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561. Fort St. George. March 1788.

Diary

1st. This day signed the General Letter to the Honorable the Court of Directors & Henry Dundas from this Department.—

Dispatched the following Letter to the Commander of the Henry Dundas.—

To Captain. Angus. Mc. Nab

Commanding the Honble Company's Ship Henry Dundas

Sir,

To Captain Mc Nab enclosing Letter of Secret Instructions respecting the Cape of Good Hope which he is recommended not to open until the expiration of fourteen days from the day of his sailing from the Roads.—

I enclose by Command of the Board a Letter addressed to you by them in their Secret Department, I am to communicate to You their Orders not to open it until the expiration of fourteen Days from the day of your sailing from the Roads.—

I am Sir
&c. &c.
(signed) John Shamier
Secy.—

Fort St. George
1st March 1788.—

To

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To Captain. Angus. Macnab

Commanding the Honble Company's Ship

Henry Dundas.

Sir,

Although Advices, which We lately received from Europe do not afford us strong reason to apprehend that Great Britain is at war with Holland, or any other European Power, the uncertain state of Affairs yet makes it necessary for us to instruct you to keep your Ship as distant from the Cape of Good Hope as her safety, and the consideration of her Voyage (which must not be considerable delayed on this Account) will allow.

We are &c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George
29th February 1788.

(signed) Archibald Campbell
&c. Council

Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in M. B. for the Month of March No. 1: 2)

From M. Surgeon. Muir, requesting that Copies of his Letters respecting M. Gahagan may

From M. Muir

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1st
1. may be transmitted to the Court of Directors as Numbered in the Packet.

From the Paymaster at Poonamalee,

From Mr. Hawkins requesting that his Letter dated 4th October 1784 may be forwarded to England as a number in the Packet.

2
3. Dispatched the following Letters

To the Right Honorable Chas. Earl Cornwallis K.G:-
Governor General in Council
at
Fort William

My Lord,

The Commissary General of Stores having laid before us an Indent of

To Bengal, inclosing Indent of Intrenching Tools and Stores, which it is requested they will send if it be in their power

Intrenching Tools & Stores, required for his Department, We beg leave to request your Lordship will send us the following Supply if it be in your Power

1000 Barrells of Gun Powder
2000 Spades
2000 Shovels
20,000 1 lb Shot
10,000 Hand Granades.

We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(signed) Arch: Campbell.

Fort St. George
3: March 1788.

To

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To. Alexander. MacLeod Esqr.

Resident at Tanjore.

Sir,

To the Resident at Tanjore desiring he will request of the Rajah to deliver 3000 Garce of Paddy in part payment of his Kists.

The Season being favorable to the Storing of Grain, & the Crop reported to be in plentifull in the Tanjore Country, it is the desire of Government that the Rajah be requested to deliver 3000 Garce in part payment of his Kists. The Grain to be received at the Market Price of the Day.

You will be pleased to make Application to the Rajah on this Subject upon which directions will be sent to the Storekeeper from the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions.

Fort St. George
3d March 1788.

I am &c. &c.
(signed) John Chamier
Secy

Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. No. 3. 4)

To

Fort St. George March 1788.

To Col.: Capper — To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts stating that instead of the former Allowances &c granted to the Commanders of the Company's Ships for the passage of Officers returning to Europe, the enclosed Allowances are to be paid in future.—

To Mr. Davidson — The Same to the Military Paymaster General

and

To Mr. Burke — To His Majesty's Paymaster General

To Mr. Cockburn — To the Commissary General of Grain &c Provisions, enclosing Copy of a Letter addressed to the Resident at Tanjore, & desiring he will give directions to the Store keeper at that place, to receive no Grain but of the best Quality.—

At a Consultation Present

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

Tuesday the 4th March 1788

John Holland James Henry Casamaijor
and
Robert. Maunsell Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation &
read and approved.—

The President lays before the Board

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Read the following Letter from General Conway, Governor of Pondicherry.

To His Excellency Sir. Archibald Campbell K. B.

Commanding in Chief the Forces of His Brittannick Majesty on the Coast of Choromandel, Governor General of Madras &c. &c. &c.

at

Fort St. George

Sir,

From General Conway apologizes for having sent troops through the Company's District, without a previous Notification

I am so anxious to merit the flattering Opinion with which your Excellency honors me, that I hasten to give some Elucidation on the subject of your Letter of 24 Instant.

The Commandant of Sepoys having informed me that the discipline of the Sepoys at Karical was very much neglected, I consented to that Detachment being relieved but I very well recollect at the time to have asked if some inconvenience would not arise, from Marching an armed Detachment through

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through the territories of foreign Powers.- The Commandant of Sepoys assured me, that the Garrison of Karical had always been relieved in the same manner, & without any complaint, or representation- it was from a dependance on this assurance, that I permitted the detachment to march- Inquiet much having on this occasion omitted a Form, which in similar cases should always be observed- I request of your Excellency to be persuaded that it never has been My intention to disoblige either yourself, or the Nabob of the Carnatic- my first Instructions as well as the Orders, I have recently received, enjoin the defence, and by no means the Attack

I have the honor to be, with Sentiments of the highest Consideration, & the most perfect Esteem.-

(Signed) Conway.-

Pondicherry
26 February 1788.-

The President lays before the Board Letters received by him from the Chief of Cuddalore, & Resident at Nagore.-

The

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The Honble Sir Archibald Campbell Kt
&c. &c. &c.
Governor of
Fort St. George

Hble Sir,

I have been informed this afternoon
that General Conway has embarked from
Pondicherry with twelve Hundred Men (whether
Europeans or not the Letter does not say, but
I should imagine they must be Europeans) and
a large train of Artillery; and sailed (as is
supposed) for Trincomalay, leaving Colonel
De Freine, in Command of the Garrison.

Some Fishermen and Villagers, having
been alarmed (as I conjecture) at the press for
working-people to carry on the Fortifications of
Pondicherry, retreated a few days since into the
bounds of Cuddalore: And this evening I was
informed that two of the Head-Fishermen
belonging to the French detachments were arrived
hither with intention (as supposed) to
persuade them to return to their respective
dwellings. On this occasion I have forborne
to use the smallest interference either openly
or privately judging such to be the Conduct
most

From M. Lewin
General Conway
embarks from Pondicherry
with 1200 Men (supposed)
for Trincomalé.—

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most likely to meet with your Approbation. I have the honor to be with the

greatest respect &c. &c. &c.

Cuddalore
28th. February 1788.

(signed) Flo: Lewin

The Honble. Major General
Sir. Archibald Campbell K.B. &c. &c.
President and Governor
of Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

I beg leave to inform Your Honor

from M. Talleyfield
Colonel Mangana
arrives at Karical
as Chief

that Colonel. Margana is arrived at Kerical as Chief of that place. he lately came from Europe where he obtained this Appointment; the Baron de Semmark de Wainville having been sent there by the Governor of Pondicherry on the death of the Chevalier de Boigtelle in the year 1785 Colonel de Trene is returned to Pondicherry and about one hundred Sepoys who marched a few days ago from Karical to Pondicherry have I understand been replaced by about an equal number from thence. I thought it my duty to acquaint Your Honor with these Circumstances

on

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on account of a report which prevailed to the Southward that the French were on the point of evacuating Karrical, and for which there does not seem to be any foundation.

A Return of the Troops doing duty in this place and Negapatam waits on Your Honor enclosed.

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

Nagore
1 March 1788.

(Signed) E. W. Fallofield

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant General Lang.

The Honble Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
President in Council

Honble Sir, Fort St. George

From General Lang enclosing his Accounts against the Honorable Company & requesting that 6,500 Pagodas may be paid him in Cash, & the remainder by Bond or Bill on the Court of Directors.

I Having been prevented from giving in my Account against the Honble Company by various occurrences until now I take the liberty of laying the same before you. As I understand that Interest has been allowed to those who during

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during the War laid out their own money for the benefit of the Company - I have drawn out an Account of Interest on the various Items in my Account, & have given credit for the Interest arising on the Sums, which at different times I received on Account, from the Paymasters, the balance I have included in my Account Current, & trust that the Honble Board will give directions that the balance which appears to be due to me may be paid off - as my departure is now so near at hand: As it may not be altogether agreeable to Government to discharge the whole amount in Cash, I shall be much obliged by their ordering me a Sum equal to the discharge of my Passage money, & some Demands on me, which must be paid off previous to my leaving this Country, & will amount to be Pagodas 6500..... the rest of the balance I shall be glad to receive as may be most convenient either in Bonds or Bills on the Court of Directors.

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

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1st March 1788.

(signed) Rojs Lang.

Ordered

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Ordered that the Account Current
Minute thereon be sent to the Commissary General & that he
be desired to report upon the same.—

Read the following Letter from
the Comptroller General of Army Accounts

To the Honorable Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council
Ft Coñble Sir, Fort St George

From the Comptroller of Army Accounts reporting on the Military Paymaster Generals Accounts for the year 1786, on the acting Paymasters Accts at Vellore for the same period — on the Garrison Store keepers from the 1st January 1785 to the 30 April 1786 & on the Superintendents Accounts with the late Paymaster at Pormacoil for 1786 requesting the Orders of the Board on a Charge for Repairs to the Hospital at that Mount, and stating that he has struck off a Charge in the Paulmeetah Accounts for Pay and Batta to Hallarrah.—

Since my Report of the 30th October,
I have examined the Accounts of the Military
Paymaster General for the Year 1786, in which
I found the extraordinary Disbursements
and many Charges not admitted in the genral
Rules of the Service, all authorized by express
Orders of Government except the House Rent
50 Pagodas P. Month drawn by the Quarter
Master General, which I must beg leave to
submit to your Honble Board, though if
I may be permitted to offer an Opinion, I
conceive it was Originally the Intention
of Government to allow it on the principle of

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of similar Ranks being put on a similar ⁊

footing.—

The Quarter Master General never having resided in Madras until June 1786 and no Office being then provided for his Department, the Charge was never made till that period.—

The Accounts of the acting Paymaster at. Nellore for 1786 have been examined and found regular except one charge of 5 Pagodas for apprehending a Sepoy Deserter which has been refunded

The Accounts of the Garrison Store-Keeper from 1st January 1785 to 30th April 1786, being rather voluminous, it took me a considerable time to go through them; after some Correspondence and unavoidable delay ⁊ I have obtained satisfactory Information and Vouchers for every Charge, but one, to ⁊ the Amount of Pagodas 1098.. 19.. 50. for Provisions and Arrack sent on board different Vessels for which no Receipts are Produced

the

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The Indents only being in the Office. It seems this has arisen in some degree from the Vessels leaving the Road in haste and frequently from a refusal of the Commander to give any Acknowledgement for the Articles sent on Board their Vessels; the Garrisons & Store Keeper not having it in their Power to detain them, or to Compel compliance was & obliged to submit. but in order to obviate & this difficulty in future, the Town Major & passes his Receipt for the Provisions received from the Stores to Victual Troops sent on & Board a Ship.

I have examined the Superintendents Accounts with the Paymaster at & Permacoil for 1786 and found the Charges & correspond with the Vouchers.

The Stoppages for Sepoy Cloathing for 1785 were repaid on Account of the long Arrears due to the Troops, there are therefore no Accounts with the Agent for that Year.

The

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The Barrack Master's Charges for the latter end of the Year 1786 which are included in the Amounts of some of the Garrisons are under a seperate Addet.

In my address of 7th September last I submitted to Your Honour & a Charge of Pagodas 11,, 14,, 40. for repairs to the Hospital at the Mountain November 1785 without permission having been obtained for the purpose, I now beg to be favored with your Orders thereon.

In the Palamcota Accounts for 1786 I observed a Monthly charge of Pagodas 28 for Pay and Batta to Hircarahs, who might have been useful During the War, but as their Services cannot longer be required, I have ordered them to be discontinued- the other Charges in the Palamcota Accounts for 1786 are Properly Vouched and Authorized by Orders of Government.

I have the honor to be
&c: &c:
(signed) J. Capper
C. G. S. S.

Fort St. George
26th February 1788.-

Agreed

576.

Fort St. George 4th March 1788.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Charges referred by the Comptroller General for decision be admitted, & that this Resolution be accordingly Communicated to him.—

Read the following Letter from Mr. Hugh Vaughan.—

To The Honble. Major Genl. Sir A. Campbell KB
Governor in Council of
Fort St. George

From Mr. Vaughan soliciting the appointment lately held by Mr. Spalding of Agent for Cloathing and half mounting the Silhendy Battalions

It having been intimated to me that Mr. Spalding is about to embark for England I take the liberty to request Your Honor &c. will appoint me Agent for Cloathing and furnishing Half Mounting for the Revenue Battalions

February 22. 1788

I have the honor to be with Respect
(signed) Hugh Vaughan

To lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the Table

Read the following Letter from the Committee for investigating the Debts of the Nabob

To

571 Fort S.t George 4.th March 1788.

To the Hon.ble Sir. Archibald Campbell Kn.t
Governor in Council
Fort S.t George

Hon.ble Sir,

From the Committee for investigating the Nabobs Debts stating the unconsolidated Claims acknowledged by his Highness the Nabob.—

We beg leave to inform your Hon.ble Board that the Nabob has acknowledged the undermentioned unconsolidated Claims by letter through his Agent of the 23d Instant

A Bond payable to Lieut.nat Clotworthy Thompson and M.r Mathieu Tuder in 4 1/2 Months from 1 September 1777 with Interest at 10 P.r Cent P.r Annum .. 7,466 22 „ 40.

A D.o to Captain Phillip Broomfield dated 26 July 1775 with Interest at 10 P.r Cent P.r Annum ..... 6119. „ „

A D.o to . Antonio de Souza dated 31.st December 1786 with Interest at 12 P.r Cent P.r Annum ..... 10,000 „ „

A Bond to . Antonio de Souza dated 31 Decemb.r 1786 with Interest at 12 P.r Cent P.r Annum 10,000 „ „

A Ditto to .... D.o .... D.o ..... 10,000 „ „

A Ditto to .... D.o .... D.o ..... 13,592 „ „

A Ditto to .... D.o .... D.o ..... 14,427. „ „

A Ditto payable to Sir John Day dated 1.st July 1779, one half payable in two Months the other half in four Months 10,000 „ „

Carried Over Pagodas. 81,604 22 „ 40.

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Fort St. George

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A Bond payable to Lieutenant Clotworthy Thompson and Wm. Mathew Tucker in 4½ Months from 1 September 1777 with Interest at 10 ℘r Cent ℘r Annum - 7,466 22 „ 40.

A Dº to Captain Phillip Bromfield dated 26 July 1775 with Interest at 10 ℘r Cent ℘r Annum - 6119. „ „

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Brought Over Pagodas		81,604.	22.40.
A Bond to John Stuart dated 3d March 1785.	37,500.	"	"
a Do to James Anderson the 31st Decr 1773.	1690.	11.	20
a Do to Captain Dibden in twelve Months without Interest 1st December 1776	3,000.	"	"
a Ditto to Major Peter Davidson in two years from 1st June 1782 at 6 p.c Cent p.r Annum	5,000	"	"
a Ditto payable to Captain Henry Boyle Sullivan dated 1st August 1781 with Interest at 12 p.r Cent p.r Annum	1835.	39.	10
a Ditto payable to Telles Briggs dated 2d May 1782 with Interest at 6 p.r Cent p.r Annum	2200		
a Ditto to Captain John William Murray dated 1 April 1784 with Interest at 6 p.r Cent per Annum	1111.	"	"
a Ditto to Mr. James Johnson dated 5 February 1775 with Interest at 8 p.r Cent p.r Annum	2,500	"	"
a Ditto to the Estate of Lieutenant John Salusbippe dated 31st December 1786 with Interest at 6 p.r Cent p.r Annum	1,990	"	"
a Ditto to Ensign William Bellieu dated 31st December 1786 with Interest at 6 p.r Cent p.r Annum	1,854.	"	"
a Ditto to Ensign Francis Bellieu dated 31st December 1786 with Interest at 6 per Cent per Annum	1,288.	"	"
a Do to the Heirs of Captain John Lowden dated 31st December 1786 with Interest at 6 p.r Cent per Annum	1,899	"	"
a Do payable to Captain C.C. Klauman dated 31st December 1786 with Interest at 6 p.r Cent p.r Annum	3,371.	"	"
Carried Over Pagodas	49,844.		70

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Brought Over Pagodas 14,9844 " 70

A Bond to Henry Price dated 1 Sept.
1781 with Interest at 16 ⅔ Cent 1 Annum 2742 " "
a D° to D° as above D° D° 1226. " "
a D° to D° D° D° 1185. " "
a D° to D° D° D° 488. " "
a D° to D° D° D° 353. " "
a D° to D° D° D° 162 " "
a D° to D° D° D° 200. " "
a D° to D° D° D° 66. " "
a D° to D° D° D° 140. " "
a D° to D° D° D° 70. " "
a D° to Lieutenant Cuthbert Willson
dated 26 December 1786 with Interest
at 6 per Cent per Annum 835. " "
a D° to George Willson dated 31 Dec.r
1786 with Interest at 6 per Cent p.r
Ann.m 2709. " "
A D° to John Andrews the 31. January 1783 10,000. " "

Pagodas 170320 " 70

The Nabobs Agent informs us that the other Claims are now under Examination, and that he hopes to be able to obtain the Sentiments of His Highness on them, before the departure of the Ship now under dispatch.

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Brought Over Pagodas	81,604	22	40
A Bond to John Stewart dated 3d March 1785.	37,500	"	"
a Do to James Anderson the 31st Decr 1773.	1690	11	20
a Do to Captain Dibden in twelve Months without Interest 1st December 1776	3,000	"	"
a Ditto to Major Peter Davidson in two years from 1st June 1782 at 6 ₰ Cent ₰ Annum	5,000	"	"
a Ditto payable to Captain Henry Boyle Sullivan dated 1st August 1781 with Interest at 12 ₰ Cent ₰ Annum	4835	30	10
a Ditto payable to Telles Briggs dated 2d May 1782 with Interest at 6 ₰ Cent ₰ Annum	2200		
a Ditto to Captain John William Murray dated 1 April 1784 with Interest at 6 ₰ Cent per Annum	1,111	"	"
a Ditto to Mrs James Johnson dated 5 February 1775 with Interest at 18 ₰ Cent ₰ Annum	2,500	"	"
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a D. payable to Captain C.C. Klauman dated 31st December 1786 with Interest at 6 ₰ Cent ₰ Annum	3371	"	"
Carried Over Pagodas	149,814	"	70

579. Fort St. George 4 March 1788

Brought Over Pagodas 14,9844 " 70

A Bond to Henry Price dated 1 Sept.
1781 with Interest at 16 ⅔ Cent ⅌ Annum 2742 " "

a D° to D° as above D° D° 1226. " "

a D° to D° D° D° 1185. " "

a D° to D° D° D° 488. " "

a D° to D° D° D° 353. " "

a D° to D° D° D° 162 " "

a D° to D° D° D° 200. " "

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Annum 2709. " "

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Pagodas 1,70,320 " 70

The Nabobs Agent informs us that the other Claims are now under Examination, and that he hopes to be able to obtain the Sentiments of His Highness on them, before the departure of the Ship now under dispatch.

One

580.

Fort St. George 4th March 1788.

On the 29th December 1786 Mr.
Benfield delivered into us two Persian
Bonds which we referred to the Nabob
through his Agents on the 9th February
following one for Pagodas 115,276.. 10.. 16. the
to state
the other for Pagodas 44,560.. .. .. and we beg
leave to your Honor, that altho' Mr. Benny
has not introduced these two Bonds in the
mode which has been usual in other Claims,
yet we think it a Duty incumbent on us
to inform you, that Mr. Benfield on the
19th December last presented these Bonds to
the Committee, with a Declaration of the
Nabob endorsed thereon under the Seal and
Signature of his Highness, Stating the Sum
Principal and Interest due on each on the
12 March 1787 Viz. Pagodas 115,276.. 10.. 16
Principal with Pagodas 67,624.. 2.. 8.. Interest
Interest on the one and Pagodas 44,560, Principal
with Pagodas 23,072.. 28.. 64.. Interest on the
other of which Circumstance the Nabob's Agent
was fully informed on the 22 December
last since which we have heard nothing
further

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581. Fort St. George 4th. March 1788.

Further Consultation on the Subject

Fort St. George
28th February 1788.

We have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
Edwd. Garrow
(Signed) Wm. Webb
J. Landon

Read the following Letter from
Major Dugald Campbell.

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

Honble Sir,

Inclosed I send upon Honor an
Account Current and the Particular Accounts of
Prime Cost and Charges No. 1 to 5 of three
hundred and Seventy two Horses (372) purchased
on account of the Honble Company from
the 30th June to the 31st December 1787. They
cost on an Average when delivered to the Native
Cavalry at Arcot, a little more than Eighty
Seven Pagodas each Horse.

