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Materials 7th Forwarded by Col. Davis and Captain Doveton

Monthly Part
10 Parts Pay 24/2 Pay each 45——
Servants Wages
Servants Pay . . . . 105.21—
Firewood Money
4000 Firewood 22/2 Pay
per 1000 . . . . 100——
Firewood required to burn
a Lack of Bricks
Firewood per Lack, 60000
Churnam
750 Parahs @ 4/2
Parah for Pay . . . 100——
Palmeras
417 Palmeras @ 24
Pay per do . . . . 100——

Materials forwarded by Colonel Ross

Monthly Part
7 Parts Pay @ 50 35——
Difference . 10
Servants Wages —— is 16/6 45——
Servants Pay . 88
Difference — 17/2 is 16/6 105.21—
Firewood Money
4000 Firewood
@ 1 Do. per 1000 } 70
Difference . 30 per 61 100——
Firewood required
to Burn a Lack
of Bricks.—
Firewood per Lack
20000
Difference 20000 } is 100 per 61
Churnam
750 Parahs @
10 Parahs per Pay @ } 75——
Difference . 75 per 61 100——
Palmeras
417 Palmeras @
21 per do . . } 33 1/2
Difference . 16 1/2 per 61 100——

All the beforementioned Charges are to be found on the Accounts of Mr Doveton & Colonel Davis, the difference in the Quantity of Firewood used excepted. For which I have the Honor to enclose you a certified Extract from the Sergeants Book who keeps the Account.—

I have the Honor to be &c &c.

(Signed) Patrick Ross
Lieut

Fort St George
6th August 1787.

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To Lieut Wilson

Lieut Wilson

To the Military Auditor

To the Commandant Mahe

To the Commandant Tellicherry

To the Commandant Cannanore

To the Commandant Palicatt

To the Commandant Coimbetore

To the Commandant Dindigul

To the Commandant Trichinopoly

To the Commandant Madura

To the Commandant Tinnevelly

To the Commandant Ramnad

To the Commandant Tanjore

To the Commandant Carnatic

To the Commandant Ceded Districts

To the Commandant Guntoor

To the Commandant Nellore

To the Commandant Cuddapah

To the Commandant Chittoor

To the Commandant Arcot

To the Commandant Vellore

To the Commandant Arnee

To the Commandant Chingleput

To the Commandant Poonamallee

To the Commandant Masulipatam

To the Commandant Ellore

To the Commandant Rajahmundry

To the Commandant Vizagapatam

To the Commandant Ganjam

Sir

I send the undermentioned Letters for your information & guidance viz.

No 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20.

To the Military Auditor

I am prepared for the examination & passing of the Vouchers for the Quarter ending March Current & Department which being afterwards, are to be entered on the new Book of Regulations.

To the Paymaster at Vellore

I am ordered to the Works to be executed at Vellore Sankeridroog & Arnee

To Lieut Wilson

the principal Works

To the Commandant Palicatt

To the Commandant Coimbetore

To the Commandant Dindigul

To the Commandant Trichinopoly

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To the Commandant Ellore

To the Commandant Rajahmundry

To the Commandant Vizagapatam

To the Commandant Ganjam

Sir

I am directed by the Board to inform you that you are to be allowed to draw upon the Paymaster at Fort St George for the Sum of Pagodas [illegible] for the purpose of defraying the Expences of the Troops under your Command for the Month of [illegible] and to account for the same in the Monthly Pay Abstract.

To the Commandant Ganjam

Lieutenant & Fort Adjutant

You are hereby appointed to act as Fort Adjutant to the Garrison of Ganjam from the date hereof & to be obeyed & respected as such by the Officers & Soldiers of the Garrison.

To the Commandant Ganjam

Sir

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7th To the Commandant at Ongole, with Plan & Estimates for repairs of Quarters in his Garrison, and desiring that the same may be immediately executed. Genegal

To Captain A. Montgomery

To Lieutenant General Lang

To Lieutenant General Lang the Board desire he will furnish them with such further information relative to the seizure of Pam Rowe Money and effects at Vellore, as will enable them to judge whether any reimbursement should be made to him on that account.-

To the Military Board

To the Military Board, with a copy of a Letter & Enclosures received from Lieutenant Bowles on the subject of his Claim to Cavalry Rank.-

8th To the Commander of the Platton, with Extract of a Letter lately received from the Court of Directors, respecting Port Nove.-

To Mr. Swartz.

[ To the Revd. Mr. Swartz his Letter of the 28th ult. & the Minutes of the Vestry have been approved by Government.- ]

To Masulipatam.

To the Chief & Council at Masulipatam- The prisoners in the Main Guard to be enlarged excepting Richard Harding, & Patrick Keith who are to be sent to the Presidency - John Hall & John Pirraire are to be delivered up to the Chief at Pulicat, agreeably to the Cartel.

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To Lieut. Medley Brodie with the Instructions prepared for the ensuing Season of the Engineers Department which being approved, are to be inserted on the new Book of Regulations.

Military Engineer

To the Paymaster at Vellore Lieutenant Morris

the works principal

Mr Parsons to examine the Estimates intended to be erected on the Fortress of Vellore & to return the Estimates accordingly.

To the Committee of Stores with the Inventory of Papers received from the Chief Engineer at Tanjore

The Committee Fort

Mr Webster

To the Deputy Paymaster General ordering any Alteration in the mode of Tanjore rents as made by the Military Paymaster General.

To Tanjore Lieutenant Forbes Assistant Engineer to take the necessary Stores in the Granary & Workshop & to forward the Inventory of Stores & Workshop & to Engineer Mr Mangin of Fort Instrument & Mr Pyrotechnist Conductor to be taken.

Sergeant

To the Accountant General with a Copy of a Minute delivered me by the Chief Engineer & a Memorandum of Works & Repairs proposed for the Season for the Fortress &c.

Mr Mowbray

To

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At a Consultation Present

The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K. B.
President

Friday
10th August 1787.

John Holland James Henry Casamajor
Robert Maunsell Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation read & approved.

The President desires that the 84th Paragraph of the Company's General Letter dated the 16th February with the Statements to which it alludes be read, which being accordingly done, he informs the Board that he thought it necessary to reply to the Remarks made by Sir John Dalling & has addressed the Court of Directors on the Subject on a Letter which he begs leave to lay before the Board.—

The 84th Paragraph of the General Letter from the Court of Directors dated 16th February 1787 read.—

The President begs leave to add that his answer not being ready until after the Packet Dispatches began by the Devonsworth were closed, he was obliged to send his Letter in a Separate Packet, he requests that it may be now entered on the Proceedings, & a Copy of it transmitted as a number on the next Packet to Europe.—

The President lays before the Board, Copy of a Letter to the Honble Court in reply thereto.—

The Letter is, as follows.

The President requests that a Copy of this Reply be sent as Number in the next Packet.—

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To the Honble Court of Directors

Military Department.

The Information contained in the 84th Paragraph of your General Letter, dated 16th February last, was the first Notice I had, of any Objections on the part of Sir John Dalling to the Military Establishment ordered in your Letter of the 21st September 1785. I am happy however even at this late hour to peruse them; and to have an Opportunity of satisfying your Court on every point of Consequence alluded to.

Forwards Archibald Campbell to the Honble the Court of Directors in reply to Sir John Dallings Remarks, upon the new Military Establishment.

No man can be better acquainted with Sir John Dallings's Military Talents than I am. I had the honour to serve under his Command & I believe you will allow, that I have not been slow to pay them that Tribute of Applause to which I thought them justly entitled. I have not a Doubt that on points of Service we should always agree, especially if he left his Judgment unfettered by the Opinions of Designing Men, for such they must have been, who could advise Sir John to attend on your Court their animadversions on Military Arrangements, the necessities of which they foresaw had a tendency to check & terminate a profusion of useless expence which has been surreptitiously introduced into your Service. —

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Sir

It is natural to conceive, that Men who had long enjoyed Emoluments from such abuses would ill brook the Disappointment of seeing them lost, & could scarcely suppose that they would have had address enough to induce Sir John Dalling to become a serious advocate on their Behalf.

Your orders respecting the Military Arrangements which from their Extent and Magnitude required the most mature and deliberate Investigation were brought forward by me at Madras on the 11th of April 1786 and on the 15th of the same Month, Sir John Dalling hazards severe Censure upon various parts of them, without asking Information from those who could give them the fullest Satisfaction.

Sir John could scarcely suppose, that a General Officer in the Confidential Station of your Governor carrying out a Military Arrangement to his Government, could not explain the proportions of their constructive Parts, or even the Consequences that might be expected to arise to the Service from those arrangements being precisely adopted; and it is natural to suppose that if he had been as anxious to discuss the Business candidly and openly as his Letter to you would give Reason to suppose, he would have laid his objections before Councils, which would have furnished me with an Opportunity of detailing in the fullest Manner

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Manner, those parts of the Military System with which he seemed to be unacquainted. Instead of that mode of proceeding, Sir John Dalling at the head of this army, chose to remain in perfect silence, and to pursue the circuitous Line of addressing your Court: leaving this Government in the mean time deprived of all the Advantages which might have resulted from the Opinions he was pleased to adopt: I submit to you, Gentlemen, whether this was doing Justice either to his own Situation or the Service.

I should not have troubled your Honble Court with further Remarks on this extraordinary Procedure of Sir John Dalling's had there not been some particular Passages in his Letter, which if left unanswered might leave an Impression upon your minds, that the present Military Establishment is, in the Instances alluded to, injurious to your real Interests. The Reverse of which I can venture to say is actually the case.

The 1st and 2d Paragraphs of Sir John Dalling's Letter consist of general reflections and declamations which as they are neither founded on established Proofs or Arguments merit no Specific Refutation.

As the 3d 4th Paragraphs express his concern that the Honble Court of Directors should have lessened the number of their European

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European Artillery; It is necessary that I should remind your Honble Court that by the Peace Establishment proposed by Lord Macartney, in March 1784 the artillery corps amounted to 504 Men; that is to say, non Commissioned Officers and Privates only included; whereas the establishments now adopted by the Directors amounts to 720 Men including Non Commissioned Officers and Privates, although I wish with Sir John Dalling that your European Artillery had been more numerous; yet under the serious pressure of your Affairs, I thought and still think the Number sufficient for your present peace Establishment, especially if a plan is settled for increasing it on any sudden Emergency which I have already maturely considered and determined upon.

It is strange that Sir John Dalling had not given himself the Trouble to inspect your establishment of Lascars for the Artillery, because he would have found that it exceeded the number which he had actually proposed.

It is likewise singular that he should disapprove of this Policy which dictated the orders respecting the enlisting of Lascars, in preference to the native Gunners, and be averse to it, because orders had not been published to that Effect from the earliest periods of the Company's authority in India; upon the same principles of reasoning Errors committed by

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by our Ancestors ought never to be remedied.—

To Sir John Dalling's assertion, that the Generality of native Gunners would not consent to be incorporated into the Legions or Lascars attached to the artillery, and that they would thereby be forced to go into the hands of our enemies, I shall only observe that experience has proved the contrary, by nine tenths of the native Gunners having cheerfully entered as Lascars, and the Remainder as Sepoys into the native Battalions of Infantry.—

It is flattering to the Establishment formed by the Honble Company, that it so far agrees with Sir John Dallings Ideas, as to meet the approbation contained in the 5.th Parag.h of his Letter; but even there Sir John is not entirely correct, because the two Plans do not correspond so nearly as he seems to have imagined in the Instances mentioned in that Paragraph.—

If the Position laid down by Sir John Dalling in the 6.th Paragraph of his Remarks is just, that to have 400 Men under arms the Battalion must consist of 800 on the returns, the Honble Company must pay two Armies instead of one for the Defence of the Carnatic. With all Deference to Sir John Dallings Ideas on this head, I should think it a wiser System to correct the abuses attending the Deficiencies of

Corps,

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Corps, than to encourage them by holding out the temptation of emoluments to those, who might be unscrupulous enough to seize the opportunity offered by such means of defrauding the Honble Company. To correct these abuses has been my particular Care, and I am perfectly satisfied from the consequence of orders lately issued for the better and more punctual mustering of your native Troops, that the future deficiencies of Corps will be checked in every dispersion degree.—

In the 7th Paragraph, Sir John Dalling says much of the Inconveniences which would arise from executing modern Manœuvres with the Discription of Battalions ordered by the Honble Company." A Formation which to them appears repugnant to the principles that modern Military Exercise and Manœuvres are founded on". It is not for me to say whether the Honble Court of Directors are sufficiently acquainted with Military Tactics to understand this important Question; or whether from such high sounding Assertions, without a single proof in support of them, you can accurately pronounce that General Dalling's Ideas are strictly Right, or strictly Wrong: but I will venture to prove that if Sir John Dalling had taken the trouble to make himself acquainted with

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The nature of the new Establishments he consulted have found that among all the Defects he has been pleased to ascribe to that Establishment, the Construction and formation of your native Corps could not with common Decency be enrolled on the Catalogue of Public reproach.—

To say that a Battalion of 8 Companies is repugnant to the principles on which modern exercise and Manœuvres are founded exceeds a total Ignorance in military Tactics; and a wanton Disposition to oppose contumacious assertions to the most stubborn Facts. I have a Right to make this reflexion, because your Battalions on the Coast perform their Evolutions and Firings with as much Ease precision, and Alacrity, as any Battalions of 10 Companies that ever manœuvred in India.—

It is with peculiar Satisfaction I reflect, that Lord Cornwallis has been an Eye Witness to this Fact; and that two Members of the Supreme Council, Sir John Macpherson and Mr. Stables who are in all probability in London, can give your compleat Information on this Subject. Were further proofs wanting to refute the Confidence of Sir John Dalling's assertions in this Respect the Secretary at War could inform you that since the Peace almost the whole of his Majesty's Regiments were reduced to 8 Companies including the Grenadiers and Light Infantry—

Sir John Dalling concludes the

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4th Paragraph of this Letter with assertions of apprehend Solemnity on the Diminution of Non Commissioned officers in your native Corps which, I shall only beg leave to answer from Experience that the new establishment determined on by the Honble Company has a sufficient number of Non Commissioned officers to every Company for all Military duties and for conducting the Firings and evolutions of the Corps having therefore all that is necessary without the Useless Incumbrance of Havildars and Naicks which became an useless Fee to the Service, Can heavy Load upon your Treasury. This Reform was considered as one of the many advantages your present Arrangements had acquired over your former Military Establishments in India. To say that your present number of non-Commissioned officers is not a sufficient Inducement for good men to enter the Service is to assert what daily experience has positively not evinced.

With respect to the Abstracts which accompanied Sir John Dalling's Remarks had they been stated with Candour & Fairness they might have been easily refuted, but as they are not so, they require no particular Comment.

Having thus replied to the ami-

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animadversions sent home by Sir John Dalling I trust your Honble Court will perceive that I am by no means disposed to write my Lamentations with them on the Defects of your present Military Establishments. I am nevertheless willing to declare, that Sir John has a just and reasonable Plea to stand fully acquitted with your Court, in case any unfavorable Consequences should result from your late Military Arrangements; and I am also ready to confess, that I think your Arrangements as compleat, that I am willing to take the Consequences on myself without the smallest apprehensions of Danger.—

Ordered that Copy of the above be sent to England as a Separate Number in the next Packet, agreeably to the Presidents Desire.—

Read the following Report from the Committee of Stores / with enclosure entered in M.P. No. 57 /.—

To the Honble Major Genl Sir Arch Campbell Knt.
President & Governor &c. in Council
Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr

Present a Number in the next Packet.

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From the Committee of Stores with a List of Stores received from the Military Storekeeper — Seven Six Pounder field Carriages, & Limbers from the Contractors and have been ordered to be received on the Company's Books.

Mr. Secretary Shannon's Letter of the 2d Instant enclosing an extract of a Letter from the Honble the Court of Directors.

The Commissary General of Stores at our last Meeting laid before us a List of Stores (Copy of which comes enclosed) received from the Military Storekeeper last Month, Musters of which we examined & approved.

We likewise examined Seven Six Pounder field Carriages & Limbers received from the Contractors yesd, & finding them made of good Materials & well finished, have ordered them to be received on the Company's Books.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

" J. Casamajor

" Wm Petrie

" Patrick R. Ross

" Wm Sydenham

" J. Moorhouse

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7th August 1787.

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Read the following Letter from Capt.n Lorin.—

To Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President in Council &c &c &c
Fort S.t George

Honble Sir

I had the honor to receive the Letter of your Honble Board thro' your Secretary and return my acknowledgements that the Plan I had suggested, and my wishes to render Public Service had met your approbation in so great a degree.—

I chearfully acquiesce in the sentiments of your Honble Board and trust to their Candour, that while they are justly attentive to the Company's Interest they will extend their consideration to any of their Servants in such an undertaking.—

I presume Honble Sir that when you consider the unavoidable expence of feeding Horses in such an unsettled state, and in a Strange Country, the natural Casualties of Sickness, and death, the dangers of the Sea, and Charges of Freights with other probable draw backs that you will not regard

It from Capt.n Lorin proposes to purchase Horses on account of the Honble Company for the native Cavalry, at 130 Pagodas each Private's Horse.— It to be delivered at Trichinopoly.—

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regard an allowance of 170 S.r Pagodas for each Private Horse to be landed at any Range at my Origin and Cork, a more than just and adequate valuation; I therefore at the price of 170 S.r Pag.s agree to purchase 500 Horses and land them at any Range where and where they are to become the property of the Honble Company. May I here be permitted to suggest, that should I be so fortunate as to give entire Satisfaction in Collecting 500 Horses, that you will extend my Contract to 1000 as first proposed under the Idea that the Agents I must employ, would the more readily exert themselves for a large than for a small Number.—

On the Subject of Security, I trust I shall be able to give such as will be satisfactory to you Honble Board.

I have the honor to be &c.&c.&c.
(Signed) John Lorin

Fort St George
August 13.th 1787.

P.S. Should your Honble Board think proper to order a number of Officers Horses, the Price will be in Proportion.—

The Board being of Opinion that the Purchase of Horses at the rates above proposed would be attended with too heavy an Expence, do not agreed to decline accepting Capt.n Lieut.t Lorin's Offers.—

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The President in his Character of Commander in Chief reports the death of Lieutenant Surworthen Murch & recommends the following appointments,

Mr. Sinclair Conductor of Stores to do duty as Lieutenant Fire Wr. of Artillery until the pleasure of the Court of Directors be known.

Conductor Sinclair to do duty as Lieut. Surworthen.-

The Revd. Dr. Bell to be Chaplain to the 4th Regt. of European Infantry.

Revd. Dr. Bell Chaplain to 4th Regt. of European Infantry.-

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Ordered Accordingly.-

Exd
Geo. Stt. Mawton

Archd. Campbell
John Holland
Ja. H. Casamajor
R. Maunsell

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Diary

12th Received the following Letter from
B. J. Horne.-

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

From Brigt Genl Horne with an Indent for Stores forwarded a Report from Lieut Hammond of the State of the Saluting Cannon at Negapatam & desires permission to have the Cannon exchanged.-

The Storekeeper having received the Military Stores sent from the Presidency in March last for the use of this Station I directed a Committee of Stores to assemble agreeably to the late Instructions to examine and inspect into the present state of the Ordnance and Stores and as only a part of the former Indents had been received to draw out another to be sent to the Presidency for such articles as the Committee might deem necessary which being accordingly done I have now the honor of transmitting it to you.-

As it is probable the principal part of this Indent may not be sent us until after the Monsoon, when the Stores

may

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12th may be sent by Sea; I take the Liberty to request, that an immediate Supply of Country Accoutrements for the native Corps may be sent by Land, as many stand in great need of them, nor have I been able to furnish the Recruits Battalion Neither in, with a Belt or Pouch.--

As this Corps is not yet Cloathed or Accoutred I have frequent Applications from the Rabbit Manager and Renters for Regular Topoys, as they complain that the Revenue Topoys are not of sufficient Weight and consequence to carry on the Coolan Business, being little better in Appearance than the Renters Peons, however immediately on receiving the Accoutrements for the Regular Troops I shall Supply them with the best from there Offs, and from the above remarks I could wish their Cloathing might be sent as soon as convenient.

I have the honor to transmit you a Report from Lieutenant Hammond of the State of the Saluting Cannon at Nigapatam in consequence of some Accidents having happened lately to the Lascars employed on that duty, I have to request your Instructions

for

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12th. For exchanging them from this Station or that they may be supplied from the Presidency.—

I am with the greatest respect

Sr. Sr.

(Signd) Mathw Horne

Head Quarters
of the Southern Forces
Richmond July augt
the 7.th 1787.

Sent the following Letter to Bengal.

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

To Bengal, enclosing a List of Bills for Pags 2926. & 47 upon Mr. John Mackenzie Esqr in favor of the Governor General & Council & requesting that the Commander of the Henry Dundas may not be permitted to receive Passengers on board at Calcutta.—

My Lord,

We have the honor to enclose a List of Bills of Exchange on favor of the Right Honble the Governor General & Council for Pags 2,926 & 47 upon Mr. John Mackenzie Esquire, being the amount of a Cargo of Rice consigned to this Presidency by Mr. Mackenzie & recovered by them from the Surveyors at Calcutta.—

We beg leave to request your Lordships will send orders Capt.n M.c Nab of the Henry Dundas to receive Passengers

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12th on board at Calcutta, as there are Several Persons at this Presidency both on the Company's & Company's Service, who are waiting an Opportunity of proceeding to England, as one of the Company's Ships.—

We have the Honor to be

Your &c &c

Fort St George (Signed) Arch. Campbell
11th August 1797. &c Council

Received the undermentioned Letters
entered in H.B. Nos 52, 53.

From the Commandant at Palamcottah,
dating that no orders have yet been sent to
complete the Commanding Officer's Corps, the
Lascars now embarked by the Surgeons, on the
Establishment Basis.—

From the Resident at Nagore, states
the arrival of the Snow Camden Bux; & that
the Troops on board will be sent to Trichinopoly
with all Expedition—a Detachment
of Sixty five Men of his Majesty's 52d Regt
will be shipped on board the above Vessel
& dispatches to the Presidency on a few days
the Commander has been paid Pag. 180 on Sale
for the Freight of the above Men.—

Dispatches the undermentioned Letters
Nos H.B. Nos 54, 55, 56, 57.—)

To

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12th. To the Commissary General, with the Copy of a Letter from the Chief Engineer, together with the accounts of the Works at Palamcotah.

To Capt. Lt. Col. Capper.

To Captain Lieutenant Lewin, the Board decline accepting his proposal for furnishing the Native Cavalry with 500 Horses.

To the Committee of Stores.

To the Committee of Stores enclosing copies of a letter & enclosure from Brigadier General Stone, & desiring they will report thereon.

To Col. Bridges.

To the Commandant at Palamcotah—the Board direct that the Commanding Officers House be forthwith repaired, agreeable to Lieut. Pogg's Estimate. N.B. Copy to the Paymaster.

At a Consultation Present

The Honorable Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President

John Hollond— James Henry Casamajor
&
Robert Maunsell Esqrs.

Tuesday 14th 4th August 1787.

Minutes of last Consultation read & approved.—

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.—

To

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

Honble Sir & Sirs,

We have been honored with Mr.
Secretary Shannier's Letter of the 2d 4th and 7th
instant, with their several enclosures; and also
the approved Regulations for the native
Infantry, and Quarter Master Generals Depart-
ment, which agreeable to your orders, shall
be duly inserted in the new Book of
Regulations.-

From the Military Board on the Claim of Lieut. Bowles Cavalry Recruitment

After a most attentive perusal of all the Papers already received relative to Lieutenant Bowles's application, we think we cannot consistently with justice, proceed to form any decisive opinion on the merits of the Case, until we are in possession of every circumstance which may be stated by all the parties concerned. We therefore beg leave to suggest to your Honor &c.a to direct that the Cavalry officers at Arcot & Wallajanagar who are liable to be affected by Lieut. Bowles's claim, be furnished with a Copy of his Memorial to the Court of Directors in order to enable them to represent in reply thereto any

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any facts within their knowledge, that may tend to invalidate Lieutenant Bowles's pretensions or serve to throw any additional light on the subject.

We have the honour to be, with the perfect respect,—

For. Ge.

(Signed) " J Capper
" Henry Malcolm
" Lal. Campbell
" John Durand
" Wm. Sydenham
" J. Moorhouse

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I agree that Letters be written to the Officers Commanding the Cavalry at Arcot, and Warriore, enclosing Copy of Lieut. Bowles's Memorial in order that those Officers who are liable to be affected by his Claim, may have an opportunity of transmitting their Representations to the Military Board

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from the Accountant General.

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

Honble Sir,

I have been honored with your Commands / in a Letter from Mr. Secretary Shawier dated the 7.th Instant / to report my Opinion upon the Subject of a memorial dated 25.th Ultimo delivered in by the Chief Engineer at a Committee of Works. –

I objects to the alteration proposed in the 8.th Paragraph of my address to your Honor under date the 24.th April, the Substance of which is, "That as the Committee of Works receive advances of Cash for the disbursements of that department, & keep a regular Set of Books, there is an impropriety in the Civil Paymaster continuing to pay & Charge to the Committee the Wages of the Servants and other monthly Charges under the direction of the Chief Engineer.

My reason for proposing this alteration was that the Books of the Committee of Works alone, should contain the Account of every disbursement under their Charge so that the

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Chief Engineer's
Minute delivered
to a Committee
Works on the
ode of keeping
the Accounts of
the Committee

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we should not in future have occasion
to refer to any other department to know at
any time the state of the Accounts of that
Committee.

The objection made to this by the Chief
Engineer is, that as the Civil Paymasters
at present muster and pays the people
employed under him, if this mode is
discontinued, the necessary Check, and
controul of the Paymaster will be wanting-
on this I beg leave to remark, that I conceive
the Clerk to the Committee can execute
this duty as well as the Paymaster & with
more promptitude, as being one of their own
Officers immediately responsible to them
for his conduct. Whilst the Checks of the
Chief Engineer will be preserved as the
report from his Department can as usual
be entered every night together, with the
Clerk to the Committees muster in a book
kept for the purpose, always open to the
inspection of the Committee.

I have the honor to be
&c &c.

