispatched the following Letter to the Governor General & Council.

To

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Fort S.t George May 1787.—

24.th

To the Right Honble
Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.
Governor General in Council at
Fort William

My Lord

We beg leave to acquaint your
Lordships that we have paid two musters of
two months each to the Kings Troops, to the
amount of Pags.s . . . . . 120,627—
And that we have to pay, on the 24.th
Inst.t another muster amounting
to about . . . . . — 60,000
Pagodas — 180,627—

To the Supreme Council, advising of the Payments made to the Kings Troops and of the Sum required by Colonel Floyd for mustering the 19.th Regement Light Dragoons.

We have been enabled to make
the above payments by means of monies that
were received from his Highness the Nabob for
the use of his Creditors which Sum it is now
necessary to distribute; For which reason
we are under the necessity of availing ourselves
of the permission granted for drawing upon the
Government of Bengal as signified in the
Letter dated the 27.th November last.— In this
measure Weare in some degree drawen from
not having hitherto been able to realize the
Surplus consigned to us as a Remittance
on the 27.th Novem.r mentioned in the Letter of
that

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24th that Date.

The application of the money received from the Nabob as abovementioned has rendered an immediate advance unnecessary and the suspension of Drafts upon the Government General for the Kings Troops has contributed to lower the Exchange which we expect can now be negociated at 395 Arcot Rupees for 100 Star Pagodas, at which rate we have made it known, that a Small Sum will be drawn upon your Lordship & the Council

We are however of Opinion that in the Course of this and the next Month we shall be able to procure money even to the extent of Pags 120627 for bills on your Government and after that is received we firmly expect to be able to discharge all future demands on account of this Presidency; and hope we shall no longer be a burthen upon your Treasury except for such articles the produce of Bengal, as can be from time to time advantageously sent to us-

We shall endeavour to procure money for certificates to answer the purpose of mounting the 19th Dragoons, unless we find that a material loss will be incurred by drawing in that way. — The estimated

Sum

Fort St. George May 8th 1787.-

24th Sum that Colonel Floyd will require, is
25,000- Pagodas.-

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

Fort St. George (Signed) Arch.d Campbell
24th May 1787.- & Council

Sent the undermentioned Letters /
entered in M. B. N.rs 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78
79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84 85./.-

To Col: Bridges — To the Commandant at Palamcotah; the Barracks for a Battalion of Sepoys to be executed agreeably to Lieutenant Oggs Estimate.-

To Mr. Falk — To the Paymaster of Trichinopoly with copy of a Letter to Lieutenant Colonel Lanner, whose Conduct is much disapproved.-

To Mr. Hippesley — To the Paymaster & Storekeeper at Tanjore; the Board approve his issuing an order directing the Sepoys Gun Lascars &c.a to receive half their pay in Grain- & consent to his selling a large quantity of Grain at the rate stated by him.-

To Col: Stuart — To the Commandant at Tanjore; with Extract of the above Letter & desiring he will give the necessary Orders in consequence.-

To the Committee of Stores. — To the Committee of Stores; with a Statement received from the Court of Directors.-

To

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24th To Captain Lieutenant James Mackay.

To Capt.n Lieut. James Mackay. with Extracts from the Report of the Military Board upon his Claim for certain allowances as Brigade Major.

To Captain Blacker. Government agreeing to confirm the Report of the Military Board upon his Charge for the Carriage of Shot & Stores to the Paymaster at Vellore; to pay to Hadjee

To Mr Doriano. Mahomed & Shaik Mahomed, the annual Pagoda allowance, in addition to the monthly Sum of 20 Pagodas.

To the Paymaster at Pallamcotah to receive

To Mr. Oakes. from the Nabob's Phouzdar the Sum of Pagodas Nine Pagodas, which he will tender to him.

25th To the Captain of the Snow Elizabeth, to receive

To Captain Marshall on board his Vessel Coonoor to Bengal 2 Six Pounder Carriages, Limber & Tumbril, also 2 Blacker & 2 unblacked Pouches.

To the Secretary at Bengal, with Information

To Mr. Bruere. of the above.

28th To the Paymaster at Tanjore, to pay the

To Mr. Kippersley Bounty money for such Men as may enlist in the Company's Service from the 72.d Reg.t upon their producing the proper Vouchers.

To the Commandant at Madura, with

To Major Macleod. Copy of an Order to Tinivelly Cawny, to which he is to pay attention.