I request that the Military
Paymaster General may be ordered to deliver
the

From Major Dugald Campbell with his Accounts, on Honor of the Purchase of Horses - requests that the Receipts of his Agents for 30,000 Pagodas may be delivered up.

582.

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the Receipts of my Agents. Messrs. Balfour and Spalding for Bonds to the Amount of Fifty Thousand Pagodas (50,000) as Horses have been delivered by me to a greater Amount than those Bonds produced

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

Cavalry Cantonment
near Arcot
February 5. 1788.—

(signed) Dugd. Campbell
Lieut Col. Cavalry.—

Ordered that the Accounts be sent to the Military Paymaster General with directions to give up to Major Campbell, receipts for the Bonds delivered in proportion to the Expenditure made by him in the purchase of Horses.—

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter &
from Captain Stevenson.—

To the Hble Sir. Archd. Campbell Kt.
President and Governor in Council &c. &c.
Honourable Sir

From Captain Stevenson requesting that the Company will reimburse him the Amount of a Barrack and Stabling built by him while in the Command of the 4th. Regiment of Cavalry.—

As I am removed from the Command of my Regement by the late Orders which Arrived by the Ranger; and as Major Burrow's who

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who succeeds me in the Command will also expect to take possession of my Barracks; I beg leave to represent to your Honor, that in # addition to the allowance of one hundred # Pagodas made by the Government, I have # been at a very considerable and unavoidable expence, in Building a Comfortable and convenient Barrack, which for the # convenience of the Service - I must now be deprived of; I have also for the benefit of the Service been at a great expence in # Building Stabling for two hundred and forty Horses; an expence which I thought myself well rewarded for whilst it served to protect the Horses under my immediate # Command: but as I am unfortunately deprived of the Benefits and comfort which I expected to derive from the above expences, I hope # your Honor will be pleased to order a Survey and estimate of the necessary and useful # expences I have been at, and grant me such allowance as may seem reasonable.-#

I am encouraged to hope for this Indulgence, as it has been practiced in the Service

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Service on like occasions.—

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

Fort St. George
3d. March 1788.

J. Stevenson
Captain Cavalry

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing
be sent to General Horne, and that he be
desired to direct the Engineer at Sriharinopoly
to report the Value and State of the Barrack
and Stables mentioned by Captain Stevenson

To be referred to General Horne

Read the following Letter from
W. Spalding.—

From W. Spalding
repeats his Request
that the Board will
allow to the Estate
of the late W. Baine
the Interest on the
Balance due by the
Company from the 30th
September 1781 to the
January 1786.—

To the Honble. Major Genl. Sir Archibald Campbell Kt.
Governor &c.a in Council

Honble Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the
receipt of your Secretary's Letter of the 28th ultimo
informing me that a liquidation of the balance
due from the Company to the late W. Baine
having taken place, no alteration can be
made in the Arrangement which was accepted
by

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by the Representatives of the Estate.—

M. Baines Accompt with the documents and Vouchers having been kept by Mr. Commissary Jackson, and only lately sent to the Presidency, I had no opportunity of knowing either the period of adjustment or in what Manner the Accompt was made up on looking into. Mr Jacksons Audit, it appears that the balance which has been discharged by Bengal Certificates bearing Interest from January 1786 was due to the Estate on the 30 September 1781, and it is from this period to the time when the certificates were given, that I now take the liberty of claiming Interest for from the Honorable Company.—

In every other claim of this nature the Interest has always been kept intirely distinct from the balance of the Account— It is carried to a separate Head in the Accountants Books and there are various instances of Interest being admitted by your Honor &c. long subsequent to the adjustment of the Account.—

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Account itself.—

I beg leave however to observe that any delay or omission on the Part of M.r Baines Representatives does not operate against the Justice of the present demand. In other Similar Instances it has been granted, and the Estate of M.r Baine is responsible to the private Creditors for the Interest on the Sums borrowed & which were applied to the use of the Company This Circumstance having only recently come to my knowledge from M.r Jackson having detained the Account, I was prevented from making the demand at the time the balance was ordered to be discharged I have therefore to hope that your Honor &c.a will upon further consideration be pleased to allow the Amount of the Interest & demanded.—

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a
(signed) John Spalding
Attorney to the Administrators of
M.r Baines Estate.—

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19 December 1787.—

Agreed

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Agreed to inform Mr. Spalding
that the Board cannot depart from the
Minute thereon Resolution signified to him in the Secretarys
Letter of the 28th November last

Read the following Letter from

Mr. Cockburn.

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary to the Military & Political
Department

Sir,

From Mr. Cockburn presenting the Claim presented by Messrs. Porcher & Co. on account of the Capture of Paliacherry.—

I have received your letter of
the 29th Instant with enclosures—referring me
to examine into the Claim given in by
Messrs. Porcher Redhead & Co. on behalf of the
Agents Appointed by the Southern Army
for Rice and Paddy Captured at Paliacherry.—

I beg the favor of you to inform
the Honble Board that I have examined
the Account of Receipts of Rice &c &c &c
Kept by the Grain Keeper to the Southern
Army, Mr. Caplin, for the Month of
November 1783. and find the following
entries

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entries

18th November by Palicatcherry Rajah received of him from different Villages from the 5 to 18th Instant Leas 3,31,009 ½ "

21st .... By Dº Fort received .... 1,68,678 ½ "

No mention is made of having received any from the Captors, but the last Entry Corresponds with Receipt for 3,37,347 Seers of Paddy granted by Mr. Orpen, to the Agents for the Captors, for allowing as usual 2 Seers of Paddy to and one of Rice it makes exactly 1,68,673 ½ Seers. The 18,360 Seers of Rice is probably included with that said to be received from the Palicacherry & Rajah, but in the hurry of receiving so large a Quantity the Grain Keeper has omitted to detail the particular Receipts.

The practice usually observed by the Deputy Agent with the grand Army when a detachment brought in Cattle or Provisions was to grant a Receipt to the Officer Commanding and Credit him in his Accounts for the Number of Cattle and quantity of Grain & delivered - some of those receipts still Stand against the Company, and the Officers (for their Detachments) Stand Creditors in the

Books

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Books of the late Agent for Victualling the H.
Troops &c.a and now Commissary General of
Grain and Provisions I may not be sus H.
improper to remark, that I have lately H.
received two applications from Officers demanding
payment for Bullocks and Sheep so delivered,
but delayed laying them before the Honble Board
until I could ascertain the whole extent of the
demands of that discription to facilitate which
may perhaps be thought proper to publish a
General Order, directing all Officers holding
such receipts, to send in forme an Account of
their Claims - The Officers who have already H.
sent them in, are Colonel Clephinston and H.
Lieutenant Bulman, the former for 1460 H.
Bullocks, 71 Calves, and 600 Sheep, and the
Latter for 200 Bullocks.-

The circumstance mentioned by
Messrs. Porcher Redhead and Co. with respect
to the Grain Captured in the Ports of Curoor H.
Arnaicoundy and Dendigal is perfectly H.
Correct- Company's Bonds were granted to the
Captors in the Month of February 1784. The
Price Charged by the Captors Agent- is the
same at which the Rice was issued to the

Troops

Troops by the Company.

Madras
31st December
- 1787. -

Jam &c.a &c.a
(signed) Thos. Cockburn
Commessary General of
Grain & Provisions.

The Claim of Messrs. Porcher & Co. not to be admitted.

The Board now take into consideration the Letter from Messrs. Porcher Redhead & Co. preferring a Claim on Account of the Captors at Palicatcherry, and are of Opinion that the Same cannot be admitted.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Rolleston.

To the Honorable. Major General
Sir. Archibald Campbell K.B.
Commander in Chief &c.a &c.a

From Mr. Francis Rolleston - States his Claim to rank in the Honble Company's Service.

Honble Sir'

Having in the Month of May 1786, had the honor of submitting to the Consideration of the Honble Board, my Claim to rank in the Honble Company's Service, in common with other Officers who were employed during the late War, I will not trouble your Honor's with a Repetition of Particulars. But Necessity, and the Duty which every man owes to

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to himself to require, that I should again request
your attention to the Claim, which from a
Presumption of its Validity I have been
Induced to make, my first Application to
Government on this subject, was during the
Administration of Lord Macartney, but
neither to that, nor to a subsequent one
made likewise in his Lordship's time did
I receive any answer - This I take the liberty
of mentioning lest I could incur the
imputation of Negligence in an Affair that
so nearly concerns not only my interest
but my Reputation, every other Officer who
did duty with the Honble Company's Troops
during the War, (and I believe some who did
not) having been provided for - And here
I must beg leave to observe that my unremitted
endeavours to render all the Services in my
power to the Honble Company, are well known
to every Officer of Rank who acted with Sir
Eyre Coote's Army, and to none more than the
deceased General himself, whose Approbation
of my Conduct, and other Circumstances left
me no reason to doubt of his favorable intentions

towards

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towards me. Disappointed as I had been on former occasions when General Orders were issued, intimating that Government were ready to receive all applications for Cavalry Rank, I was sanguine enough to hope that mine among others would have been attended to, but notwithstanding near two years have elapsed since the said order, immediately upon which I laid my pretentions before the Honble Board, I have not yet had the honor of receiving any answer whatever to my application. I will not trespass further on your Honors time than to observe, that my present Situation is rendered exceedingly irksome and distressing by repeated disappointments and the Discontinuance of my pay for so long a space of time since April 1784. Relying therefore on the justice of your Honorable & Board for speedy relief, and on being appointed to that Rank in the Cavalry to which in common with other Officers, I conceive myself entitled -

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

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29 February
1788

(signed) Franc Rollerston

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Agreed to inform Mr. Rolleston

Minute thereon — that as he was not in the Nabobs Service and had no rank in the Company's Army at the period when His Highness's Cavalry was taken into the Company's Service, he could not be considered upon the same footing as with the Nabob's Officers who were at that time presented with Commissions from this Government

As this Circumstance must still operate against the recieving Mr Rolleston into the Company's Service without the Orders of the Court of Directors, it is Agreed to inform him that his request cannot be complied with.—

The following Proceedings of the Hospital Board, received before the dispatch, are entered hereunder with the Resolutions of Government thereon—

Proceedings

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The Hospital Board have the honor to forward a return of wine and Country Medicines supplied by the Apothecary to the different Surgeons on the Coast from the 1st January to the 31st December 1787, agreeable to the orders of Government under date the 15th January.

☞ Vide Miscellany Book for March No 6.

The Hospital Board on account of the removal of Mr. Richardson from Asha, recommend Mr. Fleming Assistant Surgeon to be appointed to the 1st Battalion doing Duty there, and Mr. John Thompson Assistant Surgeon to be appointed to the 1st Battalion of Sepoys at Tanjore. as these Appointments seem very necessary the Hospital Board hope they will be recommended in the General Orders to proceed to their respective Stations immediately.

Ordered Accordingly

(Signed) Edwd Atkinson Secy

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List of the Medical Gentlemen on this Establishment

Doctor James Anderson Physician General
Colley Loyon Lucas Chief Surgeon
Thomas Davis Head Surgeon of Madras Hospital
William Raine Surgeon black Town
William Gordon black Town by permission of Govern.t
James Whyte resigned
Robert Turing resigned
William Duffen Head Surgeon Vellore Hospital
George Bunny Head Surgeon Masulipatam D.o
David Simpson gone to Europe on leave
Nicol Mein Head Surgeon Trichinopoly Hospital
Terence Gahagan Surgeon $\frac{2}{3}$ Regt Vellore.
Finaly Ferguson D.o $\frac{2}{2}$ D.o Europ.n Vellore fixed
Thomas Howel on leave to Europe
William Roxborough Surgeon Samulcottah by permission of Government.
Robert Rollo D.o Cuddalore
John Briggs D.o Vizagapatam
Jeremiah Tolerton D.o 1.st Batt.n Artillery fixed
Job Bulman Apothecary
James Richardson, Surgeon Chief of ship Sanjam
Alexander Watson D.o Palamcotah
Joshua Gillespie gone to Europe
Alexander Blackader gone to Europe
Anthony Simoens Invalided Cuddalore
William Ruddiman at the Presidency to attend the Nabobs family
George Ogilvy Surgeon Garrison of Madura
Alexander Anderson Surgeon Commitee of Circuit
George Anderson Surgeon at Ongole fixed by Order of Gov.t

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Maxwell Thompson Surgeon 4 Batt.n Europ.n Inf.y Arcot
Thomas Lord ..... Do. 2 Batt.n of Artilly Wallajabad
Edward Stuart ..... Do. 1 Batt.n of Europ.n Infantry

Assistant Surgeons

Patrick Bowie Assistant at Ingeram *
Henry Miller Senior. Assistant Hosp.l Masulipatam
Robert Trotter .. Do. ..... Do. ..... Do. Trichinopoly
Charles Ogilvie Assistant Chiefship of Negapatam
John Kincaid on leave to Europe
John Walker Assistant Factory of Madapollam
Henry Harris Hospital Mate at the General Hospital
George Bell Assistant Negapatam
Alex.r Seawright Medical Storekeeper Vellore
John Laird Assistant at Tanjore
Andrew Barry .. Do. Hospital Madras
George Lippet ..... Do. Masulipatam
Mich.l Corbet ..... Do. 1 Batt.n Artillery
Thomas Brae ..... Do. 3 Reg.t Europ.n Vellore in Barg.
George Baird Hospital Mate at the General Hospital
John Campbell Assistant 2 Reg.t of Cavalry Arcot
Fowke Moore ... Do. ..... 1 Reg.t Trichinopoly
Bernard Mahonahon Assistant 17. Batt.n Ellore
James Ramsay Do. 1 Regiment of Cavalry Arcot
James Read ..... Do. 7. Battalion
George Fergusson ..... Do. 4 Regiment European Arcot
Charles Fleming .. Do. General Hospital Madras
John Ingles ..... Do. 3 Regiment of Cavalry Arcot
Thomas Gilford ..... Do. 2 Batt.n Artillery Wallajabad
Alexander Boiswell .. Do. 27 Batt.n at Condapillie *

John

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John Bannantine Assistant 6. Batt.n Arnee
James Cameron ---- D.o 15 Batt.n Amboor
John Duncan ---- D.o 4 Batt.n Wallajabad
George Baillee ---- D.o Dispensary Fort St. George
Joseph Copeland ---- D.o 2 Regt. Europ.n Ellore
Moris Fitzgerald Assistant Gen.l Hosp.l till further Orders
John Thompson ---- D.o General Hosp.l D.o D.o

Sub Assistants.

John Crawford. Masulipatam Hospital a private in the Hon.ble Company's Service

Francis Lapton Madras Hospital a Native of India Appointed a Sub Assistant by Mr. Wynch at the recommendation of Mr. Lucas, to whom he has served his regular apprenticeship. —

Mich.l Rencontre Chingleput, born in India, from his assiduity in that line, appointed a Sub Assistant

James Patterson Trichinopoly Hospital came out a private and is now returned as a Matross in the 2d Battalion Artillery

And.w Devin Vellore Hospital, a private in the Hon.ble Company's Service

John Paschall Vellore Hospital, born in India and Apprenticed to Mr. Gahagan

Domingo Vancolester de Roza Madras Hospital a Native Portuguese, formerly an apprentice to Mr. Reine. —

(signed) Edw.d Atkinson
Secty. —

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The President proposes the following for a Peace Establishment of Artificers for the different Corps of the Army when detached from Places where Artificers are kept up.

Peace Establishment of Artificers for the different Corps of the Army.—

Peace Establishment of Artificers for the different Corps of the Army when detached from Places where Artificers are kept up.

	Armourers	Carpenters	Smiths	Hammermen	Bellows Boys	Sickle Sars	Chandlers
Kings Regiment of Dragoons	3	1	1	1	1	1	1
a Company of Artillery	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
a Regiment of European Infantry	3	2	2	2	2	1	1
a Regiment of Native Cavalry	3	1	1	1	1	1	1
a Battalion of Seapoys	3	1	1	1	1	1	1

J. Moorhouse
Com.r Gen.l Stores

To be published

Ordered that the above List be established and published in General Orders

The President informs the Board that judging it necessary to transmit to Lord Cornwallis the information lately received respecting the operations of the Governor of Pondicherry, he has agreed with the Commander of the Sloop Active, who has consented

The Active Sloop taken up by the President for the Purpose conveying Dispatches to Lord Cornwallis relative to the operations of the Governor of Pondicherry.

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consented to proceed immediately to Calcutta for the Sum of Pagodas 120.—

The Board approve the Agreement made by the President for the purposes mentioned, and it is in consequence Agreed that the Military Paymaster General be directed to discharge the Bill.—

Approved

Read the following Letter from the President at Ingeram.—

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

From the President at Ingeram inclosing an application from the Surgeon to be allowed half Batta.—

Hble Sir & Sirs,

I have the honor to accompany this Letter, by one I have received from Mr. Bowie, assistant Surgeon at this Factory.—

It is matter of much satisfaction to me to have so good an opportunity of publicly & testifying the extreme readiness, with which Mr. Bowie exerts his endeavours to relieve the calamities of those round him, independent of his line of Duty which is rendered particularly expensive, by the scattered Residence of the Gentlemen belonging to the Factory.—

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

(signed) Mat Yeats.—

Ingeram
19. Febry 1788.—

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To Mr. Matthew Yeats.

Resident

Sir,

Government having been pleased to grant Mr. Walker Assistant Surgeon at Maddapollam the allowance of half Batta from the time of his Arrival at that Factory I hope upon my own representation the same Allowance may be extended to this Factory and I am more inclined to hope that such an Allowance will be considered necessary here as the houses are scattered over such an extent of ground. The distance from Comprapollam to Coringa being seven Miles, that I am obliged to give my Servants Batta whenever I have occasion to send them to either of those places.—

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) Pat: Bowie

Assistant Surgeon

Ingeram
16. February 1788.

Minute thereon

The Board decline admitting the Claim of Mr Bowie to the Allowance of Half Batta and are of Opinion that it should be discontinued to Mr Walker.— Agreed that the foregoing

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foregoing be signified to the Residents at
Ingeram and Maddepollam.

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The President read to the Board
a Confidential Letter from the Revd. Mr. Swartz,
representing in strong Colours the bad
consequences which are to be apprehended
from the present injudicious Management of
Affairs in the Tanjore Country.

Substance of a Letter from the Revd Mr. Swartz at Tanjore representing the injudicious Management of affairs in the Tanjore Country.

Mr. Swartz represents, that the
Rajah within the two last Months has
given away above 200 Valeys of Land, and
that he has come under Promises to make
other Grants of the same ruinous tendency,
to an extent which cannot fail to injure
his Resources and prevent him from
fulfilling his Engagements with the Company.

Mr. Swartz further declares, that
the administration of Justice is entirely
neglected, and that the worst consequences
are to be apprehended, unless some means
are adopted to check the Profusion and
Folly of the Rajah, and his present Sirkel
or Manager Sheverow.

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The President observes that the information communicated by Mr. Swartz is corroborated from other Channels, and gives him very great concern, so much so that he has it in contemplation to bring some Proposition forward, for the consideration of Government in the hope of averting, at least part of the evils, which must arise from a continuation of Bad Management in the Tanjore Country

The President lays before the Board the following Letter from the Nabob, with Sundry Enclosures entered in C.C. No. 12.—

His Highness the Nabob Walaujah Behauder of Arcot and the Carnatic &c.a &c.a &c.a

To. Major General Sir Archd. Campbell K.B.

President Governor and Commander in Chief

Fort St. George

From the Nabob States that an Error has been committed in making up the Statement of two Bonds now in the Possession of Mr. Benfield and requests the Interference of the President with Mr. Benfield that the Error may be corrected.—

My Friend

My Accomptants having represented to me that they had Committed an Error in making up the Statement of two Bonds

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Bonds now in the Posession of Mr. Benfield,
that were transferred to him by Mr. Taylor,
and the balance due lately certified by me,
Mr. Benfield was desired to return the
Certificates to be Amended — but he has not
done so. I must therefore request my Friend
will call upon Mr. Benfield, that an Error
of such magnitude may be corrected, for the
information of my Friend I enclose Copies
of the Letters that have been written on the
Subject, and a translation of the Accomptants
Representation —

You know, my friend it was
agreed on between me and my Friends the
Company, that the different Claims should
be made up at Simple Interest only, and
that all Funcaws or other Securities should
be delivered up — Mr. Benfield cannot
surely object to these terms, in settling an
unliquidated Claim, on which an Interest
of 12 ℔ Cent per Annum is allowed; and that
by my great indulgence and favour towards
him, will be compleatly discharged before
the others can come in a train of payment

Should

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Should Mr. Benfield still retain the certificates and Duncaws on Boon Rauze, I must request of my friend to give orders, that the Amount of this Error of Pagodas 78.875.. 8.. 13. may be stopt from his share of next dividend paid to my Creditors 'till it is rectified, and that it should be intimated to him that Simple Interest only can be allowed 'till the period of the final Arrangement of all unliquidated Claims on my Circar. —

Chepauck 29th. February 1788 —

May your days be long and happy

What can I say more?