(Signed) George Montray
Accountant

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Agreed that Copy of the foregoing be sent to the Committee of Works, & that they be desired to adopt the mode recommended by the Accountant General which is perfectly satisfactory to Government.—

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores.—

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

Honble Sir,

We have the honor to lay before you the accompanying Estimates.—

We have the honor to be
Honble Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servants
(Signed) J. Casper
" Wm Petrie
" Wm Sydenham
" P. Moorhouse

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Proportion of Artificers for the different Corps of the Army with the Monthly & Daily amount of their Pay.—

| Proportion of each Corps | Armourers | Carpenters | Smiths | Hammermen | Bellows Boys | Chickledars | Chuckler | Number required according to the present Establishment | Armourers | Carpenters | Smiths | Hammermen | Bellows Boys | Chickledars | Chuckler | Artificers Pay each Pr. Day | P | I | C | Artificers Pay each Pr. Month | P | I | C |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Compl. of Artillery | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Kings Regt. Dragoons | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Armourer | " | 4 | " | Armourer | 2 | 36 | " |
| 1 Regt. Infantry | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 6 Regts. Ks. Infantry | 18 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 6 | 6 | Carpenter | " | 4 | " | Carpenter | 2 | 36 | " |
| 1 Regt. Native Cavalry | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 Battns. of Compl. Artillery | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | Smiths | " | 4 | " | Smith | 2 | 36 | " |
| 1 Battn. of Sepoys | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 Regts. of Infantry | 12 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 4 | 4 | Hammermen | " | 3 | " | Hammermen | 2 | 6 | " |
| | | | | | | | | 4 Do. Native Cavalry | 12 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | Bellows Boys | " | 1 | " | Bellows Boys | " | 36 | " |
| | | | | | | | | 28 Battns. Sepoys | 84 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 | Chickledars | " | 3 | " | Chickledars | 2 | 6 | " |
| | | | | | | | | 16 Battns. Sillendies | 18 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | Chuckler | " | 3 | " | Chuckler | 2 | 6 | " |
| Total | | | | | | | | | 157 | 69 | 69 | 69 | 69 | 59 | 59 | | | | | | | | |

Monthly

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## Monthly Expence of the Artificers for the present Establishment

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Pay of 15 | Armourers | 448. 24 - |
| 6 | Carpenters | 197. 6 - |
| 6 | Smiths | 197. 6 - |
| 6 | Hammermen | 50. 39 - |
| 6 | Bellows Boys | 126. 18 - |
| 5 | Choichledars | 126-18 - |
| 5 | Choichlers | |

N.B. If this mode was to be adopted a small Establishment besides these would be necessary at all the different Out Garrisons

Total Pagodas 1343.33 -

(Signed) T. Capper
W.m Petrie
W.m Sydenham
P. Moorhouse

Proposed

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## Proposed Establishment & Monthly expence of Arms, Camp Equipage, & Stores, under the Presidency

## Stations

| Stations | | |

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Native Artificers for the Repair & Care of Ordnance

cy of Fort St. George.—

| | Number of such | Pay of Each Per Day | Batta per Day in the Field | Monthly Pay of the Establishment | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Pa. Fs. | Co. D. F. C. | P. F. C. | P. F. C. |
| Master Carpenters | 12 | " 6 | 4 " " | 2 " 48 | " |
| Carpenters | 54 | " 4 | 2 36 " " | 1 40 154 12 | |
| Master Armourer | 3 | " 6 | 4 " " | 2 " 12 | " |
| Armourer | 55 | " 4 | 2 36 " " | 2 " 157 6 | |
| Master Smiths | 2 | " 6 | 4 " " | 2 " 8 | " |
| Smiths | 49 | " 4 | 2 36 " " | 1 40 140 | |
| Hammermen | 49 | " 2 | 2 6 " " | 1 " 105 | " |
| Bellows Boys | 49 | " 1 | " 36 " " | " 60 36 | |
| Master Lascars | 1 | " 6 | 4 " " | 2 " 4 | " |
| Lascars | 13 | " 3 | 40 2 24 10 | " 1 10 33 24 | |
| Master Painters | 1 | " 6 | 4 " " | 2 " 4 | " |
| Painters | 14 | " 3 | 2 6 " " | 1 " 30 | " |
| Lascars | 24 | " 4 | 2 36 " " | 2 40 68 24 | |
| Sawyer | 13 | " 4 | 2 36 " " | 2 40 37 6 | " |
| Sawyers | 13 | " 3 | 2 6 " " | 2 " 27 36 | |
| Asst. Drawers for ditto | 150 | " 3 | 2 6 " " | 2 " 324 18 | " |
| Bricklayer | 2 | " 3 | 2 6 " " | 2 " 4 12 | " |
| Masons | 24 | " 3 | 2 6 " " | 2 " 51 18 | " |
| Bricklayers | | | | | |
| Total | 528 | | | | 1242 37 10 |

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The Board observe the proposed Establish-
=ment of native artificers at the Military Stations
of this Presidency for the care & repair of ordnance
Minute thereon Arms &c. &c. &c. & it is in Consequence agreed that
it be adopted. — With respect to the proposed
proportion of artificers for the different Corps, it is
unnecessary to establish them excepting at
Periods when the different Corps may be ordered
to take the Field. —

Ordered that the above be communicated
The above Minute to the Committee of Stores. —
To be communicated
to the Committee
of Stores —

Read the following Letter from the
Military Paymaster General.

John Hamier Esq.
Military Secretary

Sir,

From the Military Paymaster General on the arrival of the Company lately received relating to Charges on account of Things Troops serving in India — proposing that a Committee be appointed to carry those Orders into Execution —

I was honored with the Commands of the Honble Board in your letter of the 2d Instant, which was accompanied by Several Papers & extracts of letters from the Court of Directors upon which the Board have directed, that I should make a report without delay — in consequence I have the honor to inform you that the Statement of advances made at this Presidency to the Things Paymaster General on account of the Troops serving on the Coast, has been regularly

transmitted

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Transmitted by every Dispatch, to the Court of Directors, since their former order to that purpose were received - That since the period, when Mr. Burke began to pay the whole of the allowances to these Troops, both Kings Subsistance, & the allowances made them by the Company (which was on the 1st May 1786) the Sums advanced them, have been paid on his receipts & been disbursed by them, without any interference on my part, nor has any account of Disbursements been sent by them into this Office - The account of what has been paid to each Regiment as required by the Honble Court of Directors, cannot be furnished from this Office, as no account of those disbursements has been transmitted to me - Mr. Burke can alone furnish this Account. -

As it appears to be the wish of the Honble Court that the amount of the extra allowances to each Regiment should be brought to account distinctly in future, it may appear right & proper, by your Honble Board, to give directions to his Majesty's Paymaster General, to observe this mode in his Accounts of disbursements of extra allowances, & that the Charges General, & extraordinary of each Regiment, as well as the Batta to officers commanding & others, be brought under a seperate head of those Charges for each Corps. Viz. Charges General to the 19th Regiment Dragoons &c 7th Regiment 2d Batta 19th Regt

Dragoons

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Dragoons Batta 71st Regiment Do. That I may be
permitted to raise three Heads on the Books for the
entry of them whereby shall transmit his accounts
to this Office - this will very much facilitate the
drawing out these accounts in future.

The amount of extraordinaries to the Troops
prior to the 1st May 1786 when Mr Burke began
to pay it, was always issued by the Company's
Paymasters, & introduced into their monthly accounts
in the same manner, & blended with the same
allowances to the Company's own officers, under
general Heads of Charges General, extraordinary's
& Batta to Europeans under which Heads, they
have uniformly been carried in the Paymaster
General's Books, ever since the first arrival of
any part of his Majesty's Troops on the Coast in
1779 no orders whatever having been given
to keep those Charges seperate, as was the case
with the Subsistence, Gratuity, & Hospital Charges
& therefore much fear that the account required
by the Honble Court, cannot without the greatest
difficulty be obtained from the Books - for the other
that is past the names of Troops & Company's
Officers, are so intermixed, that it would require
the nicest information of the names of His
Majesty's Officers who have served during that
time, & the closest attention, to separate the same
from

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From the Above-mentioned I think it can possibly be done but by the most unremitted assiduity for a long Tract of time - I do not know how it will be possible for the Paymaster, or any other Person to ascertain from the Books or Vouchers, which is all the information that he has on the Subject the amounts paid to different officers on India for brevet Rank, which is required to be stated - as the Paymaster does not know, the real Regimental rank an officer holds, nor does the vouchers for his allowances in the Books specify it, or give any intimation for his guidance - without such Lights can be thrown on the Subject, by Returns for the period that is past, I am of Opinion that this part of the order will be impossible to be complied with - The anxiety that Government have repeatedly expressed to have the Books of this Office (in which are included all the accounts of the late War) brought up, has comprised one with the necessity of paying every possible attention to that object, as of the first importance; I have in consequence been unremitting in my endeavours to meet the wishes of Government on this head - I have turned the whole attention of the Servants in the Office to this one point - the voluminous books 34/35 have given us much trouble, & we have for some time endeavoured in vain to

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to correct a trifling error of P.S.— in the balancing
them. when we shall be so fortunate, as to
balance them completely, the two years subsequent,
which will also be very long, will require
immediate & constant attention & exertions of every
person employed to bring them up — I have
taken the liberty to mention the employment
we are at present upon, & to observe, that I must,
to compleat the statements required from
home immediately employ every person
in the Office that is now busy in bringing up
the Books, on these Statements, which after all,
cannot be finally concluded until the Books
themselves are brought up — The Books from which
the information can only be obtained must remain
unfinished — & the earnest wish of Government
myself be frustrated, as it will be impossible
to attend to both these businesses at one & the
same time — If I might be permitted to suggest
to the Honble Board, a mode to comply with
the orders from home, & at the same time to
proceed in the so much desired pursuit of
balancing the Books, I would recommend that
a Committee, such as Government may
judge sufficient might be nominated for the
fulfilling the directions of the Honble Court
to whom the Books from 79 to May 84 together
with such vouchers as they might require

shall

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should be delivered, & those subsequent as they are finished, & that they be directed to examine them & ascertain the charges extraordinary to the Kings Troops from those of the Company, & report the same to the Honble Board in as full a manner as possible — Thus the important objects of the Court would be attained & the no less important one of Government here, receive the same constant attention now paid to it, & which it requires, I beg the Board will pardon this suggestion, & believe that it proceeds from my anxiety to have their directions speedily & fully complied with. —

I am to request that you will inform me if the advanced rate of Passage money to Officers in his Majestys Service is to be paid from this time, & whether it is the pleasure of the Board that the same allowance shall be made to the Company's Officers also, as by G.O. 21 January last they were directed to be put on the same footing with respect to passage money. —

I have the honor to be
&c &c.

Signed John Fleming
Mily Pay.r Genl

Military Pay.r Genl.s Office
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As it is a matter of the greatest Importance that the Military Paymaster Generals Books should be brought up with as much expedition as possible, the Board are unwilling to divert Mr Turings attention from this Object - Agreed therefore that a Committee be appointed, as recommended by Mr Turing, & that the following Letter be sent to him, & to the Gentlemen to be employed in executing the orders of the Court of Directors. -

Committee to be appointed agreeably the Recommendation of the Military Paymaster General. -

To John Turing Esq.r
Military Paym.r Gen.l

Sir,

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of this day's date, & to inform you that Mr Burke will be desired to send his Accounts to your Office. -

To the Military Paymaster General in Reply. -

I am directed to relieve you from the extraordinary trouble which will arise in the execution of the orders of the Court of Directors. - The Board have appointed the following Gentlemen to

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Messrs. Bodman Latham & Swin to assemble as a Committee for the purpose of separating the Charges extraordinary to the Kings Troops from those of the Company, & to report the same in as full a manner as possible to Government.—

You will be pleased therefore to deliver the Books of your Office with such vouchers as may be required to the above Committee & to give them every assistance in your Power.—

The Board approve your recommendation respecting the raising the Heads for Stores on your Books when Mr. Burtis' Accounts shall be transmitted to your Office.—

With respect to the allowance for Passage Money to Kings & Company's Officers returning to Europe, no alteration is to take place in that deviations of the Regulations the Governor General in Council are received.—

I am &c. &c.

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(Signed) John Chamier
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To Messrs. Benyamin Roebuck
Robert Latham
& Benyamin Torin
Gentlemen

I am directed by the Board
to inform you, that they have been pleased to
appoint you to be a Committee for the purpose
of executing the Orders of the Court of Directors as
detailed in the enclosed Extract.—

Upon your Application to the Military
Paymaster General, he will deliver to you the
Books of his Office from 1779 to may 1784, &
those subsequent as they are finished, together
with such Vouchers as may be necessary. From
the above materials, you are to draw out the
Statements required by the Court of directors
& to make your report with as much expedition
as possible.—

The Military Paymaster General &
Adjutant General have received directions
to give you every assistance which their
respective Offices can afford.—

I am &c.
&c.
Signed Tho.s Chamier
Secy

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It appears from Mr. Turing's Letter that he is not furnished with Mr. Burke's Accounts, it is agreed that the following Letter be sent to Mr. Burke.—

To William Burke Esq.r
Paymaster General to His Majesty's Troops in India.—

Sir,

I am directed by the Worshipful the Governor in Council to enclose you an Extract of a Letter lately received from the Court of Directors.

In order to furnish the accounts of Extraordinaries required by the Court of Directors, the Board have appointed a Committee Consisting of Messrs. Roebuck Latham, & Town, for the purpose of examining the Military Paymaster General's Accounts, & of separating the Charges extraordinary to the Kings & Company's Troops from those of the Company's in the manner ordered from home.—

As it appears from the Military Paymaster Generals Letter / of which I enclose a Copy for your information / that he is not yet furnished with the Accounts of your office I am directed to desire you will be pleased to send them to him without delay. I am &c.a &c.a

(Signed) John Chamier
Secy

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To the Kings Paymaster General enclosing the Company's Orders on the aforementioned subject; directing him to send in his accounts to the Military Paymaster General's Office without Delay.—

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Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Dugald Campbell.—

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

Madras 14th August 1787.—

Honble Sir

I have the honor to enclose an Abstract of Five hundred & Twenty Nine Horses purchased from the 12th August 1786 to the 30th June 1787 with an Account upon honor of my Receipts and Disbursements for that time—particular accounts of the Prime cost of the Horses, the Duties, Extra, Charges & Feeding &c. N.1.2.3 & 4 are also enclosed—The Prime Cost Duties & Extra Charges of each Horse is nearly Star Pagodas 76½ with their Feeding on an average, for about Two Months and a half they Cost when delivered to the Cavalry about Eighty Nine Star Pagodas and two Thirds of a Pagoda /89 2/3 each Horse.

Lieutenant Sheriff purchased Eighty Nine Horses last Month at Dachapilly on the Palnaud, which I expect will prove a good Station for that purpose—from the best information I have been able to procure by a Journey

To Lieut. Colonel Dugald Campbell with his Accounts of Cavalry Purchases.—

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Journey of two Thousand Miles by Troops leaving
cool intelligent Troopers to all the Countries
where Horses are bred for several hundred
Miles North of the Kistna. I am sorry
to find that a General Scarcity of Horses
prevails; I have given every encouragement
to bring Horses into the Carnatic and the
Peshwa Sonas purchased Somewhere, in preference
to going elsewhere, and if the neighbouring Powers
do not interrupt them. I hope to procure the
number ordered by the end of February next —
As I understand that Colonel Floyd is allowed
Six Rupees pr. Month for Feeding the Horses he
purchases until delivered I take the liberty to
request the same indulgence — and should
Government be pleased to think me deserving
of it, an order to Mr. Welsh the Paymaster at
Arcot to pay me Monthly in the same manner
as he does the Contracts of the Regiments, will be
necessary — This will enable me with more exact
-ness to give in my Accounts Monthly in future
as ordered. I have the honor to be with great
Respect. —

Sir
Your most faithfull & most
Obedient humble Servant
(Signed) Dug.d Campbell
Lt. Col. Cavalry

Lieutenant Colonel Campbell
Cavalry

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Minute thereon

Having delivered in his Accounts upon Honor it is agreed that they be passed, & that the Vouchers be sent to the Military Paymaster General's Office.-

Read the following Letter from Mr. Cathcart, Paymaster at Palamcotah, with the Enclosures entered in P. C. No. 58, 59, 60, 61.-

To the Honble
Sir Archibald Campbell K. B.
President and Governor in Council at
Fort St. George

Honble Sir and Sirs,

I have received your Secretary's Letter enclosing Copy of one from Brigadier General Horne to the Commander in Chief together with a Representation by Captain Lewin, of Circumstances exhibited as a Complaint against me in my Capacity of agent to the Detachment lately Commanded by Major Macleod, and requiring my reply thereto.

By the abovementioned Letter from General Horne it appears that I am charged by Major Macleod with refusing, as agent, to comply with his orders - it further appears that a Representation had already been addressed to Government on the same Subject - being ignorant of the Points stated in the first Instance I feel myself compelled to enter

From Mr. Cathcart in Reply to the Complaint exhibited against him by Captain Lewin in his Capacity of Agent to the Detachment lately under the Command of Major Macleod.-

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enter into a Minute Recital in order that no Article of Charge against me may remain unreplied to

How far I may have refused to obey Major Macleod's Orders will be seen in the Course of my Narrative, I will here only observe, and I willingly rest on the Proof my Cause to a justification of my Conduct That in those Instances I was acting in Obedience to higher Authority — in Obedience to the Regulations of the Service.

With regard to Capt. Oliver's Complaint I can safely assert however extraordinary it appear, that every article of it is a Point of Accusation against himself, and were I to account for his venturing on the Subject, I should be at a loss for any other reason than that he thought it probable I might be induced to represent it to Government and that in a bad Cause it was as well not to lose the supposed Advantage of being the First to complain.—

Supported as now by a perfect Reliance on the Impartiality of your Noble Board and that Kind of Testimony which fortifies against all accusation, I enter on a Reply to these Complaints without other Fear than that of taxing your Patience too severely, but it is necessary to shew the Rise and Extent of the Opposition I met with in my Endeavours to maintain against severely

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against Encroachment a standing Regulation of the Service - The Regulation I allude to directs that for the more effectually ensuring to the European Troops on the Field, a proper and wholesome Subsistence on which their Health must chiefly depend, each Man shall receive daily a certain quantity of Rice, Mutton Arrack, Salt and Firewood to be furnished by an agent of Supply who is allowed for that Purpose 3 Fanams 20 Cash per Man per Day. - It is in a particular Manner the duty of the Commanding Officer to afford every necessary Assistance to the agent to enable him to carry into effect so salutary a Regulation - he is the natural Guardian of the Rights of the Men under his Command, and if his immediate Province is attended to and redress, as far as may be, any Grievance they have to complain of, from whatever Cause it originate.

Such is the substance of what but a few years since might have been declared the invariable Practice of the Service - by degrees however the Observance of this Regulation has, through the Suspicions of those who should have better preserved the Soldiers' Rights and their own, been frequently dispensed with - each bold Step of deviation has been succeeded by another still more daring

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and at this Hour it Furnishes, Cause of Displeasure from the Commanding Officer not to leave this Man to provide for themselves in the Bazar - every Barrier against Oppression is thus broken down and at the same Time that the European Troops are exposed to the Licentiousness it was the bounden Duty of Government to guard against they are at the Mercy of those against whom it can scarcely be said there lies any Appeal! —

On the Approach of the Detachment under Major Macleod towards Coilpettah I dispatched thether a Supply of Arrack with other articles of Provision pointed out by the Regulations for victualling Europeans in the Field, and Granted an order from the Phouzdar to the Manegar of Coilpettah to Furnish what Supplys I might want — the Detachment arrived there, and my Servants had victualled them in full on the first Day and had almost completed the Issues of victualling on the second day when Major Macleod told them as they informed me by Letter that Mr. Palk the Paymaster of Trichinopoly was to Furnish Provisions and that I was only to provide Arrack. —

It was so contrary to Rule and Usage so absurd to suppose the duties of victualling were to be landed that I should have presumed it a mistake had not the Letter

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Letter from my Servants in Camp contained some
corroborating Circumstances which were more
fully explained on their Return two days after-
wards as appears by their Report which
I have the honor to enclose.

8th March — — — Enemy Letter to Major Macleod however
I confined myself to the Council of my Servants
having informed me he had told them Mr.
Falk was to furnish Provisions — I observed
to them "that if they were correct in their
"Representation I must consider myself
"entirely relieved from responsibility on the
"Score of victualling the Europeans & Sepoys
"them / in consequence of an application
"he made for Arrack previously to his
"Arrival at Coilpettah / that having no
"Arrack in public Store I could not in
"future comply with any Indent from him
"for that Article — perfectly disposed however
"to facilitate the business of victualling the
"Europeans, I assured Major Macleod that if
"Mr Falk, as Agent, should desire me to
"purchase Arrack and send to Coilpettah or
"if he was pleased to do it in Mr Falk's name,
"or in his own, I should send him a Supply
"with the utmost readiness."

11th March — Major Macleod informed me in
answer "that he had written for a Supply of
"Arrack in the Supposition that the Arrack
"Agent had a Stock at Palamcotah — that any
"People who went with the Arracks had
"Seized without his Knowledge on the Stock
that

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"that were brought along with the Detachment, which being complained
"of he directed the Sheep to be returned - that
"on the following Day it was reported to him
"that they had gone off without saying
"a word to him on the Subject and without
"delivering the Arrack to the Charge of any
"Person."-

No Notice was taken by Major Macleod
of that part of my letter mentioning that my
Servants had reported his having paid Mr Palk
was to furnish Provisions, it may therefore be
fairly inferred that he did tell them so, and
to a Person not minutely informed it would
appear that Mr Palk had victualled the
Europeans from Trichinopoly to Coilpettah
and that the Point contended for, was that
Had no Right to prevent his continuing to
act as Agent, but when it is known that
Mr Palk did not victual the Detachment
from Trichinopoly, which he ought to have
done, it cannot admit of Doubt who would
have suspected the Provisions had ceased
to furnish, simply the Article of Arrack -
For an answer to Major Macleods Charge
against my Servants of their having seized
some Sheep &c. they have again to refer
you to their Report enclosed. -

By the said Report it appears that
the Europeans were victualled the first day
agreeably

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agreeably to the Rules of the Service and that Arrack and most of the articles of Provision were delivered on the Second day when Major Macleod thought proper to forbid my Servants issuing Provisions in future saying that they were only to furnish Arrack – his signing Separate Bills for each of the three days they had supplied Arrack, requiring that the regular victualling Bills which had been delivered on the two first days should be given back – and his order to the Butchers to return the Sheep and Mutton to my Servants and to bill an additional number for the Bugan, whose Functionaries were in future to provide themselves, must evince how little Regard was paid to the Regulations of the Service – to what a Situation is the agent reduced if after putting himself to the Expence of hiring Servants and collecting the articles of Victualling he can be told by a Commanding Officer that he is to furnish Arrack alone, that provisions are not wanted, and that his Servants shall be punished and turned out of Camp if they presume to disobey his Orders.

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In the same Letter from Major Macleod he observed that unless some Person was particularly appointed for the victualling Business he presumed it would be best to manage it agreeably to the Custom of the Service but whatever mode was adopted he

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"he assured me of his Inclination to give me
"every assistance in his power towards conduc-
-ting the business to my Satisfaction."

There was something more than
artful in his declared wish of being guided
by the Custom of the Service wherein desires
of preserving to it, he ordered that my Servants &
should only furnish Arrack, - nor could he
suppose his Offer of assistance by letter, and the
difficulties he threw in my way on Camp, recon-
-cileable to a Conduct likely to be instrumental
in carrying on the business to my Satisfaction -
Major Macleod added in his said letter that
the guard of the Detachment which came from
Trichinopoly was much in want of Pay. -

Forbearing in my answer to Major
Macleod to take notice of all my Servants
had written to me in the forenoon of the Evening
they left Camp, I only acquainted him cursorily
"That it had been represented to me that the
"Butchers in Camp had with his own Consent,
"on the Promise of some trifling Gratuity,
"sent them Sheep for the first days victualling
"which were returned the next morning -
"That there had been no Injury nor act of
"Violence committed - That when my
"Servants were told they should no longer
"victual the Detachment they returned
"to report it to me leaving the Pendal belonging
"to this Garrison in Charge of the Arrack" "Pale
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in reply to that part of his letter representing the Distress of a part of his Detachment for Pay I recapitulated the substance of what I had before observed to him on the same Subject "that I considered "the Duties of victualling and paying a "Detachment naturally devolving on the "Paymaster of the District where Service "was going on when, as in the present Instance, "no Person was specially appointed to those "Duties by Government— that if I might "flatter myself he coincided with me in "Opinion on this point, I should be ready "to victual and pay the Detachment; but "as it appeared to me quite irreconcileable "to Suspend in my Duty to do the one and "not the other, I could not consent simply "to pay it without orders from the Presidency, "unless he thought the Delay of referring "it to Government might be attended with "Inconvenience to the Troops, and in that "case I should be ready to issue Pay &c. "on the Pay Rolls and Drills being presented "to me."—

I wrote at the same time and explanatory letter to the Governor's Secretary and had the Satisfaction of receiving the following Paragraph in Reply.— "The Governor "is of Opinion that Detachments should in "the first Instance be provided by the Pay- "=master from whose Division they march

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"but that when Stationary in any distrct distant
"from the Place from whence they marched
"that the Paymaster of such Distrct ought
"to Supply them with all necessaries." This
&c &c was entirely in point and with the &
&c "Sanction of such an Authority I determined
not to yield to any difficulty that might
be thrown in my way, or Opposition however
Stubborn or vexatious.—

Having brought the matter to this
Close Point that I would not pay unless I also
victualled the Europeans it was necessary
that Major Macleod should come to some
Determination— the Line he thought fit
to adopt I was made acquainted with in his
Letter enclosing Copy of a General order for
my paying the Detachment, in these words.
"the Sooner you send Money & also your
"People for victualling the Europeans the
"better."—

Accordingly dispatches the
victualling Conceptles without loss of time
putting them under the immediate direction
of my Servant Purnasseram— they arrived
in Camp on the 18th March— I beg leave to refer
your Honble Board for Particulars to the
enclosed Report of Purnasseram who wrote
to me daily all occurrences relative to the
victualling Department.—

I will not escape observation what

4th March.

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Difficulty occurred in getting Sheep for the Europeans though none was found unwilling supplying the Bazar– That the Subedar declared he would willingly whatever Number of Sheep my Servants wanted if they would first obtain for him the Leave of the Commanding Officer– and when this was urged to Major Macleod, he replied he had nothing to say to it and that my Servant must manage his own business– it will likewise be observed what various Means were attempted to procure Sheep and how ineffectual they were rendered through an Influence which at opposing the Company's Regulations ought certainly not to have existed– the Distress the Europeans experienced was frequently represented to Major Macleod and to no purpose, although he had constantly a large Flock of Sheep in Camp.– on the 28th March there was no Meat for the Europeans– the same evening Major Macleod returned

4th March to Camp and the next morning my Servant waited on him to represent that he could not get any Sheep to supply the Europeans– Lieutenant Hayes of the artillery also called on Major Macleod to state the distress of his Men, upon which he ordered his Butcher to give two days meat to the artillery being 3 3/4 Sheep– the Sergeants and Drummers wanting such an Advocate had no Meat those two days.–

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No Sooner had Major Macleod furnished
this trifling Supply than he informed me by
Letter, "That the Europeans of his Detachments
"victualled by me had respectably complained
"of their not being supplied with Meat
"That he had been obliged to order some
"of the Sew Sheep which with no
"little Trouble he procured for the use
"of the Officers to be served to the men
"That he was misled in hopes it would
"have proved quite convenient to me to
"victual these few Men – That the Officers
"immediately Commanding the Europeans
"had represented how ill they were
"supplied and that Sir Major Macleod
"must beg I would order the business
"to be conducted in future so as to give
"no Cause for Complaints." –

Your Honble Board will judge
of the Propriety of Major Macleod's Complaint
That the Europeans were not victualled as
they ought to be when he was personally
the Cause of it – there was no want of Sheep
Camp for the Sepoys as well as Officers, and even
had they been scarce, the Europeans ought not
to be the first to feel it, much less should
a Commanding Officer be accessary to the
Distress – had Major Macleod but spoken
a word to the Subadar appointed to Inspect
the Camp his Complaints would afterwards

have

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Difficulty occurred in getting Sheep for the Europeans though none was found unwilling to supply the Bazar– That the Subedar declared he would supply whatever Number of Sheep my Servants wanted if they would first obtain for him the Leave of the Commanding Officer– and when this was urged to Major Macleod, he replied he had nothing to say to it and that my Servants must manage this own business– it will likewise be observed what various Means were attempted to procure Sheep and how ineffectual they were rendered through an Influence which at opposing the Company's Regulations might certainly not to have existed– the Distress the Europeans experienced was frequently represented to Major Macleod and to no purpose, although he had constantly a large Flock of Sheep in Camp.– on the 26th March there was no Meat for the Europeans– the same evening Major Macleod returned

27th March to Camp and the next morning my Servant waited on him to represent that he could not get any Sheep to supply the Europeans– Lieutenant Hayes of the artillery also called on Major Macleod to state the distress of his Men, upon which he ordered his Butcher to give two days meat to the artillery Duty 3 or 4 Sheep– the Sergeants and Drummers wanting such an Advocate had no Meat three two days.–

Sir

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No Sooner had Major Macleod furnished
this trifling Supply than he informed me by
Letter, "That the Europeans of his Detachment
"victualled by me had respectably complained
"of their not being supplied with Meat
"That he had been obliged to order some
"of the Sea Sheep which with no
"little Trouble he procured for the use
"of the Officers to be served to the Men
"That he was indeed in hopes it would
"have proved quite convenient to me to
"victual these few Men – That the Officers
"immediately Commanding the Europeans
"had represented how ill they were
"supplied and that he Major Macleod
"must beg I would order the business
"to be conducted in future so as to give
"no Cause for Complaints." –

Your Honble Board will judge
of the Propriety of Major Macleod's Complaint
That the Europeans were not victualled as
they ought to be when he was Personally
the Cause of it – There was no want of Sheep on
Camp for the Troops as well as Officers, and even
had they been scarce, the Europeans ought not
to be the first to feel it much less should
a Commanding Officer be accessary to the
Distress – had Major Macleod but spoken
a word to the Subadar appointed to receive
the Camp ins Complaints would afterwards

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Difficulty occurred in getting Sheep for the Europeans though none was found unwilling to supply the Bazar- That the Subedar declared he would supply whatever Number of Sheep my Servants wanted if they would first obtain for him the leave of the Commanding Officer- and when this was urged to Major Macleod, he replied he had nothing to say to it and that my Servants must manage his own business- it will likewise be observed what various Means were attempted to procure Sheep and how ineffectual they were rendered through an Influence which at opposing the Company's Regulations ought certainly not to have existed- The Distress the Europeans experienced was frequently represented to Major Macleod and to no purpose, although he had constantly a large Flock of Sheep in Camp.- on the 28th March there was no Meat for the Europeans- the same evening Major Macleod returned to Camp and the next morning my Servant waited on him to represent that he could not get any Sheep to supply the Europeans- Lieutenant Hayes of the artillery also called on Major Macleod to state the distress of his Men, upon which he ordered his Butcher to give two days meat to the artillery being 33 Sheep- The Sergeants and Drummers wanting such an Advocate had no Meat those two days.-