To

28th To the Paymaster at Madura, on the
To Mr. Johnston.- same Subjects.-

To Lieutenant Fireworker Northon, with the
To Lieutenant Fireworker Northon.- permission to proceed to Europe for three years on half pay.-

To the acting Paymaster at Ellore; to pay
To Mr. Graham- to Ensign Lalor the Sum of Pags. 162. 28. being the passage money allowed to a Subaltern proceeding to Europe.-

Received the undermentioned Letters entered on M.C.S. Nos. 86-87.-

From the Resident at Tanjore; with
From Mr. Macleod.- acquaint the Rajah of the order of the Board that he defray the Expence of repairing the Fortifications of Tanjore.-

From General Lang.- From General Lang, the money mentioned in Ram Row's Petition was not applied to the Company's use, as was fully set forth by Mr. Ogilvie to Lord Macartney.-

At a Consultation Present
The Honble. Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President
Alexander Dawson Esq.
James Henry Casamajor Esq.

Tuesday the 29th May 1787.- Minutes of last Consultation read and

Approved.- Read

Fort St. George 29th. May 1784.

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores, with Enclosures (entered in M.P. Nº 88-89).

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President & Governor &c. in Council
Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

From the Committee of Stores recommending that one Tendal & Twelve Lascars be placed under the Commissary of Stores at Walajanbad; & that three Tindals & Conductors be appointed under the Conduction of Stores.—

Agreeably to our resolution of the 7th. Novemr. last we attended last Meeting examined the Books of the Director of the Laboratory, and the Conductors Books, which we found all regularly brought up to the end of last Month.

The Commissary of Stores at Arcot has applyed to us for one Topaz, two Tindals, and twenty Lascars to assist him in the care of the Camp Equipage & Stores on his Department at Wallajabad, but as we are of Opinion that one Tindal & twelve Lascars will be fully sufficient for that purpose we beg leave to recommend to

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To your Honor &c to direct Lieutenant Colonel Ross to place One Tindal and twelve Lascars now at Wallajabad under the Commissary of Stores at that Cantonment

approved

The Commissary General of Stores having informed us that the Conductors of Stores have not leisure to attend to & carry on the Business of their respective Department agreeably to the new Regulations, without some person under them to assist in the receipt & delivery of Stores & examining the different Magazines & Storehouses.-

This recommendation cannot be adopted.-

As these Departments require particular Care & attention, & as the Conductors cannot without such assistance pay the necessary attention to the keeping up their Books & Accounts with exactness, & Regularity &c

Fort St. George 29th May 1787.—

We beg leave to recommend that three Sub-Conductors be appointed under them with an allowance of Four Pagodas per Month each.

It has frequently been necessary to employ men to do this Duty in the Arsenal with the same Pay, this under a different denomination but we beg leave to submit to your Honble Board whether it would not prove more beneficial to the Service, to have a regular Establishment of persons, who would become more useful, as they acquire Knowledge in their Several Departments.

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

Fort St. George
16th May 1787.—

(Signed)

J. Casper
Patrick Ross
Wm Lyttelton
J. Moorhouse.—

To

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To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell KB.
President & Governor &c. in Council
Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs,

The Military Storekeeper & Commissary General of Stores laying before the last Committee a Petition addressed to the former, which they accompanied with a Joint Minute on the occasion Copies of which we had the honor to enclose, & beg leave to recommend the prayer of the Petition to the attention of your Honor &c.-

We examined two Indents received from Captains Flint, & Stewart, from the former for a complete set of new arms & accoutrements & from the latter for a complete set of new Arms, we agreed to subjoin Captain Flints

From the Committee of Stores, with a Petition from the Storekeeper for an Increase of Pay; & Indents from Captains Flint & Steward for Arms and Accoutrements.-

This recommendation cannot be adopted- The Board think it would be better not to listen to similar applications as an acquiescence in such requests would be the means of incurring a great increase of Expence.-

194 Fort S.t George 29.th May 1787.-

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Fort St. George 29th May 1787

Sent with Accoutrements
but have understood that
their Lieutenants for accom-
modation cannot be complied with,
until the Corps they now
are, have been inspected
agreeably to the regulations
We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
A Casper
Wm Petrie
Patrick Ross
S. Moorhouse

approved.-

Fort St. George
22d May 1787.

(Signed)

The President recommends to the Board
Two more Battalions of Sepoys raised.- the raising two more Battalions of Sepoys
to be stationed to the Southward on the following
manner.-

Where Stationed.- The Seventh Battalion
At Vellore - 3 Companies
At Ongole. 2. Do
The 8th Battalion
At Palamcotah 2 Do
Madura. 1 Do
Negapatam 1 Do
Cuddalore 1 Do

Captain

Fort St. George 29th May 1787.

Captain James Turing to command the former, & Captain N. L. W. Abbot. the latter, to be formed on the same Establishment & Terms as the other Revenue Battalions.—

(Signed) Archd. Campbell

The President in his Character of Commander in Chief recommends Captain Abbott & Turing for the Command of the 7th & 8th Battalions of Sibbendies.