Besides the above Error. Mr. Benfield is endebted to my Circar the Interest on about 80,000 Pagodas paid him by the Trustees at different times on Account of the said Two Bonds. —

Minute thereon

Agreed that Copy of the above Letter and Enclosures be sent to Mr. Benfield and that he be desired to give the Board such information as may enable them to give a satisfactory

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satisfactory reply to the Nabob.

Read a Letter from Sippoo &

Substance of a Letter from Sippoo Sultaun

Sultaun entered in P. C. No 13 stating that he has sent Gulam Gugutpher and Shiek Welly Mahommed to Tripitty with full powers to meet Major Close, and Seid Mahommed Cawn, and to adjust with them the differences & respecting the Rufsoon Lands &c. &c. &c.

E. G. S.

Arch.d Campbell

John Hollond

Jas. H. Casamajor

R. Maunsell

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Diary

Received the following Letter from the Acting Chief Engineer with Estimate of Expence for rebuilding the Corning Rooms &c. at the new Powder Mills Amounting to Pagodas 3777-7-30.— which is entered in the Miscellany Book No 7)

To the Honble. Major Genl Sir. Arch.^d Campbell K.B.
Commander in Chief President and Governor &c. Council
of
Honble Sir & Sirs. Fort St. George.

Herewith I have the Honor to lay before You a Plan of the Company's Powder Mill in the Black Town, the Area colour'd black shewing the Portion of the Building destroyed by the Explosion which happened on the 16. Instant— Such particulars as could be collected, respecting the Cause and more particular Effects of the Melancholy accident you have already been made acquainted with— I have the Honor to enclose an Estimate of the Expence that

From Major Maule enclosing Estimate of Expence for rebuilding the Corning Rooms &c. at the New Powder Mills in the Black Town and of the retaining Wall of the Court Way at Ganjam.—

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that will arise from rebuilding the Corning &
Rooms &c. as they before stood, but I beg Leave
to suggest to your Honorable Board whether a
Building of a lighter Nature might not be more
eligible to adopt than the one lately destroyed. There
is little doubt, I believe that M. Petries Durbash
in particular received his Death from the
falling of a very heavy Beam upon his Body, if
not some of the other unhappy sufferers from
the like Cause. It may become reasonable
to suppose that if on any similar unfortunate
Event hereafter, the covering Materials of the
Building for this purpose should be as light
as can possibly be constructed, the poor people
employed might have a better chance of their
safety secured to them, and if they should escape
the Effects of the Powder be liable to less Danger
from the weight of the Materials of the Roofing

I have also the honor to lay
before you the Profile of the retaining wall of
the Counterway of the Fort at Ganjam &
transmitted by Captain Gent the Length

gener

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given by the plan is Feet 2570 nearly.—

I have the honor to be very Respectfully

&.c &.c

Fort S.t George
26. February 1788.—

(signed) George . Maule
Majr Engrs—

Received the following Letter from
. Masulipatam with Enclosures entered in
. M. B. No. 8).

To the Honble. Major Genl Sir Archd Campbell KB
Governor in Council
at
Fort S.t George

Honble Sir & Sirs,

From Masulipatam, stating that they have been obliged to send a Detachment out to the Field to quell the disturbances renewed by the Brothers & Adherents of Dauvoody and inclosing Letters from Captain Goudie on the Subject—

The Disturbances having been renewed by the Brothers and Adherents of Dauvoody, and it having become necessary on this Account to send a Detachment into the field, for the purpose of preventing their Depredations, we beg leave to refer to the inclosed Consultations, in which the Correspondence that has passed on this Subject is entered, and which makes it unnecessary for us to recite the incidents of

that

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5. that have occurred. Those People who have so frequently, for a considerable time past disturbed the Peace of the Company's Districts, and afforded pretence for withholding the Revenue, appear to be nothing better than a set of Public Robbers, who retreat as soon as pursued by the Company's Troops beyond the limits of their territories, and return again as soon as our Detachments are withdrawn. This Circumstance has led to a Correspondence with the Nizams Managers in whose Districts they take shelter, the whole of which is for your more particular information entered on our Proceedings, and it will thereby appear, that both Sir Jung and Ashavarow acknowledge the atrocious=ness of the Acts of those desperate People and utterly disavow giving them any protection: Under these circumstances, and the impossibility of Establishing Peace effectually while the Depredators have a safe retreat on the borders, we have been induced to apply to the Soubah's Managers for leave to send Troops in

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5 in pursuit of them, and requested of them to
cooperate with those Troops in Seizing their
Persons, for it is evident from Mr. Richard
Johnson's correspondence in the years 1784
and 1785, when he was Resident at the
Soubah's Court, that it would have answered
no purpose, and might have occasioned
a considerable loss of time to have applied
to his Highness; and this also appeared
to us unnecessary after the permission
already given by the Soubah, and the orders
of Government under which we act

We likewise enclose two other
letters from Captain Goodie, received since the
Date of the accompanying Proceedings, that
your Honor &.a may have every information
we possess.

We have the honor to be very
Respectfully &.a &.a

Masulipatam
14. February 1788.

(Signed) Anth.y Sadleir
J. Hodges
W. Dobbyn.

Received

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No 5.

Received the following Letter from

Bengal.

To the Honorable Sir Arch.o Campbell K.B.

Governor in Council

at

Fort St. George.

Honble Sir,

From Bengal enclosing Copies of the Accounts Disbursements of the Bengal Detachment which served in the Carnatic during the late War, and a Copy of a Letter from their Military & Paymaster General with an Abstract of the Expence of the Detachment

The Military Pay Master &
General having furnished us with Copies of
the Accounts Disbursements of the Bengal
Detachment which served in the Carnatic
during the late War as required in your
Letter of the 4.th March 1787. We have the
Honor to transmit the Same to you in a
Seperate Boox by the Company's Ship &
. Minerva.

A Copy of a Letter from our &
Military Paymaster General which Accompanied the
Account is forwarded to you with an Abstract of
the expence of the Detachment, amounting to
Current Rupees One Crore, Twenty nine Lacks &
Thirty one Thousand, Four hundred and fifty six,
three Anas and eleven piece C.R.s 1,29,31,456.3.11)

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We have the honor to be

Fort William
Secret & Militay Depart.t
1.st of February 1788.

(signed) &c.a &c.a
Cornwallis
Chas.t Stuart
J.n Shore

To Earl Cornwallis K.G.
Governor General in Council of
Fort William

My Lord

In Obedience to your Orders of the 6.th June last I have the honor to Send you an Abstract of the Expence incurred by the Detachment of Bengal Troops, that served in the # Carnatic during the late War, together with # three Books N.o 1. 2. & 3. Containing the Particulars of the Expenditure, Arranged under the different heads and referred to therein

The Amount of this Abstract is Current Rupees One Core, Twenty Nine Lacks, Thirty One Thousand, Four Hundred and fifty Six, three Annas and eleven Pice (C.R: 12931456, 3. 11) which except a few Charges Dependent on the final # Settlement of M.r Taylers and the late M.r Turnay's Accounts

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5. Accounts that are now in a train of Adjustment will be transferred to the Debit of this Detachment, as the whole Expence that will be brought to Account in the Military Books.

I have the honor to remain with the utmost respect &c.a &c.a

(signed) E. Fenwick
M.r Pay.r Gen.l

Pay Office
8.th January 1788.

A. Trueboby
I. Lumsden
Aft. Sec.y

To John Cramer Esq.r
Secretary to the Hon.ble the Governor Gen.l etc.a
in Council at
Fort S.t George

Sir,

From the Secretary at Bengal, enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Accountant General at that Presidency, and desiring that the Accounts referred to therein be immediately made out and transmitted to the Governor General and Council

I am directed to transmit to you the Accompanying Copy of a Letter from the Accountant General at this Presidency dated this Day with the Account referred to in it for the Information of the Governor in Council at Fort S.t George.

I am,
&c.a &c.a
(Signed) Jo. Lumsden
Act.g Sec.y

Council Chamber
Secret Dep.t
the 16. February 1788.

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To Earl Cornwallis K.t G.c

Governor General &.c in Council
in the Secret & Military
Department

Fort William

My Lord

In order that the Accountant General of the Fort S.t George Presidency might be enabled to ascertain the whole of the Expence incurred by the Hon.ble Company in the Defence of the Carnatic, I have directed the Particulars of the Sums passed to the Debit and Credit of the Madras Presidency upon the General Books of this, from the 30.th April 1778 to the present time to be extracted, and have now the Honor to lay before you the same to the 30.th April 1785. Amounting to Current # Rupees 3,10,38,625.. 9.. 10. and in a few Days # when I shall be able to furnish a Continuation of this to the 30.th April 1786, which amounts to C.R.s 51,72,937.. 0.. 10 I shall submit to the Consideration and Determination of the Governor General in Council in how far, Sundry Balances which were incurred by #

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advances made for the same Service may be deemed as part of the Amount of which a Proportion is to be carried to the Debit of the Nabob Wallah Jah upon the Books of the Madras Presidency.—

I have the Honor to be with the utmost Respect &c.a &c.a

(signed) W.m Larkins
Act.g Genl.

Fort William
Accountant
General Office
16. Febry 1788.—

From Lieutenant Stuart

Received Letter from Lieutenant Stuart Barrack Master at the Presidency (entered in the M. B. No 9) stating that the Articles allowed by the late Regulations are insufficient for his Department, and enclosing List of such Articles, which he requests may be allowed him.—

Substance of a Letter to the Rajah of Tanjore

16. Sent Letter to the Rajah of Tanjore (as entered in the Country Correspondence No. 15) representing the bad Effects which must & ever result from the injudicious Management of the Affairs of his Country—exhorting his Excellency to direct his Conduct to the Welfare and Prosperity of his Kingdom, instead of exhausting

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the Public Money by Dessipation, and neglecting the Administration of Justice to the great Prejudice of his Subjects; and acmending him that the late Committee of Inspection were abolished in Consequence of Assurances from him, that he would become his own Minister, and render strict Justice to his People.—

To the Resident at Tanjore.—

Ordered, that a Copy of the Rajah's Letter be transmitted to M. Macleod, with Directions to enforce the Arguments contained therein, by every Representation which he may think necessary Vide M. B. No 10)

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters (entered in M. B. Nos 11: 12: 13: 14: 15: 16: 17: 18: 19: 20 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: 26: 27: 28:)

To M.r Moubray—

To the Accountant General, enclosing some Accounts lately received from Bengal, and desiring he will expedite the Account preparing by him of the Expence incurred by the late War in the Carnatick.—

To the Hospital Board

To the Hospital Board, approving of the Appointments recommended by them; which

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4 6. which have been published in General Orders to the Surgeon to the 4th. Battalion of European & Infantry at Walajahbad permitted to draw the usual allowance for a Palanteen-Arder will be issued for putting the Dooly Boys & attached to the above Battalion on account of the Sick, under the directions of the Surgeon

To the Commandant at Walajahbad

To Colonel Kelly informing him of the above particulars & which are to be carried into execution.—

To the Paymaster at Walajahbad, with

To M. Welch copy of the above.—

To M. John Spalding Attorney to the

To M. Spalding Administrator of M. Baine's Estate; Government cannot depart from their Resolution signified to him in the Secretary's Letter of the 28th. November last

To the Comptroller General of Army & Accounts, the Board consent to the admission of the several Charges submitted

To Colonel Capper for their Decision in his last Report

To the Commissary General, enclosing

To Colonel Capper an

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To M.r W. Welsh

To M.r John Spalding Attorney to the Administrator of M.r Baine's Estate; Govern-ment cannot depart from their Resolution signified to him in the Secretary's Letter of the 28.th November last

To M.r Spalding

To the Comptroller General of Army & Accounts, the Board consent to the admission of the several Charges submitted for their Decision in his last Report

To Colonel Capper

To the Commissary General, enclosing an

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&c.

an Account presented to the Government by Lieutenant General Lang and desiring he will report thereon.-

To the Military Paymaster General,

To M. Davidson

informing him that the Allowance of One ℔ Hundred Pagodas ℔ Month granted to the ℔ Committee for investigating the Accounts of the Kings Troops is to commence from ℔ the 4th August 1787 and that M. Latham is to draw at the same rate from the above period to the 25. September 1787. enclosing an Account of purchases made for the Native Cavalry by Major Campbell, and desiring he will deliver up to him the Receipts ℔ given for Bonds in the proportion of his Expenditures.-

To Colonel Capper

Advice of the first Paragraph to Colonel Capper

To M. Francis Rollston, stating that as he was not in the Nabobs Service at the period when His Highness's Cavalry was taken into the Company's Service, Govern-ment are unable to comply with his Request.

To M. Rollston

To

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6th. To the Committee of Stores, enclosing a List of the Peace Establishment of Artificers for the different Corps of the Army when detached from places where Artificers are kept up.

To the Committee of Stores.

To the Military Board, with Copy of the above, which is to be inserted in the New Book of Regulations compiling by them.

To the Mily. Board.

To the Resident at Ingeram, the Board decline allowing Half Batta to the Surgeon doing duty at his Factory.

To W. Yeats.

To the Resident at Maddepollam, the allowance of Half Batta to the Assistant Surgeon at his Residency, to be discontinued.

To W. Dick

To Messrs. Porcher Redhead & Co. Government decline admitting the Claims on Account of Grain captured by the Army at Palacatcherry.

To Messrs. Porcher Redhead & Co.

To the Committee of Works, to give immediate Orders to the Engineer to superintend the Repairs to the Corning Rooms &c. at the Powder Mills in the Black Town, that no time may be lost.

To the Committee of Works.

To Major Maule, Director of Engineers informing him of the above.

To Major Maule

To

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6. To Mr. Paul Benfield, enclosing Copy of
To Mr. Benfield a Letter with other Papers addressed to the H
President by the Nabob, & desiring he will give
such information as may enable Government
to reply in a satisfactory manner to His H
Highness—

To General Horne, enclosing Copy of a letter
To Genl. Horne from Captain Stevenson, & desiring he will
Order an Engineer to report the State, and the
Value of the Barrack, & Stabling mentioned
therein.—

To the Commander of the Minerva, to H
To Capt. Fairfull receive on board his Ship, the Water & Provisions
which will be sent to him by the Town H
Major for the use of the Troops to be embarked
for Bombay.—

7. To the Civil Paymaster General, enclosing H
List of Articles judged necessary for the Barrack H
To Mr. Davidson Masters Department, at Fort St. George, & desiring
he will Report whether the Articles abovementioned
were supplied previous to the Barrack Regulations
in September 1786; An Indent from the Town Major
for all enclosed. to Acquaint Government whether
the same has been usually allowed.—

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At a Consultation Present

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

Friday
7th March
1788

John Holland, James Henry Casamajor
and
Robert. Maunsell Esqrs:

. Minutes of last Consultation
read and approved.

Read the following Letter from
Masulipatam (with Enclosures entered in
M: B: Nos 29: 30:)

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

Hble Sir & Sirs

From Masulipatam
- respecting Stores - very
deficient in the article
of Gun powder - Re-
commending that
the Unserviceable
Powder be sent to the
Presidency. —

We have the honor of acknowledging
the receipt of your Secretary's letter of the 4th
17th Ulto. — We herewith transmit to Your
Honor &c. Copy of a letter written to us by Our
Committee of Stores, together with the enclosed
Copy of Captain Smiths Report on the State
of

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of the Military Stores and Ordnance at this place; which we only delayed forwarding, until Colonel Brathwaite should have sent in the Committees Indent that had been sent to him for approbation. Your Honor &c.ra will observe by the Report, and accompanying Indent. how exceedingly deficient we are in the #. important Article of Gun Powder for the Service of this District, Captain Smith # having given it as his Opinion, that None of the Country Powder in Store is fit for Service, and that it ought to be kept for the purpose of Salutes & blunt Cartridges. The quantity however is so considerable, that if the Committees Indent should be complied with, there will not be sufficient Room in our Magazines to receive it, unless some part of the Powder deemed unserviceable, should be taken out, and as there is no other place in the Garrison where it could be safely kept, we Concur with the Committee of Stores in Recommending that a part thereof May be sent to the Presidency

more

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more particularly as to expend the whole of it here in the Manner recommended by Captain Smith, would require a Period of time beyond all Moderate Computation

We think it proper however to observe, that the Storekeeper informs us the Powder in question is not damaged by damp or any Neglect in the care of it, being dry and in good Order in this respect Tho' the Strength of it is less than Captain Smith deems it sufficient; and as this is the Case, it might yet perhaps still be appropriated to some use, now that its force is known.—

You will also receive enclosed a Return of Military Stores for the Month of January.—

We have the Honor to be
Very Respectfully
&c. &c.
" Anth: Sadleir
" James Hodges
" Wm Dobbyn.—

Agreed.

Masulipatam
12th. March 1788.—

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Agreed that Copy of the foregoing &

Minute thereon with the Enclosures be sent to the Committee of Stores & that they be directed to report thereon

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board (with Enclosures entered in M: B: № 31. 32)

Proceedings of the Hospital Board 4th March 1788.—

From the Hospital Board, enclosing a Letter from Mr. Mair & from Mr. Ferguson.— Messrs. Roxborough & Anderson request permission to visit the Presidency.— The House allotted to them much out of Repair

The Hospital Board have the honor of forwarding the enclosed letter from Mr. Mair Head Surgeon at Trichinopoly, & hope it will be honored with that Attention from Government which he has solicited

The Hospital Board to give information on the Subject of Mr. Ferguson's Letter & to state an Opinion upon the propriety of granting his request

The Hospital Board have also the honor of forwarding, a letter from Mr. Ferguson for the consideration of Government.—

The Hospital Board have received letters from Mr. Roxborough & Mr. Anderson of ...

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of Ongole, requesting leave to visit the Presidency on # Account of their private # business, wherein the belief that they have little to do at their stations, & have the # Permission of their Commanding Officers, have directed their # Secretary to acquaint them, that they have their permission which they hope will meet with the Approbation of Government.-

Approved

the house allotted for the Hospital Board being in very bad repair, & the # records not being safe in it, owing to the Doors & windows being broke & the floor fallen in, in many parts, they hope The Honble Board will give an Order for their being # repaired, with as little loss of time as possible. #

(signed) Chas. Atkinson
Secty

Read

A Letter to the Committee of Works directing the # necessary Repairs, will be written. —

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Minute thereon

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing & with the Enclosures be sent to the Committee of Stores & that they be directed to report thereon

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board (with Enclosures entered in M: B: No 31. 32)

Proceedings of the Hospital Board 4th March 1788.—

From the Hospital Board; enclosing a Letter from W. Main from Mr. Ferguson— Messrs. Roxborough & Anderson requesting permission to visit the Presidency— The Hours allotted to them much out of Repair

The Hospital Board have the honor of forwarding the enclosed letter from Mr. Main Head Surgeon at Trichinopoly, & hope it will be honored with that Attention from Government which he has solicited

The Hospital Board to give information on the Subject of Mr. Ferguson's Letter & to state an Opinion upon the propriety of granting his Request

The Hospital Board have also the honor of forwarding, a letter from Mr. Ferguson for the consideration of Government.—

The Hospital Board have received letters from Mr. Roxborough & Mr. Anderson of

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of Angola, requesting leave to visit the Presidency on # account of their private # business; & which in the belief that they have little to do at their stations, & have the # Permission of their Commanding Officers, have directed their # Secretary to acquaint them, that they have their Permission which they hope will meet with the Approbation of Government.—

Approved

The Rooms allotted for the Hospital Board being in very bad repair, & the # records not being safe in it, owing to the Doors & windows being broke & the Floor fallen in, in many parts, they hope The Honble Board will give an Order for their being # repaired, with as little loss of time as possible. #

(signed) Cawd. Atkinson
Secty

A Letter to the Committee of Works directing the # necessary Repairs, will be written. —

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores (with Enclosures entered in M: B: No. 33)

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

Honble Sir & Sirs.—

From the Committee of Stores stating that they have received from the Contractors Yeard 23 Nine Pounder Garrison Trail Carriages which they Ordered to be received on the Company's Books; the Commissary General of Stores lays before them a List of Stores received last Month from the Metelary Storekeeper Copy of which is enclosed.—

We have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of Mr. Secretary Chamier's letter of the 27th Ult^o. & in Consequence of the G: O: therein enclosed; Major Maule took his Seat at our Committee Col^l. Ross being indisposed

Approved

We received from the Contractors Yard 23 nine Pound^r. Garrison Trail Carriages which we examined & finding them made of the best Materials, & well finished, we ordered to be received on the Company's Books.—

Approved

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At our last Meeting the Commissary General of Stores laid before Us a list of Stores (Copy of) which we enclose) received from the Military Storekeeper last Month, Musters of which we examined & approved

Approved

We have the honor to be

&c: &c:

" J. Capper

" Wm: Petrie

" Wm Sydenham

" J. Moorhouse

" Geo: Maule.