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No Sooner had Major Macleod furnished
this trifling Supply than he informed me by
Letter, "That the Europeans of his Detachment
"victualled by me had respectably complained
"of their not being supplied with Meat
"That he had been obliged to order some
"of the Few Sheep which with no
"little Trouble he procured for the use
"of the Officers to be served to the men
"That he was indeed in hopes it would
"have served quite convenient to me to
"victual these few Men – That the Officers
"immediately Commanding the Europeans
"had represented how ill they were
"supplied and that he Major Macleod
"must beg I would order the business
"to be conducted in future so as to give
"no Cause for Complaints". –

Your Honble Board will judge
of the Propriety of Major Macleod's Complaint
That the Europeans were not victualled as
they ought to be when he was Fatally
the Cause of it – There was no want of Sheep
Cattle for the Troops as well as Officers, and even
had they been scarce, the Europeans ought not
to be the first to feel it much less should
a Commanding Officer be accessary to the
Distress – had Major Macleod but spoken
a word to the Subadar appointed to Escort
the Cattle no Complaint would afterwards
have

Fort St. George 14th August 1787.–

Difficulty occurred in getting Sheep for the Europeans though none was found unwilling to supply the Bazar– That the Subedar declared he would cheerfully whatever Number of Sheep my Servants wanted if they would first obtain for him the leave of the Commanding Officer– and when this was urged to Major Macleod, he replied he had nothing to say to it and that my Servant must manage his own business– it will likewise be observed what various Means were attempted to procure Sheep and how ineffectual they were rendered through an Influence which at opposing the Company's Regulations ought certainly not to have existed– The Distress the Europeans experienced was frequently represented to Major Macleod and to no purpose, although he had constantly a large Flock of Sheep in Camp.– on the 28th March there was no Meat for the Europeans– the same evening Major Macleod returned to Camp and the next morning my Servant waited on him to represent that he could not get any Sheep to supply the Europeans– Lieutenant Hayes of the artillery also called on Major Macleod to state the distress of his Men, upon which he ordered his Butcher to give five days meat to the artillery Viz 35 Sheep– the Sergeants and Drummers wanting such an Advocate had no meat three days.–

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No Sooner had Major Macleod furnished
this trifling Supply than he informed me by
Letter, "That the Europeans of his Detachment
"victualled by me had respectably complained
"of their not being supplied with Meat
"That he had been obliged to order some
"of the Sea Sheep which with no
"little Trouble he procured for the use
"of the Officers to be served to the Men
"That he was indeed in hopes it would
"have proved quite convenient to me to
"victual these few Men – That the Officers
"immediately Commanding the Europeans
"had represented how ill they were
"supplied and that he, Major Macleod
"must beg I would order the business
"to be conducted in future so as to give
"no Cause for Complaints." –

Your Honble Board will judge
of the Propriety of Major Macleod's Complaint
That the Europeans were not victualled as
they ought to be when he was perfectly
the Cause of it – There was no want of Sheep
Cows for the Soldiers as well as Officers, and even
had they been scarce, the Europeans ought not
to be the first to feel it much less should
a Commanding Officer be accessary to the
Distress – had Major Macleod but spoken
a word to the Subadar appointed to supply
the Corps his Complaints would afterwards

have

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Difficulty occurred in getting Sheep for the Europeans though none was found unwilling supplying the Bazar– That the Subedar declared he would cheerfully whatever Number of Sheep my Servants wanted if they would first obtain for him the Leave of the Commanding Officer– and when this was urged to Major Macleod, he replied he had nothing to say to it and that my Servant must manage his own business– it will likewise be observed what various Means were attempted to procure Sheep and how ineffectual they were rendered through an Influence which as opposing the Company's Regulations ought certainly not to have existed– The Distress the Europeans experienced was frequently represented to Major Macleod and to no purpose, although he had constantly a large Flock of Sheep in Camp.– on the 20th March there was no Meat for the Europeans– the same evening Major Macleod returned

21st March to Camp and the next morning my Servant waited on him to represent that he could not get any Sheep to supply the Europeans– Lieutenant Hayes of the artillery also called on Major Macleod to state the distress of his Men, upon which he ordered his Butcher to give five days meat to the Artillery being 335 Sheep– The Sergeants and Drummers wanting such an Advocate had no meat those two days.–

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No Sooner had Major Macleod furnished
this trifling Supply than he informed me by
Letter, "That the Europeans of his Detachment
"victualled by me had respectably complained
"of their not being supplied with Meat
"That he had been obliged to order some
"of the Sea Sheep which with no
"little Trouble he procured for the use
"of the Officers to be served to the Men
"That he was indeed in hopes it would
"have proved quite convenient to me to
"victual these few Men - That the Officers
"immediately Commanding the Europeans
"had represented how ill they were
"supplied and that he Major Macleod
"must beg I would order the business
"to be conducted in future so as to give
"no Cause for Complaints." -

Your Honble Board will judge
of the Propriety of Major Macleod's Complaint
That the Europeans were not victualled as
they ought to be when he was personally
the Cause of it - There was no want of Sheep
Camels for the Sepoys as well as Officers, and even
had they been scarce, the Europeans ought not
to be the first to feel it much less should
a Commanding Officer be accessary to the
Distress - had Major Macleod but spoken
a word to the Subadar appointed to supply
the Corps his Complaints would afterwards

have

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have been heard – This, he said was not his business and the Subidar Sirdar of offending him could not be prevailed on to furnish Sheep to my Servants without his Permission.

Solicited an Interview with the Phoujdar expressly for the purpose of explaining to him my Duty as Agent and to request my Desire that he would give such positive Order to the Subidar or Manager that I might have no Cause for Complaint or Representation to Government, and he promised all I could wish, assuring me he had not thoroughly understood the nature of my Employ till then, thinking that the Assistance he had furnished to Major Macleod was the same as furnished to me – he promised to remedy the mistake for the future saying I should never again have occasion to speak to him on the Subject – I expressed myself satisfied with his assurances declaring however that I should be under the necessity of getting Peons to collect Sheep if they were not to be procured by other means. –

Immediately replied to Major Macleod's Letter observing "that Complaints "had been made to me by my Servants "in Camp against the Subidar – if he not "supplying Sheep according to the Directions "he had received from the Phoujdar who "promised from time to time to respect his orders

"order in such manner as to prevent
"future Dissatisfaction That I informed
"the Phougdar of my having ordered my
"Servant on any Failure of duty on the
"Subadar to furnish Troops to apply to him
"Major Macleod, for the assistance of
"Sepoys to collect the number required
"That this mode to which the Phougdar
"has constantly objected I could wish
"not to adopt, but that it must be
"resorted to if the necessities of the Detach
"ment could not otherwise be supplied."

On the 7th March the Subadar in
consequence of peremptory orders from the
Phougdar began to supply me with Stock
for the Europeans, and it is worthy of Remark
that on the same day Major Macleod sent for
my Servant, as appears by his Report and told
him that he thought it would be best, in order
to avoid Trouble and Disputes to pay the
Europeans in money, if they liked to receive
it, and that they might then provide themselves
in the Bazar— my Servant having no authority
to acquiesce in this proposal said he would
write to me concerning it.—

7th April

The same day Major Macleod wrote
to inform me "That the Sergeants and Private
Europeans of the Detachment having been as
"it has been given to understand, do very
irregularly

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have been heard – This, he said, was not his business and the Subadar Searsuk of offending him could not be prevailed on to furnish Stuff to my Servants without his Permission.

I solicited an Interview with the Phoujdar expressly for the purpose of explaining to him my Duty as Agent and to repeat my Desire that he would give such positive Order to the Subadar or Manager that I might have no Cause for Complaint or Representation to Government, and he promised all I could wish, assuring me he had not thoroughly understood the nature of my Employ & Office, thinking that the Assistance he had furnished to Major Macleod was the same as furnished to me – he promised to remedy the mistake for the future saying I should never again have occasion to speak to him on the Subject – I expressed myself satisfied with his assurances declaring however that I should be under the necessity of getting Peons to collect Sheep if they were not to be procured by other means. –

I immediately applied to Major Macleod's Letter shewing "that Complaints "had been made to me by my Servants "in Camp against the Subadar of Ner not "supplying Stuff according to his Direction "he had received from the Phoujdar who "promised from time to time to respect his orders

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"order in such manner as to prevent
"future Dissatisfaction that I informed
"the Phoujdar of my having ordered my
"Servant on any Failure of duty in the
"Subidar to furnish Troops to apply to him
"Major Macleod, for the assistance of
"Sepoys to collect the number required
"that this mode to which the Phoujdar
"has constantly objected I could work
"not to adopt, but that it must be
"resorted to if the necessities of the Detach
"ment could not otherwise be supplied."—

On the 7.th March the Subidar in
consequence of peremptory orders from the
Phoujdar began to supply rice with Stock
for the Europeans, and it is worthy of Remark
that on the same day Major Macleod sent for
my Servant, as appears by his Report and told
him that he thought it would be best, in order
to avoid Trouble and Disputes to pay the
Europeans in money, if they liked to receive
it, and that they might then provide themselves
in the Bazar— my Servant having no authority
to acquiesce in this proposal said he would
write to me concerning it.—

7.th April

The same day Major Macleod wrote
to inform me "that the Serjeants and Private
Europeans of the Detachment having been, as
"I has been given to understand, do very
irregularly

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"irregularly and ill supplied with provisions,
"requested to be paid in money what they call
"their dry Batta and that they would
"provide for themselves—that he thought
"this proposal reasonable or that he
"imagined I had bitten direct any Servant
"in Camp to adjust accounts for the past
"and that neither he nor I should then
"have any farther Trouble on the Score
"of victualling these Men."

However reasonable this proposal may have appeared to Major Macleod I viewed the matter very differently and inferred an embroglio Influence when the Soldier could obtain through any other Channel what the public Agent could not provide for him—I agree perfectly with Major Macleod that had I withdrawn my Servants and yielded the Company's System to his wishes there would have been no further Trouble in victualling, for he would have ordered a sufficient Number of Sheep to be carried to the Bazar, and when I ascertained were those Sheep out of the Reach of the public Agent—why must I then screening the Company's Orders which ought to be the first Object, and if possible Superior to difficulty, I be subservient to

be

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to any other Consideration?

The Earnestness with which I had been disposed in executing the duties of agents only fixed my determination the more & strongly not to retire a Step from the Line of my Privilege and my duty — This seems not to have been altogether foreseen by Major Macleod who was so far confident of the Proposition not being rejected that he told my Servants, on his applying to them the same day for a few Sheep to assist in getting Sheep, that there was no occasion, as he had informed me that the Europeans wished to be paid in money instead of being victualled and that they would provide for themselves in the Bazar — It appears the Europeans were told to go to the Bazar for what they wanted, and that they would receive their Dry Batta at the end of the Month — they accordingly discontinued from that day applying, as usual, for Arrack and Provisions notwithstanding the Dubdar, had in consequence of positive orders from the Shroyder actually furnished one by this time with the 6 Sheep which were ready to issue to the Europeans as occasion required. —

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1st April

In answer to Major Macleod's observation

2d April. —

" that having represented to the Shroyder that
" his orders for furnishing me with Sheep for
" the Europeans of the Detachment had not been
complied

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"— prosperity attended him, and received from him
"the strongest assurances that there should
"not in future be cause for Complaint. I was
"induced to hope that no further Difficulty
"would occur that in case however of Failure
"on the part of the Shroffdar to provide for
"my being furnished with Sheep, I had directed
"my Servant / as mentioned in a former
"letter / to apply to Genl. Major Macleod,
"for the assistance of a Sepoy or more, if
"necessary, to collect a Sufficient number
"and that on the Event either of his objecting
"to furnish such assistance or its Inefficacy
"when furnished, that I had directed my
"Servant to pay the Europeans their dry
"Batta in Money — That the necessity of
"this alternative I should not fail to make
"known to Government more especially
"when a Scarcity of Sheep could not be urged
"as an excuse, and that I doubted not measures
"would be taken effectually to crush the
"rascals, and I might safely add convince them of
"the Influence of a Shroffdar in matters by
"telling at naught the Company's standing
"orders respecting the victualling their
"Europeans on the Coast."

The mode of Redress I should adopt
in case I wanted Sheep and could neither get

them

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there from the Subidar nor assistance from Major Macleod was here clearly explained, and I did imagine, that the Difficulties of procuring them would be made to cease, rather than Trust the Issue of a public Representation - but one effort more remained to be made, as appeared by Major Macleods Reply whereon he said "he wished not to have any further trouble

4th April

"about victualling the Europeans and that he "believed it would be much better that they "received their day Batta in Money, but "as I had sent Arrack he supposed it "could be managed that the Men might "take their Allowance of Arrack in the "usual Way." -

The order of things must indeed be strangely inverted when obedience to the Rules of the Service is considered optional, and this sort of Management viewed as Concession - but I would admit of no such Compromise and in my Reply I strived to Major Macleod

6th April

"that having already explained myself "in regard to victualling the Europeans "of his Detachment it was unnecessary to "say more on the Subject - that I understood "there had been for some time past a very "sufficient number of the Sheep in Camp, d "under the Charge of my Servants and "I hoped I should not find it necessary to apply

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"apply to him for assistance to collect any
the Difficulty of getting Sheep that
hitherto experienced was now at an end, for
8th March. besides having already obtained a considerable
Number from the Subedar in consequence
of the Late positive orders he had received
from the Phoujdar, I had also sent some from
Palamcotah and other parts of the District
the more effectually, to provide against
future Disappointment, and I sent my
4th April Dubash to Camp in order to put the victu-
-alling Business in train, as I could foresee
no Hindrance to its being conducted for the
future conformable to the Regulations.

On the 11th as appears by the enclosed
Report the Serjeants and Drummer of the
12th April Detachment were victualled, but the Artillery
Men not having applied for their victualling
my Dubash waited on Major Macleod the
next day to inform him of it - for the
particulars of what passed in consequence
I beg to refer you to the Report - the days
following, the Artillery Men were victualled
and the business was conducted without
Difficulty or Complaint according to the
Company's Regulations until the 30th
April - The period from which Captain
Olivier has thought proper to prefer his
Complaint against me. -

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30th April

On this day the following Indents of the 17th and 74th Battalions were presented for victualling. –

Form of Indent of the 17th Batt.n

30th April Camp near Coilpettah

Sir Please to order the Delivery of Provisions for 5 Serjeants & 7 Drummers and Arrack for 5 Serjeants & 2 Drummers of the 17th Batt.n of native Infantry

(Signed) James Hiver
Capt.n Comm.t

Form of Indent of the 74th Batt.n

30th April Camp near Coilpettah

Sir Please to order the Delivery of Arrack & Provisions for 5 Serjeants and 2 Drummers & Provisions for 6 Drummers and the Payment for Arrack for 6 Drummers of the 74th Batt.n of native Infantry. –

(Signed) R. Orten Lt Comm.t

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Although my Servant was sensible of the Impropriety of admitting Indents differing so materially as Vouchers for the same Charge yet fearful of refusing to issue Provisions on these Indents until I should hear from Fort St George order he did not object to Comply with them, excepting in the particular of paying Money instead of Arrack which was indented for by the 74th Batt.n having in any general Instructions ordered him not to pay Arrack at any period when the Articles of victualling were ready to be issued

In the manner above particularized the Indents were made out from the 30th April to the 4th May inclusive, and the victualling was supplied in consequence yet the Deficiency of both Battalions is supplied regularly

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regularly every day for money for the Arrack.-

Early in the morning of the 5th my Servant received an answer from me repeating Capt. Oliver's Compliant from the 5th to the 8th of May no Arrack or Provisions has been issued.- that he was on no Account to pay any Cutta to the Drummers instead of Arrack- the Drummers applied the same morning for their Provisions and on hearing of it were told for money for Arrack they were told that I had forbidden the Payment of any Cutta they said if that was the case they would not receive their Provisions any longer and went away without their victualling- my Servant waited on Major Macleod to inform him of this he replied "any Servant might do as he pleased" and said no more- Presently afterwards Captain Olivier told my Servant in presence of Major Macleod that if he did not pay money to the Drummers instead of Arrack they should not take their Provisions, and in that case that he would pay them in money their allowance for victualling and write to the Board concerning it, telling him that he might inform me of what he said.-

The decided Manner in which Captain Olivier had said the Drummers should not receive their Provisions accounted for their refusal the day before, but it seems that Major Macleod did not approve of it, for the next

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next day he ordered that no demand should be made by the Drummers of either of the Battalions for Money — as that the Demand for Payment in money for arrack to the Dewanson of the 7th Batt. was omitted and the Indents of the two Battalions now agreed as appeared on their being presented the next Morning at which time the Serjeants received their Arrack and Provisions, and the Drummers their Rations for the 5th & 7th. They received their Victualling as the same manner on the day following.

4th May.

The Board will judge whether it was Captain Olivers Intention that no Arrack or Provisions had been issued from the 5th to the 7th.

It might surely have been expected that Captain Oliver would at least have reprimanded his Drummers for refusing to receive their Provisions as per Indent made out in consequence of Major Macleod's order. That no Drams should be drawn for, and by which Indent they had been served with Provisions since the 30th of the preceding month instead of which, Captain Oliver not only countenanced their Refusal but declared, as before stated, that they should not receive Provisions unless they were paid in money in lieu of Arrack, although Captain Oliver's Indent did not mention either Arrack or money — this

8th May.

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Dissatisfaction

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regularly every day for money for the Arrack.-

Early in the morning of the 5th my Servant received an answer from me respecting

Capt. Oliver's Complaint from the 5th to the 8th of May no Arrack or Provisions had been issued.-

that he was on no account to pay any Batta to the Drummers instead of Arrack.- The Drummers applied the same morning for their Provisions and as usual for money for Arrack. were told that I had forbidden the Payment of any Batta they said if that was the case they would not receive their Provisions any longer and went away without their victualling.- my Servant waited on Major Macleod to inform him of this he replied "my Servant might do as he pleased" and said no more- Presently afterwards Captain Oliver told my Servant in presence of Major Macleod that if he did not pay money to the Drummers instead of Arrack they should not take their Provisions, and in that case that he would pay them in money their allowance for victualling and write to the Board concerning it, telling him he might inform me of what he said.-

The decided Manner in which Captain Oliver had said the Drummers should not receive their Provisions accounted for their refusal the day before, but it seems that Major Macleod did not approve of it, for the next

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must day be ordered that no demand should
be made by the Drummers of either of the
Battalions for Money — or that the Demand
7.th May. for Payment in money for arrack to the
Dominion of the 7.th Batt.n was omitted and the
Indents of the two Battalions now agreed
as appeared on their being presented the next
Morning at which time the Serjeants received
their Arrack and Provisions, and the Drummers
their Provisions for the 5.th & 6.th — They received
their victualling in the same manner on
8.th May. the day following.

The Board will judge whether
it was Captain Rivers' Intention that
no Arrack or Provisions had been issued
from the 5.th to the 7.th.

Straight surely have been expected
that Captain Rivers would at least have
reprimanded his Drummers for receiving the
receive their Provisions as per Indent made out
in consequence of Major Macleod's order. That
no Drams should be drawn for, and by
which Indent they had been served with
Provisions since the 30.th of the preceding month
instead of which, Captain Rivers not only contin-
-nanced their Receipts but declared, as before
stated, that they should not receive Provisions
unless they were paid in money in lieu
of Arrack, although Captain Rivers Indent
Vid. Report did not mention either Arrack or money — his

Dissatisfaction

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Dissatisfaction therefore had no better Ground than that I refused to give what he had not indented for— This Circumstance clears up what must before appear very unaccountable that the same order from Major Maclean should produce Indents so essentially different from each other— my Servant appears to have been aware that had he paid for arrack according to Lieut Ortons Indent the 17th Batt. though not indenting for money must in like manner have received it— on the other hand he had refused to issue Victualling, as he might naturally have done, unless the Indents for both Battalions were made out alike, he apprehended he might lay open to a Complaint from Captain Olivier that although no punishment of the Dessenters no demand had been made either for Arrack or money still that he would not issue Provisions alone— perplexed by this circumstance made of drawing for including my Servant complied with Captain Oliviers Indent thinking if he erred in so doing it was on the side of safety and that I might remedy it afterwards— but when Captain Olivier understood that I had ordered my Servant not to pay Money for Arrack indented for by Lieutenant Orton, his Patience appears to have deserted him, and to make amends for having apparently neglected the Interests of the Company Dessenters

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Capt. Oliver's Complaint

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Captain Oliver is under a great mistake in this assertion and in proof of it I will quote his own words "on the 8. I received his another mistake it was on the 7th. The "Comaspby paid up the arrears of Provisions "Exactly to the Indents" – how could my Comaspby have paid up those arrears and victualled as he did the day following / 8th / under order such as Captain Oliver is pleased to say my Comaspby declared he had received? I will now explain what were the order I sent to my Servant.

The Letter he received from me on the 5th directed him not to pay money instead either of Arrack or Provisions whilst the several articles of Victualling were ready in Camp. –

The Letter he received from me on the 8th directed him not to victual upon Indents that were not made out for Arrack and Provisions agreeably to the Regulations of the Service

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Service— observing that if the Commanding Officer thought proper on any occasion to stop the Drams he might order the disposal of them as he pleased— that the Company's allowance of Arrack and provisions to the Serjeant in the field was specific— so was the allowance to the Agents for victualling, and that the Indents which were the vouchers for the Charge in my accounts should be invariably the same.—

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The next morning 19.th May the Serjeants and Drummers applied for victualling which my Servant told them he could not supply as the Indents were properly made out— they being reported to Major Macleod he sent for them and enquired the reason that the victualling was not supplied— my Servant explained it by informing him of the order he had received from me— the Serjeants on any Refusal was thought sufficient and no Indents for either of the Battalions were afterwards presented for Victualling.—

Capt. Oliver's Complaint

Dr Reay reports some Dogs the principle Provider of Bullocks which he used he has moved from Mr Ogilvie informing him not to supply with any Indent for Arrack and Provision only for any more to any for the whole of the Drummers."

The Indents for the artillery alone continued to be made out regularly to Noon and they were victualled regularly to the Day the Detachment marched back towards Fredericksburg— this Supervisor will be held

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a sufficient Refutation of the Charge produced by Captain Oliver who if he did not know at the time must have known afterwards that the Artillery continued to be victualled—it was evident therefore that my Servants were not rightly understood in concurring they had said they were enjoined not to comply with any Indents for Arrack and Provisions unless Drams were drawn for the whole of the Drummers—for under this Injunction my Servants could not have victualled the Artillery afterwards, nor would the Sergeants have had to represent to my Servant that Capt.n Oliver refused to sign Indents for them Separately.—

I will pass over the Difficulty of reconciling to common Ideas and Reasoning that as the Drummers had forfeited their Arrack they were therefore entitled to money in lieu of it, and go so far as to admit that if the Agent would not supply all they had a right to, that they should not take it in part, and a Representation to Government, in consequence, would be the natural Alternative—yet admitting all this, I may venture to say that had it been wished that the Europeans should be victualled according to the Regulations, or, to speak more Scripturally, had not a Pretext to prevent it been eagerly sought after; the Sergeants could not have been deprived of their victualling merely because they had usually been included

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in the same Indent with the Drummers but have been drawn for separately—it would have been said "whilst the Sergeants—their "Indent is for arrack and Provisions"—but this did not answer the purpose, and the Sergeants reported to my Servants that Captain Oliver objected to indent for them separately—

notwithstanding which Captain Oliver has preferred as a Charge against me that from the 2d May no Provisions were issued to the Sergeants and Drummers of his Battalion by me or any person acting under me—a Charge the more unaccountable when it has been shewn that had it rested with Captain Oliver he would have prevented his Sergeants and Drummers receiving any portion victualling even from the 5th May.—

Capt. Oliver's Complaint from the 2d May provisions ordered to the Sergeants and Drummers of my Battn. by Mr. Oakes or any Person acting under them.—

The Intention of Major Macleod's order, forbidding Arrack being issued to the Drummers, was not only, as conceive to prevent the Artillery Men having supplied with an additional quantity of Liquor, but as a Punishment also to the Drummers for selling their Arrack to the Artillery Men, and thereby occasioning Drunkenness among them—yet if they sold their Allowance of good Batavia Arrack in order to get money, most probably to purchase

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Paniar Spirit it would to them be an Indulgence instead of Punishment to allow them Draining for money in lieu of Arrack, but without going farther to shew the Inconsistency of giving money to the Drummers or to say what is the proper mode of preventing the Sale of Liquor, I shall take the Liberty to state what I conceive to be the Footing of an agent under the Company's Regulations.

I conceive it to be the Duty of the Agent to victual all Non Commissioned and Private Europeans in Camp with the Rations and quantity of Arack, stipulated by the Contract, which allows them, for three purposes, 3 Tanams 24 Park p.r Man p.r Day - should the Commanding Officer think proper at any time to stop the Drams it is to be presumed they have been forfeited by misconduct, & he may order the Disposal of them as he thinks most proper, but whether the allowance of Arrack be taken up or not the agents Charge of 2. 32. 20 Cash p.r Man p.r Day is invariable - should it happen he is deficient in any article it is highly proper he make it good in Money, and in such case of deficiency the Agent should be obliged to Account for it in a Satisfactory manner, otherwise there would be an Opening for neglect in

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providing those articles upon which little or no Profit could arise—but by preserving their Defficiency or that the Drams are stopped, and not taken up, such contingencies cannot affect the Contract—the Indents must express Arrack and Provisions as the former vouchers for the Charge of 2. 2as Cash pr. Man pr. Day.— The quantity of the different articles of victualling allowed by the Company, is very ample, and as much or more than the healthiest man can consume in a Day—many are satisfied with half the quantity yet it does not consist with the nature of a Contract for providing each man with a certain quantity at a certain Rate that any one shall have a Claim to money in lieu of such articles as he may say he does not want—if a victualling Indent can be altered at all, a Commanding officer might with as little Impropriety draw for Arrack without Provisions, as Provisions without Arrack under such a Latitude what would become of the Companys System of victualling, and where the possible Compensation to the Agent for the expence and trouble in collecting the articles stipulated by the Contract.— I am sorry— I conceive that a Commanding officer has no more Right to indent for money in lieu of Arrack or any other article of Provision for his Men than to say the Company have no Right to contract for victualling

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victualling their Soldiery in the Field.—

With these Ideas I could not but view the Conduct of Major Macleod and Captain Oliver as totally unwarranted by the Principles of the Service.

The whole Subject is now before your Honble Board—I have already detained you too long to allow myself to dwell on the most irksome Situation of an Agent when liable, from any Cause, to be harrassed and obstructed in the discharge of his Duty.—

I am with perfect Respect

&c. &c.

Palamcotah
20th July 1787.—

(Signed) T. Oakes Paymr.

Minute thereon

In order to prevent in future a deviation such as above recited, from the standing Regulations relative to the victualling the Europeans in the Field it is agreed that a General Order be immediately published on the Subject & that the most implicit obedience be required thereto.

Reduction in Consequence.

The Board are of Opinion that Mr Oakes' Letter contains Satisfactory Justification of his Conduct, which appears to have been Strictly conformable to the Rules of the Service.—

Read the following Letters entered on

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in the Miscellany Book Nº. 62. 62/.—

From Mr. Richard Dighton dated the

From Mr. Richard Dighton.

9th Instant stating that he is under orders from the Board of Revenue to proceed to Carangooly, & desiring to know whether it will be necessary for him to proceed first to Arnee.—

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Mr. Dighton that he is first to proceed to Carangooly after which he is to avail himself of the first favorable opportunity of adjusting the business at Arnee.—

From Mr. Lucas, Chief Surgeon

From Mr. J. Lucas

stating that in consequence of an Arrangement made in February 1786 relative to the Hospital, he has suffered much loss on the valuation & sale of the Cloathing, detailing the particulars thereof, & praying relief.