& by whom commanded.—

Resolved that the proposed new Battalions of Sibbendies be raised & commanded agreeably to the President's Recommendation.—

The Commander in Chief recommends that Lieutenant Fireworker Falconer be permitted to remove to the Cavalry, & that Mr. John Campbell Volunteer on his Majesty's 52d Regiment of Foot be appointed a Lieut.t & Fireworker of Artillery.—

Lieutenant Fireworker Falconer removed to the Cavalry.— Mr. John Campbell Volunteer in his Majesty's 52d Regiment appointed a Lieutenant & Fireworker

Agreed that the above be published in General Orders.—

The President informs the Board that General Horne has reported to him that the Detachment lately stationed in the Tinnevelly Country, is upon its return in consequence of the Orders which had been sent to him for their Recall.— Read

The Detachment under Major Macleod on its Return.—

Fort St. George 29th May 1787

Fleet with Accoutrements
Could have arrived before
that Season & ends for accom-
cannot be complied with,
until the Troops they are
are, have been inspected
agreeably to the regulations

We have the honor to be

Yr. &c.

S Charters
Wm Petrie
Patrick Ross
S. Moorhouse

Fort St. George
22d May 1787

(Signed)

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(Signed) Arch.d Campbell

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Fort St. George 29th May 1797

Read the following Letter from Mr. Joseph Garrow, Purveyor to the General Hospital, with Enclosures entered in M.B. No. 90, 91.

The Honble Sir Archibald Campbell Kt.
President and Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

When the Honble Board were pleased to accept of my Proposals for victualling the Hospital, it was particularly understood by me, That the Country Beer which is also engaged to be supplied, was meant to be given in small Quantities to Recruits & those who were ill of the Scurvy - & in consequence during the Period I have had the Contract, I have suppos'd that article agreeably to the directions of the Surgeons, The Quantity actually served out to the Patients (independent of the Loss on Leakage) appears to have been 467 Dozen for the information of your Honr I have enclosed a Statement of what was supplied in each month & specified the average number of Sicks for whom the same was ordered by the Surgeons: That Quantity far exceeds any thing I could have conceived was to be supplied, & I fancy

From the Purveyor General requests to be reimbursed for the Expence he has been at at his Request to Country Beer & Rice for Poultices & Fomentations.

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is much greater than was imagined by your Honble Board would be required. Country Beer having been constantly considered as a regular daily diet & some of the Men at this time in the Hospital having been ordered Six Bottles each p.r Day I have taken the liberty of representing it to your Honor &c. in the hope that you will take the same into consideration & permit me to charge the Prime Cost of the materials being 18 Fanams p.r Dozen & that the Honble Board will direct the apothecary General to discharge the same, this article coming more particularly under his department as a Country Medicine.

I have also furnished a Quantity of Rice every day for the purpose of preparing Poultices & Fomentations and also Firewood for Decoctions & Warm baths a particular account of which is also enclosed / Articles which should be found by the Assistant Apothecary in charge of the Medicines in the Hospital, but as he did not supply them, I was unwilling that the Patients should suffer from the want of them knowing that the Honble Board would not permit me to be a

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a Loss on this Account & therefore trust that this also may be ordered to be expended on by the Apothecary General & that he may be directed to discharge my account of the same monthly if these articles are in future to be supplied by me- they will amount to about 12 Pagodas per month.-

I have the honor to be
Lt. Col.
Signed / Joseph Garrow
Paymaster General

Fort St. George
25th May 1787.

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing be sent to Mr. Davis, Head Surgeon of the General Hospitals & that he be desired to relate Minute thereon- the causes which have occasioned the issue of so great a Quantity of Country Beer which was understood from Mr. Davis's Letter of the 20th July 1786 was only to be given on Scorbutick Cases.-

Agreed also to desire Mr. Davis will give his Opinion as to the best mode by which the articles mentioned in Mr. Garrow's Letter may be provided in future.-

Do

Resolved that Mr. Garrow's Bills for the cost of the Materials for Country Beer be discharged at the rate of 18 Fanams p Dozen.

Do

And

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Ord That he be paid 12 Pagodas P Month during the period of his having furnished the Rice Firewood &c. for the purpose of preparing Poultices Decoctions, Warm Baths &c. on account of the Sick in the General Hospital upon a Certificate being signed by the Head Surgeon of the General Hospital, that Mr. Farrow had actually incurred that additional Expence

From the Paymr. at Tanjore

Read a Letter from Mr. Hippisley Paymaster at Tanjore dated 23 May / entered in Miscellany Book No. 92 / stating that in addressing the Comptroller General of Army Accounts in reply to his observations he has thought it necessary to mention the particular Constitution of the Paymastership of Tanjore from the period of his appointment until the month of August 1786, & desiring that Colonel Capper may be informed that the above Statement is correct.