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6th March 1788.-

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Read the following Letter from Bengal.-

To The Honble Sir. Archibald Campbell K.B.

President in Council

at

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

From Bengal the Lord Camden & Minerva Indiamen dispatched hither for the purpose of conveying the Remainder of His or Majesty's 73d Regiment to Bombay.—

The different Consignments for

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for Bombay being laden on the Ships Lord Camden and Minerva; We now dispatch them to your Presidency that they may receive on board those Officers & and Men of his Majestys 71st. Regiment for whom you have not engaged other Means of Conveyance to Bombay. —

Fort William
the 13th February 1788.

We are
Honble Sir
Your most Obedient
Humble Servants.
(signed) Cornwallis
" Cha Stuart
" J Shore

The Commander of the Minerva acquaints him he is ready for sea

The Secretary informs the Board that Captain Fairfull has reported himself ready to proceed to Bombay

The Remainder of the 71st. Regiment to be embarked on the Minerva. —

Ordered that the Remaining Companies of the 71st. Regiment — agreably to the following Return be embarked on the Minerva. —

Embarkation

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The Embarkation Return. –

Embarkation Return of Four Companys of His Majestys 71st Regiment of (Highland) Foot

Commanded by Lieut Colonel Maxwell, Camp near Madras 4th March 1788 –

Companys	Officers: Commissiond Staff: Majors	Captains	Lieutenants	Ensigns	Adjutant	Quarter Master	Surgeon	Mates	Non Commd. Officers & Drumrs. & Privates: Serjeants	Corporals	Drummers	Privates	Women and Children: Women	Children	Grand Total
Colonels	1	1	"	1	"	"	"	1	1	4	2	63	9	8	91
Captains Dalrymples	"	1	1	1	"	"	"	"	3	4	2	66	6	1	85
Captains Lindsays	"	"	2	1	"	"	"	"	2	4	2	59	4	"	74
Captains Robertsons	"	"	1	1	"	"	"	"	3	4	2	66	15	8	100
Total	1	2	4	4	"	"	"	1	9	16	8	254	34	17	350

N.B., One Volunteer, Included in the Above, as Rank, & File
One Brigadr. Major

(signed) Hamilton Maxwell
Lieut Colonel 71st Regiment

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A Letter to be written to Bombay advising of the Embarkation of the remainder of the 71 Regt on board the Minerva.

Agreed that the Secretary do prepare a Letter to the Government of Bombay advising them of the Embarkation of the Troops & of the dispatch of the Minerva to their Presidency

Ordered that the Dispatches to Captain Tainsell be prepared.

Read the following Letter from Brigadier General Horne to the Secretary.

To John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secry &c. &c.

Sir,

I have the Honour to transmit the

Brig. General Horne enclosing the Proceedings of the Committee of Stores held in this Garrison in order to their being laid before the Hon.ble the Governor in Council, and also an Indent for such stores as the Committee conceive to be necessary for the use of this Station, over and above what was before indented for. and which has only been supplyd in part & a List of what has not yet been supplyd of that Indent. I now also transmit in hopes that they be now supplyd many Articles of which

particularly

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Particularly those marked in the list we are in
immediate Want of.

The Committee having taken into
Consideration the state of this Garrison, with
respect to many Material Articles necessary for
its defence in Case of a War. and its unprovided
State of Timber of all Kinds and also of Facines,
Gabions &c. and Want of Brush or any other
Kind of Wood to make them of in any Quantity
in the Vicinity, have entered on their Proceedings
their Sentiments on that subject for the
Consideration of Government: and should they
think proper to Authorize the Laying in
these Articles or any part of them. you will
be pleased to signify the same to me. —

I should also be very glad. if the
Commissary General of Stores, or some other
Person. was directed to inform us. what part
of your Indents were Ordered to be Complyd
with by the Committee of Stores, at the
Presidency as soon as determined on; that
we might know what we had to expect and
depend on; at present we have no manner
of information. untill we receive an Account
of

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of the Stores when sent, perhaps A year after the Indents are made, Which Commonly are but a small part indented for; in several # instances it would be for the Benefit of the Service if we were informd as soon as conveniently could be done after indents are sent down; # what could be Complyd with; or if the # Storekeeper might provide such part as was not intended to be sent, if it could be done here as well and as cheap as at the Presidency. —

Head Quarters
of the South.n Forces
Trich.y 3 March 1788.

I have the Honor to be
&c.a &c.a
(signed) Mat.w Horne

Minute thereon

Ordered that Copy of General Horne's Letter with the Enclosures be sent to the Committee of Stores, & that they be desired in future to make the General acquainted with the particulars of their Resolutions respecting the Supply of Stores for the # Southern Garrisons. —

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board the Proceedings of a Court of Enquiry held at Trichinopoly on Mr. David Conductor of Stores. —

The President in his Character of Commander in Chief lays before the Board

as

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(as entered in the Mscell: Book N° 34) the Proceedings of a Court of Inquiry held at Tschinopoly for the purpose of investigating the Grounds on which the Charges exhibited against Mr. Edward David, Conductor of Stores, were founded, Vas it appears clearly from the Proceedings, that Mr. David has acted in a manner insolent, disrespectfull & unbecoming in his Station, the Commander in Chief is of Opinion, & accordingly Moves, that Mr. David be discharged from the Company's Service.

Mr. David dismissed the Service.

The Board Concurr in Opinion with the Commander in Chief, & it is accordingly Agreed that Mr. David be dismissed the Service, & that the Same be published in General Orders.

Read the following Letters entered in the Miscellany Book N°s 35: 36: 37)

From the Military Paymaster General

From the Military Paymaster General, desiring to know to what Head in his Book the Amount disbursed on Account of Batta to the Prisoners in the Mysore Country is to be Carried.

Agreed

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Agreed to direct the Military &
Paymaster General, to Open in his Books
Minute thereon the Head of Prison Batta, which, when
all the Claims are adjusted, is to be closed by the
Head of Second War with Hyder ally.—

From M. Young, Paymaster at
From the Paymaster at Angole.— Angole, Complaining of an interference on
the part of Captain Montgomery in the
line of the Paymasters Duty, & enclosing
Copy of a Garrison Order published by Captain
Montgomery.—

From Captain Alexander Montgomery
From the Commandant at Angole— explaining his Conduct, & justifying it, by
a detail of the Circumstances which occasioned
what M. Young has deemed an interference—

The Board are of Opinion that
Minute of the Board on Captain Montgomery's Letter— Captain Montgomery is entitled to their Approbation for the Conduct of which M. Young
has complained, & for the Conciliatory behaviour
he has uniformly Observed towards the
latter—

Agreed

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Agreed that the above Opinion be communicated to both the Gentlemen, & that it be recommended to Mr. Young to observe a more Conciliatory line of Conduct in future

Mr. Young's conduct disapproved

E.t E.d A.

Arch.d Campbell

John Dalrymple

J.n A.y Casamajor

R. Maunsell

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Diary.

Sent the following Letter to Bombay

To The Honble. Andrew Ramsay Esq.r

Governor in Council

at

Bombay

Hble Sir

To Bombay advising of the Embarkation of the Remainder of His Majestys 71st Regiment & the Minerva and enclosing Duplicate of last advice.

We have the honor to announce to you the embarkation of the Remainder of His Majestys 71st Regiment for your Presidency on board the Minerva, Captain Fairfull, of whose Sailing Orders We enclose a Copy.—

The Detachment is under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell, who will deliver to you a Return of the Officers & Men.—

It remains only necessary to inform you, that Batta for 40 Days has been advanced here to the Officers, & that if the Passage should exceed the above Period the additional Batta will be made up by the Government at your Presidency.—

We

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We enclose a Duplicate of our last address, & we have the honor to be &c. &c.

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(signed) Arch.d Campbell
& Council

Sent the following Letter to the Commander of the Hon.ble Company's Ship Minerva.

To Captain Robert Fairfull
Commanding the Hon.ble Company's Ship
Minerva

Sir,

To Captain Fairfull directing him to receive on board his Ship the above troops for Bombay, and enclosing Dispatches for the Governor and Council at that place, which he is to deliver and put himself under their Orders.

You are hereby directed to receive on board your Ship the Detachment of Officers and Men belonging to the 73d Regiment under the command of Lieut.t Colonel Maxwell agreably to the enclosed Embarkation Return.—

The Troops being embarked you will proceed with all possible expedition to & Bombay, where you will deliver the accompanying Dispatches to the Hon.ble the Governor & Council and follow their Orders for your future Proceedings.

Date in Fort St. George the 8th March 1788

By Order of the Honorable &
the Governor in Council.—
(signed) John Chamier Secry

Received

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Received the undermentioned Letters

(entered in M: B: N.os 38: 39: 40)

From Colonel Agg

From the Chief Engineer, enclosing Copy of Lieutenant Herrings Report of Doctor Horsman's House at Wallajahbad

From M.r Shaw Don

From the Secretary to the Military Board respecting permission to return to Chinnamaick =pollam for the purpose of settling his private Affairs which he will be able to compleat, and return to the Presidency before the expiration of this Month.—

From M.r Strange

From the Paymaster at Tanjore, trans=mitting a daily Report of the Lascars and Coolies employed in Measuring the Lack of Cullums of Paddy ordered to be sold and stating that he has received no offer for the Grain remaining in Store

Despatched the undermentioned Letters

(entered in M. B. N.os 41: 42: 43: 44: 45: 46: 47:)

To the Military Board

To the Military Board enclosing Copies of some Papers received from General Horne and desiring they will report thereon

To M.r Davidson

To the Military Paymaster General a Head of Pension a Batta to be opened in his Books

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Books which when all the Claims are adjusted is to be closed by the Head of Second War with Hyder Ally.—

To the Commandant at Ongole, the
To Capt. Montgomery Board highly approve of his Conduct in
giving out the Orders he did respecting the means
for securing the Powder Magazine at Ongole
from Accidents of fire; and they also approve
of his conciliatory line of Conduct towards
the Paymaster

To the Paymaster at Ongole, informing
To M. Young him of the above and stating that Government
see no just cause of Complaint on his part for
the interference of the Commanding Officer
at Ongole in taking every necessary step for
the Security of the Powder Magazine.—

To the Committee of Stores, enclosing
To the Committee of Stores.— Copy of a Letter with Enclosures from
Masulipatam together with one from
General Horne, and desiring they will
report thereon.—

To the Secretary to the Military
To M. Sharden Board with permission to proceed to Chuna-
manaickpollam for the purpose of delivering
over

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over Charge of the Factory, and of his settling his private Affairs.-

To the Military Board.-

To the Military Board, informing them of the above

To the Committee of Works.-

To the Committee of Works, with Extract of a Report from the Hospital Board, to repair the Quarters mentioned therein.-

At a Consultation Present

Tuesday 11. March 1788

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

President,

John Holland, James Henry Casamaijor and Robert. Maunsell Esqrs.

. Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.-

Intelligence received from Hydrabad & Seringapatam Tippoo Sultaun still at the latter place with a Large Force.-

The President lays before the Board some Intelligence received from Hydrabad, & Seringapatam from which it appears that Tippoo Sultaun is still at Seringapatam with a very large Force in the Neighbourhood & that a considerable Army is assembling at Bangalore

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The President lays before the
following Letter from W. Tallofield.—

To The Honble. Major General Sir Archibald Campbell KB
President and Governor
of Fort St. George

Hble Sir,

I beg leave to inform You that
Six Vessels anchored about Eleven o'Clock this
Morning abreast of Karical. They are at such
a distance from the land that their Hulls or colour
cannot be destinguished four of the number
appear to be Ships. They were standing to the
Southward, but the Wind being unfavorable
obliged them probably to come to an Anchor

I have the honor to be with the
greatest Respect.— &c. &c.
(signed) W. Tallofield

From W. Tallofield, Six Vessels have anchored off Karical, their Hulles & Colours not to be distinguished

Negore
6th. March 1788.—

The Honble. Major Genl. Sir. Archibald Campbell KB.
President and Governor
of Fort St. George

Hble Sir,

The Six Vessels which anchored
off Karical the day before yesterday passed
Negapatam.—

From Mr Tallofield stating, that the above Vessels, are passed Negapatam

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. Negapatam last Night - they appear to be the same which left Pondicherry the 28 of last Month

I have the honor to be with the ##
greatest respect

Nagore
8th. March 1788.

&c. &c.
(signed) W Talloseild

The Commander in Chief informs the Board that

The Commander in Chief recommends that the Musters for making up the ## Cloathing of the ## Gun Lascars, be the same as were ordered for the Native Infantry. —

the Musters for making up the Cloathing of the Gun Lascars being in point of size too small, he therefore recommends that the same be established as was ordered the 6th of November 1787 for the Native Infantry

Ordered

Ordered accordingly

Read the following Letter from the Military Board. —

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

From the Military Board — M. Stratton takes charge of the Records & proceedings of that Board — on M. Balfour's Letter containing his ideas upon establishing future Checks to prevent the defects and irregularities in the Accounts of Expenditure — M. Ferguson's Claim for Arrears of Cloathing inadmissible. —

We have had the Honor to receive M. Secretary Charnier's Letters of 24th & 27th February and 5th. Instant with their several enclosures ## in

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in consequence of G: O: of 27th February 1788 Major Maule has this Day taken his Seat at our Board

Mr John Humphrey Skardon being Arrived, has, as Secretary, taken charge of the Records & Proceedings of this Department

In Obedience to your Instructions we have considered the Extract from Mr John Balfour's Letter of 24th February 1788, Containing his Ideas upon the establishing future Checks to remedy the Defects and Irregularities in the Accounts of Expenditure, & are of opinion it contains no Remarks that can be in the smallest degree useful to us in forming the new Book of Regulations, the whole of what he proposes being Already either a part of the Old System, or provided for in the Regulations now under Consideration. With respect to his Observations Concerning the Indents for Stores being formerly Considered, & Accepted as Receipts, We are informed by those Members of the Board, who are likewise Members of the Committee of Stores, that during the Hurry & Confusion of the late War such irregularities as Mr Balfour Mentions

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Mentions were practised, but that more clear & effectual Checks than those recommended by him have since been established & have now been in force upwards of two Years, as your Honor &c.ª will perceive by referring to the Proceedings of that Committee, & the Regulations published in G: O: of 28th October 1786. On the above subject Lieutenant Colonel Moorhouse has likewise delivered in a Minute which your Honor &c.ª will find entered on our Proceedings accompanying.

We have duely considered the application of Mr. Ferguson, Fort Adjutant of Trichinopoly, for the distribution of the Arrears of Cloathing claimed by the Native Invalids of that Garrison, & are of Opinion, as the Company are ultimately responsible to Sepoys of every discription for all their Arrears of Cloathing that Mr. Fergusons Claim is inadmissible.— By Lieutenant Colonel Sydenham we are informed that in a Correspondence he had with the Paymaster whilst he was Town Major of Madras & cloathed the Invalid Sepoys he was told, that

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that no Stoppages had been made from those of that Garison, But by a reference to the Paymaster Generals Books it may be easily ascertained if any is due, & in that case We are of Opinion, the Individuals may be paid in the Manner as has been Observed with the 9th & several other Battalions who have lately received their Arrears of Cloathing; the proper mode of making the Stoppages for the Deposy & Invalid Cloathing has since been settled by the Orders of 24th May 1787.

The Peace Establishment of the Artificers for the different Corps of the Army when detached from Garisons where Artificers are kept up, enclosed to us by Mr. Secretary Chamier, shall Agreeably to your Commands be duely inserted in the New Book of Regulations

We have the honour to be with the greatest Respect

&c &c

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(signed) " J. Capper
" James Cidinglowen
" Henry. Malcolm
" Sam.l Campbell
" Wm. Sydenham
" J. Moorhouse
" Geo Maule.

Ordered

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Ordered that the Decision of the Military Board respecting Lieutenant Fergusson's Claim be confirmed, & transmitted to Brigadier General Horne.—

Minute thereon

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board.—

Proceedings of the Hospital Board 10th March 1788.—

Signed the Apothecary's Bill for the month of February amounting to Pag.s 1331.16.10.½ his Commission at 15 ℘ Ct. amounting to Pag.s 199.29.55. in all Pag.s 1531.3.65. agreeable to the Orders of Government

Read a letter from Mr. Fergusson's at Ellore, respecting his charge for dieting the men in Hospital, & Servants. Upon a reference to the Surveyor General, they find that when any charges for diet are admitted at a Regimental Hospital, it has always been, & should be discharged

From the Hospital Board Mr. Fergusson applies to be reimbursed for dieting the Men in Hospital at Ellore, recommended that the Surveyor General's plan for the Arrangement & Adjustment of his Accounts be adopted—requesting that an Order may be issued for the Surgeons at Out Garrisons to transmit their Returns monthly to the Surgeon of the District

Approved

An order will be sent to the Paymaster at Ellore

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discharged by the Paymaster of the Station, who as Mr. Ferguson has represented, has an Head of Hospital Charges, to which he carries it in his Accounts.

The Hospital Board having taken into consideration, the Plan proposed by the Surveyor General, for the arrangement & adjustment of this Accounts, which was submitted to them by Government - have Approved of the same, & recommend that the same be carried into execution

Approved & the Arrangement in consequence to be considered in force.

It having been represented to the Hospital Board, by one of the Head Surgeons, that the Surgeons to out Garrisons, have misconceived the General Orders, respecting the transmitting their Monthly returns to the Head Surgeon of the district, they hope Government will issue an Order to that effect as otherways, the returns to the Hospital Board, will be imperfect &

The General Order will be Repeated

(Signed)
Edwd Atkinson
Secry
Head

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Read the following Letter from the Masulipatam

To the Honble Major Genl. Sir. Archd. Campbell KB.
Governor in Council.

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Honble Sir & Sirs.

From Masulipatam stating that Dauseredy's adherents who have so long infested the Polavaram & Gootallah Countries, are entirely dispersed, & enclosing copies of Letter from Colonel Braithwaite & Captain Gowdie on the Subject

We have the honor of transmitting Your Copies of letters from Colonel Braithwaite & Captain Gowdie, by which You will observe, that Dauseredy's adherents, who have so long infested the Polavaram & Gootallah Countries, are now entirely dispersed; and that the bordering Zemendars in the Soubahs Country, have promised not to give them protection in future, which we trust the measures pursued will induce them to adhere to, as they may be led to apprehend danger to themselves, if they should deviate from it. We have accordingly adopted what Colonel Braithwaite has recommended and as the Country is now Generally

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in tranquility, Captain Goodlee will be directed to return to his Station at Rajahmundry, as we trust that the Sibbendy will now be able to protect the Country without the Assistance of Sepoys.

As soon as the remaining Part of Our Proceedings can be brought up, they shall be forwarded to You, in the same manner as the former part that accompanied our Letter of the 14th Ultimo.

We have the honor to be with &c.

very respectfully. &c. &c.

Masulipatam
2d March 1788.

" Anthy Sadleir
" James F. Hodges
" Wm Dobbyn.

Read the following Letter from

Mr Benfield.

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

President and Governor &c. in Council

Fort St. George

Hble Sir & Sirs,

I have been Honoured with the receipt of Mr Secretary Chamiers Letter, under date

From Mr Benfield in reply to the Rabbi's application that our Power has been enquired in making up the Statement of two Pearls now in the Possession of Mr Benfield

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date the 5th Instant, conveying, by your Order, Copy of a Letter under the Signature of His H Highness the Nabob, with a Sequence of curious Papers, addressed to your Honble President, and by him presented in Council the 4th Instant. The Papers contain a very serious Attack on my Property, as well as H Charges, which, if true, and applicable to me, or any British Subject, are of a Nature Criminal and Offensive in the Eye of our Laws

A renowned Patriot, on a memorable occasion, presumed to advance that the H Speech of the King was to be regarded as the Speech of the Minister: the Doctrine, however repugnant to the Feelings of the Moment ultimately obtained general acceptation. This Idea, enables me to H preserve all my respect for the Grey H Hairs of His Highness the Nabob: and upon the present occasion, I happily adopt the Patriots Maxim.