Minute thereon

Agreed that Copy of Mr. Lucas's Letter be sent to Mr. Joseph Gannon, the Purveyor to the General Hospitals, & that he be desired to report to the Board the mode adopted in February 1786 respecting the sale of the Hospital Cloathing that they may be enabled to judge whether the valuation of it was established upon equitable principles.—

Lt. Colo. Bruce Recd. Full Batta

The President, in his Character of Commander in Chief, proposes that Lieutenant Colonel Bruce whose Station at Commanding the

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The 4th Brigade, Places Serjt at Warriore, be allowed to draw Full Batta – This allowance to be considered as an Indulgence to Serjt individually in consideration of his Merit & long Services –

Ordered Accordingly. –

The Commander in Chief proposes

Mr Angus Mc Lachlan appointed a Conductor of Stores. –

That Mr. Angus Mc Lachlan Volunteer of the 52d Regiment be appointed a Conductor of Stores vice Sinclair promoted. –

Ordered Accordingly. –

Examined

Arch.d Campbell

John Holland

Jas. H. Casamajor

R. Maunsell

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14th Dispatches the undermentioned Letters
entered in A1, 13. Nos 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71,
72, 73, 74/.-

To the Superintendant of the Sea Store,
informing them that he is sorry to proceed to
To Mr Dighton Cavangorky, agreeably to the orders of the Revenue
Board, after which he will proceed to Anjengo,
as recommended in a former Letter.-

To the Surveyor General, with copy
To Mr J. Garrow of a Letter from Mr Lucas; & desiring he will
report to them the mode adopted in February
1786, respecting the Sale of the Hospital
Cloathing.-

To the Commandant at Palamcotah,
To Cole Bridges.- the Board approve the Repairs to the Surgeons
Quarters & the artillery Shed agreeably to
Lieut. Ogg's Estimate.-

N.B. Copy to the Paymaster.-

To Major Lourdan, with copy of a
To Major Lourdan Memorial from Lieutenant Bowles, to be
laid before the Cavalry officers at Arcot,
who are liable to be affected by his Claim,
their Representations on the Subject to be
transmitted to the Military Board.-

The same to Capt.n Stevenson at
To Capt.n Stevenson Vellore.-

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To the Military Board. — 14th To the Military Board, with information of the above. —

To Col. Campbell. — To Lieut. Colonel Dugald Campbell. The Paymaster General will be directed to receive his Accounts, Submitted to the Board, who have passed the same. —

To Mr. Turing — To the Military Paymaster General, with the above Accounts, & desiring he will deliver up the Receipt given by Colonel Sir Henry Worsley & Lieutenant Colonel Campbell for the first advance of Bonds. —

To the Committee of Stores — To the Committee of Stores — Government approve their proposed Establishment of native Artificers at the Military Stations of this Presidency for the Repair and Care of Ordnance &c. &c. which is in future to be adopted. —

To the Committee of Works. — To the Committee of Works — with copy of the Accountant General's Letter on reply to Colonel Pasley's Memorial, which is approved by Government. —

To Mr. Park — To the Paymaster at Trichinopoly — to pay to Lieut. Colonel Bence Jolly Batta while Senior Officer in the Cantonment at Warriore — this being an indulgence to that Officer must not be extended to any other in his absence. —

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14th. To the Commander of the Wordsote

To Capt. Lowis with the 2d Paragraphs of the General Letter from the Court of directors Dated 16th Febry to which he is to pay attention.-

At a Consultation Present
The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell Kt.
President
John Holland James Henry Casamajor
Friday
17th August 1787.
Robert Maunsell Esqr.-
Minutes of last Consultation
read & approved.-

The Board having met for the purpose of taking into Consideration the Claims of the Inhabitants of Hog Hill whose Houses were removed in the year 1780 for the purpose of extending the Esplanade to the Westward of Fort St. George, proceed to the reading of the following Papers delivered in by the Committee

The Claims of the late Inhabitants of Hog Hill to be taken into Consideration.

& Vizt.-

To the Honble. Maj. Genl. Sir Archd. Campbell Kt. &c.
President & Governor &c. Council of Fort St. George

From the Committee of Works with Extract from their Proceedings on the above Subject.

Honble Sir & Sirs,

We have received Mr Secretary Chamiers Letter of the 8th November directing us to lay before you

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a correct Statement of the Claims of those whose Houses were demolished on Hog Hill, with the particulars of the Arrangement made in consequence in the year 1780.

We have the honor to lay before you an Extract from our proceedings of the 22d August 1783 when we investigated this Subject, together with papers No. 1 to 6 inclusive, relative to it, & refer to in those proceedings - the extract and papers were sent, by us at that time to the Select Committee but not having been brought forward during Lord Macartney's Government had been mislaid in the Military Secretary's Office until lately enquired after.

We have the honor to be &c &c

(Signd) Alex. Davidson
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Committee of Works.

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7th Dec. 1786.

Extract from the Minutes of the Committee of Works Dated the 22d August 1783.

Sentiments of the Committee of Works on the Claims of the late Inhabitants of Hog Hill.

Conformably to the direction of the Right Honble the President and Select Committee. This Committee take into consideration from the several Petitions and representations of the inhabitants lately holding property on Hog Hill and having at several Committees taken

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Taken the Subject fully into consideration it appears to them that for the year 1780 the President and Select Committee in order to compensate all such as might sustain a Loss in their property by levelling the Houses and Grounds on Hog Hill - Agreed to procure for each possessor a quantity of Ground in proportion to the measurement of that relinquished, and grant Bills of Sale for the same on the property being duly proved: That an allowance should be made them of 40 ₱ Cent on a valuation which had some time before been affixed to each house by Messrs Maxwell and Stringer, with which valuation the Inhabitants were satisfied and agreed to abide by it; and further that one fourth part of the 40 ₱ Cent being 10 ₱ Cent on the whole valuation should be paid in ready money at the time, and the remaining 30 ₱ Cent should be paid by Company's Bonds becoming due one year after date with 8 ₱ Cent ₱ Annum Interest.

It also appears to the Committee that some purchases of Ground were made by the President and Select Committee to compensate the Inhabitants; that this purchased Ground with such of the Company's

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on the several parts of the Black Town as
remained unoccupied were allotted to the
inhabitants as far as they would suffice,
that the Ground thus disposed of amounted
to 362 Lots, and that the quantity there required
to make good all agreements on the Score
of Ground was 274 Lots.

Upon all which Premises this
Committee find there yet remains unper-
formed on the part of the Company.-

1st The entire payment of the 40 p.Cent
on the valuation of Houses.

2d The supplying 270 Lots of Ground
to those inhabitants who have yet received
none.-

3d Making Payment to the several
Owners of Grounds purchased in the year 1781.-

The Right Honble the President
and Select Committee will perceive on an
inspection of Mr. Maxwell's Book accompanying
that many of the Sums due are so small
that to grant Bonds or Obligations for them
would become at once both Trifling and
tedious.- I therefore to compass the
matter as much as possible they beg leave
to propose that all Sums not exceeding 50
Pagodas be paid off that all between 50 and
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500 Pagodas be held due under the signature of the Secretary by order of Council, and that Bonds be granted for all such sums as shall exceed 500 Pagodas. - with respect to the ground yet unrestored to the Inhabitants the Committee request they may be empowered by the Select Committee to take Cognizance of all ground belonging to the Company in the Black Town of which no person is held without a legal Title. - The Committee of Works have great reason to suspect there is a quantity under this description, more than requisite to supply the deficiency of 274 Lots, the whole at present required. -

There will then only remain to be satisfied the owners of the Ground purchased in the year 1771 as abovementioned.

The Committee of Works submit to the Right Hon.ble the President and Select Committee the expediency of fulfilling such parts of the agreement with the Inhabitants of Hog Hill as remain yet unperformed, and they hesitate not to assure the Select Committee that the quiet and acquiescent conduct of the poor People who have in the course of the business endured much hardship and

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and inconvenience merits, independant of their claims, very particular consideration.

The Committee think proper to annex to this report the following Papers.

N.o 1. Copy of Papers signed by the Inhabitants

2 & 3. Mr. Maxwells Letter and list of Houses, and Grounds with their valuation affixed

4 Letter from Mr. Maxwell Dated 14.th March 1782.

5 Letter from Mr. Maxwell Dated 21.st June 1782.

6 Copy of Mr. Davidsons Minute at a Committee held the 20.th March 1783.

The Committee finding the Subject of Mr. Swordans Letter &.c addressed to the Select Committee and referred to the Committee of Works, involved with the Subject now under discussion, have in the course thereof given it equal consideration, and estimating his claims amounting to Star Pagodas 6067.23.18. to be just and well founded, do recommend particularly on account of the length of time he has been without satisfaction on the business that it may be settled as he in his Letter proposes.

Agreed that a Copy of the foregoing Minute be laid before the Select Committee together

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together with the Plan of Ground therein referred to.—

A true Extract

Signed J. Balfour

Clk to the Comm.rs of Works.

Ordered that the other Papers delivered in by the Committee be lodged in the Office.—

Other Papers from the Committee of Works lodged in the Office.

Having maturely considered the above Papers the Board proceed to pass the following Resolutions, that the Committee of Works be directed to grant by their Clerk a Certificate to each Claimant of what is due to him for the value of his House, which Certificate shall specify the No.s as stated in Mr. Maxwell's Book, with the Interest thereon at 8 p.C. calculated to the 1st. of the present Month.

Resolutions thereon

That towards the Satisfaction of the unsatisfied Claims for 274 Lots of Ground wanting to complete the engagement, the 140 Lots of Ground purchased from Mr Popham

be allotted

That a report be made to the Board of any other unappropriated Ground belonging to the Company in the Black Town excepting that lying along the Sea Beach, in order that the same may be appropriated, if possible, to the Purposes above stated. That

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For the remainder, a Certificate be given for such Sum as shall be equal to the Value of the Ground due to the unsatisfied Claimants

That Certificates made up with Interest at 8 p Cent to the 1st of the present Month be given to the Proprietors of the Ground already purchased, and disputed for which no Payment has yet taken place.—

That a report be made to Government by the Committee of Works of the Certificates granted & the arrangements made in consequence of the foregoing Resolutions.—

Besides the amount which will be due upon the above Certificates the Board find that there are other Claims upon Government for Ground taken near the Black Town Wall in the year 1777. In which it was agreed that Pags. 30. 229. 29. 4. should be paid, one half of which was liquidated — the other half amounting to Pags. 14.390. 12. 60 has not been discharged — The last mentioned Sum / for which the Committee of Works passed their notes / with Interest at 8 p Cent to the present time will amount to Pags. 27397. 38 — It is an unliquidated Claim upon Government.—

In addition to the foregoing it is

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Claims of the Inhabitants of St. Thomé whose Houses have been occupied by the Company's Troops taken into Consideration

in justification the Claims of the Inhabitants at St. Thomé whose Houses were occupied by Troops not only during the War, but for a considerable time after the Peace was concluded with Tippoo Sultaun — these Claims by the following Statement drawn out by the Barrack Master which includes only the Period since the War amounted to Pag.s 9415 ~

Statement thereof

List of Houses and Churches occupied by Officers & Troops at St. Thomé and Luz from the 10th March 1784.

| No. of each House | Proprietors Names | By whom occupied | When evacuated | Estimated Monthly Value | Total Due |
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| | | | | | P. F. A. |
| 1 | Mr. Samuel Johnson | Non Commissioned Officers of his Majesty's 52 Regt. | September 1786 | 10 Pags | 300 — |
| 2 | Armenian Padre | Ditch. Men from the 73d. Regt. | Do. | 1786 | 8 Do. 240 — |
| 3 | Mr. Shamier Hoarmonian | Officers of his majesty's 73 dragt. | April | 1786 | 15 Do. 375 — |
| 4 | Mr. Dennis Son of Phillipus | Ditto | Ditto | April | 1786 10 Do. 250 — |
| 5 | Mr. Henry Rogers | Quarter Master of Ditto | May | 1785 | 10 Do. 120 — |
| 6 | Mr. Dennis | Horse of his Majesty's 76. dragt. | Do. | Do. | 10 Do. 120 — |
| 8 | Mr. Manuel Louis | Private of his Majesty's 52 Regt. | Do. | Do. | 5 Do. 90 — |
| 9 | Mr. Bodkin | Private of his Majesty's 76 Do. | April | 1786 | 6 Do. 150 — |
| 11 | Madam Carvalho | Horse of his Majesty's 23 dragt. | Do. | Do. | 10 Do. 250 — |
| 12 | Mr. Magueira Midwife | Wife Commiss.d Sprivate 23d. | Sept. | 1785 | 6 Do. 108 — |
| 13 | Francisco Xavier d'Silva | European Surgeon belonging to different Corps | April | 1786 | 6 Do. 150 — |
| 15 | Madam Carvalho | Officer of his Majs. 23 do. agoons | Do. | Do. | 15 Do. 375 — |
| 17 | Mr. Phillipus | Ditto | Ditto | Do. | Do. 15 Do. 375 — |
| 18 | Mr. Bernard D'Monte | Private of | Ditto | Do. | Do. 30 Do. 750 — |
| 19 | Mr. Miguel Johannes | Ditto | Ditto | Do. | Do. 10 Do. 250 — |
| 20 | Mr. John Monte Writer to Mr Popham | Officer of | Ditto | August | 1786 12 Do. 318 — |
| 21 | Lazaro Monte Lopes | Ditch. Man from the 73d Regt. | Augt. | 1786 | 3 Do. 87 — |
| 22 | Mr. Maria Marella | Ditto | Ditto | March | 1786 5 Do. 130 — |
| 23 | Vincente Writer to Mr Bodkin | Deserted for the 52d Regt. | | | |
| 25 | Antonio Lopes | Ditch. Man from the 73d Regt. | from arrest August | 1786 | 3 Regt. 1786 3 Do. 87 — 87 — |

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| 26 | Anna a Widow | Discd. Men from the 78th Regt. | August 1786 | 6 | Pags. | 184 | — |
| 27 | Bastina Caldera | Ditto | Ditto | July | Do. | 5 Do. | 180 — |
| 28 | Pedro Moraes | Ditto | Ditto | May | Do. | 5 Do. | 150 — |
| 29 | Mr. Darke | Recruits for the 78th Regt. from Europe | April | Do. | 30 Do. | 750 | — |
| 30 | Mr. Lewcock Clerk in the Mayors Cours | Discharged Men from the 78th Regiment | May | Do. | 20 Do. | 280 | — |
| 31 | Mr. Johnston Jones | Colonel Floyd commanding 23d Dragoons | April | 1786 | 40 Do. | 1,000 | — |
| 32 | Mr. Boddam | Discd. Men from the 78th Regt. | May | Do. | 10 Do. | 260 | — |
| 33 | The Bishop Jesu Louis De St Anna | Officers of his Majestys 23d Dragoons | March | 1785 | 30 Do. | 360 | — |
| 34 | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | Surgeon & Payms. of his Majestys 23d Dragoons | May | 1786 | 28 Do. 280 — |
| 35 | Mr. Senior De Siqueca | Discharged Men from the 78th Regt. | May | 1786 | 15 Do. | 390 | — |
| 39 | Francis Martin | Officers of his Majestys 73d Regt. | Oct. | 1784 | 13 Do. | 91 | — |
| 40 | Mr. Boddam | Major Genl. Ogle | July | 1785 | 40 Do. | 640 | — |
| 41 | Mrs. Player | Officers of his Majestys 23 Drags. | July | 1786 | 5 Do. | 115 | — |
| 42 | Mrs. Susanna Broom | Officers of his majestys 73d Regiment | April | 1785 | 8 Do. | 104 | — |
| 43 | Innasi Baptista | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | Do. | Do. 3 Do. | 39 — |
| 76 | His Highness the Nabobs Palace | Private of his Majestys 23d Dragoons | Do. | — | 1786 | — | |
| 37 | The West Church | Hospital of the 23d dragoons | June | 1786 | | | |
| 38 | The East Church | Barracks of Ditto | April | Do. | | | |
| 44 | The South Church | Hospital of his Majestys 77th Regiment | Novr. | 1784 | | | |

Total Pags. 4415. —

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As the whole of the Claims above stated will form a very large Sum it becomes a serious Consideration in what manner it can be discharged however desirous the Board may be to attend to the Several Peoples whose Claims are before them they know not of any mode excepting the granting of Company's Bonds, which for the least weighty, would embarrass Government in the present State of their Finances & as the Interest upon the Bonded Debt must be regularly discharged – Thus situated the Board are of Opinion that the Subject should be referred to the Court of Directors, desiring that they will give their orders as to the mode of liquidating these Claims which are particularly entitled to their Protection.

Minute thereon

Resolved that the Secretary be directed to state the above Subject in the next dispatches to the Court of Directors

The whole to be stated to the Court of Directors.

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores.

To

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

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have the Honor to acknow-
=ledge the receipt of M.r Secretary Chamiers
Letters of the 7.th & 12.th Instants, the Former
Enclosing several Papers from the Committee
of Stores at Ganjam the latter a Letter from
General Horne, & an Indent for Stores
wanted to the Southward, & the Further
Consideration of which we have agreed to
Post phone till our next Meeting.

From the Committee of Stores, with Observations on the Indents from Ganjam - recommending that some Orders should be issued to Follow that the Proposition of the Commissary General of Stores for making up Carts on a new Construction, be adopted. -

The Committee of Stores at Ganjam
in their Proceedings of the 12.th July last
now before us, observe that they have sent
down anew Indent for Stores, which upon
being compared with their former Indent
of the 30.th June last, appears only to be a
Duplicate of the Former and as from that
Paragraph in your Hon.r & .rs might imagine
we had not Paid due attention to the
said Application, we think it Incumbent
on us to observe, that the first Letter from
Ganjam covering the Indent of the 30.th
June

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June, would scarcely have arrived at the Presidency before this Second or as they term it the new Indent of the 12th July was dispatched. Immediately on the Receipt of the first Indent we proceeded to comply with it, and all the Stores except the Guns Carriages which could not be made in time are already shipped on board the Friendship bound to Ganjam.—

The Causes of the badness of the Gunpowder made in 1783. mentioned by Capt.n David Smith, have been repeatedly explained to Government by the late powder Maker Mr. Lockney who complained that during the War he could not procure Materials, or People to work the Stampers but nevertheless on account of the great Scarcity of, & demand for that article, he was ordered to proceed in the best manner he was able, could it be made appear that the badness of the Gunpowder proceeded from any neglect or misconduct on the part of Mr. Lockney, & he was now on the Spot to be made responsible we should doubtless concur with Captain Smith in Opinion that whatever Powder he had made which was

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was not fit for Service, should be immediately returned on his hands, but for the reasons above stated, we beg leave to recommend in this particular Instance that the Bad Powder be kept at Gingee, to be used only for Salutes or other common Purposes in that Garrison.-

As the four 18 Pdrs & eight Gallopers 3 Pdrs with their spare Carriages Limbers, Stores &c. now at Arcot are useless at that place, we take the liberty of proposing that they should be removed to Vellore.

At our last Meeting the Commissary General of Stores delivered in an Indent for 100 Carts for Stores & Grain, & 50 Carts for Arrack, if they were made with a Crane Neck for a single Yoke we think they would be infinitely more serviceable as the Lashing of the others frequently breaks, & as the additional expence will be only half a Pagoda each Cart, we beg leave to recommend that this alteration shall take place. We have the honor to be.

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) J. Capper
" Wm. Petrie
" Wm. Sydenham
" T. Moorhouse
Lt. Col. Hons.

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The Presidents purposes that a General Order

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General Order to be published respecting Returns of Grain.

Order be published directing that regular Returns be monthly made to the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions of all the Grain in Store at the different out Garrisons & Cantonments in which Grain should be inserted not only the quantity in Store, but also the time when it was received, & the present state of it &c.

Ordered accordingly.

President proposes that Captain Lieut. Lorin, be sent to Bombay for the Purpose of attempting the Establishment of a Market for Horses.

The President recommends to the Board, that Captain Lieutenant Lorin be appointed to proceed to Bombay, for the purpose of attempting the Establishment of a Market for Horses on the Malabar Coast, and that the Government of Bombay be requested to afford Captain Lorin their Protection & assistance in the execution of this Service, and to supply him with Money for the Purchases he may make to the Extent of Fifty or one hundred Horses, should they think the Purchases reasonable.

Agreed that Capt.n Lieutenant Lorin be appointed, in conformity to the Recommendation

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Recommendation of the President, and that the
Governor and Council of Bombay be requested
to draw upon this Government at ten Days
sight, for the Advances made by them to
Captain Lieutenant Low.

Approved.

Examined

Alex.r Campbell.

John Holland

Jas. Abercrombie

R. Maunsell

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Diary. —

18th Dispatched the following Letters.

To Robert Maunsell Esq.

President &c. Committee of Works

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated 21st Dec. last with its several Enclosures & to inform you that having taken into mature consideration the Claims of the Inhabitants of Hog Hill whose Houses were destroyed in the year 1780 they have formed the following Resolutions. —

That the Committee of Works shall grant by their Clerk a Certificate to each Claimant of what is due to them for the Value of their House which certificate shall specify the 40 p.Cent as stated in Mr. Maunsell's Book with the Interest thereon at 8 p.Cent calculated to the 25th of the present Month. —

That towards the satisfying of the said Claims for 274 Lots of Ground remaining

To the Committee of Works, with the Resolutions of the Board in respect to the Claims of the Inhabitants of Hog Hill

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18th wanting to complete the Engagement the 140 Lots of Ground purchased from Mr. Popham be allotted.

That a report be made to the Board of any other unappropriated Ground belonging to the Company on the Black Town excepting that lying along the Sea Beach in order that the same may be appropriated, if possible to the purposes above stated. That for the remainder a Certificate be given for such Sum as shall be equal to the Value of the Ground due to the unsatisfied Claimants.

That Certificates made up with Interest at 8 ℔ Cent to the 31st of the present Month be given to the proprietors of the Ground already purchased & appropriated for which no payment has yet taken place.

The Certificates directed to be issued on the above Accounts will be liquidated as may hereafter be determined. That a report be made to Government by the Committee of Works of the Certificates granted & the Arrangements made in consequence of the foregoing Resolutions.

The Board direct me Secondly to

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18th to desire that no time may be lost in carrying those orders into execution & in reporting the same to them, as minutely as possible...

I have the honor to be
Fort St. George
17th August 1787.- (Signed) John Shaw
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To the Honble Rawson Hart Boddam Esq.
President in Council
at Bombay

Honble Sir

Having received information that Horses may be procured at a very cheap rate upon the Malabar Coast

To Bombay, advising of Capt. Lewis Lowis appointment, & requesting they will afford him assistance...

We have resolved to send an Officer to Bombay for the purpose of endeavouring to establish a Market for Horses & have appointed Capt. Lewis Lowis to execute this Service.

We beg leave to request you will afford Captain Lowis your protection & assistance in the execution of the above Service, & be pleased to supply him with Money for the purchase he may make to the extent of Sixty or one

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18th one hundred horses in case you think the purchase reasonable for the reimbursement of which We are to request you will draw upon us at ten days sight.—

We have the honor to be
Sir &c.

Fort St. George
18th Augt. 1787.—

(Signed) Arch.d Campbell
& Council

Sent the undermentioned Letters
/sentences in M.B. Nos 75-76-77. 78-79. 80/.

To the Chief & Council at Cuddalore—

To Cuddalore — The Invalids ordered from Trichinopoly to the Ports of Verdachellum & Pallicondah /North of the Coleroon/ to be paid from Cuddalore.—

To the Assistants in the Military Office, stating the duty allotted to each.

To the Assistants in the Military Office.—

To the Paymaster at Arcot— To make an advance of one Pagoda on account of Prize for each of the Horses purchased by Lieut. Colonel Campbell, & returned in the different Regiments.

To the Military Board.— The Military Boats, with an establishment & Monthly expence of Native Artificers at the different establishments to be inserted in the new Book of Regulations.

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To Ensign Prendergast, at Calcutta.

Ensign Prendergast. To return to his duty within the Space of two Months, or he will be Struck off the List of the Army.

To Gangam, with Extract of a Letter

Gangam. from the Committee of Mons.

25 Received the undermentioned Letters

(entered in M.P. Nos 81-82)

From Mr George Proctor, requesting

from Mr George Proctor. permission to examine the Copy of Mr Sorrell's report upon his Accounts, with them in his Possession.

Ordered. Ordered Accordingly.

From Chingamah, Brother to Hutchee

from Chungamah Rowe, stating the Grounds of the Complaint

Brother to Hutchee Chitty. preferred against his Brother by Lord Carey, and of the ill usage his Hutchee Chitty has experienced by that Officer whilst investigating the accusation of being accessary with Hyderally in embezzling Money from the Inhabitants of the Carnatic during the late War.

Ordered, that a Copy of the above be sent to Mr Dighton.

At

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At a Consultation Present
The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President
John Holland James Tod & Casamajor
&
Robert Maunsell Esqrs
Members of last Consultation

Tuesday
21st August
1787.

read & approved.

Read the following Letter
from the Govnor General & Council.

To the Honble
Sir Archibd Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council
at Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From Bengal
with Several Enclosures
on the Subject
of the Accounts
of the Detachment
serving under
Colonel Pearce
in the Carnatic
during the late
War. -

We transmit to you herewith the Extract of a Letter which has been written to us by our Military Paymaster General on the Subject of the Accounts of the Detachment which served on the Carnatic during the War under the Command of Lieut. Colonel Pearce and request that you will furnish us with such Information as You

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You may be able to collect from your Military Books or Memoranda on the Subject to which this relates, & particularly as regard to the Bills mentioned, which are said to have been sent to Madras

Fort William
Secret & Cyl Dept.
20th July 1797.

I am &c.
(Signed) Cornwallis
Chas. Stuart
J. Shore

Extract of a Letter from the Military Paymaster General to the Right Honble the Governor General in Council
Dated 15th July 1797.

My Lord

I beg leave to lay before you Copies of a Letter of the 22d Instant from Colonel Pearce Commanding my Officer of the late Madras Establishment with two Enclosures & of a Letter from the Administrators to the Estate of the late Lieut Colonel Lamb of the 10th regarding the Balances that appear

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Appears against those officers on the Military Books on account of Sums advanced by the Paymasters of their Detachments to defray the Contingent expences of them.

I am your Lordships Further Information on the Subject of Colonel Pearce's Letter & Hereth it necessary to observe that all the Contingent Bills of his Detachment that were transmitted to the Office have been lately allowed in full notwithstanding which a Balance remained on our Books unaccounted for of Current Rupees 66527. 12. 11. on reference to the Account Colonel Pearce alludes to, it appears that this difference arises from the following Causes. First from an advance made by him to Mr. Lurin Paymaster at Nellore in the month of June 1781 of A R. 20,000 or C R 21600 for which having no vouchers, or even any Information of this Transaction until the receipt of the Copies of Colonel Pearces Accounts, he has got no Credit for it. Permit me to request that your Lordships will be pleased to direct application to be made to the Government at Madras this

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Madras to know whether their Sum has been brought to Credit by Mr. Swan, that if it has, it may be placed to the Debit of that Presidency, & Col. Pearse credited for the amount accordingly. The next is an entry of the amount of Sundry Bills forming Part of the Contingencies for the month of July 1781 & making the Sum of Rs. 10,351. 13. 9 on Current Rs. 43580. None of the vouchers for which have been received in this office Nos. 164 for a Rs. 930 & No. 140 for 675 as explained in Col. Pearse's Letter, and No. 146. & 147 for a Rs. 31,607 as mentioned in his Letter of 14th August 1781 compose Part of this Sum, the latter being a continuation of the expence incurred by Captain Gillespie for the feeding of Bullocks & pay to Extra Drivers for the Month of July, I presume will be immediately allowed him. Similar Charges for the preceding months having been passed in full, what the remaining Sum of Rs. 7139. 13. 9. is composed of, I cannot trace from the Colonels' Accounts. The Balance that will remain against them, should these

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Two Items be admitted with the Current Rupees 1,2,47. 12. 11 which consists of a Difference in the exchange of Pagodas.

A true Extract

Signed / J Lumsden

Sub Secy

To Edward Wenwick Esqr

Military Paymaster General.

Sir

I have been favoured with your letter of the 5th Instant.

In answer to it I can only say that I do not owe the Company a Rupee. I beg leave to refer you to the Copies of Accounts which I send before you, you will there find that I have paid away every Sum of money that I received. I now send to you a Copy of a letter of the 17th August 1786 which I sent to the Supreme Council from Ponnamalee in which all the Bills are mentioned & accounted for.

This Letter conveyed Copies of my last Accounts, & a Copy of my Account with the Madras Government,

or

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or rather an account current drawn up by me between Bengal & Madras for all the Sums that had passed thro' my hands or been advanced by Madras for the troops of the Bengal Establishment Serving under my Command. —

I therefore request that as the vouchers cannot be produced by me, credit may be given for the Sums charged in my Accounts, they are only Continuations of expences that were approved and were inevitable, and for the Payment of the two Lascar Battalions then serving under my Command, and in want of Pay to enable them to proceed. The Bill No. 144 for 93 Mahratta Deserters was for keeping away those People who had come over by agreement and would have gone down to our Service the irregular Cavalry, but that I thought it safer to keep them away than to carry on with Men in whose Fidelity I could not rely on, as

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as they has forfeited Claim to Reliance by desertion and who might possibly have been sent to me to watch my Motions and to give notice of them. and the Bills for Saddles Rs. 120. Was sent to me from Madras to be paid on delivery of the things.