Minute thereon

As the Constitution of the Paymastership of Tanjore previous to August 1786 is correctly stated by Mr. Hippisley, it is Agreed that This be communicated to Colonel Capper & that Copy of Mr

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I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Joseph Garrow
Surveyor General

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Fort St. George 29th May 1787.—

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Mr Hesperiley Letter be sent to him.

Ex.d
Geo.e Stratton

Archd Campbell

Alex.r Davidson

Ja.s H.n Casamajor

Fort S.t George May 5.th 1787

Diary -

29.th Received the following Letter from the Governor of Pondicherry. -

From the Governor of Pondicherry, in Support of the Claim of Madame Joannis Siniam

To his Excellency Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K.B. Governor of Madras & its Dependancies &c.a &c.a &c.a

Fort S.t George

Sir,

The Widow Madam Joannis Siniam, who is connected with many families at Pondicherry, has solicited me to give her a Letter of Recommendation to your Excellency an order to obtain the payment of a Debt which she says is due to her by the Government of Madras, she requests a reply to the Business she had the honor to represent in a Letter of the 30.th April 1787.

If Madam Joannis demand is well founded, a Recommendation to your Excellency is perfectly unnecessary, but I shall esteem it as a particular favor, if you will honor me with a reply that I may transmit it to her. -

I have the honor to be with the highest Esteem & most distinguished Consideration. -

&c.a &c.a

Signed, Cossigny

Pondicherry
26.th May 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) Le Chaze
French Trans.r

Sent the following Answer &c

Fort S.t George .May 8.th 1787.

To Monsieur de Cossigny

Brigadier General of His most Christian Majesty's Forces &c.a &c.a &c.a

Governor of Pondicherry

Sir

I have been favored with the Receipt of your Excellency's Letter of the 26.th Instant & shall have real pleasure in attending to the Representation of the Widow Soarnis Sinam whenever it shall be made to me.

To the Governor of Pondicherry, in reply.

The Letter of the above Lady dated the 30.th April 1787 mentioned by your Excellency has never been presented to me, so that as yet I am ignorant of the Subject of her Complaint.

I have to request upon this Occasion that your Excellency will acquaint Madame Soarnis Sinam of this Circumstance that she may forward to me a Duplicate of the Letter above mentioned to which an answer shall be given as soon as possible.

I have the honor to be with the most perfect Esteem & Consideration.

Sir

Your &c.a &c.a

Archd. Campbell

Fort S. George

7.th May 1787.

(Signed)

Sent

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Sent the undermentioned Letters / entered in

M.B. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, /-

To the Head Surgeon of the General Hospital enclosing Copy of a Letter from Government to the Surveyor General, desiring to know the Cause

To Doctor Davis of the expenditure of so much Country Beer and informing him that the Board have resolved to comply with Mr. Garrow's request for a Reimbursement of Expences incurred thereby to state the particulars of supplying the Hospital with the Sundry articles mentioned in the Surveyors Letter.-

To the Hospital Board - enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Governor General in Council, &

To the Members of the Hospital Board.- informing them that the Gentlemen mentioned therein are arrived at the Presidency and are to be examined by them, and if found qualified, to be admitted on the Establishment.-

To the Committee of Stores - Enclosing Copies of their last report, with the orders of Government

To the Committee of Stores.- thereon - The Board consent to the Provision of Tents wanted to complete the Establishment agreeable to their recommendation in their Letter of the 9th May 1787.

To the Comptroller General - With Copy of a

To Colonel Kyd.- Letter addressed from the Paymaster of Tanjore, and informing him that the Facts therein stated, are perfectly just.-

To

1. To the Secretary at Bengal enclosing a Bill of Lading of the Ship Elizabeth Captain Marshall, and consigned to the Governor General.

To Mr Brown Fort William

To the Chief and Council Masulipatam

To the Chief and Council Masulipatam with a return of Recruits & Invalids embarked on the Snow Lizard and directing them to pay to Captain Burns 6 Sepoys per Diem for each man Landed there

To Mr Kirkpatrick

To the Paymaster at Tanjore directing him to pay to Lieutenant Home Captains allowances, as Commanding the 2d Battalion of Sebundies, which is to commence from the 1st March 1787.

2. To the Chief & Council, Tanjore informing them that on the representation of Capt. George Hudson, the Governor has consented to wave the General Orders of 16th Feb. 1784 & to permit him to receive his pay & allowances from the 21. May 1785 to the 1st June 1786 being for seven months not drawn for, on Account of his absence from the Coast.