It becomes me to meet those Charges, as I now do, with all the Confidence that Honour

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Honour and Integrity inspire: I beg them, &
Gentlemen, to Court Enquiry; Nay, if your &
Honour &c. can pardon the freedom of Expression,
I demand a full and formal Investigation:
and sensible to the inconveniences I suffer,
from your Proceedings having been secret.
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was made to our Honourable Employers,
upon the Subject lately before You, of my
Claim of Property in the Lacks of Pagodas
in Deposit, on Account of the Tanjore Chop
of the year 1776; I trust I am perfectly in
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has been stated beyond the reach of the Laws of Policy or Honour, the Engine has some times been played off with success: I presume no further on this subject, than from the grounds upon which our Honourable Employers have been but too sensible of its operations as appears from the very severe Censures they have been pleased to convey to this Country, upon a Conduct that has presented itself to them in such point of view.

It would be negatory on my part, to plead ignorance of a Letter, and Minute of the Honourable President transmitted to His Highness the Nabob, under date the 15th Ulto., & since that they have been circulated from the extremity of the peninsula, to the Imperial Court of Delhi: and as they relate to the circumstances of the Confinement of Aflam Cawn, and the degree of Protection the English Government mean to afford, to the Servants of His Highness the Nabob; I will hope, it is not your Intention, it should be extended to shelter them in the commission of any Illegal, or unwarrantable acts, against British Subjects, or their Property

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Property; but that they will be called forward,
as hath been required of others, to support and
substantiate what they have advanced: or that
your resolutions concerning the Servants of
His Highness the Nabob, are not to be construed,
as an Interdiction to my filing Bills of Discovery, to ascertain the Facts, or following
such other legal course, as may appear proper
for that Purpose; either against those who
have come forward with the Attacks, or any
who may have been accessary thereto. In
every respect I mean to approve myself
a Dutiful Servant, and shall not, on any
occasion, transgress those Bounds which
you shall be pleased to prescribe, for the
operation or interferance of the English
Laws, with His Highness's Servants
and People resident at Madras.

On the present Occasion, the
want of a conclusive Investigation, can
alone be the cause of any unfavorable impression
being entertained in your mind, or that of
any who may read the Papers, you have
been

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been pleased to transmit to me: and I therefore trust, to the Candour of your Honourable Board, that you will either take effectual measures, to have the matter speedily, and publickly Investigated; or that I may regard myself at liberty, to pursue such legal means, as may appear necessary, to Establish the Facts, and Clear up to your Satisfaction, and my own, the ~~st~~ Subject which has been brought before you.—

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

(signed) Paul Benfield

Fort St. George
10 March 1788.—

Copy of the foregoing to be sent to the Nabob

Agreed to request the President will send to the Nabob a Copy of the foregoing Letter, & express his desire that His Highness will be pleased to acquaint Government with his Determination upon it as soon as Convenient—

Read the following Letter from Mr. Herbert Harris at Calcutta.—

To

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To The Honble Sir. Archibald Campbell Kt &
President in Council
Fort St. George

Hble Sir,

From Mr Harris on
Cadon on the Ceres &
one hundred & ten &
Casks of double distilled
Rum, in full of the
Contract entered into
with the Bengal &
Government by Messrs
Harris & Lambert

I have now the honor to dispatch on
the Ceres Capt.n Middleton one hundred and ten Casks
of double distilled Rum containing 13514 Gallons
in full of the Contract entered into with Right
Honble the Governor General of Fort William
by Messrs. Harris and Lambert

I remain with the greatest Respect
&c. &c.
(signed) Herbert Harris.

Omudpore
the 8th Febry 1788.

Minute thereon

Ordered that the Invoice & Bill of
Leading, enclosed in the foregoing be sent to Mr
Mr Roebuck the Attorney of Mr Cockrane.

Read the following Letter from
Captain Wight.

To John Shamier Esquire
Secretary to the Hble the Governor in Council
Military Department

From Captain Wight
stating that there is an
arrear of pay due to
him as Deputy Judge
advocate of His
Majesty's Troops, &
which he requests
may be discharged.

Sir,

I have to request, that you will be
please to state to the Honble the Governor in
Council

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Council, that there remains due to me as Deputy Judge Advocate of His Majestys Troops an Arrear of Pay from 4th. December 1784 to 10th. May 1786 inclusive, at the rate of ten Shillings ₱ day. I was first Appointed to act in that capacity in ₰ September 1784, and my commission from Sir Charles Gould Judge Advocate General of His Majestys forces, is dated 4th. December following but I received no pay in consequence until from 11th. May 1786—

Be pleased therefore to move the Honble the Governor in Council, to order this Arrear to be discharged by the Paymaster of the Kings troops—

My commission above mentioned with a certificate of the period from which I first received pay as Deputy Judge Advocate of the Kings Troops, are ready to be produced—

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I have the honour to be
&c. &c.
(signed)
Andw Wight
Capt 36th Regt.

Previous—

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Previous to any determination upon the foregoing, it is Agreed that Captain Dwight be desired to inform the Board why he did not bring forward his Claim before, & when he received Sir Charles Gould's Commission.—

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Poona.—

To The Honble Sir. Archibald Campbell K.B.

Governor of

Fort S.t George,

Hon.ble Sir,

From the Resident at Poona Situation of affairs with the Marrattas.—On the subject of a defensive Alliance with that Power.—

By a hasty Address of the 24th Ult.o I did Myself the Honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 20.th December, in which You were pleased to signify your Satisfaction at what had passed between me and Shis Dunbar on the Subject of a Closer Connection between it and the Company. It is with the highest Pleasure, I can now inform You of the Concurrence of the Right Honble the Governor General in Sentiments

So

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So favourable of my Disposition to promote in my Station the publick Good. Be assured, Honble Sir, it shall be my constant Study to merit and justify them. —

Subsequent Circumstances lead to Me to Apprehend that it will be Difficult to prevail on this Durbar to decide its general Proposal of a Defensive Alliance against Tippoo singly or combined with the French. into any distinct Stipulation to operate only in the latter Precidament. While on the other Hand numberless Objections present Themselves to our acceding to their General Terms and the present State of our own Affairs and of the other Powers of India certainly place Us in a Situation for above Sacrifice or Concession —

The Subversion of the Marratta Power North of the Toombud has for the present removed the Establishment of so formidable a Neighbourhood on that Frontier and the general Embarasments of this State must for some Time check its predatory Principles and Confine its Attention to its own Security and Ease

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and Defence. —

Sipsyoo's in Fact the only Power, w^h who, by his Vicinity, his Force or his Disposition can give rise to our apprehension. But I trust that the very respectable State of the British Force in the Carnatic under your Direction, the Experience he has already had of the Difficulty of annihilating the Company's Power in that Province; the additional Check to any Design of that Kind that will soon be held forth in the Regulation and Augmentation of the Bombay Military Establishment, and the Disappointment which to judge from the late Cordial Arrangements his Negotiations if hostile to our Interests will meet with in France will convince him, that it cannot be attempted but with great Risk and Danger. —

To these Considerations in Prevention of Such an attempt, he has every Reason to think that this Government however backward it shews itself to us and whatever Professions it may make him would not let slip so good an Opportunity of making an attempt to

recover

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recover Territories the Loss of which will never be forgotten. These Circumstances, added to the present State of this Empire the very Reverse of our's induce Me to be of Opinion, that Sipjee's present Views are to make a further Impression on its Territories and though the great Wealth of the Persons in administration, and the great Extent of their Dominions, present formidable difficulties, yet the Recollection of the weakness of even the best established Regency, the Knowledge of the Looseness of many Parts of this Structure the Consideration of a Party however Browbeaten still existing that espouses the Cause of the Family of Rogobah, and with which He has a Correspondence the Probability of being able to shake the Brahmin Power to the very Foundation by flattering the Mahrattas with the Prospect of reestablishing their Ascendancy in the Person of their Rajah must all convince him that He could not possibly have a more favorable Conjecture either

either to gratify his Ambition, or to effectually secure himself and his Posterity from the future Views and Power of this State. Thus circumstanced, the Minister neither acknowledges his Apprehension, nor professes that he deems himself secure from this Quarter. but I certainly think his Conduct fully explains his Opinion.

The Proposal to a defensive Alliance with the Company considering the extreme Reserve of his Durbar. The Delays in the Equipment and March of Ally Bahauder, The Objections which I am privately apprised Nana has made to Holcar's moving Northward, and his ultimate Acquiescence in the Urgent Request of that Chieftain to go to the Defence of his Possessions under a written Limitation that he shall not proceed further than will be sufficient for that Purpose nor join Scindia but at the particular Request of that Chieftain These Circumstances I repeat seem to me strongly indicative of his Opinion but Time alone can prove the Verity of my Conjectures

&c.

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has communicated to the Durbar his Apprehension on the Part of Tippoo which, and his altercation with the Rajah have induced him to collect a Body of Forces.—

I have not heard from Major Palmer since my last Address, but Intelligence from other Quarters teach Me that nothing extraordinary has happened in those Parts since Sindeas Retreat to the Southward of the Chumbul.—

By a Letter from Mr. Forster I find that He arrived at Nagpoor on the 15th Ultimo.

My last Letters from Bombay mention, that the latest Advices from Tellicherry contain no News, nor express any Apprehension of Tippoo. No Packets have been lately received from Bassora, but were daily expected.

After writing thus far, I was on the 9th Instant, honoured with your Letter of the 6th Ultimo, for which and it's Enclosures I beg You to accept my Thanks. I presume that if a Person from Hollas has been with Tippoo it must be on the Subject of the Seizure of

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Hittore, by the latter in consiquence of which
the Minister long ago communicated to me
that Persons would be sent to Tippoo by Holcar
and Basta through whose Mediation the late
Peace was concluded.—

It has been intimated to Me
from the Durbar that the Peshwa purposes
setting out in about Seven Days for Nasuck,
about 60 Cos hence, on the Gunga Gudavery,
to pay a Visit to his paternal Grandmother
Gopicabyhe I suppose this Excursion will
take up about 25 Days.—

The Right Honble the Governor
General in Council having, in a Letter of the 28th
November last, taught Me to expect to hear
from You on the Subject of establishing a Dawk
for expediting the Correspondence of the three
Presidencies, agreable to a Plan laid before the
Right Honble Board by me, and which long since
communicated to you also, I shall be happy to
learn the Success of your Application to Nizam
Ally Cawn on the Subject.—

I do not find that what is mentioned
above, relative to the Dispatch of Vackeels from
hence

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hence to Tippoo, has yet been carried into #
Execution, though it is still in Agitation.
I have the Honor to be with perfect Respect
&c: &c
(signed) C: W: Malet

Poona
14. February 1788.

From Lt. Turner

Read a Petition (entered in the Miscellany
Book No. 40) from Lieutenant Turner at #
Masulipatam pensioned on 15 Pag.s Monthly,
stating his distressed Situation, & requesting
some Addition to his Monthly Allowance.

Minute thereon

Agreed in Consideration of the #
favorable Character given of Lieutenant
Turner, that he be permitted to draw Lieutenant's
allowances, & that this resolution be Com: #
municated to the Chief & Council at #
Masulipatam.

E.o E.E

Arch.d Campbell

John Holland

Ja.s W. Harrington

R. Maunsell

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Diary.

Sent the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 50: 51: 52: 53: 54: 55: 56: 57: 58: 59: 60: 61: 62: 63:—

To Captain Wright, to inform Government on what day he received his Commission from Sir Charles Gould, & acquaint them why he did not prefer his Claim at an earlier period than the present

To Capt: Wright

To the Committee of Works, to give the necessary direction for repairing the Quarters in the Fort of Poonamalee.—

To the Committee of Works.—

To the Paymaster at Poonamalee, informing him that two Scavengers Carts are to be kept up for the purpose of removing the Dirt from the Barracks at Poonamalee.—

To M. Hawkins

To the Paymaster at Walajahbad, acquainting him that two Lamp Lighters for 24 Globe & Lamps are to be allowed to the Walajahbad Cantonment, to be supplied by the Barrack Master—two Scavangers Carts are also to be allowed for the purpose of removing the Dirt from the Barracks.—

To M. Welch

To

12th.

To Lieut. Capr. — To the Barrack Master for the Centre Division, with information of the first Paragraph of the above Letter.

To General Horne. — To General Horne, enclosing Extract of the Proceedings of the Military Board on Lieutenant Fergusson's Claim which has been approved by Government.

To Masulipatam — To Masulipatam, the Board have resolved to grant to Lieut. Turner Lieutenants Pay and allowances in Lieu of his Pension of 15 Pagodas pr. Mensem, which is to be paid him from the 1st. Instant.

To Genl. Horne. — To General Horne, with Bill of Lading of Stores consigned to him on the Dolphin Grab.

To Mr. Graham — To the Paymaster at Ellore enclosing Copy of a Letter from Mr. Fergusson, Surgeon, desiring he will pay his Bills for Extra Charges of Victualling & for Servants & bring the same to Account under the head of Hospital Charges.

To Masulipatam. — To Masulipatam, informing of the above

To

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To W. Macleod

To the President at Tanjore, desiring he will in future report to the President, the Sums of Money paid to him by the Rajah for the use of the Garrison; & to transmit his Report on the day the Money is paid in, one Copy to be sent to the President, & another to the Accountant

To W. Oakes

To W. Johnston

To W. Latham

The same to the Paymaster at Calamcotah,

The same to the Paymaster at Trichenopoly &c

The same to the Paymaster at Madura

Despatched the following Letter to the President at Poona.—

Charles Warre Malet Esquire

President at

Poona

Sir,

To the President at Poona with a Intelligence of the Transactions at Pondicherry—

I had the pleasure to write You on the 14th of February a duplicate whereof is enclosed &

From Pondicherry I learn that the French have lately been in great commotion in Consequence of Intelligence brought to the General Conway by a Corvette direct from France, from whence she sailed in the beginning of October, the News transpired by her are

That

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That Actⁿ was expected in Consequence of the English having taken a decided part in favour of the Stadtholder; that a Fleet of 50 Sail of the Line was getting ready at Brest that the K. of Prussia had entered Holland to support the Prince of Orange and that a French Army was collecting near the Frontiers of that Nation.—

The Medium through which K. Intelligence of this Nature is received, often K admits of great allowance for exaggeration; certain it is however that so much was it suppposed Hostilities might be commenced on this Coast, that the Corvette sent a Boat to reconnoitre the Roads of Pondichery before She ventured in suspecting that the Ships laying there were British. The French have ever since been indefatigable in completing the Fortifications on which their European Soldiers are compelled to work, and every Native they can lay hold of. Two French Indiamen have been taken into the Kings Service, which with a Frigate and K three other Vessells have sailed from Pondichery

General

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12. General Conway has embarked on board the Frigate, 700 Europeans, 500 Sepoys, and a great quantity of Military Stores are put on board the Ships - the whole are supposed to have proceeded to Trincomalee in order to reinforce the Garrison there. -

The last letters received here from England were dated about the 9. and 10 September and from the first Authority I learnt by them that the prospect appeared favourable for an accommodation between the Stadtholder and the refractory part of the Hollanders - I am therefore hopeful that the Alarm into which the French are thrown, is only the effect of Intelligence directing them to be on their Guard, lest the negotiation then pending for an adjustment of particular right should prove unsuccessful. -

As the Dutch owe about 3 Million Sterling to the French, it is not improbable that General Conway's movement is to secure Trincomalee or some other Dutch Stations in lieu of that Debt, which in the present State of the Troubles in Holland would otherways become

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Intelligence from Pondicherry - Great Probability of a Rupture with France -

The President informs the Board that a Report has been made to him of the Arrival at Pondicherry of another Vessell called Le Papillon, from France said to have left Europe a week later than the former Vessell, & to bring further Confirmation of the intelligence which has occasioned such active Measures on the Part of General Conway

The President further communicates to the Board information he has received of large Quantities of Grain being now storing at Pondicherry; & recommends that no time may be lost in Checking the Operations of the French in this Line, & in Securing for the Company all the Grain which Can be spared from the Southward

The President recommends the Storing of all the Grain which can be spared from the Southward -

The Board approve the President's Recommendation; & it is in consequence

Approved -

resolved that Letters be immediately dispatched to Cuddalore & Nagore directing the Gentlemen there to Collect from those places & the districts adjacent all the Grain from the new Crop that can be procured, & to send it

Resolution in Consequence -

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it to the Presidency engaging Vessels for the purpose upon the cheapest terms they may be able.—

Resolved also that Letters be written to Vizagapatam & Ganjam desiring the Chiefs and Councils immediately to report what Quantity of Rice can be collected in their Districts, & when it will be ready for embarkation.—

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores.—

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

Hon.ble Sir & Sirs—

From the Committee of Stores recommending the proposed Alteration in the Artillery Establishment—
The Clerk to be allowed a Writer at 10 Pag.s P.r Mont.h—

We have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of M.r Secretary Chamiers Letter enclosing a List of the Peace Establishment of Artificers for the different Corps of the Army.—

Approved—

The Alterations recommended to be made by Lieut.t Colonel

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Approved

Colonel Sydenham in the Artillery Accoutrements as mentioned in Our Last are estimated by the Military Storekeeper at fifteen Pagodas each which being a trifling Expence we beg leave to recommend that the proposed Alteration should take place.

Approved

Mr. Chase has hitherto to by mistake neglected to draw the Pay of a Writer as Clerk to this Committee at the Rate of 10 Pagodas P Month which was allowed to his Predecessor in Office, and as the Business of the Department is encreased since Mr. Chase acted as Clerk & his not having drawn for a Writer was only an Oversight we hope You will permit the Military Storekeeper to pay him the Arrears & likewise

continue

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continuce the Allowance to
him in future.—

We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
" J. Capper
" Wm. Sydenham
" J. Monhouse
" Geo. Maule.—

The President lays before the
Board the following Letters addressed to
him by the Resident at Tanjore.—

To The Hon'ble Major General Sir. Archibald Campbell
(K.B.)

&c &c &c

Dear Sir

From the Resident at Tanjore states the Steps he has taken for bringing in 3000 Garce of Paddy.—

In arranging the Business of
the Paddy with the Rajah, his Excellency
owned that if the Country people, to whom the
Bullocks belonged, were to receive no other
Security for the payment of their Hire than
his promise, the Grain could come in very
slowly indeed.—

He offered, however, to supply me

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me with ready Money; and allowed me to
publish a Notice throughout the country, that
I would pay the Bullock Hire as soon as
the Grain arrived in the Fort: This, I have
accordingly done, and by these Means: We
shall immediately secure Cattle enough to
bring in 3000 Garce in a short Time - Without
such assurances to the Bullock Owners, &
nothing could prevail on them to give
their Cattle. No time is to be lost; because
on the approach of War these People drive
away their Cattle into the woods of Jondiman's
country. -

The Rajah agrees that the Price
of the Grain shall be accounted for as you
direct, but earnestly desires that the ready
Money which he advances for the Bullock
Hire may be received as part of his current
Kist. -

I told him what your Order
to me, were. - If I might be permitted to
offer an Opinion, I should think his Excellency
might

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might be indulged so far: It cannot amount to a large Sum; and it will keep him active in affording every Assistance.—

I took it upon me to offer already Money Payment, as without that the Intentions of Government cannot be fulfilled and I hope you will approve of what I have done in this particular.

I have the honor to be with great Respect

&c.: &c.:

(signed) Alex.r Macleod

Tanjore 9.th March 1788

Dear Sir,

This day a Messenger arrived who left Namkeel nine days ago. He reports, that Tippoo has reinforced the Commander at Dendigal with two thousand horse & about 12 days since.—

From the Resident at Tanjore. Tippoo supplies his Frontier Garrisons with Grain.

A man, named Badur & Jemma Khan, is sent by Tippoo to Carroor, to command & superintend that, and a number of his Southern Forts. He has strict orders from his

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his Master not to take Money from the
Inhabitants of the different districts where the
Forts are, but to let each Cultivator bring
into the Forts immediately All the Grain
(of whatever Sort) he may have raised.

In the Fort Anantagerry, (three days
march from Porto Novo, Tippoo has ordered
that every Sort of Provision for Europeans
should be stored immediately as he intended
to send a large Force thither. and that if any
Provision was found wanting, the
Commander (Badur Jemma Khan) should
suffer for it

In all the other Forts, Dana[illegible]
Cradee &c, Grain of all Sorts is collecting.

I have had the honor of receiving your
Letter for his Excellency, M. Swartz and I am
just going to present it. Depend on it every
Argument which can be used in addition to your
Remarks, shall be forcibly stated.

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

Tanjore
14th March 1788

(Signed) Alex.r Macleod
Agent

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Agreed to inform Mr. Macleod that the Board Consent that the Charge for Bullock Hire be brought to Account in the Current Kists of the Rajah, & that the Price of the Grain be placed to his Excellency's Credit in his Kists for March & April.

Minute on Mr Macleods Letter respecting the Three Thousand Garce of Paddy.

Read the following Letter from Vizagapatam.