When those Sums are brought to my Credit this very old Account will vanish, & I hope to be furnished by you with Certificate in form to shew that I have settled all Accounts with you for the Sums entrusted to me for the Troops I commanded on the Coast in 1781.

I am
&c &c.

(Signed) L. D. Piarre
Colonel

A true Copy
(Signed) John Ramsay
Head assistant

A true Copy
(Signed) L. Lumsden
Sub Secy

Fort William
12th July 1787.

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To the Right Honble
George Lord Macartney
Governor of Madras

My Lord,

By mistake in making up my Accounts, I put into the Packet, three receipts of Mr. Morse on P. W. for money received 27th of July 6th & 8th of August for Grain from Lieut Benneway. These are necessary in the Bengal Accounts but not to those sent to your Lordship, I shall therefore be much obliged to you, if you will be pleased to order them to be packed up together, with the accompanying Packet which contains those Accounts & I have further to request that you will do me the favour to order the whole to be sent to Bengal by the first safe opportunity

I am
&c &c.
(Signed) L. D Pearse

Ponamalee
17th Augt 1784.

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P.S. I have since added a Duplicate of the Accounts, & beg that also may be forwarded.-

A true Copy
John Ramsay
Head Assistant

A true Copy
J. Lumsden Subscry

To the Honble Warren Hastings Esqr.
Governor General & Supreme Council

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have the honour to send you my Accounts to the present time.-

I ought to have apprized you some time ago that I had given a Bill in favour of Mohun Sing of the 25th Regt. for money paid into the Treasury intended as a Remittance for the whole Battalion; it was for 1074 Arcot Rupees, and is mentioned in this Account. No. 20 dated 24th July at ten days, No. 22. 23. 24. 25 & 26 are also at ten Days, No. 21 at fifteen Days &

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27 at Twenty Days.-

I accompany this by an Account given to Lord Macartney to inform him how much our Establishment has received from them; you will see that I have there charged Lieut Gillespies Bills No. 63 & 72 at the prospective Rates & in the Account with your Honble Board, and in the Contingencies of the Madras Army I have charged the Difference paid to him, & beg that the Erroneous Bills may be returned to me to prevent Mistakes which might possibly happen.-

By Mistake I have sent the Pay Masters' Receipts of the 12th July, 6th and 8th of August to Madras. I have written to Lord Macartney to beg he will order my Packet to be put into Cover with the above Receipts, but as it is possible they may not be forwarded to you, I think it necessary to mention the circumstance. We were under March in fact when I sent the Account to Lord Macartney, & this is the only excuse I can make for the Blunder

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Blunder if it should turn out one, by your not getting those Receipts.

In the Account between the two Establishments, there is a Sum of money received from Lord Macartney, which does not appear in my Account with the Honble Board, the reason is that Mr. Morse gave the receipt which was sent to Madras, and that I never did give any receipt for it consequently tho' it was necessary to take it into the Account between the two establishments I had nothing to do with it in my own Accounts.—

The Bills Nos 146 and 147 were sent to Madras, and thither I presume ultimately the others will go, as were the Bills 140 & 144, consequently I have nothing to shew to you for these expences, but they appear in the Account between the two Establishments & were the necessary Vouchers.—

I am with the greatest Respect.—

Ponamalle
14th Augt 1784.

(Signed) L. D. Baird
Colonel

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P.S. In the Account transmitted before, the Number only were put down before the Sums of the Bills drawn, the Accounts were made upon the March & in the hurry the names were omitted. on this they are completed & I trust all is Right.-

(Signed) L. D. Pearse.-

A true Copy
L Saunders
Sub Secry

Tripassore
25th August.

A true Copy
John Ramsay
Head Assistant

Ordered that Copy of the foregoing be sent to the Military Minute thereon Paymaster General with directions to furnish the Information required by the Governor General & Council.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Hippisley.-

To John Shannon Esqr
Secretary Fort St. George

Sir.

As the accompanying Copy of a letter from Colonel Fullarton to the

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From Mr Hastings enclosing Copy of a Letter from Colonel William Fullarton, to the Honble Court of Directors, containing a Narrative of his Proceedings in Command of the Southern Forces.

The Honble Court of Directors contains matter of material information which possibly may not yet have been officially transmitted from Europe, I consider this communication as an Act of Duty, on my part, to the Government & to Colonel Fullarton.

It is necessary for me to state that it was accompanied with a private Letter from Colonel Fullarton, under date 29th January last, mentioning that the original had been delivered to the Court of Directors.

I have the honor to be
&c &c

(Signed) W. C. Hastings.

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19th Augt 1787.

Berkley Square
January 8th 1787

Gentlemen

On Receipt of your Letter dated the 5th of April, I had the honor, immediately to assure you of the Satisfaction I should feel in explaining the particulars concerning which you desired to be informed — at the same time I mentioned my intention of submitting to your Honble Court a narrative of my proceedings in Command of the Southern Forces; in order that the transactions

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in which I was engaged under your Government might be brought forward in one connected view, and that the operations of the army with which I served, might become more generally and distinctly known.—

I afterwards communicated to your Secretary Mr Morton, the circumstances which have occasioned a delay in presenting the Statement in question, and with the same views that dictated my former intimation I now take the liberty of laying before you, duplicate of a letter addressed to Lord Macartney, and the Select Committee of Fort St George, containing the narrative to which I have alluded. It was my intention to have delivered that letter to the Board of Madras before my departure from India. Unavoidable expences however, and severe illness having prevented me from fulfilling my intentions, I left it at the Cape of Good Hope to be dispatched from thence. But I have been informed by Lord Macartney, that no such letter had reached the Presidency while he remained.

Therefore request that the Papers now

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now transmitted to your Honorable Court, may I am a number in your Port Packet to Fort St. George, in order to be entered on the Records of that Settlement, and I shall be extremely indebted if you confer the favor on me, to forward a duplicate to the Supreme Board in Bengal.

The Narrative we question describes the exhausted condition of your Southern Provinces, when I was appointed to command on that Station. It relates the measures that were adopted to protect those valuable possessions from the powerful bodies of the enemy by whom they had been over run, as well as from the numerous Polygars, Colleries and other revolted subjects, who ravaged the whole Country.

It also enumerates the means, by which confidence, and discipline were restored among starving and defeated troops, by which an army, twelve months in arrears, destitute of Stores, Magazines, and money, was supported in extensive operations, at the very time when it was declared to be incapable of continuing in the field.

The details of Arrangements are likewise specified, by which that army was enabled to

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to move twice half across and twice entirely
across the Peninsula, in a range of nearly
three thousand miles in less than eighteen
months, to reduce many important Forts
by breach or Storm, and to subdue a Country
two hundred Miles in length, and one
hundred and fifty miles in breadth,
yielding a revenue of six hundred thousand
Pounds a year, and extending your
territories almost from Sea to Sea.-

You will further observe
the strength and the growing Resources
of resource we had acquired, and that we
were in the act of moving to Seringapatam,
in hopes of deciding the War with Tippoo
Sultaun by the reduction of his Capital,
when peace with that Prince intercep-
=ted our designs. ——

Before I proceed to the particular
Statement of Accounts to which your Letter
refers, I must beg leave to offer some
further Observations.

The peculiar circumstances under
which our army acted, & subsisted. The
Departments to unusual difficulties.
Our Guns and various Stores were
hastily collected from Tanjore, Trichinopoly
Madura

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Madeira, Limerick, and all parts of the Southern Countries, Officers were repeatedly dispatched to Travancore to solicit Supplies of various kinds; to Cochin in order to purchase Ammunition, Arrack, Salt and Cordage; - We sent to Tellicherry for Stores & and Medicines - Many of our Gun Carriages were constructed in the field -

The Commissary had to procure Conveyance without money to pay for it. - The Agent Victualler and Grain keeper had to find Subsistance for the Army without any means, except the Provisions we could carry with us, or take from the enemy. -

The Commissary of Stores was to Satisfy without money to pay them. Several hundred Artificers constantly employed in their repairs. -

The Condition of the Paymaster was still more distressful - Independtly of the unexampled arrear due to the Troops, and of their current pay, which he was often, unable to advance, he had to Struggle with the wants of Several Thousand Bullock drivers, Bullock Masters, and other Servile followers, whose desertion would have proved fatal to our operations. -

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The army was no less than four different times fitted out, put in motion, recalled, and again ordered to advance into the enemy's Country.—

In Support of these under-takings, many Officers as well as myself, applied all their prize money, & their private Funds to the exigencies of the Service, which Mr. Sullivan who had first enabled us to move at all, called forth his utmost Credit and Influence in our behalf.—

Above all, there is one point to which I request your particular attention.

In preparing for distant Operations, as a besieging army, obliged to drag Guns and stores across the Peninsula, neither Success, nor Safety could be looked for without an ample complement of draught and Carriage Cattle.—Deficiencies in that Department had defeated the best endeavours of the Carnatic Army, and given Hyder an Opportunity of extending his Power, even to

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to the gates of Madras.

To guard against domestic causes of disaster every effort was employed.

In addition to the Cattle attached to the Guns and Battalions, at the time of our marching into the enemy's Country on the end of the year 1783, there was an absolute necessity for Several Thousand more, to carry on the battering Ord. Engineer Stores, and Camp Equipage.

In consequence of my urgent Solicitation and assurances several responsible Men engaged to furnish an Additional Supply.

By the Month of January 1784 the number of Bullocks collected by them in consequence of such Solicitation and assurances amounted to more than Fourteen Hundred, and by the Month of March following, they exceeded two Thousand two hundred. It then became necessary, in order to preserve regularity in their Accounts and distinctness in the mode of distribution, that they should be under the direction of some person responsible for their Numbers & employment.

The undersigned the Commissary

Obliged

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obliged me to have recourse to the assistant Quarter Master General, Ensign Chandley to whose offices Situation, that duty seemed most properly to belong. — He conducted the business for many months with great activity, but his death left various claims not ascertained — his books however distinctly prove, the hiring and distribution of as many Bullocks during eight months as make their pay amount to twenty four Thousand eight hundred and fifty two Star Pagodas for which further vouchers, a monthly Chitta were signed by the Peons, and countersigned by the Commissary, and Commanding Officer in the usual form.

The Men who has furnished those Bullocks having acted under the faith of my personal assurances, I conceived myself bound to support their just and urgent claims I therefore added to the advances made at the commencement of their undertaking out of the Funds in my hands, & they deposited with me, their certificates, as the which vouchers of the money so advanced and due, these are now in my

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my profession, and ready to be produced along with the Quarter Master Chandlers books which I conceive are most satisfactory documents upon the subjects

There is another particular as material as the former.

In the course of our movements it became not only necessary to conceal our own intentions, but to discover those of the enemy.- For want of similar precautions three English armies had been cut off, or taken prisoners in India.

Our subsistance was likewise to depend on the Provisions we could discover and secure.- For this purpose I endeavored to obtain exact accounts of every Granary within two hundred miles of our Flank and Front and as no one Hircarah can possibly keep pace with the rapid movements of the Mysore Cavalry, I established confidential intelligencers, at Goa, Nanerull, Sahary-durgum, Salem, Bangalore, Cattimanoor-gulum, Ardanelli, Coimbatore, Palagat-cherry, Rasnguny, Corga, Damalcherry, Mangalore, and Seringapatam as well as in the Enemy's Camp, and in the Durbar

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Durbar of the Rajahs minister to Tippoo Sultaun.

On the first notice of any material incident there intelligencers dispatched small Cafjeans which were more rapidly conveyed to me than any horse could travel, by relays or Tappals of Sepoys, stationed at moderate distances, and unexpected by the enemy.

I had also Mercenaries, Peons, Lubby Merchants, and Sepoys constantly traversing all parts of the Enemy's Country. - These carrying dispatches to Madras and the Southern Provinces: to Travancore; to Cochin, to the Malabar Rajahs; to General Macleod, at Cannanore to Colonel Campbell at Mangalore, and to the Residency at Tellicherry. -

The intelligence of every individual was carefully registered, and tended to confirm, or to refute the various intimations constantly arriving. -

By these means, during many months of continued marching through a Country almost unexplored we never once failed in our supplies nor did any material incident escape our knowledge. -

Also

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I also found it incumbent on me to give Khauls, Horses, Palanqueens, Dresses, and other customary Presents to the Vackeels who waited on me from the Rajahs of Travancore, Cochin, Calecut, Palagat, Coorga, Coratnat, and other Powers and Chiefs, disaffected to the Mysorean Govern.t.- Different Sums were given to the Soldiers of the Places We reduced, in hopes of inducing others to desection.

The Burhawana of Palagatcherry who was the intended General of Tippoos Government on the South, and who with a considerable retinue, was a Prisonier in our Camp for many months was maintained and treated according to his high rank, and material benefit would have been derived from this Conduct had the War continued.

After perusing the circumstances to which I have allude and a narrative of the difficulties under which our Army labored, I presume it would hardly appear extraordinary if the Expences of the Southern Army should have exceeded those of any Indian force that had ever been employed in India; I cannot therefore but feel Satisfaction in recollecting that these operations were conducted with economy.-

H.E

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The Carnatic Army through drawing its Supplies of rice, and stores from Madras, and through it drawing the Treasures of Bengal, was more expensive in its circumscribed movements than the Southern Army was, while dragging its Guns and Stores across India gathering its Supplies from Several hundred Miles distance in different directions & while it operated in Effect in the richest Provinces of the enemy's Country.

During the whole continuance of this Service, our Carriage Bullocks were employed at a Pagoda and a half while those with the Carnatic Army cost two Pagodas per month.—

But in another Article the Company's Interest was still more Materially consulted instead of issuing the Enemy's Country as Prize to the Troops, or of Supplying it to provide emoluments as had been the practice of other Armies the whole rice so found, was served out on View of Batta, and thus there was a Public Saving of more than Six hundred Pounds per day amounting during the months we remained on the enemy's Country to more than Two hundred Thousand Pounds.—

With

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With regard to the receipts and disbursements of the sums stated by the Committee of Assigned Revenue to have been received by me, or by Officers under my Command for the use of the Army and yet unaccounted for amounting to one hundred and thirteen Thousand Rupees, they are inserted in the annexed Account.

Lord Macartney in his Letter to the Committee of assigned revenue seems to think that there was an original irregularity in the monies received from Hammad Sheriff Sheergunga not having been paid by Mr. Sullivan to Mr. Digby, who his Lordship adds was the proper person to receive them. Lord Macartney has not recollected that the Money could not have been stated to be paid by Mr. Sullivan, without a direct error in the fact.

The Country of Sheergunga was in rebellion at the time when the money was received.

I moved the army by the express requisition of Mr. Sullivan to collect by Military Force the Revenues which

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which the Rajahs withheld from the Civil authority.—

Matters were adjusted with the Rajahs Ministers exactly by the Statement of Arrears, transmitted to me by Mr Sullivan, to whom I communicated every particular.—

I further exacted Bonds for ninety Thousand Rupees, on Account of depredations committed in the adjacent Countries but these Bonds were upon the proper Submission of the parties given up to them by Mr Sullivan, and the Shevagunga People continued from that time punctual in their Payments and obedient to the orders of Government.

The only irregularity I approved had existed entirely in thinking of charging those monies to the Account of any other person than myself who actually had received them.—

As for the other articles in the Account of the Committee of assigned Revenue of Rice, Sheep, Salt, Gram, Paddy, and Sundries furnished to the army at Covanore, they were delivered to the Departments, that entended for them, & cannot be brought to my Account in any shape whatever.—

The

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The sums charged against the Company for Mercenaries, Gunpowder, Cotterie, Lascorals, Presents &c. are taken from the Accounts of the persons who managed my disbursements in Camp, I believe them to be as correct as could be expected in our Situation but it was impossible for me personally to mark the various fractional sums that were constantly issuing under the irregular and urgent head of contingent Service - at all events it is not consistent with my mode of acting to pledge myself for any Statement on the declaration of others -

I cannot however acquiesce in the Opinion, that the charges bear no proportion to those of other Officers in Bengal Situations - although there never was an army whose Situation rendered an extended System of intelligence and conciliation so indispensable as it was to us, while in the enemy's Country, yet I presume it will appear on the Company's books that every army of the three Establishments acting on the enemy's Country had made

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made larger Charges for contingent
Service in proportion to their number
length of Time, and movements than
those stated in the annexed account.—

On the conclusion of the War
I was anxious that the whole detail of
my transactions should be laid upon
to the Governor, and Select Committee with
this view I proceeded to Madras, but not
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short Stay there of explaining matters
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entering into the business of Accounts
I had recourse to the narrative, which
I directed to be designated from the
Cape of Good Hope, accompanied by a
Letter to the Governor.

With these preliminary remarks,
I now beg leave to submit to your consideration
the actual State of Debit & Credit
between the Honble Company and
myself.—

The narrative of my Conduct
is before you, and I shall submit as the
most flattering circumstance of my
life if in addition to the satisfaction
which my endeavours have given to

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I have only to add that I shall at all times be happy to furnish you with any further information in my Power on this, or any other Subject.—

I have the honor to be with great respect.

Sir &c.

(Signed) Wm Fullarton

To the Honble

The Court of Directors

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Dr. Colonel Pullarton in Account with

Remarks

Received on Joys & Bullion 4063 arcot Rupees.

1787
August 8.th From Lanny Nay Vakeel of the Rajah of Sheringunga at 5 arcot Rupees 20,000

Of this Sum 3,916 7/12 Rupees were received on Shuky Sanams at the rate of 1 7/12 Sanam pr Rupee and 2 7/12 Rupees pr Porto Novo Pagoda being 1/10.th Less in value than the Star Pagoda in which the Company's Accounts are kept.

There remained 4021 Rupees which were afterwards paid on Shuky Sanams. The Loss on issuing these Sanams will be stated on the Credit Side of this Account.

October 5.th Received from Lieut.t Blair on Acct. of the Rajah of Sheringunga 30,000

Of this Sum 16,875 Rupees were received in Porto Novo Pagodas, on the Issuing of which there was no loss. — The remainder 53,125 Rupees were received in Shuky Sanams, and in the Issuing of which there was a loss as stated in the Credit Side of this Account.

1794
January 28.th Received from the Minister of the Rajah of Ramnad 1000 Porto Novo Pagodas equal to 3,500

Rupees 13,500 equal to

Star Pags. 28,375

To Balance Contra or 28,181. 12. 40

£. S. C.

Star Pags. 56,556. 12. 40

This was meant as an introductary present to me, upon my arrival at Ramnad, but on my refusing to accept of any present of that nature, the Minister requested me not to return the Nazir, which would be considered as an incivility to his Rajah, especially upon the Eve of his Marriage. — I therefore took the Money and gave a receipt upon the Public Account. —

N.B. The Arcot Rupee is estimated in this Account at the rate of Four for each Star Pagoda. —

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The Honorable East India Company - - - Cr.

Remarks

See Account Annexed

By Amount of Sums paid or accounted for to different persons who employed Bullocks on the Service on the terms of the Company's regulations during the months of January and August 1784 inclusive under the orders and directions of Assistant Quarter Master General.

The proper Officials Monthly Bills or Vouchers of this Sum are in my Possession, signed by one of the Parties, & countersigned by the Commissary Chandery, and by him distributed to diff.t and Commanding Officers in the usual Corps, Departments, & Brigades as appears by sep.e T. C. form - - Vouchers in his books now in my Possession. 24852 - -

By Amount of Sums paid and presents given to different Rajahs Vakeels, and others, and to Expences of Horcarrahs, Colleries, Interpreters &c.a from May 1783 to may 1784 - 29923.13.40.

By loss upon the Issuing of 89,061 Rupees on Shuby Fanams received at 25 Fanams per Porto Novo Pagoda, and issued at an average of 27 per ditto, being a difference of 8 p.Cent amounting to 7,124 Rupees; equal to - - 1,781 - -

Star Pagodas - - 56,536.13.40

By Balance due to me from the Honorable East India Company on this Account 1.st Pay.s 28.181.13.40.

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## To amount of Sums paid and presents given to Diff.t Interpreters &c.a from May 1793 to May 1794.

| Remarks | | All Per Month in Star Pagodas | P. | F. | C. | P. | F. | C. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| For the extraordinary employing so large a body of Hircarrahs, Letters &c. see my Letter to the Court of Directors. | 1 Perincipal Hircarrah | 20 | 240 | " | " | | | |
| | 4 Mastries | 15 | 720 | — | — | | | |
| | 130 Hircarrahs pay & Batta | 3½ | 5460 | — | — | | | |
| | 6 Head Colleries | 10 | 60 | — | — | | | |
| | 250 Colleries | 1½ | 6300 | — | — | | | |
| | 2 Interpreters | 25 | 600 | — | — | | | |
| | 1 Moonshy | 20 | 240 | — | — | | | |
| | 2 Malabar Writers | 10 | 240 | — | — | | | |
| | 15 Sepoys employed occasionally & Peshcash in Batta | 18½ | 270 | — | — | 14 | 910 | — |
| | Hircarrahs &c. Expences from May 1.st to Aug.st 15.th 1794 | | | | | | | |
| | 4 Head Hircarrahs | 15 | 240 | — | — | | | |
| | 60 Hircarrahs | 3½ | 735 | — | — | | | |
| | 2 Interpreters | 15 | 105 | — | — | | | |
| | 1 Moonshy | 15 | 52 | 24 | — | | | |
| * There were two duties over levied in the Bazar of the army which occasioned this Charge. | 2 Malabar Writers | 7 | 49 | — | — | | | |
| | * 1 Pedro all & his People | 14 | 49 | — | — | | | |
| | 15 Sepoys employed & Peshcash in Batta | 1½ | 72 | 31 | 40 | 1979 | 10 | 40 |
| | Hircarrahs &c. Expences from 15.th Aug.st to 15.th Dec.r 1794 | | | | | | | |
| | 3 Head Hircarrahs | 10 | 120 | — | — | | | |
| | 12 Hircarrahs | 3½ | 168 | — | — | | | |
| | 2 Interpreters | 10 | 80 | — | — | | | |
| | 1 Moonshy | 10 | 40 | — | — | | | |
| | 1 Malabar Writer | 5 | 20 | — | — | 428 | — | — |
| | Extra to Hircarrahs on May 1793 | | 260 | — | — | | | |
| | Ditto in June | | 108 | — | — | | | |
| | Ditto in July | | 60 | — | — | | | |
| | D.o in August | | 44 | — | — | | | |
| | D.o in Septr | | 108 | — | — | | | |
| | D.o in Oct.r | | 276 | — | — | | | |
| | D.o in Novr | | 198 | — | — | | | |
| | D.o in Decr | | 200 | — | — | | | |
| | D.o from Janry to August | | 200 | — | — | 1884 | — | — |

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# Rajahs Vakeels & others, and the Expences of Mercarahs, Coffries, Referred to by the annexed Account Current

* Sundry Letters to the Court of Directors—

* For the Services of the Zamorin Sundry Letters to Lord Macartney and the Select Committee of Fort St. George

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Presents to the Hyder Ally Khan &c &c | | |
| at Palgat | 500— | |
| Two Horses | 300— | |
| * Bushwanas Expences | 825— | & &c. |
| Presents when sent away | 500— | 2125— |
| o 1 Horse to the Zamorins Vakeel | 150— | |
| 4 Shawls to 2 Vakeels of his | 100— | |
| Presents to the Zamorins Two Horses | 400— | |
| Gold Bangles Toys and Shawls at Different times | 500— | |
| Presents to his Brother & attendants Bangles &c | 150— | |
| Present to the King of Travencore Vakeel | 60— | |
| Horse & Shawls to his Vakeel | 150— | 1500— |
| Extra to Bryengo Mercarahs at Pallagat | 75— | |
| Present to Cochin Mercarahs | 50— | |
| Ditto to Cochin Vakeel, Horse Bangles & Shawls | 200— | 325— |
| Barrenad & Sheergunga Mercarahs | 2500— | |
| Presents to Vencata Lamony Naig, Polanqueen, Shawls Bangles | 600— | |
| o Presents to the antient Rajah of Palagat | 300— | |
| o Presents to Hegwonpatty & Pulitavon Polegars | 350— | |
| Ditto to Chittore & Honore | 150— | |
| Do to Calicoon Naig people | 50— | |
| Shawls to Comaldan of Madura | 50— | |
| Presents to Condumans people | 150— | |
| Toys Shawls to King of Cochin | 1000— | |
| Bangles & Shawls to Vackeels of the Calicute Rajah ++ | 200— | 3075— |
| Ditto to 2 Vakeels of Carja Rajah | 200— | |
| Expences of Army Papal 1379 2— | | |
| advanced Mogully Horse to go with Mr Sharp | 300— | |
| Paid the Moodelier when with the army for himself & people | 1800— | 4297— |
| Total Star Pags. | | 29,923 13.40 |

o Who managed the Dindigull Countries while in our possession, & from whom the army received great assistance—

o Deposed by Hyder Ally & sent Prisoner to Seringapatam—

o Who assisted us against the Rebel Polegars—

++ The Commandant & Officers of this Battn who served with us in the Field during our Campaigns—

++ The King of Cochin permitted our troops to pass through his Country & gave us every aid in bringing Stores from Cochin—

+ These two Rajahs proper Supplies for us at the time our intended movement to Seringapatam + The Revd Mr Swartz was sent by Madras Government to interfere between the Camp & Tippoo Sultaun who was escorted by a Party from our Camp—

o The Moodelier was appd to collect Grain & Provisions for the Army in the districts of Coimbetore & Aravacourchy, & provided the Store with a large retinue, who continued in employment till the peace—

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N.B. Mr Digby advanced on different Charges of Contingent Service as appears by Sun Particular Accounts — Pags 5650

These Sums I understand have been struck out of Mr. Digbys books since my departure from India under an impression that no extra charges of that nature were agreable to the Company's Book of regulations & therefore that they could not be admitted.—

I hope, and trust that the justice of the Honble Court of Directors will induce them to order these Charges to be allowed to Mr. Digby that he may not suffer by the faithful discharge of his Official Duty and that the Service may retain that Credit & Faith in Official orders without which it cannot prosper.

Besides the above there were Sums charged for Secret Service by Officers Commanding the Forts which we Garrisoned in the enemy's Country by & then Commanding Corps & Divisions of the army when employed on Detachment. most of them were paid by me but I am informed that there are a few Demands of that nature not yet discharged although the particular Services were specified

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Specified by the Officer, & my Signature was affixed Draft Orders will likewise be issued for their speedy liquidation

Mr. Johnson Paymaster at Madura furnished Supplies to the amount of more than 3000 Pagodas at a time when the army was in great distress; for this sum I understand, he has not been allowed Credit in his Accounts.-

Agreed to Acknowledge the receipt of the foregoing, & to inform Mr. Kirkpatrick that the communications he has made are acceptable to Government to whom the Papers now furnished by him had not been sent from Europe.-

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from Vizagapatam.-

To the Honble Sir Archd Campbell Knt.
Governor in Council
Fort St George

Honble Sir

From Vizagapatam requesting that the Paymaster may be permitted to deliver into Store thirty three Sepoy Tents.-

The Military Storekeeper here has addressed us on the Subject of some Tents which were made up in obedience to orders from the Honble Governor & Council, before the Arrival of Mr. Secretary Chauviers letter of the 8th. February - We enclose a Copy of his Letter and doubt not your Honor will see the reasonableness of the request it contains-

Mr

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We have further to remark that there are no Sepoy Tents in the Store.-

We are very respectfully,
Sir &c

Vizagapatam
9th Augt 1769.

Signed) Chas. Russell
Chas. Maxtone
Jno Baker

Chas Russell Esqr
Chief &c Council of
Vizagapatam

Gentlemen

Having been informed, when at Madras, last February that the Honble Governor & Council had written to stop making up Tents to complete the Indent of March 1766- I address'd a letter to the Committee of Stores, mentioning that there were about 30 private Tents now made up and requesting permission to deliver them into Store- on my return hither I found that I had understated the number as 93 Sepoy Tents were also ready at the time the order arrived here- as they were made in obedience to directions from the Provi-dency, and previous to the Commandery order, I trust the Board will be so indulgent

counter-manding

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indulgent as to permit me to deliver them into the Store. -

I am with respect

Gentn

Your most

Vizagapatam obt. Servt

22d July 1787. (Signed) J. Baker

my Secry

A true Copy

W. Drake

Secry

Stores kept

Agreed to acquiesce in the recommen-

The Tents to be received. -

=dation of the Chief & Council respecting the Tents made up by Mr. Baker, & to advise the Commattee of Stores of the above Resolution

Read the following Letter from Mr. Hippesley one of Mr. Sullivans Attorneys. -

To the Honble Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.