To the Chief and Council, Tanjore

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At a Consultation Present

The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President

Tuesday
5th June 1787.-

James Henry Casamajor Esqr.
Member

Minutes of last Consultation read & approved.-

General Letter from the Court of Directors of the 16th Febry 1787. taken into Consideration.-

The Board proceed to pass the necessary orders & Resolutions upon the Letter from the Honble the Court of Directors dated the 16th February 1787.-

Para: 3d

Minute thereon

Para. 3d Ordered that Copy of this Parag. be sent to every Commander of the Company's Ships on his Arrival, & that he be directed to deliver in an Account of the Port Wine sent on board his Ship.-

Para: 4th

Minute thereon

Para. 4th Resolved that Copy of this Parag. be sent to the Garrison Storekeeper, & that he be directed to report upon the state of the Port Wine when it shall be received under his Charge.-

Para: 11th & 12th.

Minute thereon.-

Para. 11 & 12. The Board think it necessary to record upon the above Paragraphs that the Prosecution against Mr. Proctor has been carried on with as much expedition as the nature of it would admit.- That the necessity of sending a

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a Commission to examine Witnesses in the Tinnevelly Country has occasioned delay, & that these Circumstances have been the reason of not writing to the Hon.ble Court on the Subject. which was deferred until the termination of the Suit could be reported.—

Ordered that the above Paragraphs from the Court of Directors be extracted & sent to the Company's Solicitor who must be directed to report the present State of the Prosecution:—

Ordered that Mr Lowrie's Report be copied & transmitted to the Court of Directors by the first Opportunity.—

Para: 25th

Paragraph 25

Resolved that Copy of the above with Dr Hamer's Letter be sent to the Hospital Board, & that they be directed to take charge of the Drag Nets & Apparatus, & to attend to the Instructions of the Hon.ble the Court of Directors on the Subject.—

Minute thereon.

Para: 66

Paragraph 66

Agreed that Copy of this Paragraph be sent to the Officers who captured Laggunaut=

Minute thereon =poram, or to their Agents & that they be desired to take such steps as may be necessary for the execution of the Arrangement recom=

=mended by the Court of Directors.—

No part of the Prize money for the Capture

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Copy thereof & Paragraph has been issued.

Paragraph 69.

Para: 69.

Resolved that the Directions in the

Minute thereon above Paragraph be complied with & that

Copy be sent to the Adjutant General.

Paragraph 70

Para: 70

Ordered Accordingly

Minute Thereon

Paragraph 71

Para: 71

Ordered that Copy of the above

Minute Thereon

Paragraph be sent to Colonel Casper.

Paragraph 72

Para: 72

Ordered that Copy of the above

Minute Thereon

be sent to Dr. Anderson.

Paragraph 74 & 76.

Para: 74 & 76.

Ordered Accordingly.

Minute Thereon

Paragraphs 80. 81. & 82.

Para. 80. 81. & 82

Ordered that Copies of the above

Minute Thereon.

be sent to the Committee of Stores.

Paragraph 83

Para: 83

Ordered that Copy of the foregoing

Minute Thereon

be sent to the Hospital Board.

Paragraph 89

Para: 89

Ordered that Copy of the above be sent

Minute Thereon

to the Commissary General, & to the Military Paymaster

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Paymaster General.-

Para. 90

Paragraph 90

Minute thereon

Ordered that Lieutenant Colonel Gillespie Rank be published in General Orders.-

The President reports the Death of Colonel Mackenzie

The President reports to the Board the death of the Honble Colonel Mackenzie, & recommends the following Appointments in consequence.-

Appointments in Consequence

Colonel Oliphaunt to command at Wallajanabad vice Colonel Mackenzie.-

Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell to command at Chinglepat vice Colonel Oliphaunt.-

Ordered Accordingly.-

Exd. Geo. Lewis Barlow

Archd. Campbell

Jas. W. Casamajor

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Diary

6th Received the following Report from the Hospital Board.-

Hospital Board
June 4th 1787.-

To the Hospital Board

Have the honor to transmit to the Honble Governor in Council, the answer of Mr. Davis Head Surgeon, to the letter and enclosures from Government under date May 30th which they forwarded to him after perusal.-

The Board having examined Mr. James Cameron and Mr. John Duncan Surgeons of the Royal and Intelligence Packets, agreably to the Order of Government may 30th are happy to find them well qualified in their profession, and therefore recommend them to the Honble Board as assistant Surgeons

Report of the Hospital Board Enclosing a letter from Doctor Davis, in Reply to the Surveyor General - Messrs. Cameron & Duncan found qualified for the appointment of assistant Surgeons - Mr. Vaughan applies for an increase of allowances - Respecting repair to the Hospitals - and stating the Melancholy Accidents which have happened to the Southward by the Bite of Mad Dogs - The case of Mr. Burnett represented.-

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Surgeons on this establishment to be duely sent with the 15th Battalion at Arnbore and the other with the 4th Battalion of Sepoys at Wallajabad.—

Read a letter from Mr. Vaughan assistant at the Medicine Godown, which the Board beg leave to forward to Government, as his request appear to them not unreasonable.—

Mr. Vaughans attention and assiduity give him a just claim to his request being complied with.—

Mr. Davis Head Surgeon informs this Board, that as the Hanoverian Sick occupy one half of the Hospital, there is not room for the Recruits that are daily expected, & therefore recommends that the General Hospital be put in immediate repair for their reception.—

Already ordered.—

The Hospital Board beg leave to represent to Government the great inutility of this Shed, & the necessity of its having a Thorough repair

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reservoir, as it is capable of accommo-
-dating two hundred Sick men
additional to the Hospitals.