To The Honble Sir. Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council
Fort St George

From Vizagapatam with Copy of a Letter to the Chief & Council from Captain Brown, requesting certain Papers relative to Booty & Plunder taken at Bimlipatam; Inclosing the Papers in Question to be delivered or not as Government think proper

Honble Sir,

Enclosed We have the Honour to send Copy of a Letter received from Captain Archibald Brown on the Subject of which we beg leave to enclose also such Documents as our Records & Books furnish, in case it be your pleasure they should be delivered. With respect to Accounts Sales; the Agents for the Company and Captors are the only persons who can give the Information he desires as no Accounts appear to have been delivered in here to the Chief and Council.

We are very Respectfully &c. &c. &c.

Vizagapatam
13 March 1788.

(Signed) Claud Russell
Chas. Meadows
Mich. Keating

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To Claud Russell Esqr.

Chief and Council of Vizagapatam

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose an #
Official Extract of a letter from the Court
of Directors to the Government of Madras,
relative to Booty & Plunder taken at #
Bimilipatam, by a Detachment of the #
Company's Troops just under my Command,
by the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam; and
to request that you may be pleased to desire
your Secretary, to furnish me with a general
Account of the Merchandize and Civil Stores
taken at Bimlipatam; together with a
particular Account of Sales of the Dutch
Snow there Captured, and of the Cloves, Sapp.n
Copper, and any other Articles of Bimilipatam
Booty which may have been sold by order of
the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam in #
which I beg permission to request that Credit
will be given to the Captors for the Sum #
of (25,000) Twenty five Thousand Rupees being
the Amount of a Tender accepted of by the #
Board of Vizagapatam and paid to them by #
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Mess.rs Dirk Vuymoet and Joannes Markus Dormieux Chief and Second of Bemilipatam on account of 1000 One Thousand Bemilipatam Pagos of Paddy, the private property of the said Dirk Vuymoet and Joannes Markus Dormieux, which had been lodged as a Deposit in lieu of a Deficiency in the publick Treasury of Bemilip.m; and which agreeably to a letter of Order from the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam to me, under date the 24th. day of August 1781, I delivered up to these Gentlemen.—

I have further to request to be favored with an Account of the Number and Contents of the Bemlipatam Bales Shipped from Vizagapatam for Madras, that I may be enabled to lay before the Honble Board a Satisfactory Statement of the whole in case they may see it just to make an Allowance to the Captors.rs for the Bales which fell into the hands of the Enemy at Sea, in Consideration of their having been put to that Risk by the Orders of Government.—

I have also the honor to enclose [illegible] to enclose a Return of the Ordnance Ammunition

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of their having been put to that Risk by the
Orders of Government.—

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and Military Stores taken at Bimilipatam;
and to request that you may be pleased to order
them to be estimated by the Inspector of Stores
or in such other Manner as may Seem &
proper, that the Court of Directors may thereby
be enabled to determine on the Compensation
they may think proper to allow the Captors
on that head, which by the Extract of their
Letter seems to be Kept open to our expectations

Although the Guns & Military Stores
are not of much Consequence, Yet as they must have Sunk
Considerably in their Value from the Ravages of Time;
& Many of the Articles probably expended or written
off the Storekeepers Books, I trust it will to Your
Board appear fair to order them to be estimated by the
enclosed Return, the Correctness of which may be
ascertained by Comparison with the Original which
I had the honor of transmitting to the Chief and &
Council at the time.—

Under Consideration for the Interests of
those Concerned with me in the Capture, I hope to be &
excused for the length and perhaps unnecessary &
Minuteness of this Address.—

I have the honor to be Most Respectfully.—

Fort St. George
16. February 1788.—

(signed). Archd. Brown
Representative of the Captors
of Bimilipatam.—

A true Copy H.W. Drake Secry

687. Fort St. George 14. March 1788.

Account of Merchandize and Civil Stores belonging to the Dutch East India Company taken in their Fort at Bemlipatam 17. July 1781.

426 Bales of different sorts of Long Cloth in the Warehouses
92. Ditto ..... Ditto ..... Ditto at the Bleaching Plain
413. Chests of Copper
37. Ditto ... Cloves
1046 ℔ of Iron (Dutch Weight)
412. ℔ of Steel (Ditto)
1. Anchor (Old)
1. Europe Cable
1. Coir ... Do
1. Small Europe Rope
44. Weights of different Sizes
2. Setts of Weighing Scales
1. Triangle
770. Pieces of Gunnies
2. Common Country Carpets
538. ℔ of Country Twine
2. Small Bale Screws (Old)
11. Bale Hooks
3. Iron Crows
5. Large Blocks
1 Bell
1 Small Top-Mast
1 Clock
1. Cash Chest
35. Pieces of Muster Cloaths
4 Brass Horns used for Country Musick
1. Piece of Teak Wood for Measg the Company's Long Cloth
4. Wooden Measures for Grain
315. pieces of Dungaree.

(Signed) Charles Maxlowe
Commissary
Archibald Brown
Lieutenant Commanding

A true Copy
Wm Drake Secry

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Account Particulars of Iron Ordinance & Military Stores Received from Bimlipatam with their Valuation, as Entered in the Vizagapatam Journal Books

Rupees A. P.

1781.

Military Stores

Octob.r 31. To 9 Barrels of Country Powder Received from thence ..... 5 ..... " ... 41. 1. 35.

1783.

Iron Ordnance

April ... 30.

18 Pounders	1	38	1	76. 18. 69.	
12 Ditto	2	51	" "	106. 31. 25.	
9. Ditto	9	172.	14	360. 28. 40	544. 6. 54.

Military Stores

Iron Round Shott

24. Pounders	10	2	16	61. 18.	3. 7. 57.

Spunges for Mortars

5 1/2 Inch	3	"	21. "
Musquets	262		836. 31. 40.
Tumbril Tarpaulins	3	10. 18.	" 857. 6. 17.

Current Pagodas 1436. 14. 26

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4th. March 1788.

Errors Excepted
P.r Chas Maxtone
Accountant

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Estimate of Iron Ordnance, Ammunition, and Military Stores taken in the Dutch Fort of Bimilipatam on the 17th day of July 1781.—

Iron Ordnance.

8. Pounder	13.	"	"	"
6. D°	3.	"	"	"
4. D°	9.	"	"	"
3. D°	6.	"	"	"
Brass Mortars with beds 3 3/4 inch	2.	"	"	"
Musquets with Bayonets	187.	"	"	"
Spare Bayonets	5.	"	"	"
Swords	200.	"	"	"
Halberts	3.	"	"	" /
Pikes	18.	"	"	"
Spontoons	1.	"	"	"
Iron round Shott of different Calibres	768.	"	"	"
Shells of 3 3/4 inch	165	"	"	"
Drums (2 Wood and 2 Copper	4	"	"	"
Powder	698½ Lbs.	-	-	
Blunt cartridges	12,000	"	"	"
Flints	54.	"	"	"
Wood for Musquets Stocks	19.	"	"	"
Ramrods wooden	116.	"	"	"
Large pouches	6.	"	"	"
Ordinary D°	30.	"	"	"
Sword belts	6.	"	"	"

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Brass vices	11.	"	"
Belts for Pouches	154	"	"
Sword Scabbards	100.	"	"
Racks for Arms	3.	"	"
Bayonet Scabbards	15.	"	"
Drum heads	15.	"	"
D°. Cords	12.	"	"
Cartridge chest	1.	"	"
Brass Pickers	470.	"	"
Sett of Colours	2.	"	"
Stand of D°.	2.	"	"
Barrac Chain Shot	59.	"	"
Hand Granades	240.	"	"
Grape Shott quilted	134.	"	"
Gun Carriages of different sorts and sizes	22	"	"
Tumbrils	5	"	"
Musket balls	1.	Bar.	"
Powder barrells empty	20.	"	"
Cows	66.	"	"

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Powder horns	11	"	"
Linch pins	32	"	"
Ladles	9	"	"
Sponge Staffs	42	"	"
Lentstocks	12	"	"
Copper pricker	12	"	"
Empty Cartridge bags	800	"	"
Iron Crows	3	"	"
Europe Matches Skains	100	"	"
Bengal Do Do	50	"	"
Chests for Ammunition	7	"	"
Brass Powder Measure	1	"	"
Iron Worm	1	"	"
Quick Match Skains	2	"	"
Port fires damaged	50	"	"
Dragrope	1	"	"
Iron prichers	12	"	"
Baskets to hand Shot	6	"	"

A true Copy.

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D.o ..... Expedition

1781.					
December	10.th	To Cash paid Captain Trench of the Snow Freemason for Freight of 137 of the Captured Bales of Bimlipatam and sent to the Presidency by the abovementioned Snow @ 16 Rupees ₰ Bale	2192.	"	"
1782.					
February	2/3	To Cash paid freight for 152 Bales sent to the Presidency p.r Snow Betsy @ 16 Rupees ₰ Bale	2432.	"	"
May	15.th	To D.o reimbursed the Purchasers of the Puge Spices on Account of a diffeciency in the Weights	330.	2.	8.
September	30.th	To D.o paid freight on 68 Bales laden on the Snow Lord Macartney @ 4 M.as Pag.s ₰ Bale	1088.	-	"
October	17.th	To D.o paid Freight on 50 Puge Bales laden on the Snow Searby @ 4 M.as Pag.s ₰ Bale	800.	"	"
1783.					
December	26.	To D.o paid Freight on 52 Bales of Goods sent to Madras on the Ship Hastings @ 12 R.s ₰ Bale	624.	"	"
			7475.	2.	8.
		To Balance	7078.	14.	5.
		Total Rupees	14954.	1.	1.

Vizagapatam

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Against Bimlipatam ..... C.

1781.					
November.	1.	By Cash Received from the late Chief and Council of Bimlipatam on Account in part of a Deficiency found in that Treasury for which they are Accountable		25,000	.. ..
		By D.o Received at different times from the Company's Agent on Account in part of captured Goods Sold at this Place		12,893	8 ..
	12.	By D.o Received from the Company's Agent in further part on Account Captured Goods Sold .. D.o		1870	.. ..
December	18.	By D.o D.o Received from D.o on Acct.o D.o		6907	5 ..
	31.	By D.o D.o D.o D.o		1295	9: 7:
		By D.o D.o Received from W.m Crawford on Account the Agent		8111	10. 6
				56,078	1. 1.

N: B:

Besides the above Sums Received into the Treasury at Vizagapatam, There were two bills of Exchange in favor of the Governor and Council - Received from the Agent by the then Chief and Council, which were transmitted to the Presidency, (as p the Accompanying Letters Vo: 1 & 2) - The Agent Received from the Purchasers of the Vessell & Cloves, being the Account Sales of those Articles - The bills were Drawn on the following Persons. -

1781.			Pr. A: P.	
December -	3.	One on Chocopah Chitty for	11050	
	21.	D.o on William Jackson for	10826	21876 .. ..
		Total Rupees -		77954 1. 1.

4th March 1788.-

Errors Excepted
(Signed) J. Chas Maston Accountant

Fort St. George 14. March 1788

Copies to be sent to Captain Brown

Agreed that Copies of the Papers transmitted with the above Letter be sent to Captain Brown

Read the following Letters contained in the Miscellany Book N.o 66: 67: 68:-

From Colonel Stuart at Tanjore. #

From Colonel Stuart.

Representing that there are not Store Houses to Contain half the Quantity of Paddy to be laid in, & requesting permission to build a Bankfall for the Receipt of such part of the Paddy as the Granaries cannot contain.

Agreed to inform Colonel Stuart #

Minute thereon

that the Resident at Tanjore will be desired to apply to the Rajah for the Appropriation of some Buildings within the Walls of Tanjore for storing the Grain, without which Government Cannot take above half the Quantity of Grain that has been ordered

From M.r Charles Baker One of the

From M.r Charles Baker - One of the Company's Solicitors

Company's Solicitors, Stating that Several Expences have been incurred from Mayors, Registers & Court Fees in the Suit pending against M.r Proctor & Requesting an Advance

of

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of three or four hundred Pagodas

Ordered that three hundred Pagodas

Minute thereon — be advanced to Mr. Baker, on the Account above

Stated.

From Mrs. Senier Widow of Mr.

From Mrs Senier widow of the late Mr. Surgeon Senier — Senier late Surgeon on this Establishment stating that She is in extreme indigence, & that She has no prospect of relief excepting from the Board.—

Minute thereon — In Consideration of the great distress in which Mrs. Senier is, the Board resolve to allow her a Pension of Pagodas 10 pr. Month to Commence from the 1st. Instant.—

Ordered that the above Resolution be Communicated to the Military Paymaster General.—

The President informs the Board

The President recommends that Mr Wood a Draftsman in the Engineer's Office be permitted to draw the same Monthly Allowance as the late Mr. Dorman.— that, since the death of Mr. Dorman who was a Draftsman in the Engineer Office, he has appointed Mr. Wood who being perfectly well qualified, he trusts the Board will not have any Objection to his receiving the

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Senior late Surgeon on this Establishment

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Minute thereon

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From Mr. Charles Baker One of the

From Mr. Charles Baker - One of the Company's Solicitor

Company's Solicitors, Stating that Several Expences have been incurred from Mayor's, Registers & Court Fees in the Suit pending against Mr. Proctor & Requesting an Advance of

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of three or four hundred Pagodas

Ordered that three hundred Pagodas

Minute thereon — be advanced to Mr. Baker, on the Account above

Stated.

From Mrs Senior Widow of Mr.

From Mrs Senior Widow of the late Mr. Surgeon Senior — Senior late Surgeon on this Establishment

stating that She is in extreme indigence, &

that She has no prospect of relief excepting

from the Board.—

Minute thereon — In consideration of the great distress

in which Mr. Senior is, the Board resolve to

allow her a Pension of Pagodas 10 pr. Month

to Commence from the 1st. Instant.—

Ordered that the above Resolution

be Communicated to the Military Paymaster

General.—

The President informs the Board

The President recommends that Mr Wood a Draftsman in the Engineer's Office be permitted to draw the same Monthly Allowance as the late Mr. Dorman.— — that, since the death of Mr. Dorman who

was a Draftsman in the Engineers Office, he

has appointed Mr. Wood who being perfectly

well qualified, he trusts the Board will

not have any Objection to his receiving the

same

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same Allowances being 40 Pagodas ⅌ Month as Mr. Dorman did to commence from the period of his attending the Engineers Office. —

Ordered Accordingly. —

Ordered.
Ld. [illegible]

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

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Diary

15. Sent the undermentioned Letters (as enclosed in the M.S. No. 69: 70: 71: 72: 73: 74: 75: 76: 77: 78: 79)

To the Board of Revenue to instruct the Resident in the Tanjore to collect and send to the Presidency as much Rice and Paddy as possible.

To the Board of Revenue.

To Vizagapatam 38 Gar. 8 Mar. 4 Fan. of Rice to be sent to the Presidency. the Person under whose Charge it is placed, must take care not to receive it until it is perfectly dry. to state the Quantity they can at present supply from their District

To Vizagapatam

To Cuddalore to procure and send to the Presidency all the Paddy that can be collected from the present Crop, engaging Vessels upon the cheapest Terms for this Purpose.

To Cuddalore

To W. Tolloficld. Resident at Nagore with Orders to the above Effect.

To W. Tolloficld

To Ganjam. to state the Quantity of Rice at present procurable in their District, and at what Time it can be ready for Embarkation

To Ganjam

To

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same allowances being 40 Pagodas P.r Month as Mr Dorman did to Commence from the period of his attending the Engineers Office.—

Ordered accordingly.—

Order'd.
E. GZ

Arch.d Campbell

John Dolland
Lt. Col.l & Qr.r Master

R. Maunsell

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Diary

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To the Board of Revenue -

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To W. Tolloffield

To Ganjam - to state the Quantity of Rice at present procurable in their District, and at what Time it can be ready for Embarkation

To Ganjam

To

15 To Masulipatam - Stating the Quantity of

To Masulipatam Grain to be laid up in their Settlement and

at Condapillie - and desiring that care be

taken not to store it until it be perfectly dry

To the Resident at Tanjore - approve the

To the Resident at Tanjore - Steps taken by them respecting the bringing

in Grain to the Fort of Tanjore, and consent

that the Money advanced for the Bullocks Hire

be received as Part of the current Rent, and that

credit be given the Rajah for the Price of the

Grain, in the March and April Rents to apply

to the Rajah for the Appropriation of some

Buildings within the Walls of Tanjore &

for the Reception of Grain - the Quantity to

be laid up at present not to exceed 2000 Garce

To the Commandant at Tanjore - the

To the Commandant at Tanjore - Resident has been instructed to apply to

the Rajah for the Appropriation of some

Buildings within the Walls of Tanjore for

storing of Grain -

To Captain Cudmore at Rajamundry the

To Captain & Cudmore at & Rajamundry - Abstracts for Cloathing Money due to the Sepoys

under his Command can only be paid in the &

Manner

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15. Manner stated by the Deputy Military & Paymaster General. —

To Capt. A. Brown — To Captain Archibald Brown Enclosing Copies of Papers received from Vizagapatam on the Subject of the Capture of Bimlipatam &

To Mr. Turing — Do. Mr. Turing the Board defer coming to a final Resolution respecting the Gunny Bags alluded to in an enclosed Extract of a Letter from the Commissioners of Accounts, until they are furnished by him on the Part of Mr. Brodie, or by his Attornies with further & Explanations. —

To Mr. Tulloh — The same to Mr. John Tulloch Attorney to Mr. Brodie

17. Intelligence from Europe of Peace with France. — In Consequence of Advices this Day received by private Channels from Bombay, which bring the Account of Peace between England and France in the Beginning of November last. Orders were dispatched to Vizagapatam Cuddalore Nagore and to the Board of Revenue, countermanding the Instructions sent on the 15. Instant respecting Grain (Vide M. Book No. 80)

To Vizagapatam Cuddalore Nagore and to the Board of Revenue. —

Recvd

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18 Received the undermentioned Letters

(entered in M: B: Nos 81: 82: 83: 84: 85: 86:)

From Lieutenant Colonel Tanner -

From Lieutenant Colonel Tanner — Enclosing a Letter from Lieutenat Fenwoorker Morris stating a Claim to Rank above Messrs Baine Hammond and Mackay —

Ordered that Lieutenant Fenwoorker Morris's Letter be referred to the Military Board —

From the Civil Paymaster General

From the Civil Paymaster General with his Report on the List of additional Articles requisite in the Barrack Masters Department at Fort St. George - 7 1/2 Measures Oil, the usual Monthly Supply for the Town Major

From Mr. Richard Guy — requesting to be Appointed on the first Vacancy, either to the Paymastership of Walaujanbad or of Vellore. —

From Messrs. Sullivan and Boyd Attornies to Mr. John Stuart — stating that their Constituent has a Claim on his Highness the Nabob for 30,000 Pagodas; and requesting that the same may be referred to the Committee for investigating his Highness's Debts. —

Ordered

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Ordered accordingly

Ordered.—

From Captain Archibald Brown — Enclosing an Account of Arrears and Batta due to the Men now doing Duty with the 1st. Battalion of Native Infantry, all of whom returned to their Colours within the Space of five Months after their Capture. —

From Captain Archibald Brown

From the Paymaster at Madura; Enclosing Letter to him from the Commandant of the 2d. Battalion, soliciting the Payment of Arrears of Cloathing due his Battalion for the Year 1785. —

From the Paymaster at Madura. —

Sent Letter to the Barrack Master at Fort St. George (as entered in M. B. No. 87) stating the Determination of Government upon the List of Additional Articles applied for by him on Account of his Employ. —

From the Barrack Master at the Presidency

To the Commissary Genl. & to the Civil Paymaster General —

To the Commissary General, and to the Civil Paymaster General with — advice of the above. —

At

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At a Consultation Present

The Honorable. Major General
Sir. Archibald Campbell K.B.
President
John Holland, James Henry Casamaijor
and
Robert. Maunsell Esq.rs

Tuesday the 18.th March (1788)

. Minutes of last Consultation
read and approved.—

The President lays before the Board the following Letter addressed to him by Mr. Benfield, in consequence of the Editor of the Courier having refused to print his Papers without the Governors permission. —

The President lays before the Board a Letter—

Dear Sir,

From Mr. Benfield enclosing a Note to him from Mr. Boyd declining to print certain Papers, on the supposition of it not being agreeable to the Governor

I have the honour of enclosing you Copy of a Note, I received from Mr. Boyd in Answer to my application to him, to Print the Letter of His Highness the Nabob, and the sequence of Papers presented by you in Council on the 4.th Instant: from Mr. Boyd's Note you will

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will see he declines the Business, upon the
Ground of its not meeting with your approbation

When an Attack was made upon
me in England, I made use of the press, as the
means of conveying to men in publick station,
such matter as regarded myself; The late Letter
of His Highness contains an Attack upon me
and my Property - Copies of this Attack, curious as
it is, I am anxious to give to my friends in this
Country, as well as to forward them to my Friend
in England, who will present them not only
to my own immediate acquaintance, but to
the Representatives of the Company the &
Ministers of State, and the Members of both
Houses of Parliament, whose situations &
entitle them to form a Judgement on such
an extraordinary occasion. -

As the whole of this Business, &
relates to a matter of private property, and &
private character, I cannot suppose upon &
a review, you will be inclined to interdict the
promulgation, when the person attacked wishes to
exhibit to the eye of the world what has come
forward - I had not conceived that any difficulty

could

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could have occurred upon this point, or certainly should have done myself the Honour to address you, and Mr. Boyd's Note is the occasion of this application to you.-

In whatever view I might have considered my claims upon you, in consequence of an Acknowledged Death Bed Recommendation they are not called forward, to Obtain what I have demanded, in any Letter to the Publick & Board, or to aid my present request; these points stands upon their own Basis and require no collateral aid, and upon that Basis I now desire permission to have papers printed which relate solely to myself and my own Affairs-

Whatever may be the determination of Government, respecting the permission I have desired on the Present occasion, I shall be, as I trust you will always find me, most perfectly obedient to their orders.-

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Paul Benfield

Garden
15. March 1788.