Governor in Council Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From Mr. Hippesley requesting a Revision of the Audit upon Mr Sullivans accounts & replying to the Objections of Mr Commissioner Lachlan. -

As some Facts of material consi=

=deration connected with the Audit of Mr. Sullivans Accounts & Chiefly affecting the Interests of the Honble Company, are necessary to be stated, I will entreat your Honours Indulgence in the confidence of such a revision

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revision as the nature of the application has in Justice a claim to.—

If the audit of Mr. Sullivans Accounts is to be assumed as conclusive, & the Balance as certified by Mr. Jackson, is taken as an acquittance between the Honble Company & Mr. Sullivan his attorneys have little claims as far as this Govt. is interested are entitled to receive the Subject of the Audit, for in that case Mr. Sullivan will have secured Ten Thousand Pagodas more than the real balance after Mr. Jackson's defalcations — but Mr. Sullivans attorneys would ill acquit themselves were they influenced by such motives, on the contrary, they are ready to refund whatever may in Equity be adjudged to have been over paid.—

In justice to Mr. Sullivan I must here, Honble Sirs observe that his Accuracy is not unimpeachable for the Error that had escaped Mr. Jackson and which has been discovered by the Military Paymaster General; — the fact is, that the Account Current in which the Error exists was made up after Mr. Sullivans' departure for Europe by his Office Servants, and in the confusion of

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of the moment, was signed by me, as acting Paymaster. –

I shall now trust to your Honors Indulgence, if I take the liberty to advert to another Error of Mr Jackson affecting Mr Sullivans Interest in a less degree than the former has those of the Honble Company.

Mr Jackson avows that he is bound by an Oath not to pass any Charge that appears contrary to the regulations or orders of Government, – but in Mr Sullivans Instance he confesses himself convinced that Mr Sullivan had all the Powers of Government concurring however that he had no Official intimation of those Powers he thought himself Obliged to debit Mr Sullivan on the extent that appears in the accompanying Paper [A].

I prove that such restrictions never came within the contemplation of that Government from which Mr Jackson derived his Commission, I beg to request the attention of your Honor to Mr Jacksons original Letter (B.1) where it is clear that Government has intimated officially to Mr Jackson the discretional authority delegated to Mr Sullivan, but Mr Jacksons inference is in direct opposition to his own sentences, for a discretion delegated to no other Paymaster,

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is proved by Mr. Jackson, yet his conclusion is that "he shall examine" Mr Sullivans Accounts on the same manner as those of all other Paymasters"

Not to detain your Honor by superfluous comments on Documents whose internal Evidence is incontrovertible I shall beg to refer to the originals, should any reference beyond Mr. Balfours Observations & Mr Jacksons Letter be deemed necessary I will then beg your Honors attention to the 1. 2. 16 Paragraphs of my reply to the audator (C) I will likewise intreat your reference to the Testimonies recorded in the 24th Para which Speak to the nature & magnitude of the Services in question, & which however flattering to Mr Sullivan, I trust are substantiated by at least two Solemn & hastily questioned.

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Your Honorable Board being satisfied in these premises I am to trust that Mr. Sullivan will have relief in the several Heads of Debit recited in the Observations [A] amounting to £ 1 Pg 4:7/60.-

Also in the Amount of the Debits contained in the Paper D amounting to £ Pc 279, 00 So at least that Lt Bowens may be called upon instead of Mr Sullivan's Sir.

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For the Paymaster of Tanjore not to presume that Vouchers bearing the Official Signature of the Commanding Officer & Commissary on the field had a just claim upon Government.

The attorneys of Mr. Sullivan wish further trust that he would be allowed credit on the Amount of the Sums paid to Messrs. Simpson & Stuart, Surgeons of Tellicherry, they both standing on the same predicament and Mr. Sturts Claims having lately been revised & admitted by Government.—

The Amounts of these several Sums deducted from the Loss of S. Pr. 10,000, will still leave a Balance of near S. Pr. 4,500 to be refunded by Mr. Sullivan, and his attorneys look, with confidence, to the Justice of the Worlds Board for such a revision of the Audit as may at once establish the equity of their constituents claims, as well as those of the Worlds Company.—

I have the Honor to be with the greatest respect.

&c &c &c

Fort St. George
19th August 1787.—

(Signed) J. Cox Hippisley
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Memorandum

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&c &c

(Signed) L. Coxe Hippisley

Fort St. George
19th August 1787.

One of the attys of Mr Sullivan

Memorandum

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Memorandum of Mr J Balfour respecting Mr Sullivans Accounts.

The principal articles objected to by Mr Jackson are.-

1st A Charge for Bullock drivers employed above what the regulations allow.-

In Support of this Charge there has been produced the attestation of the Head Mistry that he was paid for every driver charged for by Mr Sullivan, and that he could not have served with fewer

Vide Para: 3.155 of Mr Keppels reply to the Audition -

over charges of a similar nature objected to by individual auditors and by the Board of Accounts, have notwithstanding been allowed by the Honble the President and Council in the Accounts of the Light Paymaster at Palamcotah Mr Gardiner Paymaster at Ongole Mr Stannard & Mr Kenworthy agents to Carry on their representations to Government of their ignorance of the Regulations or of the necessity for a deviation from them.-

2d A Charge for Spare Buffaloes employed for Carts transporting Grain and Stores.

Vide Para: 2d of Mr Hornby's reply to the Audition.

Spare Bullocks or Buffaloes are always

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always necessary on field Service, and have always been allowed the nature of the Service of the Roads &c &c. can only determine the number necessary, in the case in question from the Service was the most urgent, the Subsistence of the Garrison depending on the Success of the Convoys and the Roads as difficult as any in the Country. -

3 A Charge for Bullock Saddles sent to Camp.

These Bullock Saddles were provided sent to Camp at the repeated earnest requisitions of Colonel Fullarton Commanding the Southern army, it was Mr Sullivans duty to comply & Receipts have been produced for the delivery by them - for the expenditure at Camp, the Paymaster in Garrison is not to answer. -

S. Pay. 199
Vide Pay. 16.

S. Pay. 4. 768

Mr Sullivan has declared on Oath that where he has deviated from the regulations, he has done so in the Conviction of the expedience or necessity of such deviation for the good of the Service, and in the belief that he was fully authorized to do so. - Mr Sullivan is the only man who has the whole Power of Government delegated to him; - yet Mr Sullivan is the only man in whom no discretionary Conduct is to be allowed, & whose Accounts are to be tried by the rigid Standard of Regulation in some

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his Accounts, and transmitted them every month to the Presidency, agreeably to the orders of Government of August 1786.

It appearing by the Public Records that the Paymasters Representation of his Situation is perfectly correct he will of course be exempt from all Responsibility if the Signatures of the Resident was affixed to the Accounts But I have no Document before me by which it appears that his Accounts have been examined and Observed Mr Kirkpatrick is about to Embark for Europe, and is therefore extremely anxious to have his accounts passed but as it is not on my power to certify them, unless they are supported by proper vouchers, beg leave to submit to your Consideration whether my Report and his answer; but as it will take up a great deal of your time to enter minutely into the Items. Permit me to observe that the whole may be included under two heads.—

The Charge of Pagodas ₹125.14 For Pay issued to the Mogul Horse from 1st Sept. 1783 to 15th July 1784 for which

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which there is no voucher, but the abstracts signed by the Paymaster himself, without the signature of either the Commandant, or the Resident. and several incidental Charges not allowed by the Regulations.

Concerning the payment of the former Mr. Kyd says he received the verbal order of the Resident but none in writing of which he is ready to make oath, and further that in discharging the arrear of that Corps, he did not receive the least emolument, not even the accustomed difference of Exchange.

With respect to the latter they are Charges most of them only of a small amount, & for which if he had not the order of the Resident or the Irregularities ranged therein be accounted for, the Sums, must be refunded either by the Party who has received the money, the Commandant who by Countersigning authenticated the Bill, or by themselves

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

(Signed) J Casper C.G.

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Agreed

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Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Colonel Capper that the Board consider the transmission of Mr. Hippesley's Accounts thro' the Channel of the Resident at Tanjore as exempting the Former from any Responsibility on that head.

Resolution as to irregular Payments to Officers.

With respect to the irregular payments to officers, Colonel Capper must be desired to furnish the Paymaster at Tanjore with an Authority to demand a reimbursement on Account of the Fenible Company.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Hippesley

John Shannon Esqr.

Secretary

Fort St. George

Sir,

From Mr. Hippesley on Mr Sullivans Accounts as Superintendant of the Marawars.

As I have been given to understand that some difficulty has been in making up Mr. Sullivans closing Accounts as Superintendant of the Marawars which has arisen from the original Account Current being Lost or mislaid. – I have now the Honor to

being

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to transmit Copy of said Accounts Current together with the Vouchers of Mr. Digby late Paymaster of the Southern Army

I beg to observe that the accompanying Accounts have been revised by the Accountant Genl & found to correspond with the entries in the Military Paymrs Generals Office

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

(Signed) L. Coxe Kippesley
One of the Attys of
Wm Sulivan

Fort St. George
19th Augt 1787.

Recd

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Dr. Mootoo Ramalinga Setooputty Poligar of Ramanad in Acct. with the Honble Company } Cr.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1784 May 1st | To Balance of last Acct. Settled 30th March | 19,241. 2. | |
| 84 | To a public receipt granted to you | 100,000 " | |
| | To Ditto Ditto | 57,022. 6 | |
| | | | A Rupees 176263. 8. |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1784 May 2d | By Cash sent to Tanjore | | 43,875. – |
| | By Paymaster Conicoply Vencata Soubiah paid him Chuckt 23500 or | | 29,375 " |
| | By ready Cash recd. P. No. Ps. 8000 or | | 27,000 " |
| | By 2000 Sheeps Suppd. at 5 P. Payt. is 400 Sh. Payton | | 1450 – " |
| | By the said Vencata Soubiah paid him | | 17,540 – " |
| Novr. 1785 | By Ditto Ditto Chs. 15,000. | | |
| Janry 30th | By Ditto Ditto | 2267. 2 – | |
| | By Ditto Ditto Tunka or order for the Nabobs Mogul Horses | 4850. 8 – | |
| | By Ditto Ditto Tunka or order for himself | 650. – | |
| | Total Chuckt. | 22776. 4 for | 28,471. 3. |
| | By Col. Forbes at p his Receipt | | 28,551. 5 |
| | | | A Rupees 176,263. 8 |

Tanjore 22d Feby 1785
Errors Excepted

True Copy of original Account Current of John Sulivan Esqr. Superintendant at the Marawars

J. Coxe Hippesley
Attys. of J. Sulivan

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Dr. Woodya Thaver Polygar of Shevagunga in Acct. with the Honble Company — Cr.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| To a public receipt granted to you | 100,000 | 1784 June 25 By Cash pd. Col. Fullarton as pr. Mr. Sulivans order & as pr. the Col. Dubash Receipt | 34875 " |
| To Ditto — Ditto — Ditto | 14,508. 1 | July 28 By Ditto of you this day | 57900 " |
| | | By Col. Forbes supplied in Provisions &c. for his Detachment at Trepatore as pr. his receipt | 7890. 10 |
| | | By Majr. Offency as pr. his receipts supplied Sheeps | 424. 4 |
| | | Augt. 28 By Cash paid of you this day | 2726. 14 |
| | | Septr. By Ditto Ditto | 6075. — |
| | | Octr. By Ditto Ditto | 2833. 15 |
| | | By Col. Elphinston Suppd. Sheeps as pr. Receipt | 702. 8 |
| | | By Shack Laibs at Tondy pd. their as pr. Committee order | 1080 — |
| A Rupees | 114,508. 1 | A Rupees | 114,508. 1 |

Tanjore 22d. Febry 1785
Errors Excepted.

True Copy of original Account Current of John Sulivan Esqr. Superintendant of the Marawars

J. Coxe Hippesley
attd. of J. Sulivan

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## Ramnadporam Poligar

1784
May To 2000 Sheeps Delivered for the use
of Southern army - Rupees 1450 —
@ 362½ P 100 — — 400 — —

To Colonel Forbes Paid him —
on Acct of D° } 28551. 5 @ 350 D° 815 ⅞ 21. 60 855 ⅞ 21. 60

## Shevagunga Poligar

1784
June 24th To Cash paid Col. Fullarton on account of
Southern army Rd 34875 — @ 350 P 100 — 9964 17 —
July To Ditto Col. Forbes D° 7890. 10 - @ D° — 2254. 18. 60
To Ditto Majr Offenays Pr
Receipt. } 424. 4 - @ D° — 121. 9 —
To Ditto Col. Elphinston D° 702. 8. @ D° 200. 30 "
To Ditto Pondu Marich dett 1080 — @ D° 308. 21 — 1284. 6. 60

Pagodas 2146. 37. 70

I hereby certify that the above
Sums have been duely carried
to the Credit of the Company in
the Books of the Southern Army. -

H. Digby
Pay.r A. A.

Ordered that Copies &c
Minute thereon the Accounts Current accompanying &c
Respecting Letter be sent to the Accountant
General.

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General for the purpose of enabling him to close Mr Sullivans Accounts as Superintendant of the Marooars.-

Read the following Letter from Colonel Alexander, with Enclosures entered in Cons. Nos 83-84-85-86.-

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

Gentlemen,

From Colonel Alexander with Sepoys Claims for Batta.-

As President of the Committee for ascertaining the Claims for the Batta of Prisoners in the Mysore Country during the last War; Permit me to lay before your Honble Board the inclosed Claims - Altho' the time specified in General Orders, for giving in Claims for Batta by those who had been Prisoners, has been expired for sometime; yet as the Situation of the Claimants (whose Letters to me I have the honor to enclose to you) prevented them from coming or being informed of the G.O. I request that your Honble Board will be pleased to consider their Claims as just & as the delay in giving them in was no neglect on the parts of the

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The Claimants but proceeded entirely from their being deprived of the knowledge of G.O.s hoping you will permit them to be added to those already approved of

I have the honor to be
Sir &c.

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25th Augt 1797

(Signed) John Elphinston
Col.

Minute thereon

Agree that the Military Paymaster General be desired to add the Claims of the Officers mentioned in Col. Elphinstons Letter to the List in his Office, as it appears that they were prevented from making an earlier application.-

Read the following Letter from Mr. Garrow.-

The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell KB.
Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Several applications having been made to me through the Office of Inspection

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From Mr. Edward Garrow, requesting Permission to resign the Office of Contractor for Repairs.-

Engineer within the last Month, for Supplies, and Repairs, to the Company's Works, as Contractor I request your permission to resign that Office my want of health and other circumstances making this advisable to the Honble Board necessary- & I flatter myself they will be the rather induced to it when on a Statement, I am preparing they will see the large Balance that is now due to me from the Company

I have the honor to be very respectfully &c &c

(Signed) Edwd Garrow

Fort St. George
17th Augt. 1784.

Agreed that Mr. Garrow be permitted to relinquish the Charge of carrying on any new Buildings or Repairs on account of the Honble Company but that he be desired to finish the Work already undertaken for which the necessary advances will be made on application to the President.-

In consequence of Mr. Garrow's application to relinquish his Charge of repairs, it is Agreed that the following

Agreed.-

Letter

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Letter be sent to the Committee of Works.—

To Robert Mansell Esqr.
President &c. Members of
the Committee of Works.—

Gentlemen

Letter to the Committee of Works in Consequence of Mr. Garrow's Resignation.

I am directed by the Board to inform you that they have consented to permit Mr. Garrow to withdraw from the Execution of the Honble Company's Buildings and repairs whereon he Was then employed until the same shall be finished.—

In order that the public Service may not suffer therefrom the Board desire you will immediately publish that you are ready to receive proposals for a Contract for Building and repairs for the Honble Company's Works for the period of three years.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Signed John Shore
Secy.

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The President lays before the Board the

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The following Letter delivered to him by Lieut. Loy.-

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell KB.
President of Fort St. George
and Commander in Chief of the Forces on the
Coast of Coromandel.-

From Lieut. Loy claiming Cavalry Rank.-

Honble Sir,

The Honble the Court of directors having been pleased to permit my return to my duty at Fort St. George and that I be re appointed to my proper Rank on the Corps of Cavalry, beg leave leave to state to your Honor that I was first appointed a Cadet of Infantry in 1778 - that I took rank as Ensign in May 1779, and that I was appointed by Sir Hector Munro, when before Pagoda-Anen in Oct. 1781. to act as Cornet and Quarter Master of Cavalry, in which Line I continued from that period to the time I was Captured by Hyder allys Troops, when serving with the Southern army under Colonel Brathwaite in 1782.

This ranks places me above this Honble Lieutenant, as their Lieutenancys whose original Rank in this Army bears date this

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22d of Septr 1780 above my age previous to
mine as an Ensign in the Service.

I hope therefore your Honor will
be pleased to recommend me to rank next
after Captn Lieut Keith Macalister, this
immediate Senior Officer now on Bank
in the Cavalry to the Honble Lieut Colonel Kyd

I have the honor to be
Sir &c.

Fort St. George
Augt 19th 1787

Signed Robert Loy
Lieut

Agreed that Copy of Lieutenant —
Loys Letter be sent to the Military Board
together with the Extract of the General
Letter from the Court of directors dated
16th Febry which relates to that Officers
& that the Military Board be desired
to report their Opinion upon Lieut.s
Loys Claim to Cavalry Rank.

To be inserted
to the Military
Board.—

Read the following Letter
from Ord. Hopkinsley.—

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

Honble Sir

Having delivered over the Charge of

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of my Employs to my Successor & my Accounts having been examined by the Controller General, I beg permission to resign the Service of the Honble Company.—

From Mr Hepplesley requesting Permission to resign the Service and adducing Proof of the Services he has rendered the Company.—

Short as the period of my Service has been, I am to trust that I have not been wholly unworthy Servant, & an age of handy & inquisition I am ready to avow my Personal Success in its Extent I am free also to maintain that the Interests of the Company have not suffered on my hands.—

The Testimony which I take the liberty to Adduce however flattering has not been dishonourably earned. It refers to an interesting period antecedent to your Honors Government, & therefore carries with it some excuse for its introduction—my Subsequent Conduct has been chiefly under your own observation & in the discharge of some important Duties I have the gratification to reflect that it has been honored with your approbation.—

I have the honor to be with great respect.

&c &c

(Signed) L. C. Hepplesley

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Extracts

Extract of Letter of Colonel Fullarton late Commanding the Southern Forces.

Extract of a letter to Lord Macartney
Dated 25th May 1783

"This dispatch of the Stores and
"Supplies, is an additional obligation which
"I shall forthwith & privately to the Zeal and
"exertions of my Friend Wispiesley, under the
"auspices of Sulivan for whose Heir
"Efforts it is probable that we should not
"have had any prospect of Supplies these
"two Months."

(Signed) Wm Fullarton.

Extract of a letter to Lord Macartney dated
11th June 1783.

"And Wispiesley efforts have been exerted
"on a Scale as to leave us nothing material
"to wish for in point of Stores.

(Signed) Wm Fullarton

Extract of a letter to the Select Committee
dated 28th June 1783.

It "I cannot fail to afford me the
"most sincere satisfaction that I am
"and shall be supported by the Zeal
"abilities, and experience of Mr. Sulivan
"and Mr. Wispiesley in one department and
"and by Col. Stokes & Major Browne in
"another with the aid & cooperation of such
Upon

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"Meer to advise persuade, and encourage I shall
"not think myself too sanguine in expressing
"the utmost confidence of success in every
"Operation that you shall think proper
"to direct."—

(Signed) Wm. Fullarton.

Extract of a Letter to Lord Macartney Dated
26th Septr. 1783.

"For the exertions of my Friend Kelpsley
"at Tinjore, & Mr. Swartz in Tinnevelly
"have enabled us to overcome various
"difficulties & deficiencies respecting our
"Equipment."—

(Signed) Wm. Fullarton

Extract of a letter to the Select Committee
Dated 28th May 1784.—

Alluding to the troops stationed in the
district of Trichinopoly.—

"And whence it not for the exertions of
"Mr. Sullivan & Mr. Kelpsley in providing
"for them we should be under necessity of
"dispersing them."

(Signed) Wm. Fullarton

Extract of a letter to Lord Macartney
Dated 15th June 1784.—

"I cannot omit this Opportunity of repea-
"ting what I have so often had occasion
"to declare that the exertions of Kelpsley on his
part Sic

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"public capacity under the auspices of
"Lutwan Sent enabled the army to move
"& afterwards to act with effect. The strong ties
"of friendship by which I am bound to
"him & Lutwan, would not endure me to
"express my warmest acknowledgements
"to them as public men & I did not feel
"due to them or every principle of public
"Merit, and will carried estimation in the
"public service.

(Signed) Wm Fullarton

Extract of a Letter from Coll. Fullarton
dated Camp Palamcotta 30th September
1794.

"With regard to the general management
"& exertions at Tanjore I have some such
"repeated testimony to the support the
"army has cordially received from Mr.
"Lutwan and yourself, that any further
"declaration on that subject could not add
"to the force of my acknowledgments I have
"always been happy to express that the
"exertions on that quarter first enabled
"the Southern troops to become an army,
"& to move with effect, & have ever since
"incurred essentially to support it in its
"subsequent operations."

concurred

(Signed) Wm Fullarton

Extract of a letter to Right Honble Henry
Dundas

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Dundas then Lord Advocate dated 13th July 1783.

"To Sullivan & my friend Hesspesley his Coad-
"=jutor at Tanjore, it is owing that we have
"been enabled to move this army at all
"for their abilities & exertions have overbeam overco
"the Deficiencies of means, & settled us out
"for active movements, where less active
"or less able men would have disparaged
"of success and would have left us to
"regret our wants and deficiencies or
"else if your Lordship shall hear
"of any operations of materials consequence materia
"effected by this army under my Command
"I beg you will recollect how much Public
"merit is due to the Assistant & cooperation
"of such Men.

Ex.d Pat.k Alex.r Agnew
Aid de Camp to Col. Fullarton.

Agreed that Mr. Hesspesley be permitted
to resign the Service, agreeably to his request

Mr. Hesspesley permitted to resign the Service.

The President begs leave to enter
the following Minute.

The President has great pleasure
in embracing this opportunity to record
his approbation of the Conduct of Mr.
Hesspesley as an able and faithful Servant
of the Company of which he gave the
strongest proof in suggesting the necessity of

President's minute in approbation of the Conduct of Mr. Hesspesley.

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of establishing a Committee of Inspection at Tanjore, and by his Zeal and address in conducting the Operations of that Committee which in a great measure saved the Country and Subjects of Tanjore from impending Ruin.

The President therefore begs leave to recommend that a paragraph be inserted in the next General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors, expressing in the strongest terms, the fullest Approbation of Mr. Kippis's Conduct as a Company's Servant.

(Signed) A. Campbell.

The Board unanimously acquiesce in the President's recommendation of communicating to the Court of Directors the fullest Approbation of Mr. Kippis's Conduct & views as a Company's Servants, which were particularly acknowledged during the period of Lord Macartney's Administration when Mr. Kippis's Zeal & exertions contributed very much to the Successful operations of the Southern Army.

The Board record their fullest approbation of Mr. Kippis's Conduct & agree to a Paragraph being inserted in the next General Letter.

The President in his Character of Commander in Chief, lays before the Board the usual Certificate for Lord Clive's Bounty, in favor of the Widow of the late Capt.n Stewart recommended for Lord Clive's Bounty.

The

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The late Capt.n Stewart of this establishment.

Agreed that the Military Paymaster General be directed to pay to Mrs. Stewart the Allowance established by the abovementioned Fund.—

Read the following Letter from Colonel Floyd.

To the Honble the Governor in Council.

Sir,

From Col: Floyd with his Account of Cavalry Purchases requesting Payment of the Balance due.—

I have the honor to lay before you my Account of 111 Horses, which were, before reported to you to have joined the Regiment—I can safely say it is a fair Lot of Horses, & Touches I hope will meet the approbation of Government.

The Charges are stated with the minutest exactness & the certificates were duly stated by Mr. William Balfour.—

I took the liberty of adding the Accoutrements Money to the Subsistence, because the care of the Horses at Hydrabad really cost the whole Subsistence & one Month exceeded it.

I am proceeding to accomplish my

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my Contract for 143 Horses, I to compleat
the number ordered beyond that according
to my late Reports from Hyderabad
the whole was to be collected by the first
of September but I do not mean to
affirm that it will certainly be done
by that time, having already experienced
disappointment from the Horse Dealers.—

meets

If my Account meets your
Approbation, as I trust it will, I request
You will please to order me the Balance
due.—

I have the honor to be with
great Respect.

Sir

Your most
19th obedt humble Servt
August 1787.— (Signed) J. Floyd
Colonel

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# Dr. The Honble Company in Account with Colonel John Floyd — Cr.

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1787 Febry | To Passage of a party of Dragoons by Sea from Madras to Masulipatam | 3.15 | By amount of Bengal Certificates received at the exchange of A Rs. 375 pr. Pays. 100 | 13,320.— |
| | To 3 Dooleys for the party from Masulipatam to Hyderabad | 50.11 | Deduct the average Rate of Discount having been sold at from 25 to 18 pCt. | 2831.27.72 10,488.14.8 |
| July | To Custom for 102 Horses at Narampet | 35.18 | By Balance | 6226.11.72 |
| | To Ditto at Mongore | 7.12 | | |
| | To Ditto at Volgondah | 3.18 | | |
| | To Boathire to cross the Kistna | 42.26 | | |
| | To Subsistance of 106 Horses at pr. Acct. | 3256.— | | |
| | To 111 Horses at 120 Pagodas | 13,320.— | | |
| | Pagodas | 16,714.26 | Pagodas | 16,714.26 |

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E.E. (Signed) J. Floyd Col.

N.B. Colonel Floyd received from Government Certificates, amounting to Rs. 17160.— at the above Exchange, which at Pays. 120 pr. horse were intended to purchase 143 Horses. These Certificates produced Pays. 13512.25.16 in Money & the above Statement is formed upon the same Ratio.—

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A Certificate upon Bengal to be given Colonel Floyd for the Balance due.—

Agreed that a Certificate upon Bengal for Pags. 6220 11. 72. be given to Colonel Floyd for the Balance due to him & that the Discount be added to the amount above stated.—

The Military Paymr. Genl. to pay to the agent for Pensioners Lequeux the Sum of 644 11.—

The President informs the Board that Mr. Cochrane's attorney has applied to him for Pags 644 11. being the amount of the Sum for which he is an advance on account of his Agency.—

Ordered that the Military Paymaster General be desired to pay Pags 644 11 to Mr. Rochuck on account of Mr. Cochrane.—

From the Commandant at Wallajanbad requesting an allowance of ten Pags. for an Interpreter & Writer.—

Read the following Letter from Colonel Elphinston.

To the Hanble
Sir Archd. Campbell Kt. B.
Governor & Commander in Chief
&c. &c. &c.

Sir.

As Senior Officer of the Cantonment at Wallajanbad, I find an Interpreter necessary for explaining many things which occur in the course of duty & Business at them & no allowance for such a person at present. I hope it will not be thought an extravagant Demand if I request that five Pags. pr. Month may be allowed for

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for that purpose.—

And as it is often necessary to give answers to Letters received in the Country Languages at that Station I also beg leave to request that Five Pagodas pr. Month may be allowed for a Writer.—

I have the Honor to be with great respect.

&c. &c.

(Signed) John Elphinston
Col.

18th Augt. 1797.

Agreed

I agree that Colonel Elphinston be allowed to entertain an Interpreter & a Writer at Walajanabad, at the monthly pay of Five Pags. each, which appear to be necessary to him while Commanding the Detachment.—

Arch.d Campbell
John Hollond
G.W. Barnaby
R. Maunsell

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Diary

28th Received the following Letters.

To the Honble Sir Archibald Campbell Kt B.
Governor in Council
Fort St George

Honble Sir

We have the Honor to transmit
herewith, the General return of the Troops on this
District & Return of Military Stores in
Garrison for last month; also Copies of Reports
made by Capt Smith, & delivered to us by
the Committee of Stores.