The assistant Surgeons
at Nagapatam and Nargore
having represented to the Phys-
-ician General some melancholy
Accidents, which have lately
happened in those Countries
from the bite of mad Dogs, & as
the prevalence of those animals
on the Coast subjects the
Community to hourly danger
which may be aggravated
considerably by the heats of the
present Season, the Hospitals
Board beg leave to recommend
to the attention of Government,
proper to prevent this Evil
spreading further.

An order has already been issued for the Collection of all Paryar Dogs & a premium for the such Animal as shall whatever mode may be produced to the Fort Major.

Having received from the Surveyor General the Accounts of his Disbursements from the 1st May to the 31st December last, the Hospitals Board beg leave to report

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to Government, that the amount of the whole is Pags. 1757.24.08½.—

Read a letter from Messrs. Ramsay & Campbell Assistant Surgeons with the native Cavalry at Arcot which Bill Board have the Honor to forward to Government, as those Gentlemen have not been able to draw the allowance which was granted them on the 17th February last.

The Hospital Board also beg leave to forward to Government a letter from Mr. Barrielle Assistant Surgeon.

Signed/ And.w Berry
Secy Hosp.l Board

a Certificate of the Commanding Officer of the Cantonments will answer every Purpose.—

Mr. Barrielle can have no further Service from this Government and it is the height of Effrontery in him to expect Arrears of Pay as a Deserter from it is well ascertained that he immediately entered the Service of the Enemy, after his having captured & continued with Dispatch the Hour of his desertion from him.— To give Countenance to such acts of Treachery to the State of the Company would be Hanging out extraordinary encouragements to those who could be the most abandoned in their Principles.—

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To the Honble Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President and Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Honble Sir

In obedience to your Commands of the 30th Ult.mo I have the honor to inform you that there has not been any Counting Beer used in the General Hospital except in Scorbutick Cases, and in such others, where it was absolutely necessary for the Relief of the Patients.—

The Average Quantity daily Expended in the Course of the last nine Months agreeably to the Total Amount given in to your Honble Board by the Purveyor General, will be found upon Examination not to exceed five Pagodas Fifteen Bottles per Diem.—Notwithstanding the Errata in Mr. Garrow's last Column of Figures, and in Quantity it is equal to one Pint of Liquid only to every Bottle of Country Beer—if made as I direct it Viz. with a proper Attention to the Spirit—But it ought to contain, and on which Account I prescribe it.—Although the gross Amount in Dozens should at first sight create a degree of Surprize it does not however appear to me upon a nearer Enquiry that the Quantity either with respect to magnitude or expence is at all Considerable—For when

From the Head Surgeon of the General Hospital in reply to a letter from the Purveyor General respecting Country Beer &c.

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6th when Mr Farrow became Purveyor General on August last, and relieved me from the charge of Victualling the Sick - The Receipts by the Ships of the Season were upon the recovery, and the Quantity of Country Beer used in the Month of August did not exceed 1648 Bottles, whereas in the Course of the two preceding Months the Average expended 4000 Bottles which is four fifths as much as the Purveyor General has suspended On Sale - Even the Temporary Advantages the Sick Derived from the Antiscorbutick and Antiseptick Properties of Country Beer - which I first had period introduced into Practice at the Hospital that influenced me in my Address to Government under Date 21st July last - and the abundant proportion of Fixed Air - I have since found good Country Beer to contain - as also the visible Effect it has upon the animal Oeconomy in all Putrid or Scorbutick Cases, which has induced my Continuing it - and I am a Stranger to its own

in so much that the Purveyor General when he communicated for the Information of your Honble Board that "Some of the Men at this "time in the Hospitals have been ordered Six "Bottles of Country Beer per day." might have extended this Communication to about all

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6th all the Sick that have been received from on Board the Royal Admiral, who by being put upon a Vegetable Diet are allowed Six Bottles of Country Beer per diem, and who will continue to receive it whilst any Considerable degree of Putrescence marks the Character of their Diseases—For I do not know any thing so salutary in such Cases administered as a Diet-drink—and therefore I cannot but feel highly gratified at seeing this powerful, and yet pleasant corrector of Putrescence thus introduced amongst our Country Medicines, and the Apothecary General directed to Reimburse the Purveyor the Prime Cost of the Ingredients.—