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Mr Boyd presents his Compliments to Mr Benfield, and acquaints him he must decline his Request as to Printing the Papers. Mr Benfield Shewed him, as he has reason to believe it will not meet with the approbation of the Governor

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The President informs the Board that he has drafted the following Answer which he purposes sending, if it meets the approbation of the Board.—

To Paul Benfield Esqr.

Sir.

After some Enquiry, I find, that it has never been customary to permit the Servants of the Company to print or publish at this Presidency the Correspondence which has passed thro' the Channel of the Board between the Durbar & them.—

To Mr Benfield His request to print certain Papers cannot be acquiesced in.

As it appears to me that such a Measure would be disrespectful to the Nabob & the Company's Government I could not fail to

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to interrupt that Harmony which must ever be necessary to carry on the public Service, it would be improper & & & in Government to acquiesce in your Request.—

Sam. D.r V.r

Gardens 18. March 1788.— (signed) Arch.d Campbell

The Board approve the foregoing.—

The Board approve the Answer proposed by the President to M.r Benfield's Letter, & it is accordingly Agreed that it be sent to him.—

Minute of the Board upon M.r Benfield's Letter of the 16.th March.—

The Board also Resolve that a Letter be sent to M.r Benfield in reply to his of the 16.th March, observing that his address is Couched in terms of a very disrespectful Tendency; that he has introduced Matters foreign to the Subject on which he was called to answer, & that he has pursued a Strain of Freedom & Ambiguity of Menace in his Expression by no means Suitable to that Deference which & Government have a right to Command from & all the Company's Servants under their Authority.

The President proposes that M.r Benfield be further informed, that in all his future

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future Letters to Government on this, or any other Subject, he must Confine himself to the Matter immediately under discussion, & that a Deviation therefrom or any direct or implied Insinuation disrespectfull to Government, will meet their severest displeasure.—

Read the following Letter from the Agent for the Captors of Bimlipatam.—

John Shamier Esq.r
Military Secretary

Sir,

From the Agent for the Captors of Bimlipatam, requesting an Account of Sales & the particulars of the Charges of Merchandize of the Prize Bales sold at the Presidency.—

Yesterday I had the honor to receive your letter enclosing papers received from Vizagapatam on the Subject of the Capture of Bimlipatam, and I have to request that I may be furnished with an Account of Sales, and the particulars of the Charges of Merchandize of the Bimlipatam Prize Bales of Cloth, which were sold at the Presidency by Order of Government.

I have the honor to be
&c.r &c.r
(signed)
Archd. Brown
Representative of the Captors of Bimlipatam

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Ordered that Copy of the foregoing be
Ordered.— sent to the Export Warehouse Keeper & that he
be directed to furnish the Accounts requested.—

The President laye before the Board
the following Letter from Major Close.—

Copy of a Letter from Major Barry Close to the
Honble Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor and Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.

Dated Balpilly 15th. March 1788

Honble Sir,

I have been honoured with your
Letter of the 7th. Instant accompanying two
Hircarrahs with a Letter for the Nabob Sippoo
Sultaun, which has been forwarded agreeably
to your Commands.—

From Major Barry Close — Holds a Conference with the Commissioners on the Part of Sippoo — suspends the Negotiations in consequence of the restrictive Power given to them.—

All Business of Ceremony
having been dispatched last Night: The Conference
commenced this Morning, with a Proposal on
our part for a mutual Examination of
Credentials, this being assented to, and ours
having been publickly read, we waited for
theirs, as a Matter of course; when after some
evident Confusion, and a considerable Delay;
one of their Moonshees produced and read a Letter,
granting them full Powers to settle the Peace
Business

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Business, but making no mention of adjusting the other Points in Dispute. We then requested a perusal of the Letter, which they declined, & although repeatedly urged, with an Offer of submitting our Powers to any Investigation they might think proper. After an Argument of considerable Length, in which they pressed the Propriety of commencing the Treaty Business, and afterwards proceeding as the Orders of both Parties might direct; and we as strenuously urged the impossibility of proceeding to Business, until fully satisfied that their Powers extended to the adjustment of every Point in dispute; the Letter was read a second time; when it was Agreed that a want of concurrence in the extent of our Powers rendered it necessary for both Parties to report to their respective Superiors, and wait their further Commands: But in order that Tippoo Sultaun might be fully apprized of the precise Cause of Delay, we proposed that Copies of the Instructions now produced might be mutually exchanged; to this they assented, but afterwards declined a Performance of their Agreement

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Agreement, requesting a List of our Claims, which was accordingly granted.–

After expressing my Regret at being obliged to part for the present, without having accomplished any of the ultimate Objects of our Mission; I thought it necessary to remark, that the Causes of Delay had evidently not originated on our part; as I was ready to prove by Copies of the Correspondence between our respective Superiors; Seid Mahomed Cawn anxious that they should part in impressed with this Fact, took occasion more than once to repeat the Observation, to which they did not think proper to refuse their Assent. The Conference then broke up with every Appearance of the most friendly Disposition on both Sides.

Some subsequent Messages gave us to understand that it was their Intention to fall back towards Chitteewell, until an Answer should arrive from Syringapatam; but here too they seem to waver in their Determination; perhaps from seeing us resolved to take no Step that might afford the

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the slightest Appearance of impeding the Negotiation.

I cannot possibly close this Address without observing the very singular Circumstance of several material Variations, in the first and second reading of their Letter of Instructions. One Variation struck us all, and was mutually communicated when we retired to our Seats.

In the first Reading, the Moonshee carefully repeated "You will proceed to the Frontiers with "your whole Force" in the second he had observed his Mistake and only said "You will proceed to "the Frontiers" In the first reading the Letter was closed with a Hint that the Business should be settled in a summary Manner, but this was likewise omitted the second Time.

I am the more induced to notice the ″ Circumstance from finding that Ghuzzuffer ″ Aly has apparently not neglected the Orders ″ which so unwarily escaped his Moonshee; the Line of Cavalry and Infantry with two Field ″ Pieces encamped in front of us, being much stronger than the occasion seemed to require.—

I have the Honour to be with perfect Respect, &c.a &c.a

(signed) Barry Close

Agreed

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Agreed to request the President will address Tippoo Sultaun on the foregoing Subject, desiring he will without delay furnish his Commissioners with full powers for the adjustment of the points in dispute.—

Minute thereon

The Secretary lays before the Board the following Letter delivered to him by Mr. Benfield.—

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

President and Governor, &c.a in Council,
Fort St. George

Honble Sir and Sirs.—

From Mr Benfield—
hopes Mr Edwd John Holland will not be permitted to leave the Settlement, till he has been examined on oath as an Evidence respecting the Papers laid before the Board the 4th March.—

As it is reported that Mr. Edward John Holland is to be appointed to a Station at a distance from the Presidency, it becomes my Duty, to inform Your Honor &c.a that Mr. Holland being implicated in the Papers, presented to you, by the Honble the Governor on the 4th. Instant, is a Material Evidence, for me to call upon, during the Examination, which, I must presume, You will be pleased to Order, in consequence of

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of my Letter of the 10th Instant, I therefore hope he will not be ordered to Leave Madras till he has been examined on Oath.—

I have the Honor to be with great Respect

&c &c

(signed) Paul Benfield

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Ordered to lie on the Table.—

To lie on the Table—

Read the following Letter from Mr. Rochuck

To John Shamier Esqr.

Secretary

Sir

I request You will be pleased to inform the Honble Board that I have received the Rum sent by Messrs. Harris & Lambert on the Ceres Capt Middleton. I must Observe that Messrs. Harris & Lambert instead of having fulfilled their Contract as mentioned in Mr. Harris's Letter to the Honble Board of the 8th Ultimo are deficient eleven thousand five hundred & Seventy Gallons of Rum and Thirteen Thousand nine hundred & thirteen Gallons of Arrack.—

From Mr. Rochuck stating the Deficiency in the Contract of Messrs. Harris & Lambert for Spirituous Liquors—

I have the honor to be.—

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18 March 1788—

(signed) Benjn. Rochuck
for the Honble Basil Cochrane
Agent for Spirituous Liquors

Agreed

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Copy to be sent to Bengal

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing be sent to the Governor General & Council.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Nagore.

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

President and Governor
of Fort St. George

From M. Tallofield Esqr French Ships at Karical taking in Water, – were unable to make Ceylon from a Current & Strong Southerly Wind.

Honble Sir

The five French Ships of which I arrival at Karical, I did myself the honor to advise You yesterday, are still at Anchor there, taking in Water. General Conway was expected to dine on shore to day. These Ships were unable I am informed to make Ceylon, owing to the Current and a Strong Southerly Wind.

I have the honor to be with greatest respect

Nagore
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&c. &c.
(signed) M. Tallofield

The

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The President lays before the Board a Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore (entered in C. C. No. 17) enclosing Bills for 9,000 Pagodas being in full for the 1.st payment due by him for February acknowledging the Receipt of the President's Letter of the 6.th Instant & declaring his intention of answering it fully in a short time, & of convincing the President of the propriety of his Conduct.—

Substance of a Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore.

Mr. Maunsell begs to call the # Attention of the Board to the Situation of Apsoon Caun who he is credibly informed is still in # as rigorous a Confinement as ever—That he is surrounded by Hurcarrahs during the day, that all Intercourse by Letter or otherwise is forbidden, and that Seapoys, though not disposed as such, watch around his Garden Wall at Night, # and he is himself a Witness that his Gate # which used constantly to be open in the day has been shut from the time he fell under the Nabobs Displeasure to the present Hour.—

Mr. Maunsell's Observations relative to the Confinement of Apsoon Caun.—

Mr. Maunsell further begs leave to observe that however unwilling he should be in any Respect to interfere with the Dependants #

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of the Nabob or to propose any Measure which might bear the slightest Appearance of obstructing him in the Management of his Affairs— Yet as that the Circumstances attending Apoorn Caun do not appear to him to apply to the Reasoning contained in the President's Minute of the 15 January last adopted by the Board— it is confidently said that Security to a large Amount might be Obtained which it seems highly reasonable should be taken for his personal Appearance until the Charges against him are investigated— This the Nabob appears to have promised at his Interview with the President and has not performed — the Close Confinement of Apoorn Caun under the Circumstances M. Maunsell has stated gives cause to suppose that the Nabob is not inclined to do him Justice by a fair Investigation, so severe and arbitrary a Procedure is not only disrespectful to our Government but also to our Laws which as they take Cognizance of Offences committed within the Jurisdiction of Madras by any Subjects of the Nabob, should in like manner operate in securing them against Oppression— guided by the same

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same Sentiments and viewing the Situation of Apoorn Cawn in the Light here described, it became an Object for Presentment to the Members of Government in their judicial Capacity by a Grand Jury - Mr. Maunsell submits these Circumstances for the attentive Consideration of the Board in the Hope it may appear to them expedient to exert the Authority of Government towards the Relief of Apoorn Cawn this numerous Family, should His Highness any longer delay to free them from their present Restraint.—

(signed) R Maunsell

Read the following Letter from Colonel Floyd.—

The Honble
The Governor in Council

Sir,

From Colonel Floyd with his Account against the Company for Purchase of Horses

I have the honor to lay before You my Account of 32 Horses, which with 111 Horses already furnished compleat my Contract for 143 Horses.

I may say that this also is a fair

Lots

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Lot of Horses, & such as, I hope, will meet your Approbation.-

The Charges are stated with minute correctness & the Certificates were sold & stated by M. William Balfour.-

I took the liberty of adding the Assortment money to the Subsistance, on Account of the very heavy rate of Provender, & other Charges of Keep - & beg leave to observe I have made no charges for the carriage money, which I was obliged to send to Hydrabad in Rupees.-

If my Account meets your approbation, as I trust it will I request you will please to order me the Balance.

I have the honour to be with great Respect &c.- &c.-
(signed) J. Floyd Col.

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Dr. The Honble Company in Account with Colon'l John Floyd Cr.

To 32 Horses at 120 Pagodas	3840	"	"
To Subsistence for 33 Horses as P. Account	757	11	"
To Custom paid for 34 Horses at Hydrabad	72	36	"
To Custom paid for 34 Horses from Hydrabad across the Kistna at 11 Rs. 8 Fan. each	113	14	"
To Two Tents for the Party	3	6	"
Pagodas	4786	25	"

By Amount of Bengal Certificates received at the Exchange of Nos. 375 P. 100	3840	"	"
Deduct the Average Rate of Discount having been sold at from 25 to 18 P. Cr.	815	30	72
	3024	11	8
By Balance	1762	13	72
Pagodas	4786	25	"

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Errors Excepted

(signed) J. Floyd

N: B: Colonel Floyd received from Government Certificates amounting to Pagodas 17,160 at the above Exchange which at Pagodas 120 P. Horse were intended to purchase 143 Horses. These Certificates produced 13,512 25 16 in Money. Why the above Statement is formed upon the same Rates.

N: B: Number of Horses in my Account of August 1787 ... 111

Number of Horses in this Account March 1788 ... 32

Number of my Contract ... 143 Horses.

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The Honble Company, in account with Colonel Floyd

Dr

for Subsistence of Remount Horses.

Number of Horses.	Dates of Subsistence	Number of Days each Horse	No. of Days & Multiplies by No. of Horses.
4.	14. June & 23 Augt	71.	284.
5.	24. & 25. Augt	2.	10.
9.	26. Augt & 10 Novr	77.	693.
11.	11. & 19. Novr	9.	99.
33.	20. Novr & 31. January 1788	73.	2409.
1	Snooped 16 Sept.		3495.
6	Subsistence drawn.		116 6/n Months
			6/n Pay.
			699
			58 1/4
			757. 1/4 Pay.

signed J. Floyd Colonel—

Minute thereon

Agreed to direct the Military & Paymaster General to discharge the Balance due to Colonel Floyd, & to debit Bengal & Presidency, upon which a Bill is to be drawn for the Amount.—

Read the following Letters entered in the Miscellany Book No. 88. 89.—

From Mr. De Bienchen

From Mrs de Bienchen the Widow of a Lieutenant of the 14th Regt of Hanoverians stateing her distressed Situation & requesting to be

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be allowed to partake of the pension given to Widows
Husbands
who have lost their Lives in the Company's Service.

Minute thereon

. Agreed to inform Mrs de Brienen that upon her taking the prescribed Oath of Qualification, & producing the Certificate of her Marriage she will be recommended to the Court of Directors for a participation of Lord Clives Bounty.

From Captain Wight

From Capt: Wight of the 36th Regement explaining the Causes which prevented until the present time his application for the Arrears due to him as Deputy Judge Advocate to the King's Troops, & declaring that if he had not thought it an unexceptionable Claim, he would not have made it.

Minute thereon.

Resolved that Captain Wight be desired to deliver in a Bill for the Arrears claimed, which will be discharged by a Bill on Bengal (as a Military Arrear) provided that the Pay has not already been received by Captain Sotheringham.

The

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The President lays before the Board Intelligence received, by which it appears that a large Army to be commanded by Tippoo's Son, is at Bangalore, & that Tippoo himself is still at Seringapatam.

Intelligence respecting Tippoo

Ea? 697

Arch: Campbell

John Hollond

Lt. W. Casamajor

R. Maunsell

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10.

Diary.

The President Sends in Circulation a proposed Draft of a Letter to the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun (as entered in the Country Correspondence No 18) stating that the Negotiation between Major Close & Syed Mahomed Cawn, & his Commissioners, is impeded from the Want of sufficient Powers on the Part of the latter to bring to a Conclusion the Points to be discussed; and requesting that he will give such Instructions as may terminate the Business without further Delay.

Substance of a letter to Tippoo Sultaun.

Ordered that the above Letter be translated into Persian and immediately dispatched

To be Translated and Dispatched

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

Hble Sir & Sirs.

Conformably to what we had the honor of writing You on the 2nd Instant, we now forward our Consultations, containing such part of our Correspondence on the Subject of the Service on which Captain Lowdie's Detachment, has been employed,

From Masulipatam the District again in Tranquility. Dunsterville's adherents effectually dispersed.

as

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as have not already been transmitted to You.

Our Chief's Correspondence with Seif Seung
his Highness the Soubah's Naib, and with
Ashavarow a principal Zemendar on the borders
of the Company's Country, has been regularly
entered on our Proceedings; and translations of
the Agreements taken by Captain Goodie, &
from such Persons as he suspected of harbouring
or assisting Dacanedgi's adherents, will also
be found entered, which renders it unnecessary
for us to add any thing further on this Subject,
than that the Measures which have been &
pursued, Seem to have effectually dispersed
these plunderers for the present, and we trust
will make the Neighbouring Zemendars cautious
of protecting or assisting them in future.

We have the honor to be very Respectfully

Masulipatam
13.th March 1788—

&c.a &c.a

Anth Sadleir
James Hodges
W. Dobbyn

Sent the following Letters

To

725.

Fort St. George. March 1788.

To

To W.m Benfield

Sir,

I am directed by the Honble the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 10. Instant Copy of which has been sent to His Highness the Nabob

To W.m Benfield. His Address of the 10th Instant contained in Terms of a disrespectful Tendency. to avoid Such in future

The Board direct me to remark that your address above mentioned is couched in Terms of a very disrespectful tendency, that you have introduced various matters which are foreign to the Subject upon which you were called to answer; that you have pursued in different parts of your letter a Strain of Freedom and ambiguity of Menace, by no means Suitable to that deference which Government have a right to command from all the Company's Servants under their Authority

The Board further direct me to desire, that in your future Letters to them, whether upon the present Subject or upon any other, you will Confine yourself to the matter immediately under discussion, as any improper deviation therefrom or any direct or implied insinuation disrespectful to Government will meet their Severest displeasure

I am &c &c

Signed John Chamier Secry.

Fort St. George
18th March 1788.

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Fort St. George. March 1788.—

19th

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council at

Fort William.—

My Lord

To Bengal. A Considerable Deficiency still remaining in the Contract with Messrs. Harris & Lambert for Spirituous Liquors—Endorsing Copies of Letters on the Subject—

We have the honor to enclose Copy of a Letter addressed to us by Messrs. Harris & Lambert with a reply from the Company's Servant in Charge of the Department for Spirituous Liquors on this Coast, from which it appears that so far from the Contract being fulfilled on the part of Messrs. Harris & Lambert, there still remains a Considerable deficiency for which the above Gentlemen are accountable.—

We have the honor to be—

Fort St. George
18th March 1788—

&c.— &c.—
(signed) Archd. Campbell

20th Sent the undermentioned Letters (entending M.G.

(Nos. 90: 91: 92: 93: 94: 95: 96: 97: 98: 99: 100: 101)

To Major Dugald Campbell—

To Major Dugald Campbell the Accounts transmitted in his Letter of the 5th Ultimo, have been transmitted to the Military Paymaster General with

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20th

with the necessary Directions.—

To Colonel Floyd— the Balance due of

To Colonel Floyd— hiem will be discharged on Application to the

Military Paymaster General.—

To Captain Wight— Deputy Judge Advocate

To Captain Wight of his Majesty's 36th Regiment— to the Kings Troops— His Arrears from the 27th May 1785 to the 11th May 86 will be discharged, provided they have not been drawn by Captain Fotheringham.