We likewise enclose a Return
of small arms deposited in the Storehouse by
Letteramarauze in consequence of a letter
written to him by the Chief when it was found
that the Committee sitting on the enquiry
into the Embezlement of Military Stores
had discovered by the Confession of the
Conductor that many of them had been
privately conveyed & delivered to his People
a copy of the Chiefs Letter accompanies this
for your Information.-

We are very respectfully

Sir &c

(Signed) Hard Ruffell

Chs Maxtone

Vizagapatam
12th Augt 1787.-

From Vizagapatam with a return of Troops & Stores for last Month & a return of small Arms deposited in the Storehouse by Letteramarauze embezzled from the Company by Mr Hancock Conductor.

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To Sitteram Range.

Having come to the certain Knowledge of a number of Muskets having been conveyed privately out of the Company's Stores by the Conductor Mr. Hancock and delivered by your Hircara named Range - It is my duty to desire Them on behalf of the Honble. Company & I desire you will immediately return them - nor must you Demand remaining in your Possession any of the Arms as I understand you have lately collected I recommend therefore that you will send them back without Delay to be deposited in the Company's Stores remaining Thirty or Forty — for your Guard until further orders from the Governor & Council and a receipt shall be given for them.

A true Copy W Drake Secry

Vizagapatam
25th June 1787.-

Arms Received from Sitteram Range Subahdar the 22d 5787

Muskets with Bayonets Serviceable ... 147
Do Repairable ... 28
Do unserviceable ... 109
Fuzees with Bayonets Serviceable ... 4
Do Do unserviceable ... 1
Muskets Without Bayonets French ... 10
Do Do ... 2
Carbines ...

Total 296

(Signed) J. Baker Mily Store
L. O'Brien Capt Lt
Inspector of Stores

A true Copy W Drake Secry

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His Highness the Nabob Wallajah Bahauder
of Arcot and the Carnatic &c &c &c

To Major Gen.l Sir Archd Campbell Kt.
President Governor and Commander in Chief &c
Fort St. George &c &c

My Friend

In the month of October 1783,
Mr. Antonio D'Souza an employe of Mr. was from
me, appointed Capt.n John Barlow to the
Command of my Ship the Success Galley, on
his entering into an engagement, Copy of
which is enclosed — but which engagement
was not in any part fulfilled, nor was the
Ship ever brought to Madras since the
above period.

From the Nabob setting forth his right to the Ship Success Galley, & desiring that Steps may be taken for restoring her to his Highness.

The Ship being now arrived
in Madras Roads under the Charge of
Mr. Cuthbert Fenwick, and as Capt.n
Barlow has no authority to deliver her
over to any Person I have to request of
my friend to whom I look up in all
occasions wherein my affairs are concerned
that he will be so good to take immediate
and effectual Steps to secure the said Ship,
which is my property.

If Mr Fenwick has any
Demand

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2d Demands upon my Circar, I am ready to enter into an Investigation of them, when Transmitted to me through my friend, and to settle them in such manner, as my friend shall think just and reasonable.

May every Blessing attend upon my Friend.

What can I say more?

Chepauk House
19th August 1787.

Madras Octr. 1st 1783.

I Mr. Eden Pearson do hereby Acknowledge that the Nabob Wallajah Bahauder Ship, called the Success Galley, which was in the charge of Captain Limrick was delivered over to me at Calcutta, to be by me given up to the Nabob from whom I was to receive the Command of the said Ship I accordingly brought the Ship to this Place, and made application to the Nabob for the Command but as Captain Limrick has Ordered through his engagements with the Nabob, His Highness took the Ship from me, and delivered her over to Mr. Antonio D'Souza For Therefore voluntarily engage to Mr. D'Souza on the faith of my Honour that having received Charge of the said Ship Success Galley from said Mr D'Souza from the October 1783, I will defray all the Expences

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28 Expences Monthly & Yearly for the Maintenance of the Lascars navigators &c of the said Ship, that I will at my own proper expence keep moored within the Fort Gate Masts Yards Sails &c of the said Ship, that I will also furnish her with anchors Cables, and all other necessaries, and that I will prepare every necessary article - The Accounts of the Stores now in the said Ship as well as of such as I may prepare, shall be delivered and for which I will not make any demand whatever every voyage I undertake shall be with the knowledge of the Nabob and I will perform all such Services as the Nabob may desire - every year in the month of January or March the Nabob sends the Pelgrims to Mocha, I will produce the Ship and hold her in readiness at Madrass, or at Portonova and do such Pilgrims as the Nabob may order on to their effects, I will receive on Board the said Ship in a proper manner Convey them to Judah from whence the People or such others as the Nabob shall order I will bring back, to the Carnatic also I will receive on Board of said Ship all such Horses Mares Sheep &c as the Arabians may send to the Nabob or

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21 or his family, all which I will care fully
deliver at the expiration of every Year I
will pay one fourth Share of the Freight
arising from the Trade belonging to myself
or to other Merchants carried on in the said
Ship and whenever required I will deliver
up the Ship without the least objection
or excuse, and without making any
Demands of any kind whatsoever - For
the Performance solemnly and sincerely make
the above engagement.

(Signed) John Darlow

Signed Sealed & Delivered
where no Stamps are Paper
is to be had in Presence of
(Signed) " Robt Story
" Archd Brown

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archd Campbell KB.
Governor in Council Fort St George

Hon'ble Sir

From the Board of Revenue requesting that an Officer of the Engineers Corps may be ordered to mark out the Ground in the Saphire intended for the new Establishment under the direction of Padre Manente

The Padre Manente having represented to us the Inconvenience and distress to which he is reduced from his not being put in possession of the full extents of Land originally allotted to him and his Followers, we have to request that you will be pleased to

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It to order an Officer of the Engineer Corps to examine the Ground intended for that establishment, and we shall instruct the Superintendant of the Lighouse to furnish the Gentleman employed on that Service with the necessary Information to enable him to execute it agreeably to the original Arrangement. —

We have the honor to be,
Sir
Your
Most obedient
Humble Servants
(Signed) John Holland
Chas Oakeley
Dav.d Haliburton
Geo. Woodroffe

Fort St. George
26th Augt. 1787—

Sent the following Letter —

To Mr. J. Cox Hippisley
One of the Attorneys of Mr Sullivan

Sir

To Mr Hippisley
Orders are to be
given to Mr Sullivan
for Pags 5575.2.40.
in consequence
of the facts adduced
by him to pay
the balance due
by Mr. Sullivan
to the Military
Paymaster General.

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 19th Instant & to inform you, that having taken into Consideration the facts you have adduced in support of a Revision of the Audit on Mr. Sullivan's Accounts, they have resolved that he shall have

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I have Credits for the following Sums.—

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|---|---|
| On Account of Irregular Charges on the Agents' Department | 4760— |
| On the Commissioners Separate Audits of allowances paid to Staff Officers in the field. | 279. 10—40. |
| On Account of Payments allowed to Messrs. Sampson & Stewart, Surgeons to Sibbery Corps. | 535. 34— |
| | 5575. 2. 40 |

The above Sum is therefore to be deducted from the Sum of S.P. 10,000 which appear to have been over paid to Mr. Sullivans Attorneys — The Balance you will pay to the Dft. Paymr. General, who has received directions for the purpose.

I am &c.

(Signed) John Chamier Secy

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21st. Augt. 1787 —

To Mr. John Cox Hepsibey

Sir

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of yesterdays date, & to inform you that you are permitted to resign the Honble Company's Service. — The

To Delta with permission to resign the Company's Service favorable mention will be made of him to the Court of Directors by the next dispatch.

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28 The Board have recorded their Sense of your Services both under this & under the preceding administrations, & wish chearfully to report their Just approbation of your Conduct in their most dispatches to the Court of Directors.

Sam Fr Sr:

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(Signed) John Chamier
Secy

27th Received the undermentioned Letters / entered in M. B. Nos 87-88-89.-

From the Chief Engineer with the Estimate & Plan of Fort St George, Suggesting the necessity of Capt Prescott's taking some of the Artificers from Masulipatam with him when he proceeds to the Execution of the Buildings.-

From Capt Kennedy.

From the Commander of the Success Galley, enclosing a Bill for the passage & maintenance of the Lascars shipped by Capt Carlisle from Calcutta for this Presidency.-

From Lt Colonel Dugald Campbell.

From Lieut Colonel Campbell requesting that his pay & Gratuity as Field Officer of Native Cavalry may be settled; & that the Military Paymaster General may be ordered to discharge the Arrears due from from the 1st of Septr last.-

Sent

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23 Sent the undermentioned Letters for inclosure in A B. Nos 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107. for

To the Military Paymaster General.

To Mr. Lewin with copy of a Letter Sundry enclosures received from the Governor General & Council, as also copies of applications for Pension Batta, to which he is to pay attention

To Mr. Hippisley- the address from Colonel Fullarton to the Court of Directors not having been transmitted from Europe, the Copy presented by him is acceptable & would be inserted on the Records of this Government.

To the Comptroller General- The Board consider the transmission of Mr Hippisleys Accounts Vizt the Charges of the Residents as exempting him / the Paymasters / from any Responsibility on this head- to permit the Paymr. at Fanjore with all Promptitude to demand reimbursements of the irregular Payments to Officers on Account of the Company.

To the Military Paymaster General

To Mr. Lewin & advance Pay. & Allt to Mr. Roebuck Attorney & Mr. Cochrane / on Account of the Agent for Plenipotentiary Legation.

To Mr. Edward Garrow, with the charge of carrying on any new Buildings or Repairs

To Mr. Edw. Garrow Permission to relinquish the charge

Son

27 For the Honble Company to finish the Work he has already undertaken for which the necessary advances will be made.—

To the Accountant General with two

T. Mr Moubray Accounts Current for Rammad Joram & Thevagunga with a Certificate of Mr Dighy to enable him to close the Accounts of Mr Sullivan late Superintendant of the Marawars.

To Mr Cochburn—Government have been pleased to abolish the Office of Agent & to substitute that of Commissary General of Grain & Provisions to which they have appointed him.

T. Mr Cochburn

To the Chief Engineer at Vizagapatam

T. Vizagapatam The Board acquiesce in Mr Bathurst request respecting Depot Lands & have advised the Commander of Stores accordingly.

To the Superintendant of the Dagheire

T. Mr. Dighton with Copy of a Petition presented to Government respecting Bitchee Chitty at Arnee.—

To the Military Board enclosing copy

T. the Mil. Board of a Letter from Lt Loy with an extract of the General Letter from England respecting Cavalry Bank on which they are to report.—

To Colonel Elphinston—the Board

T. Col: Elphinston. consent to his entertaining an Interpreter & Writer at Five Pags each per Month.—

To the Paymaster at Arcot—to pay off

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23 The above allowances to Colonel Shaniston.—
Ditto Advice of the same to the
Comptroller General of Army
Accounts.—

To the Military Board— with the
To the 29th Inst.[24] Copy of a letter from Lt. Col. Dugald
Campbell, Observing they write a report
upon Sergeant Duggan praying the Pay & Gratuity
which remain to be fixed for the Field
Officers of Native Cavalry.—

To the Chief Council at Masulipatam
To Masulipatam the Board Consent to the execution of part
of the Works at Samulcotah— the Temporal
Buildings for Sergeant Major Lawton
& for Drill & Store Sergeant are unnecessary

To the Commander of the Success Galley.
To Mr. Lemoich with Copy of a letter received from the
Nabob, Observing he will inform Govern-
-ment by what right he possessed himself
of the Nabob's Ship the Success Galley.—

To the Comptroller General of Military
To Col. Capper Accounts transport monthly the Accounts
audited by him with such observations
as may occur thereon.

To the Commissary General.
To Col. Capper enclosing the Accounts for June & July
of the Walajabad Cantonment
delivered in by Lt. Colonel Ross in order
that the same may be audited. agreeably

to

24th to the usage of the Service.

To the Chief Engineer - to send
4 Col: Regt. - without Delay an Officer of the Engineer
Corps to mark out the Ground intended
for the new Establishment under Fort
Marine in the Bay here. -

At a Consultation Present
The Honble Major General
Sir Archd Campbell KB.
President
John Hollond - James Hy Casamajor
&
Robt Maunsell Esqrs

Tuesday
28th Augt 1787.

Minutes of last Consultation
read & approved.

Read the following Letter
from Ganjam / with enclosures entered
in Mil. Nos 108. 109. 110 /. -

To the Honble Sir Archd Campbell KB.
Governor in Council
at Fort St George

Honble Sir

We have received Mr Secretary
Chamiers Letters of the 6th, 8th & 9th with
with their several enclosures. -

&c.

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From Ganjam with letter from Mr. Macrop stating what the Paymaster House at Ascha had sold for inclosing a Plan & Estimate of a magazine for Fixed Ammunition & the Engineers Estimate of the Expence for repairing the Company's Buildings at Ganjam.

Sir

Since last addressing you on this Department, we acquainted you we had given directions for the Paymasters house at Ascha being disposed of by publick Sale; and we have now the honor to transmit a Copy of a letter on that Subject, which we have received from Mr. Isaac Van Macrop Acting Paymaster

Herewith We have also the honor to transmit a Plan & Estimate for a Magazine for fixed Ammunition recommended in the proceedings of our Committee of Stores which accompanied our abovementioned address.

The Condition of many of the Company's Buildings in this Settlement which was ill for timely prevention thread-=ened to be ruinous, induced us accordingly to direct the Engineer to lay before us, an estimate of the expence that would attend the putting them into a State of Thoroughrepair; which we have now the pleasure to forward for your Information; At the same time take the liberty of representing to you the absolute necessity there is for the Several Repairs being immediately carried into effect.

We have the honor to be with the

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The greatest respect

For

Mr. Williams

D. Dr. Munro

George Wynch

(Signed)

Jaggaiah
7th Augt. 1797.

Agreed That the Repairs proposed by the Chief Engineer on the 2 new Magazine for fixed Ammunition be carried into execution agreeably to the Estimates, & conformably to the late Regulations.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from Capt.n Hugh Montgomery.

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

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have been favored with a letter from Mr. Secretary Chamier in reply to mine of the 25th Ult.o requesting me "that "be it decided to repeat what has been "before Communicated to me officially that "the Board cannot make any distinc-"tion of Prize Money to the Captors "of Pagoda Pagodas unless they are "furnished with the orders of the Board of Direction

From Capt.n Montgomery respecting his request for a distribution of the Prize Money due to the Captors of Pagodas &c.

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"directors to whom the Subject has been
"referd for ultimate decision."-

It is with concern that I found
myself obliged to repeat my application
for that Justice which the Captors had a
Right to expect, & which seemed to be in
the Power of the Honble Board to grant
but I take the Liberty of calling to your
recollection that my Applications were in
different Stages of the Business at first & it
appeared clearly that an immediate distri-
-bution of the Prize Money might have
been made, by Virtue of an act of Parliament
passed in the Reign of his late Majesty &
the orders of the Company in consequence.
The Governor & Council were pleased to
refer the Matter to the Court of Directors
& my late Application was founded
on their Letter of the 16th February last
in the 66th Paragraph of which they are
pleased to say "and in the mean time
"we direct that you do not make a
"division of the Prize Money, or at least
"without reserving a sufficient Sum
"to answer the Claim set up on behalf
"of these two Ships

The Situation of the Company's
Affairs at the time of the Captures were
Such

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such, as induced the Captain to refrain from being importunate in their demands, in consequence of which forbearance & the delay in the payment of what the Captain had a just & undisputed Right to the claims on the part of the owners Commanders &c. of the Ships Grosvenor & Royal Admiral were set up. In consideration of this & the length of time, that has since elapsed & Knowing it as Senior surviving Officer present at the Capture of the place & whom the other Officers & Men consider as the proper Person to represent their Claims / a duty circumbent on me, once more to request that your Honor &c. will be pleased to order a division of the Prize Money reserving such Sums as may be judged necessary till the Claims of the two Lascarmen may be finally adjusted agreeably to the orders of the Honble the Court of directors - I take the further liberty of desiring that Copies of all Orders relative to the expenditure of Payment & prize Cash & also all Letters that have been addressed to your Board regarding the Prize Money may be transmitted to England by the earliest dispatch. That the Court of Directors may be fully informed on the Subject in case any reference

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reference from the agents of the Captors
in england to them should become necessary

I have the honor to be with the
greatest Respect Sir &c.

(Signed) H. Montgomery

To
Fort S.t George
28th Aug.st 1794.

I & the Board are much
disposed to pay every possible attention
to the Claims of the Captors of Jaggernaut Town
who are represented by Capt.n Montgomery
Meinte thereon they cannot consider themselves at
liberty from the Contents of the General
Letter of the 16th Febry to make at this time
any distribution of the Prize Money.

I agree that the above be communi-
cated to Capt.n Montgomery & that the
Court of Directors be requested on the
earliest dispatche to Europe to transmit
Do— Do their positive Orders on the Subject
of the Prize Money which has so long
been withheld from the Captors.

Read the following Letter
from the Military Paymaster General.

John

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John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary.

Sir

I have received your letter of the 7th Instant with its various enclosures, to which all due attention shall be paid. With respect to the information required by the Bengal Government regarding Colonel Pearce's Accounts, I have the honor to enclose a Certificate that the Sum of P. 5500.– for which the Colonel could not produce a Voucher, was paid by him in July 1781 to the Company's Paymaster at Vellore that the Bengal Presidency was duly credited for the same on the Military Paymasters Books. This Certificate you will be good as transmit to Bengal. I am sorry it is not in my power to give any information respecting the vouchers which the Colonel mentions as having sent to Lord Macartney as no Vouchers were left in this Office that belonged to the Bengal Detachment while on duty on the Coast but were all either sent to that Presidency or delivered up to their Paymaster.

From the Military Pay.r General with a Certificate for Pay.t 5500 for which Col.l Pearce could not produce a Voucher stating that the same was paid by him & Credit given to the Bengal Presidency was unable to give any information respecting the Vouchers which Col.l Pearce mentions to have delivered to Lord Macartney.

The names of those Gentlemen whose Passes for Division Battalions were enclosed in your Letter, shall agreeably to the orders of the Board

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Board be added to the List of Claimants.

Shewn the Honor to be

Sirs &c.

Pay Office Madras

27th Augt. 1787 — (Signd) John Fleming

Sup. Pay Genl.

Agreed that an Extract from the Minute thereon Foregoing with the Paymasters Certificate be sent to Bengal, & that a Letter be drafted to accompany them. —

Read the following Letter from the Committee Appointed to investigate the Accounts relating to the Kings Regiments serving in India. —

To the Honble Major Genl.

Sir Archd. Campbell KB.

Presidents & Governor &c. in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Gentlemen

We have had the Honor of receiving your Commands through Mr Secretary Chamier appointing us a Committee to investigate Accounts particularized in an inclosed Extract from the Honble Company's General Letter to Bengal dated 27th March 1787. —

We beg leave to assure you that we feel an anxious desire to execute the Charge

From the Committee
appd. to investigate
the Accounts
relating to the
Kings Regiments
serving in India
requesting a
Copy of the Act
of Parliament
for their Guidance
also the Accounts
of the different
Regiments &c
Straights Regiments
together with
Country Corps
Papers &c relating
to

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To be allowed
an Office, five
Writers & 2
Peons.

Charge committed to us with as much
expedition and accuracy as possible.

As the greatest proportion of his
Majestys Troops were employed on this Coast
we perceive that the Honble Company must
principally look to the results of our investiga-
tion in settling their Accounts with his
Majestys Ministers under this impression
we enter upon the Subject with all the
Caution & assiduity which the magnitude
and importance of it calls for.

To accomplish the wish of
the Court of direction the greatest part
of the Army Accounts on this Coast since
the Year 1779 must be examined & the
vouchers separated before they can be now
modelled in the particular manner
required. Great exertion & much time & labour must be devoted to
bring it to a conclusion.

We observe by the Extract of the
Honble Company's Letter, that a Copy
of the act of Parliament therein mentioned
will be necessary for our Guidance -
also the Accounts of the different Paymasters
of his Majestys Regiments - we therefore
beg leave to trouble your Honrs to give
orders, that we may be furnished with
them. -

In making up the Accounts the

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The whole of the Paymasters Vouchers will be required & as we understand that many of them yet remain at the Subordinates— we beg to suggest the necessity of their being sent to the Presidency—

Circumstances may possibly occur which will require the explanation of the Paymasters at the out Garrisons, if you approve of our communicating immediately with them, we hope you will be pleased to direct them to pay attention to our requisitions.

In the conducting of the Business we shall have occasion for Six Writers two Peons & an Office Kitmutgar in the course of our enquiry we find that the Object of our Investigation will be expedited we beg leave to be allowed to make a further application for an additional number of Servants— as the Writers in the Military Paymasters Office are already intimately acquainted with the nature of the Accounts, we hope you will see the necessity of ordering one or more of the principal Servants of that Office to be attached to the Committee

We have the honor to be &c &c

Fort St George
22 Augt 1787.—

(Signed)

Benj.n Roebuck
Robt. Geo: Latham
Benj.n Torin

Paymasters

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Agreed that the several requests contained in the foregoing Letter be complied with, & that the necessary orders be issued in consequence.

Read the following Letter from Capt.n Fenwick.

To the Honble Major Genl Sir Arch.d Campbell K.B. President and Governor &c &c &c

Honble Sir

From Captain Fenwick stating the Manner in which he became possessed of his Highness's Ships the Success & Galley.

I have answer to a letter from the Military Secretary of the 27th enclosing a Copy of a letter from his Highness the Nabob of the Carnatick desiring to know by what manner I came into the Possession of his Highness the Nabob's Ships the Success Galley. I take the Liberty of stating the Circumstances as briefly as possible for the Information of the Honble Board - In February 1779 I was appointed to the Command of his Highness's Ships by his own offer and free Consent, the agreement was that when the Nabob did not employ the Ships I was to be free to do it paying the Lasting Charges myself his Highness the Nabob keeping the Hull in repair immediately after

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after which agreement it was broke through by his Highness sending the Ships to the Isle of France with the French Prisoners belonging mostly to the Civil department of Pondichery The Nabob Company were so good as to pay me the Passage Money of the said Prisoners but the Loading Charges of the Ships have remained unpaid to this day. — In May 1780 I entered into a new agreement that I would for the Sultans pay even the repairs of the Hulls while I had the employment of the Ships and die Accordingly for that year — having had the use of her to China in February 1781 the Nabob sent the Ships again to the Company, to the total disappointment of a Voyage I had arranged & without any previous Notice in consequence of which loan I was ordered to attend the army under General Sir Eyre Coote until 6 September 1781 when I was discharged from the Service the Nabob having Demanded the Ship Each the Sultan having taken from the heavy Guns she had carried for the army, it was necessary she should be sent round to Bengal when she was repaired with the utmost economy, not costing more than Four Thousand Rupees the Expences of going round to repair after such heavy Service never was charged to the Nabob Some the Ships being lent to the H. Company in 1786

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where

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1781 Sir Edward entered into any Arrangement with the Nabob but as soon as the Season permitted returned to this Port in January 1782 - when I waited until May 1782 without receiving any order from the Nabob and as no ways employed but by beating down to Cuddalore to endeavour to take the Garrison off from that place in April 1782 for which Service I would not accept any thing when wrote to by the Board in May 1782 I was ordered by the Nabob to carry Mr. Richard Sullivan with dispatches to the Governor General, at the same time was desired to Oppose the Ship and hold her in readiness to go with dispatches to Europe what secret events took place to hinder it I do not know, but the Ship was not sent and in returning to Madras was dismasted and drove round to Bombay - with the Squadron in Oct. 1782 & in 1783 being very ill I resigned the Command of the Ship to Capt. Darlow to deliver her to the Nabob but Not until my demands were paid he betrayed the trust Fraud or Complicity Position how and to what Power for Money delivered her over on which the Nabob appointed him to the Command.

On my being obliged to return to this Country for in consequence of Mr. Popham's Conduct

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Conduct of Lieut with the Ship in Calcutta
Capt. Barton being ill had sent her to
a Mr Browne who becoming a bankrupt
the Ship was left without a person to take
care of her and was in a most distressed
Condition having each large Demands
on the Ship I wrote to the Governor &c
Council to inform them of her state and
Owner to inform them of his state and
to acquaint him if he had no Objections
I would give her the necessary repairs
and bring her to them accordingly had
the Ship Surveyed by the Company's
Carpenter gave her the necessary repairs
to enable her to return here in Safety the
Account of which I am ready to lay before
the Board and have by the Governor &c Council
desire delivered to them I served the Nabob
five Years he never fulfilled one Contract
with me nor ever paid me a Pagoda
or any Sum of Money - in his life - his debt
to me now to upward of Twenty three
Thousand Pagodas not for the Ship alone
But for Rice & other articles he bought
of me during the War I most earnestly
wish to deliver over the Ship or my debt
being paid, the Repairs she has received
at Bengal I have every voucher for and
if she does not meet with any accident
are such as will enable her to run
these three years without any more than

the

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The Peoples Ways who are agreable to the wage of Bengal paid three Months in advance. -

I have the honor to be

Sir &c.

Fort St. George.
Augt 25th 1787.

(Signed) C. Lionwick

Memte thereon

Capt. Lionwick has not furnished the Board with the Account particular of his Claim upon the Nabob which His Highness has desired, it is agreed that a Letter be written to Capt. Lionwick requiring him to lay the Account before the Board without loss of time.

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores with Enclosure Entered in P. C. No 119.

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

From the Committee of Stores stating that they have examined & corrected the Indent for Saltpetre & Shipped a Considerable part of the Stores on board the Snow Cuddalore bound for Negapatam a Report of Gunpowder lately proved at the Mount, enclosed. -

approved

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 of the Several Departments

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Departments all of which are found regularly brought up to the end of last Month.

Having resumed the Consideration of the Indent from Trichinopoly & made some necessary deductions from it, as appears on the Margin we have embarked a considerable part of the Stores on board the Rhoudalmond bound for Negapatam the remainder will be forwarded by the first convenient Opportunity

Dr.

Enclosed we have the Honor to send you Copy of a Report of Gun Powder lately proved at the Mount.-

We have the Honor to be

Sir &c

Fort St. George
24th Aug.t 1787.

(Signed)

J. Caillaud
Wm. Petrie
Patrick Agnew
Wm. Sydenham
Joseph Moorhouse

Read

as considerable

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Read the following Letters entered on the Min Bs Vols 112-113

From Mr. Garrow Purveyor, in reply to Mr. Lucas's Letter enclosing Copy of a letter addressed to Government under date the 28th Octr. last & vindicating his conduct respecting the Sale of the Hospital Sloathing.

From the Purveyor General.

The Board are perfectly satisfied with Mr. Garrow's explanation & it is in consequence agreed to inform Mr. Lucas, that no alteration can at this time be made in the Arrangement.

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From Mr. Walker surgeon stating a Claim for charges on Accounts of an Hospital held by him for the 78th Regiment at St. Helena enclosing Letter from Colonel Stuart & Lt. Colonel Knox with returns countersigned by them & explanations in support of Mr. Walker's Claim.

From Mr. Walker

As the Documents produced by Mr. Walker place his Claim in a very favorable point of View it is agreed that

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That it be admitted, & that the Paymaster General be directed to discharge his Bill for Pay. £498. 7. 6 — the amount of which is to be carried to the Pay of his Majesty's Troops serving in India. —

Examined

Arch. Campbell

John Holland

Ja. H. Casamajor

R. Maunsell

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Received the following Letter & Enclosure from the Commissary General.

To the Honble Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Commissary General, on delivering Regulations establishes during the Government of Lord Macartney for Freight &c. of Lascar.

By the old Book of Regulations Page 43, Paragraph 10, the daily allowance for every Sepoy or Lascar was fixed at 4 Fanams; but this was to be understood on board Company's Ships, the Captains being obliged by the Charter party to carry them free of Freight & in the same Book no allowance was fixed for Freights in the Country Ships, but during the Government of Lord Macartney, when the Bengal Troops were sent back to that Presidency, it was agreed to pay the Sum of 10 Rupees for Freight for each Sepoy or Lascar, besides the 4 Fanams per Day as his Provisions were sent on board for them at the Company's expence, no distinction was then made between the Sepoys & Lascars nor was any allowance given for Medicine &c any of these People have been with, no doubt your Honor &c.

Wm

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29th Will order some Compensation to the Surgeon for Medicine and attendance, but the Sum charged by Captain Newsche is nearly half as much as is paid to a Surgeon of an Indiaman for ourpeans coming from England.

I enclose I have the honor to lay before you the Account for bringing the Lascars made out According to the abovemen. Standing Regulations established during Lord Macartneys Government.

I have the honor to be with the greatest respect &c &c.

(Signed) J. Casamaior

Fort St George
28th Augt 1797.