As I am required by the Worlle President in Council to give my Opinion how the Hospital should in future be supplied with Country Beer—I beg leave to point out the Formula by which it ought to be made, and which I have thought proper to annex for the Information of your Worlle Board—after which, I will endeavour to point out as efficiently as I can ascertaining the neat Expence of a Bottle of Country Beer, and which according to my estimation does not exceed one Fanam per Bottle, admitting that Porter is bought at 15 Pagodas the Hogshead, which is what my

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6th My Dubash paid for more when I suppl'd Country Beer at the Hospital, and by his Books it does not appear that the average Value of a Bottle was more than one Fanam – therefore I should suppose it can make but Little difference whether the Ingredients for Country Beer be had from the Apothecarys Store, and made in the Hospital Dispensary or whether the Purveyor General supplies it, as he has done for these last Ten months – Although it must be acknowledged the Winter of the last Season brought the Recruits grievously afflicted with Scurvy and the Ship Fever, it does not appear that more than Ten Thousand Bottles of Country Beer were expended on the whole year – That is to say from the 1st June 1786 – until the 1st June 1787 – Admitting then that Government may be pleased from this my Representation to take into Consideration the Quantity of Country Beer suspended on June and July – previous to Mr Gowans Purveyorship, and it should be the pleasure of your Honble Board to order Payment of the same – The nett Expence of this article for the whole year annually to the foregoing Calculations, will not exceed two Hundred and twenty seven Pagodas, Viz one Pagoda at Forty two Fanams – and I will take upon me

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Cannot be Granted.—

6th ... to assert that in return for this very inconsiderable Sum, many Valuable Soldiers have been preserved who—in all Probability would otherwise have been lost

With respect to Beer for Patticor & Cuttack Water—also Firewood for Batt Boats—if it shall be the pleasure of the Honble Board that I should

Approved.—

order to the Apothecary for these Articles—an additional number of Hospital Servants will be required to prepare them—Therefore I am of Opinion it will be every way more Convenient if the Purveyor General continues to supply them.—I have the Honor to be, with the greatest Respect.

&c.a &c.a

Signed/ Tho.s Davis
Head Surgeon

General Hospital
2.nd June 1787

To make Country Beer such as is recommended to be used in the General Hospital.—

Take.

Europe Cask porter	8 Pints.
Country Beer—one day old	6 Do.
Clarified Syrup	2 Do.
Madras Water	40 Do.

Mix all together in a wooden Vessel and let it be shook very well for one hour or more. When Bottle for use—remarking that the bottles, or Jars be filled only three parts Full.—

(Signed) T. Davis
Head Surgeon.

I have the honor to transmit herewith Letters from the Secretary to the Board of Trade dated 16th February 1787 numbered as in the Margin, viz. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22,

To the Commissary General — Inclosing for his Information Copy of the 71st Paragraph.

To the Captains of the India Ships — To the Captains of the India Ships — enclosing Paragraph the 72nd relative to Pilotage.

To the Revd Mr Swartz — To the Revd Mr Swartz — enclosing Paragraphs 73 and 74, and requesting every information in his power on the subject.

To the Military Board — To the Military Board — Inclosing Paragraphs 88 & 89 desiring them to report their Observations upon the Claim preferred by Major Macherzie. —

To the Garrison Storekeeper — To John Turing Esqr Inclosing Paragraph 57 and desiring him to report upon the State of the Beef and Pork as soon as the same shall be received under his Charge. —

To the adjutant General. — To Colonel Matthews — enclosing for his information the 69th Paragraph relative to Officers proceeding to Europe on Sick Leave —

To the Commissary General. — To Colonel Capper — enclosing the 72nd Paragraph.

To the Officer who Captured Laggermacherams — To the Officer who Captured Laggermacherams — enclosing the 66th Paragraph together with Copies of some Papers, which refer to the Subject condemned in the Extract. —

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To the Hospital Board

To the Hospital Board - enclosing the 3d 27th & 83d Paragraphs with Copy of Doctor Haines Letter and recommending the contents to their particular attention.

To Messrs Popham and Baker

To the Company's Solicitors

The Honble Company's Solicitors Enclosing Paragraphs 12 & 13, and desiring they will without loss of time report the actual state of the prosecution carrying on against Mr Proctor; with their opinion relative to its speedy termination. -

To the Committee of Stores - enclosing

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for their information the 80th 81st & 82d Paragraphs

To Doctor James Anderson - enclosing

To the Physician General

the 72d Paragraph on the Subject of his allowances, when Surgeon General on this Establishment. -

To Mr George Moubray - Enclosing

To the Accountant General. -

for his guidance and information the 17th & 18th Paragraph. -

To John Turing Esqr - enclosing the

To the Military Paymaster General

40th Paragraph for his guidance & information

To Vizagapatam - transmitting them

To Vizagapatam

Invoice and receipt for Articles laden by the Military Storekeeper on the Sloop Ranga - -noy collector for their Settlement -

To Edward Hay Esqr with the records of

To the Secretary at Bengal. -

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7th of the Military & Secret Departments from the 1st of January to the 31 March 1787 —

9th Received the undermentioned letters as entered on M.B. Nos 23. 24, 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. /

From Captains Huddart, Dagnister, Farrington, & Munro,

From the Commanders of the Royal Admiral, Rose Lascelles and Houghton on respect to the Port Wine put on board their Ships by the Company for the use of the Military —

From Colonel Stuart Commanding at Tanjore —

From Colonel Stuart — with a letter from Captain Byres, covering a list of Materials required for the months of July and August for repairing the quarters in the Fort of Tanjore with an Estimate of the Expence —

Minute thereon

N.B. The estimate to be referred to the Chief Engineer —

From the Paymaster of Trichinopoly

From Mr Palk — informing the Board of his having complied with the requisitions of General Harris respecting carriage to bring materials for the purpose of erecting huts for the 74th Battalion of Sepoys —

10th From Lieutenant Carey Commanding at Arnee advising of having delivered over Ketahee Chitty to the Head Man of Arnee, in order to be tried according to the Laws of

From Lieutenant Carey —

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10th of his Country — stating the many enormi-
ties of which he has been guilty &c.a

From Do. enclosing a petition from
Shittie and Gallam Persian Merchants
of Vellore — stating the cruelties they have
suffered and loss of property sustained
by the atrocious conduct of Hidchee Chitty
and praying for Justice.—

From Messrs. Popham and Baker-
from the Company's — requesting that documents and papers
Solicitor.— may be sent them, relative to the prosecu-
tion of Mr. Proctor.—

At a Consultation Present
The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell Knt.
President
James Henry Casamayor Esqr.
Members of last Consultation

Tuesday the 12 June 1787.—

Read & Approved.—

Read the following Letter from Masulipatam, with Enclosures entered in Miscellany Book No. 32.—

To

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To the Hable. Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell Kt. &c.
Governor in Council at
Fort S. George

Hable. Sir

We herewith inclose an Indent for Seals wanted for the Public Service of this District, as also Copy of a Letter from our Committee of Stores, to both of which the Commanding Officer of the Northern Division of the Army has annexed his Remarks, & to which we have also added such further observations as appeared to us necessary conformably to the Regulations

From Masulipatam with Indent for Seals & Copy of a Letter from their Committee of Stores Observations of the Chief thereon & of Colonel Braithwaite upon the same.—

We have therefore nothing further to add on this place, than to request that your orders may be given for dispatching whatever Stores that have been Indented for, by an early Opportunity: on that your Honor will be pleased to permit them to be made up at this Place, at the Prices annexed to the Indent which we had the Honor of forwarding under date the 18th December last and which has not yet been complied with. —

Enclosed we have also the Honor of forwarding a Return of the Military Stores in this Garrison for last Month. — We have the Honor to be very respectfully &c &c

Signed Charles Floyer
Dobbyn

Masulipatam
28th May 1787.

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be protected and measures taken for their receiving regularly every month such portion of Pay as the absent Lascars may deem to be appropriate for the purpose.—

9th That it is to be clearly explained to the natives of Bengal who enlist for the Service of the artillery on the Coast, that when they become unfit for Field Service by Wounds or otherways they shall be entitled to the Benefit of the Invalid and pension List on the same manner as is regulated for the native Troops of the Establishment with the Option of receiving this allowance either in Bengal or on the Coast.—

10th That the pay of a Lyrana is 7 Pagodas monthly; of a 1st Lindal 2 22/80 of a 2d Lindal 2 2/80 and of a private Lascars 1 34/80 besides which they will annually receive Clothing and that when on the Field, or employed on Working parties they will receive Batta and working money on the Several Ranks on the same proportion as is issued to the other native Troops of the Establishment.—

11th That for the purpose of supplying you with money for carrying on the Recruiting

Service

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Service on which you are employed: and for discharging the Pay and Subsistence of the Lascars recruited: you are hereby authorized to draw monthly upon the Government of Madras at 30 Days sight a sum adequate to those purposes, in Case the Governor General should think that mode preferable, to his ordering Cash to be advanced from the Bengal Treasury for the same purpose and to be stated to the Debit of this Presidency.-

12.th That you are without Delay after the Receipt of these Instructions to present them to the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis Governor General and Commander in Chief and to solicit his Lordships further Orders and Instructions to accomplish the Service on which you are employed you are also to obey such orders as his Lordship may be pleased to signify whether they shall relate to any matter or Matters contained in these Instructions or in Duration of particular parts of them.-

I am

&c.a &c.a

Fort S.t George

24.th April 1787.

(Signed) John Shannier

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The