According to the Regulations of the late Lord Macartneys Government

251 Lascars at 10 Rupees per Man a 4 Rs per Pagoda } 627-24-

Do Sick for 28 Days at 4 fs per Day a 12 fs per Pagoda } 669-14-

Pagodas 1297-38-

Jn

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29 In consequence of the above, Captain Limrick of the Success Galley was Desired to make out his Bill in Conformity thereto.—

Ordered that the following Report from the Hospital Board, with the Remarks of Government thereon, be entered hereunder

Hospital Board
August 9th 1787.—

Countersigned the Apothecarys Charges for Bazar Medicines &c. for the month of July amounting to Pags 1135. 5. 10 and Pay 970. 11. 27 as his Commission of 15 p.C. on the above.— in all Pags 1305. 16. 27.

Mr. Duncan assistant Surgeon with the 4th Batn. of native Infantry having represented the great want of a Medicine Chest for the use of the Corps by which the different articles may be more easily carried about and that was the Grass Vermin prevented which at present take place.

The Hospital Board have directed the Apothecary to comply with his Indents.—

August

From the Hospital Board Mr. Duncan Assistant Surgeon allowed a Medicine Chest— an assistant Surgeon required at Masulipatam Mr. Blackbeam requests permission to go to England on account of his health.—

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Approved.

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August 20th 1787.

Read a letter from Mr. White Head Surgeon at Trichinopoly complaining of the great deficiency of Instruments to supply the demands of the Medical Gentlemen in his Department.

Directed the Secretary to inform Mr White that as soon as the Board ordered the Apothecary to divide the Instruments Medicines &c. rec.d from europe into six equal parts and forward them to the different General Hospitals in proportions Similar to those before directed they have no Doubt that his Quota will arrive in due time.

Read a letter from Mr. Lumsy Head Surgeon at Masulipatam stating a representation from Mr. Ferguson Surgeon at Ellore of the want of another Assistant Surgeon to perform the duty of that Garrison, which the encreased Number

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number of Sicks and their
scattered Situation requires
Ordered the Secretary
to write to Mr Turney,
that the first assistant
that can be spared
will be recommended
for that duty

approved

The Hospital Board
having received from
Government both the
Boxes of Business
Mystic sent from
England for the Houghton
and Glatton Indiamen
have directed the Apothecary
to take charge of them and
issue to the different
Surgeons such quantities
as they may find
necessary to indents for.

approved.

The Hospital Board
having received the inclosed
Copy of a letter from Mr
Blackaden Surgeon
at Madura to Mr Whyte
Head Surgeon at Trichy
have the Honor to forward
it to Government with the

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29th

The Following remark, that as Mr. Blackburn has for some months past had Permission to go to the Sea Coast for the recovery of his health and as he has not knowingly received any benefit therefrom, they beg leave to submit to the Honble Governor in Council the propriety of his obtaining the request he solicits.

Ordered the apothecary to transmit to this Board a particular Account of his disbursements from the 1st. of January to the 30th of June both inclusive with the proper Vouchers without delay.

(Signed) Anr. Berry
Secy Horsburgh

Govermt. approve of Mr. Blackburn having permission to go to England for the benefit of his health.

Sent the following Letter to Bengal.

To

616 Fort St. George August 17. 87.

29th

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

My Lord

We have been honored with the receipts of the Letter dated the 20th ult.o from your Lordship & the Council at Fort William, & beg leave in reply thereto to send you an extract of a letter from our Paymaster General with a Certificate relating to Colonel Pearces Accounts -

We have the Honor to be
&c &c

(Signed) Arch.d Campbell
& Council

Sent the following Letter to Capt.n
W. Montgomery -

To Capt.n Hugh Montgomery

Sir

I am Directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter

I Bengal enclosing Extract of a Letter from the Military Paymaster General with a Certificate relating to Colonel Pearces Accounts.

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29th Letter of the 21st Instant aid to inform you that at the meeting disposed to pay the greatest attention to the Claims of the Captors of Laggerman Sporam represented by you they do not consider themselves at liberty from the contents of the General Letter of the 16th July last to make any distribution of Prize Money.

To Capt. H. Montgomery on distribution of the Prize Money due to the Captors of Laggerman Sporam can take place until the receipt of the Company's orders thereon.--

The Board will not fail by the earliest opportunity, to request the positive order of the Court of Directors on the above subject, & to transmit to them Copies of your Letter & every other necessary Paper by which they may be enabled to decide finally on the business.

Sam. Fr. Fr.

(Signed) John Shannier
Secy

Fort St. George
28th Augt. 1797.

28th Dispatched the undermentioned Letters entered in Mn. B. Nos. 114. 115-116-117-118-119/- To Messrs. Roebuck, Latham, & Forrin-

To Messrs. Roebuck
Latham
&
Forrin

The Board acquiesce in the different requests contained in their Letter. The apartments in the South West corner of the Fort Square will be appropriated to their use.-

Circular

C.I.18 Fort St. George August 1797.

Circular to Paymasters

30th Circular letter to Paymasters, directing them to furnish the above Committee, with such Information as they may require on the execution of the Service entrusted to them.

To Mr. Lenwick, with copy of a letter & enclosure from the Commissary General on the Subject of his Bill for the freight & Victualling of Lascars from Calcutta - to draw out his Bill agreeably to a form sent him when it will be signed by the Secretary, & discharged by the Military Paymaster General

To Mr. Lucas

To the Chief Surgeon - The Board desire making any alteration in the Account of Medical Stores delivered on by the Surveyor General.

To Mr. Lenwick - to lay before the Board a Statement of his Claim on the Nabob in order that the same may be transmitted to his Highness.

To Mr. Lenwick.

To the Chief & Council at Ganjam - Government approve the proposed repairs & Magazine for fixed ammunition which are to be carried into execution.

To Ganjam.

Letters

31st Received the following Letter from Lieutenant Cuthbert Lenwick.

Silver

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To
John Chamier Esq.
Military Secretary

Sir

Agreeable to the orders of the Hon.ble the President in Council I enclose for you to be forwarded to his highness the Nabob my account with him which on a reference to my letter of the 25th to the Hon.ble the President in Council will be perfectly clear I flattered myself I was doing a very acceptable piece of Service to his Highness when I at the request of Mr. Barlow undertook to repair his Highness's Ship and bring her down to this place her incapacity both from bad health and loss sustained by the Failure of Mr. Beare rendering it impossible for him to accomplish it - The repairs given her to bring her down are extreamly moderate. considering she had not been repaired since I repaired her in 1782 the other expences are for the necessary Stores of Anchor Cables &c. The Copy of the Vouchers are already laid before his Highness Summer all Honorable & the originals ready for the Inspection of any one the Honble Board may please

I beg Captain Leyneh transmit his account with his Highness the Nabob.-

6.50 Fort St. George. August 1784

Wm please to apprize

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

Fort St George
Augt. 30th 1784

(Signed) C. Lemoine

His Highness the Nabobs Ship Success Galley from March 1779 to Octr 1783.-

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1779 | To the Success Galley sailing Charges to the Isle of France with the French Prisoners as per Agreement signed at the Durbar in May 1780 in presence of Col: Cosby & Chas Boone | | P.Rs. - - |
| | To Eight years interest from July 1779 the time of the Ships return from the Isle of France to July 1787 being Eight years | | 6250 - |
| | To the Repairs of the Hull of the Success Galley for the years 1779 to 1785 as per agreement signed at the Durbar by me in the presence of Wooly Cosby and Doctor Storey in July 1784 as pr Vouchers of | | 5760 - |
| | Mr Briggs Carpenter signed 1780. - - | 914.3.11 | |
| | To Seven years and Six Months - - - - - | 822.13 - | |
| | The Ship was Sent to the Company by the Nabob February 1791 of Course my Agreement was over for that Year. - | | |
| 1791 Octr. | To Mr Hughs Bill for repairs done to the Hull of the Success Galley whilst attending the army under Sir Eyre Coote the expences of navigating the Ship to Bengal for that purpose not being Charged - - | 4920.6.7 | |
| | Carried Over | | |

Fort St. George August 1st 1787.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 31st | Brought over | 35.42.11.— |
| | To Five Years Interest of the following Charges arises from the Owners detaining me to hold the Ship in readiness to proceed with Dispatches for Europe Vizt. as is more fully explained in my Letter to the Honble the President the 25th Instant.— | |
| | To Pouns the Carpenters Bill for Repairs done to the Ship and Shutters on the Upper Deck under private orders from his Highness Nawaub Tullomrah to fit her for the Sea for a Voyage to Europe May 1782 | 9616.4.5. |
| | To Interest to August 1787 Five Years & three months | 6158.4.— |
| | To 117 Maunds of Copper as p Touches and Cowcut Bill | 5867.8.— |
| May 1782 | This Copper has been reward & is now on the Ship | |
| | To Interest on Do for Five years and three Months | 3696.8.— |
| | Old Account | 47198.10.11. |

New Account

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1787 | | | |
| May 14 | Batta Lascars Tindals & 13 Lascars for 15 Days | 59.— | |
| 22 | Paid Mr Smith for a Bill of Clothing | 57.— | |
| 24 | Batta Lascars Tyrauy Tindals & 13 Lascars for 15 Days | 59.— | |
| | Do Do Do | 59.— | |
| June 17 | Do Do Do | | |
| 25 | Paid for press & 6 Lascars for 7 Months @ 36 R. each | 216.— | |
| | Paid Regd Officer by an order on the Cuttack Cauds | 100.— | |
| | Paid for press & cook for 3 Months | 30.— | |
| 28 | Paid Francisco Rozario Interpreter for 3 Months | 30.— | |
| | Paid Do Do Do Portuguese boy Do Do | 30.— | |
| | Carr. Down | 634.— | 47198.10.11 |

6.50 Fort St. George August 1787

Vr please to approve

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

Fort St George
Augt. 30th 1787

Signed C. Lemoricke

His Highness the Nabobs Ship Success Galley from March 1779 to Octr 1783.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1779 | To the Success Galley sailing Charges to the Isle of France with the French Prisoners as per Agreement signed at the Durbar in May 1780 in presence of Col: Corby & Chas Benning | | |
| | To Eight years interest from July 1779 the time of the Ships return from the Isle of France to July 1787 being Eight years | | 5760 — |
| | To Repairs of the Hull of the Success Galley for the years 1779 to 1785 as per agreement signed at the Durbar by me in the presence of Wooly Corby and Doctor Storey in Octr 1784 at Pr Voucher of | | |
| | Mr Briggs Carpenter signed 1785. — | | 914. 3. 11. |
| | To Seven years and Six Months | | 822.13 — |
| | The Ships was sent to the Company by the Nabob February 1791 of Course my Agreement was over for that Year. — | | |
| 1781 Octr. | To Mr Hulks Bill for repairs done to the Hull of the Success Galley whilst attending the army under Sir Eyre Coote the expences of navigating the Ship to Bengal for that year now not being Charged — | | 4920. 6. 4. |

Carried Over

Fort St George August 1797.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 31st | Brought over | 35.42.11. |
| | To Six Years Interest | |
| | The following Charges arises from | |
| | the Owners desiring me to hold | |
| | the Ship in readiness to proceed | |
| | with Dispatches for Europe Vizt. | |
| | as is more fully explained in my | |
| | Letter to the Honble the President | |
| | the 25th Instant. — | |
| | To Pours the Carpenters Bill for | |
| | Repairs done to the Ship and | |
| | putting on the Copper being under | |
| | private orders from his Highness | |
| | Nawaub Walajah to fit the | |
| | the Ship for a Voyage to Europe | |
| | May 1782 | 9616.4.5. |
| | To Interest to August 1797 being Five | |
| | Years & three months | 6158.4.0 |
| | To 117 Maunds of Copper at 51 Pouches | |
| | and Power Bill | 5867.8.0 |
| May 1782 | This Copper has been reward & is now | |
| | on the Ship — | |
| | To Interest on Do for Five years | |
| | and three Months — | 3696.8.0 |
| | Old Account | 47198.10.11. |

New Account

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|---|---|---|---|
| 1797 | | | |
| May | 14 | Batta Lascars 1 Tindal & 13 Lascars for 15 Days | 59.— |
| | 22 | Paid Mr Smith for a Bill of Clothing | 57.— |
| | 21 | Batta Lascars 1 Tindal & 13 Lascars for 15 Days Do Do Do | 59.— |
| | | | 59.— |
| June | 17 | Do Do Do Do | |
| | 25 | Paid Impress 6 Lascars for 7 Months @ 36 P. each | 216.— |
| | | Paid Ships Officers by an order on the Gentoo Cash | 100.— |
| | | Paid Impress 6 Lascars for 3 Months | 30.— |
| | 28 | Paid Francisco Rozario Butler Impress for 3 Months | 30.— |
| | | Paid Sr. Do Rozario Portugue boy Do Do | 31.— |
| | | Carried Down | 634.— 47198.10.11 |

# Fort St. George. August 1784

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| | | Brought over | | 47109.10.11 |
| 1784 July | 2 | Paid Mr. McMahon Gunner | 25 — | |
| | 5 | Paid Messrs. Parker & Clark for a Bill of Water Casks repairing | 24.8. | |
| | 7 | Paid Mr. Lonkins for 7 Lon Boats Defrayd by Mr. Attendant | 175 — | |
| | 11 | Hoossain Tyrang Serang of Lascars for 3 Months Wg. | | |
| | | 1 Tyrang @ 15 p. Month | 45 — | |
| | | 1 Tundell @ 12 Do | 36 — | |
| | | 2 Do @ 10 Do | 60 — | |
| | | 2 Cossab @ 8 Do | 48 — | |
| | | 4 Topas @ 6 Do | 72 | |
| | | 50 Lascars @ 6 Do | 900 — | 1161 — |
| | 14 | Paid Mr. Vrignon for a Bill of Stores | 199.6.6. | |
| | | Paid Wm. L. Welch for a Bill of Coir Rope | 46.8.9 | |
| | 20 | Paid Mr. Duncan for Bass Seam Horrible Company | 56.8.0 | |
| | | 1 Copper Pot for Lascars | 10 — | |
| | | Advanced the Syrang by order on General Banks | 300 — | |
| | | Paid Mr. Avery Carpenter Extra Repairing 2 p. Brig | 28.5.13.0 | |
| | | Do Do for anchors Do | 405 — | |
| | | Do Messrs. Barbet & Gould for Hawsers &c Do | 372.2 — | |
| | | Do Capt. Dashwood his Accounts & Charges Do | 6412.3. | |
| | | Do Mr. Avery for anchors Do | 300 — | |
| | | Do Do for Small Stores Do | 173.14.0 | |
| | | Do Mr. Drayer debt for Casks Do | 2134.8.9. | |
| | | Do Ramachem Master for Copper Do | 1172.8. | |
| | | The Contract with Mr. Avery for Repairs of the Ship at Sea Survey Marked No. 1 | 3800 — | |

Carried Over

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| 31st | Brought Over | |
| | Paid Mr. Avery for Stores | 1130.25 |
| | Paid Mr Greenway for Repairing Top Sails | 367— |
| 21 | Paid Jamadar for second Officer | 100— |
| | 4 Large Water Casks | 52— |
| 24 | Paid Gunner | 50— |
| | Paid Mr. Walker 2d Officer of Lascars | 132— |
| | Gallery for Lascars | 228— |
| | Paid Cooper | 100— |
| | Lyrang for Rependances | |
| | Paid Mr Mench 3 Officer | 32— |
| | Paid Mr Comfoot | 100— |
| | Black Smith | 492— |
| | To Provision Charges for Lascars, Cooley Lyrang &c from 16 May to 22d July as per Particulars | 1122.6.9. |
| | Paid Mr Wade to Postage each | 412— |
| | Paid Mr Leslie for a Boat | 318.6.9. |
| | Ships Stores | |
| | Carried Over | 18,867.1.24,7930.11. |

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Bro^t Brought Over ——— 18867.1.2. 47198.10.11 ——

1787. Myself Wages as Commander
from 12^th May to the 19^th
August in the River @ 300 — 900 ——
For Table and Officers ms^t month
at Sea ——— 200 ——
Chief Mate advanced 2 Months
from 12^th June to 12 Sept^r @ 120. } 360 ——
Paid for Ten Brass Guns — 5800 ——
Ten new Carriages @ 20 P^s ... 200 ——
Grape & Round Shott 290 — 80 —
4 Sponges & Rammers — 6 ——
4 Saddles & Worms — — 9/6 ——
3 Cartridge Boxes — — — 4 —
4 Large Water Casks ——— 52 —
S^a P^s — 26190.1.2^d

To Insurance from Bengal
to Madras —
On 26490.1.2 @ 4 p^r C^t is 1059.11.7
To my Commission on D^o 5 p^r C^t 1324.10.6 2384.6.1 28877.7.3

S. Rup^s 76076.2.2
Exchange @ 250 304 p^r Cent Pag^a 21736.4.0.

Private Account amounts to — 1581.14.20

Fort St George Sterling Service Pag^a for Bill. — Star Pag^a — 23.31716.10

27^th Aug^t 1787.

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35th

John Shore Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir,

Agreeable to the orders of the Board, though contrary to my agreement with Capt.n Carlisle which was according to the Regulations of Calcutta, I inclose the Bills for the Freights of the Lascars; I have left the article of medicines Blank though they are the dearest article, the Ships in this Country often pay two hundred Cent on the prime Cost being obliged to purchase them often at the third hand, have the honor to be &c.a

(Signed) C. Lemoich

Fort St George
augst 31st 1787.

The Ronillo Company to Freight of Lascars from Calcutta to Fort St George.

| | Sa Rs | F | C |
|---|---|---|---|
| 251 Lascars at 10 Rupees each | 627. 24 | — | |
| Victualling for 28 days at 4 Fs per Day | 669. 14 | — | |
| Medicines for the Lascars | 25 | — | |
| Star Pags | 1326. 38 | — | |

August 31st 1787.— (Signed) C. Lemoich

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At a Consultation Present

The Honble Major General

Sir Archibald Campbell KB.

President

John Holland — James Hy Casamayor

&

Robert Mannsell Esqrs

Friday

31st Augt 1787.

Minutes of last Consultation read

& approved.

The President reads a letter

to the Board from Lt Colonel Agnew enclosing

the proposals of Bartrangie sent by Lieut.

Norris, for completing the Fortifications

intended to secure more effectually the

Principal Hill Fort at Vellore, together

with an estimate of the expence. —

Particulars for completing the

Fortifications and other Buildings intended

to be erected on the Principal Hill Fort

at Vellore.

Particulars & Estimate of Expence for completing the Fortifications on the Principal Hill Fort at Vellore. —

1st To completing the works contemned across the Fort which are to be constructed as Pointed according to the Plan and Section given. —

2d To Building an Officers Quarter consisting of

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of a Hall and two rooms and a veranda
all round measuring 76 feet by 36 feet on the
plan, the Foundation to be well laid and
Built with Stone and ~~[illegible]~~ Mudwalls
the Floor to be of brick and clay and
provided with chunam and white washed.
The Walls of the rooms to be built in a
substantial manner with the Stones
and mudd on the outside walls to be white
washed and whitened - To have a strong
and permanent roof well tyled - To
have doors and windows Shutters compleat
made of the best seasoned country wood
Floor to be paved both flat and pointed
in Chunam - to have wooden bars to the
windows with a rail in the middle

To Building a range of Barracks
measuring outside 79 feet long and 20 feet
broad, in that Proportion to contain the
same number of Troops - To have a substantial
Stone and Mudd Wall, Walls to be white =
washed and Whitened - To have a strong
well made roof and to be well tyled;
To have doors and Windows Shutters compleat
and made of the best seasoned country wood
To have neat wooden bamboo bars to
the windows. Floor paved both flatt &
pointed in Chunam. -

To Build a range of Seven Godowns each

each godown to measure in side 14 feet Square to be built in the same manner with the barracks To have doors and Windows as before and a Permanent and good roof well tyled, - Floor paved brick flatland pointed with chunam. -

To Build a range of Shed for the reception of the Guns &c. measuring outside 96 feet by 24 feet to be built with piers of brick and clay pointed & whitewashed, and to have a good roof well tyled - The building to be open between the piers, and to have a strong earthen Floor. -

NB The Irregularity of the Ground where these buildings are to be erected and the forming the foundation wall to the proper levels and pulling on ground is required.

2d To Forming a Bank in the lower part of the Fort - To repairing the old building for a grand magazine which requires a traverse and door - and a new Terrace and air holes with several other repairs - To repair the doors & Gravies at the entrance into the Fort, & to repair the roofing on Terrace of the present guard room and to remain the Floor &c.

Estimate

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Fort St. George 31st August 1787.—

Estimate of the Foregoing.—

1st The works to be built as per Plan and Section will require nearly and not exceed the Sum of ... 2000.— —

2d The Officers Quarters Barracks Godowns, and Shed will require nearly and not exceed the Sum of ... 900— —

3d The Lamb Place Magazine and the Entrance door and other repairs will require nearly and not exceed the Sum of ... 350— —

Sum ... 3250— — —

Total Expence of the Works to be done on the Fort

(Signed) John Norris
Lieut. of Engineers.

Articles of Agreement for carrying on the works on the Large Hill Fort, Sugarow at Vellore.—

Proposals of Contract for executing the above.—

1st Mudd works to parapet for the works on the Large hill Sugarow which is to be done in layers of one foot each and to be well watered and rammed, and forming the exterior interior and upper Slope according to the Plan and Profile given, at 1¾ Pagoda per Rood.— D°

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2d To Digging Common ground on the Hill Fort Lazarus, as p.r 2nd Article of the Engineers Proposals

at 1/9 Fanams p.r Rod.

3d To digging ground for Trench & ditch to the depth of 6 f.t as p.r 3d Article.

at 3/4 Pagoda p.r Rod.

4th To Brick with in Chunam.

at 5 1/2 Fanam p.r Soot cube.

5 — To Brick work in Clay.

at 3 1/2 Fanam p.r Soot cube

6th To pointing in Chunam of Paving or Brick work.

at 3/4 Pagoda p.r Square.

7th To Paving with Tall bricks Brick flatt in Chunam.

at 3 Pagodas p.r Square.

8th To Paving with wall bricks Brick on edge in Chunam.

at 5 D.o 25 Fanam p.r Square

9th To Tyling with Pantyles only upon matts, the ridges and angles laid in Chunam.

at 2 Pag.s 8 Fanams p.r Square

10th To Framing and Fixing on the walls Country roofing, compleat with Matts & all ready to lay on the Tyles as p.r 11th Article of the engineers Proposals.

at 1 Pagoda p.r Square. — Pag.

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Beg leave to be permitted to receive the money which is monthly ordered for when it arrives - and I undertake the work on the foregoing Terms.- & This is Pestonjee's Signature

Vellore augst 25th 1787.-

President's observation on the foregoing.-

The President observes to the Board that he recommends the carrying into execution the Works above mentioned from a conviction of their importance having in person examined the Hill near to Vellore & the other places adjacent.-

The Works to be executed.-

Agreed in consequence of the President recommendation that the proposals of Pestonjee be accepted & that the President be requested to make the required advances & to give the orders which may be necessary.-

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores.-

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

Honble Sir & Sir

We have the honor to inform you

Fort St. George 31st. August 1797.

From the Committee of Stores. The unserviceable arms in the arsenal will be sold to the best advantage Recommending that the Military Storekeeper be paid the amount of Planes purchased by him.

you that as an opportunity now offers of disposing of the unserviceable arms now in the arsenal, we have in consequence of the Resolution of your Honble. Board of the 26th June last, desired the Military Storekeeper and Commissary General of Stores to dispose of the unserviceable arms to the best advantage.

We have the honor to enclose you Copy of a Memorial laid before the Committee by the Military Storekeeper and beg leave to recommend that he be paid the amount of the Planes therein mentioned.

We have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) J. Casper
" Wm. Petrie
" Patrick Ross
" Wm. Brydenham
" J. Moorhouse

Fort St. George
31st. Augt. 1797.

Military Storekr. Memorial respecting Planes

The Military Storekeeper informs the Committee, that in consequence of representations from the direction of the Laboratory of the unfitness of the Large sent out by the Company for Cartridges & of the superior quality of Planes, the Governor

Fort St. George 28th August 1787.

Governor has ordered him to purchase some of the Cotton which he has done. The Quantity brought is only 365 Yards there being no more in the place & the Price B Pars. Pr Yard, in all Pags 172-18 he further informs the Committee that the Governor has directed that this Flannel shall not be served out except on extraordinary occasions.- (Signed) Wm Petrie

A true Copy
Thos Chase
Clk to the Comtee of Stores

Military Stores to be paid the amount of Flannel purchased by them.-

Agreed that the Military Stores be paid the amount of Flannel purchased being Pags 172-18-

The President laid before the Board the following Letter from Major Macleod

To the Honble Major General Sir Archibald Campbell KB. Governor and Commander in Chief &c &c &c

From Major Macleod requesting Permission to resign the Service & the Command of Madura on the 1st of October.-

Honble Sir

The situation of my affairs making it necessary for me to visit Britain -and the System of the Honble Company's service

664. Fort St George 31st August 1807.

Service not indulging their Servants with leave of absence on Account of any Private business - I find myself necessitated thus to apply for permission to resign the Service.

At the same time beg leave to signify my inclination to continue on my present Situation if it is agreeable to you until the 20th of next month - or the 1st of Oct.

And Hope Honble Sir, that you will be so good as to direct the Arrears for Officers Allowances and gratuity due to me to be paid up to the Date on which you will be pleased to admit my resignation of the Service.

I have the Honor to be most respectfully &c &c

(Signed) Don Macleod

Madura 22d Augt 1807.

Agreed that Major Macleod be permitted to resign the Service agreeably to his request.

The President in Lt Chancellor of Commander in Chief proposes that Major Burrows of the 3d Brigade be appointed to Command at Madura vice Major Macleod.

Ordered Accordingly.

Agreed

Major Burrows to succeed Major Macleod in the Command of Madura.

The

Fort St. George 28th August 1734.

For Shillings 5 Pr Diem Table expences allowed the Commandant of Chinglapet.

The President proposes that the allowance of 10 Shillings Pr Diem for Table expences granted to the Commandeirs Officer at Permacoil, be extended to the Officer Commanding at Chinglapet whose Situation is precisely the same as at Permacoil where the Concourse of Travellers on the occasion of such expence to the Commanding Officer as to render his Situation in a serious degree distressing.

Agreed for the above Reasons that 10 Shillings per Diem be allowed to the Officer Commanding at Chinglapet as Table money.

Full Batta granted to the Officer Commanding the Troops on the Garrison of Masulipatam.

Resolved also that the Officer Commanding the Troops in the Garrison of Masulipatam be allowed full Batta in Consideration of the constant expence to which he is exposed from the necessity of receiving officers passing this to & fro Coast in their way from

The above allowance confined to the Officer Commanding at Masulipatam.

Resolved also that this allowance be confined to the Officer Commanding at Masulipatam, as the Situation of the other Officers at the Subordinate Settlements on the Coast does not appear to require the same Indulgence.

Read the following Letter from Mess.rs Roebuck, Latham & Form:

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

Honble Sir & Gentlemen

We have had the honor to receive
M.r Secretary Chamiers Letter of the 28th.
Instant, informing us that your have
been pleased to acquiesce in our requests
& the several measures we took the liberty
of suggesting we hope we shall stand
excused to the Honble Board if we make
ourselves the Subject of a moments Consi-
deration - but as the Committee to which
we have had the Honor to be appointed.
will last for a Considerable time, & will
require our constant and daily application
we beg Your Honor will be pleased to
make us such allowance on this occasion
as you may think this laborious duty
deserving of. -

We take leave to mention that
at this period the Military Accounts of this
Presidency are only brought up to the
year 1784 & when it is considered that
we have Seperate the whole of these
Accounts since the year 1779 to the
present date we are convinced it must
appear

From Mess.rs
Barbyshe Latham
& Lorin, requesting
an allowance
during their
Investigation
of the Accounts
of the Kings
Troops.

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Appear to your Honor That the Business can only be accomplished by most persevering attention —

We believe we are not wrong in observing that our Committee is in every respect similar to the Committee of Accounts established at the close of the last War it is evident our Services trouble cannot be superior & we trust the Honble Board will not deem us unreasonable in expecting an adequate Compensation

We have the honor to be
Sir &c

(Signed) Benjn Roebuck
" Robt Geo: Latham
" Benjn Torin

Fort St. George
29th Augt 1787 —

The Board do not think it necessary at this time to establish any fixed Allowance for the Gentlemen appointed to investigate the Accounts of the Nuncio Troops, but as they are sensible the Service entrusted to them will be attended with much Labor, they shall readily by make them Such

Minute thereon

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such allowance as may be deemed adequate to the attention expedition and accuracy with which they shall discharge their duty in this respect. —

Examined

Archd. Campbell

John Hollond

Jas. W. Casamayor

R. Maunsell