To the Military Paymaster General— Bills

To the Military Paym.r General— to be drawn on the Governor General & Council for the Balance due Colonel Floyd— and Arrears to Captain Wight

To Captain A. Brown— the Arrears due the

To Captain A. Brown— 1st Battalion of Native Infantry will be discharged by a Bill on Bengal, on Application to the Military Paymaster General.—

To the Paymaster at Trichinopoly— all the

To the Paymaster at Trichinopoly— Corps are in the same Predicament with that commanded by Captain Fotheringham. When Money is ready to be issued, proper Instructions will be given.—

To the Military Board— Enclosing an

To the Military Board.— Application for Rank by Lieutenant Farrow for Morris.—

To

20th

To the Civil Paymaster General - Enclosing a List of additional Barrack Attendants &c. declared by the Barrack Master to be necessary for the use of the Garrison of Fort St. George - to state, if the same were allowed previous to September 1786 - & if so, to what Head &c they were carried. —

To the Civil Paymaster General -

To Masulipatam - Only 304 - 66 :- 8 - of Gunn Marakk Sure Paddy are to be laid in - The Order for storing Paddy at Condapillee, countermanded —

To Masulipatam

To the Export Ware House Keeper to furnish an Account requested by the Representatives of the Captors of Bimlipatam

To the Export Ware House Keeper. -

To the Committee for investigating the Nabobs Debts to refer to his Highness's &c Agents a Claim of Mr. John Stuart for &c 30,000 Pagodas. -

To the Committee for investigating the Nabobs Debts. -

To Mrs De Brinckten - Upon her &c taking the prescribed Oath of Qualification for Lord Clive's Bounty - A recommendatory Certificate will be given her to the Court of Directors

To Mrs DeBrinkten

21st Received the undermentioned Letters &c (entered in M.B. Nos 102: 103: 104: 105: 106: 107)

To

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11/21.

From Messrs. Harris & Lambert at Calcutta dated the 10. & 23d January - the former with Invoice & Bill of Lading of 15,055 Gallons of double distilled Bengal Rum laden on the Snow Fanny - and the latter with 13,027 Gallons laden on the same Vessell.

From Messrs. Harris & Lambert -

From Ganjam - the necessary Communication of the Board's Commands has been made to the Officers who subscribed the address transmitted with the Chief & Council's Letter of the 1st Febry

From Ganjam -

2/22. From the Paymaster at Trichinopoly - with a Report of Money received from the Nabob's Manager, since the 28th December last exclusive

From the Paymaster at Trichinopoly -

2/23 From the Paymaster at Ongole - with a List of Provisions in Tinnicotah not saleable - Requests to know if he may remove them from the Store Houses, & carry the Amount being Pagodas 265. - 40 to the Head of Profit & Loss -

From the Pay.r at Ongole --

4/24. From Masulipatam - Directions have been given to the Paymaster at Ellore to discharge the Surgeon's Monthly Bills for Hospital Charges. -

From Masulipatam

At

730

Fort St. George 25th March 1788.

At a Consultation Present

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

Tuesday
25. March
—1788.—

President

John Holland James FCenny Cavan major

and

Robert. Maunsell Esqr.

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved.—

The President lays before the
Board the following Letter addressed to him
by Mr. Benfield.—

The HConble. Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
&c.a &c.a &c.a

From Mr. Benfield.
—On the Subject of his
not being allowed to
publish his Letter &
Correspondence.—
Declares that he meant
no disrespect to the
Government.—Requests
that his Letter may
stand on Record.—

Sir,

I have had the honor of receiving
your Letter of yesterday's date.—

It is lately that a press of any
account has been established at Madras, and
I know not of any Application having been
made to Government, for permission to print
papers

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papers, relating to the private Concerns and Property of an Individuals, except the one # presented to you.—

I will hope the correspondence I have been called to, by Government, as a Servant of the Company, under its Authority, cannot in fact, and that it will not be regarded, as bitween myself # and the Dunbar: for whilst subject to Laws as an English man, which are my Pride, and the # Eloge of all the European World; yet unknown to the Dunbar, it would argue a weakness on my part, were I to embark in correspondence, upon so unequal terms; and thereby withdraw myself from that protection, which our # Constitution affords, to the Character and # Property of Subjects + Perhaps I might assert with the confidence that this is the only # correspondence with Government, in which an Individual has been involved, where the benefit of obtaining Copies from the Press has been # solicited of you.—

Mine impugnant to every Sentiment I profess, to give any real cause, for charge of # Disrespect to Characters in high Station: and there is a Duty which calls every man to the

Defence

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Defence of his Character and Property, when attacked.—

The Promulgation I had flattered myself to obtain, as the readiest means of conveying to the eye of those, whose Stations entitle them to form a judgement on such occasions, & could only have its full operation against me, if the attacks has been justly formed: on the other Hand, however much I may suffer, in the want of such Promulgation, I bow submission to the Commands of Government.—

I presume your Letter is a publick one: I request this may stand on record.—

I have the Honour to be.—

&c. &c.

(signed) Paul Benfield

Fort St. George
19. March 1788—

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Poonah.—

To

733.

Fort St. George 25th March 1788.

To The Honorable Sir. Archibald Campbell K.B.

Governor &c. &c.

Fort St. George

Honorable Sir,

From the Resident at Poona
- The Peishwa marches towards Nagpoor with Harry Punt; Hostilities commence between the Rajah of Colapore & the Desoy of Sawant the latter applies for & gains Protection from the Portugese - Tippoo Army disaffected Enclosed a Packet from Bombay. -

I had the Honor to address you the 14 Inst. On the 20th The Peishwa marched towards Nagpoor accompanyed by Harry Punt, on the 28th Holcar proceeded toward Jejoore, The Minister remains in Poona Vicissaie to have dropt his Intention of going To Korar, in consiquence perhaps of the actual Hostilities Which I am credibly informed have taken place between the Rajah of Colapore & the Desoy of Sawunt over whose Forces the Raja has gained a considerable advantage & by the Superiority of his Force obliged the Desoy to retire to Goa & throw Himself intirely on the protection of the Portuguese Who have marched a large Body into his Country undertaken the Defence of his Capital Warree & prevented by their Fleet the Rajas Success in an Attempt on Rarce. -

It is difficult to judge of the Consequences of this Rupture in which the Raja seems to have acted in direct opposition to the Wishes & the Advice of this Government a Conduct difficult

to

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to account for but in the Confidence of Support from Sissoor; Yet I do not learn that any Movement of that Princes Forces has been made to Support the Rajas Designs & Operations—On the contrary the Smallness of his Force in the Neighbourhood of Hittoor & Shánoor has compelled the Partizans of the Deposed of the former Place to commit great Disturbances in that Quarter.

With this I have the honor to forward a Packet to your address from the Bombay Government which I presume contains the latest Advices from Europe & received at that Place from Bussora the 4th Inst: In the bare possibility that they may not be contained in your publick Packet I take the liberty to enclose the mutual Declarations of the Courts of London & Paris which remove the present Apprehension of a War; Also a Paper of Intelligence from Sr Robert Ainslie descriptive of the Affairs between the Courts of Vienna Petersburgh & Constantinople— General Medowes was expected to leave England the latter End of November & Four New Regiments were to be raised for India One of which I learn from the Papers his Majesty has been pleased to grant under your

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your Command.—

I learn from Bombay that Captain Browne of your Presidency is lately arrived there to Purchase Horses, & that Captain Torin with about Eighty Horses on his Way from Surat to Bombay had been Stopped, Mr. Ramsay has taken the Proper Means to remove the obstruction of his Progress which I make no doubt will be successful.—

From the best Information I can collect from the Southward there does not appear any Certainty of Tippoo taking the field very Soon, I am told that some Detachments have been with drawn from his Northern & Frontier but I by no means look on that as a Proof of his not having hostile Intentions this way, tho from what I hear from Quarters of good Authority the extreme Disaffection of his whole Army is likely to prove a Source of great Embarrassment whenever He puts it in Motion.—

I learn from Country Intelligence that Mhadjee Sindia still continues in the Neighbourhood of Gualiar.—

Mon.r

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Mons.r Montigny has not yet moved from hence but continues to report his Speedy Departure.-

Poona 29. Febry 1788.- I have the honor to be with great respect &.c &.c

(signed) C.W. Malet

P.S. It is mentioned to Me in a Letter from Bombay that General Conway is expected from Pondicherry on the Malabar Coast particularly at Mythi, to determine on the Propriety of Re establishing & Strengthning that Settlement- Enclosed is Duplicate to my address of the 14th Inst.

Dup.

The Honble Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.

President & Governor &c Council

at

Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

From Bombay- Tranquility restored to Poona, by the Re establishing of the Stadtholder- Enclosing Papers on the Subject- Requesting to be informed of the advances made to Lieutenant Keith of the 42d Regiment, & to Mr. Bathurst a Cadet—

We have the honor to forward a Packet to your address from the Court of Directors received three Days since by the way of Bussora.—

It affords us at the same time great satisfaction to furnish you with Copy of

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of Mr. Secretary Mortans Letter to Mr. Manesty at Bussora, an Extract from the London Gazette of the 27th to the 30th October, together with some # Articles of Intelligence communicated by # Sir Robert Ainslie to the Resident at Bassora, by which you will perceive that the Cloud # which a short Time since was pending over the Tranquility of Europe, has been happily dispersed. —

The Chief of Tellicherry we find has furnished Sir Archd. Campbell with the Result of his Enquiries respecting the Authenticity of the Report of Cloathing, Arms &c. being disembarked at Mahé for Tippoos Use, & with such Points of political # Information as he was enabled to obtain

We are to request you will direct that we may be furnished with a Memorandum of what Advances had been made # Lieut. James Kath, of his Majesty's 42nd Regiment at your Presidency and also of what Payments were made to Mr. Andw: Bethune a Cadet on this Establishment, who was # detained at Madras during the War some # Months

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Months & did duty there as he informs us
in the Year 1782.

We have the honor to be
&c: &c:
(signed) Andw. Ramsay
Robt Sparks.
D: Carnegie

Bombay Castle
Pol: & Secret Dept.
24th. February 1788.

Samuel. Manesty Esqr.
Resident at
Busora

Sir,

Since I wrote last on the 9th ultimo I have not received any letter from you, the present dis=patch is to acquaint you, that it being of much Impor=tance that Lieutenant Colonel James Hartley late of the Bombay Establishment, but who has been appointed Lieutenant Colonel of the 75 Regmt. should Arrive in India as soon as possible, for which purpose he proceeds thither by way of Aleppo and Busora - I have received the direction of the Secret Committee to direct you will give him every Assistance for procuring him a passage to India, and if this Letter should be received by you, before the Colonel's Arrival, that you take such measures as will prevent him any delay at your Port.-

I am with Respect &c. &c.
(signed) Tho.s Morton Secry P.S.

East India House
London the 1st November 1787.

739. Fort St. George 25th March 1788.

P.S. Colonel Hartley carries a Duplicate of this Letter - Since I wrote last, the Court of Directors have appointed Mr. Ramsay to be Chief of Surat on General Meadows's arrival, and the Bombay Council to consist of Messrs. Church, Carnegie and Green. -

His said General Meadows will take his passage in a Frigate, in the course of the present month. -

By the accompanying Gazettes & you will see (as I expected and hoped) that our warlike preparations are at an end, - be & pleased to send one of the Gazettes to Bombay -

True Copy
(signed) Samuel Manesty

True Copy
William Page
Secty. -

Extract from the London Gazette. -
Whitehall October 30. -

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signed and exchanged at Versailles on the 27th
Instant by his Grace the Duke of Dorset His
Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and
Plenipotentiary, and the right Honourable
William Eden. His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary
and Minister Plenipotentiary, on the part of
his Majesty and by the Count de Montmorin, His
Most Christian Majesty's Minister and Secretary
of State. having the department of foreign affairs,
on the part of his most Christian Majesty

Declaration

The Events which have taken place in
the republic of the United Provinces appearing
no longer to leave any Subject of discussion, and
still less of contest, between the two Courts, the
undersigned are Authorized to ask, whether it is
the Intention of his Most Christian Majesty
to carry into Effect the Notification made on
the 16th of September last, by his Most Christian
Majesty's Minister Plenipotentiary which by
announcing that Succours would be given
in Holland, has occasioned the Naval Arma-
ments on the part of his Majesty which
Armaments have become reciprocal. —

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If the Court of Versailles is disposed
to explain itself on this Subject, and upon the
conduct to be adopted towards the Republic, in
a manner conformable to the desire, which has
been expressed on both Sides, to preserve the good
Understanding between the two Courts, and
it being also understood at the same time, that
there is no View of hostility towards any Quarter
in consequence of what has passed, his Majesty
always anxious to concur in the friendly
Sentements of his Most Christian Majesty would
agree with him, that the Arrangements and in
general all warlike preparations should be
discontinued on each Side; and that the Navies
of the two Nations should be again placed upon
the footing of the Peace Establishment, as it stood
on the first of January of the present Year

Versailles the 27th October 1787.

Dorset
Wm Eden

Counter Declaration

The intention of his Majesty not being
and never having been to interfere by force in
the affairs of the Republic of the United Provinces
the communication made to the Court of London
on the 16th of last Month by Mons. Barthelemy,
having had no other object than to announce
to that Court an intention the Motives of which no longer
exist

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exist, especially since the King of Prussia has completed his revolution. His Majesty makes no difficulty to declare that He will not give any Assist to the Declaration above Mentioned, and that he retains no hostile view towards any Quarter in relation to what has passed in Holland; his Majesty therefore being desirous to concur with the Sentiments of this Britannick Majesty for the Preservation of the good Harmony between the two Courts, agrees with his pleasure with his Britannick Majesty. That the Armaments and in general all warlike preparations, shall be discontinued on each side, and that the Affairs of the two Nations shall be again placed upon the footing of the peace Establishment as it stood on the first of January of the present Year

Versailles the 27th of October 1787 Le cte de Montmorin

In consequence of the declaration, and Counter declaration exchanged this day. the Undersigned, in the Name of their respective Sovereigns agree, that the Armaments, and in general all warlike Preparations shall be discontinued on each Side, and that the Affairs of the two Nations shall be again placed upon the footing of the peace Establishment, as it stood on the first of January of the present Year.

Versailles October 27. 1787.

Le cte de Montmorin

Dorset

Wm. Eden.

True Copy (signd) William Page Secry

Copy

Extracts from a Letter from His Excellency Sir Robert Ainslie, to the President at Bussora, dated the 8th Decr. 1787.

"The Constitution of Holland is
"again restored to the footing of 1766. The Prussian
"Troops were soon to evacuate that Country, excepting
"a few, who will pass this Winter in the Vicinety
"of Amsterdam at the Request of the States
"General, and we may soon expect to see the
"Republick return to its ancient and natural
"Connections."

The

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"The Russians as well as the
"Turks, have operated very little in the last
"Campaign, and it is hard to say which have
"hitherto behaved worst, nay for my part, I think
"the latter have done most, for independent of
"Advantages reaped in Bessarabia, and in Lazbar
"(which still continues) the Russians have lost
"two Ships of the Line, & two large Frigates in
"the Black Sea, & have no means to repair that Loss."

"Preparations of War continue on the
"side of Germany, but it seems as yet dubious
"whether His Imperial Majesty is determined
"to become a principal in the War, which is
"likely to be prosecuted, notwithstanding the
"Negociations, or rather Efforts employed by the
"German, & French Missions to arrange
"Differences between this Court & Russia. Here
"all is hurry & Business, and the greatest
"Efforts are now making to defend themselves
"by Sea & Land, at all Events, against all their
"Enemies"

True Copy

(signed) William Page Secry

The

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The Commander in Chief proposes the following General Orders. —

It appears in the Report of the Commissary General of Musters that there are boys returned, and paid that do not Answer the discription in every respect of the 2nd and 3d Articles of the regulation for recruiting the Native Infantry Battalions published in General Orders on the 26th Sept. 1787. the Commanding Officers of those Corps are hereby required to strike off the Returns of Sepoy Recruits every Boy that does not come within the 2d. & 3d. Articles of the Recruiting regulations. —

It is also directed that such Boys as are under Eleven years of Age, and were on the Returns previous to the 26 Sept. 1787 in consequence of the Orders of the 22 October 1785 shall be Continued in the pay of the Company at the rate of ₹ 33 Fanams Monthly to each as a Pension, ₹ their Names to be noted at the bottom of the Returns, pay and Muster Rolls; But the ₹ Pension is to cease when they become Eleven Years Old, from which period, if sufficiently Qualified —

Proposed General Order, all Boys recruited for the Native Infantry except those who were on the Returns previous to the 26 September 1787 that do not come within the 2d & 3d Articles of the late Recruiting Regulations to be struck off the Returns. — a Direction to be made after the Abstracts are rendered of the Casualties arising from the Sale of Liquors. —

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qualified, they are to be paid & returned as Sepoy Recruits, or to be entirely struck off in the event that they are found not to be properly qualified to be so returned, and Paid under the 2d & 3d Articles of the Recruiting Regulations.—

Officers Commanding Corps, and the Muster Masters are to be Carefull that the Pension be not drawn for any Boy that was not on the Returns previous to the Order of the 26 Sept. 1787 and that the allowance shall not be extended to any other Boy.—

The Commanding Officers of Garrisons, Cantonment, or Camps are directed to send to the Presidency, immediately, to the Agent for providing Spirituous Liquors, the abstracts of the Effective Strength in each up to the 30 April 1787, agreeably to the General Orders of the 10th Decr 1786, And to furnish him as soon as possible with the abstracts from the 1st of May 1787 to the 30 April 1788. in order that a Division may be made of the profits arising from the Sale of Liquors according to the Regulations of Govern=ment.—

Ordered that the above be published—

Read

To be published—

746 Fort St. George 25 March 1788.

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board (with Enclosure entered in M. B. No. 108)

Proceedings of the Hospital Board 24. March 1788.—

Proceedings of the Hospital Board for great Want of Stationary—The Head Surgeon at Masulipatam has not of late to the Preceding the Monthly Returns— Recommended that he and Surgeon of the 2d Battalion of Artillery be ordered immediately to proceed to their Stations— Assistant Surgeon Thompson permitted to sell some Medical Instruments to the Company.—

The Hospital Board are sorry to inform Government that notwithstanding what has already been done with respect to Stationary their Secretary informs them, that his Indent for last year, has been only complied with in part, and the articles immediately wanted are entirely expended: He has likewise repeatedly called upon Mr. Hughes to complete it, who replied that there was none in Store. The Hospital Board hope Government will devise some Method, by which means they can be supplied with this necessary Article.—

Stationary will be supplied to the Civil Store-Keeper who will furnish the Hospital Board—

The

747. Fort St. George 23d. March 1788.

The Hospital Board &c are sorry to observe, that they &c have not been supplied with the monthly returns from &c Masulipatam lately, which &c they imagine, is owing to &c Mr. Binny's absence they &c therefore hope Government &c will ifpace an order, that he may repair to his Station without loss of time.—

An Order will be sent to Mr. Binny.—

Read a letter from &c Mr. Mein, Head Surgeon at Trichinopoly, complaining of the want of Assistant &c Surgeons, for the Duty at Trichinopoly and Warriore, which being entirely out of their Power at present to &c remedy, have directed their Secretary to acquaint Mr. Mein to see the duty executed in the best Manner he can, notwithstanding. Mr. Lord &c Surgeon of the 2d. Battalion of Artillery has their permission to visit Madras, in his way to join

Ordered accordingly.—

Fort S.t George 25.th March 1788.

join his Corps, they recom=
mend it to Government to
withdraw this Indulgence #
and issue an order, for his #
repairing to his Station #
without loss of time.—

The Hospital Board
have the honor to enclose a
Letter from M.r Thompson #
lately appointed to the 1.st #
Battalion of Sepoys, with a
List of Instruments, which
they have reason to believe
are not only well chose, but
well preserved, and hope #
Government will not think
a profit of 50 p.r Cent #
unreasonable as they have no
doubt but that they are #
marked at the prime Cost

(signed) Edw.d Atkinson

The Instruments may #
be purchased upon the #
terms recommended #
Viz.t 12 Prime Cost and #
50 p.r Cent Profit thereon

Secy
Recieved

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

To
The Hble Major General
Sir Arch.d Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council

Hble Sir,

In Obedience to your Commands I have examined the Accounts of General Lang.e The first Article of which is dated in the 1st Nov.r 1781, & the last on the 29th February 1788. The whole may be comprised under four different Heads Viz.t Cattle furnished, Secret Service Money, Salary, and the Interest of the Money from that time he is supposed to it due to the day the Account was closed, and Signed:-

Report of the Commissary General or Lieutenant General Langs Account

The Cattle are said to have been taken from the Enemy & sold to the Company for the benefit of the Captors, but I confess it appears to me very extraordinary that with small Detachments of Infantry &c. should have been able to cut off the Enemies Cattle which were no doubt in general protected by

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by numerous bodies of Cavalry. It seems to me much more probable that the Sepoys &. unknown to General Lang seized on the Cattle of the Inhabitants of the Country, & carried them into Vellore where they & were sold to the Company for the use of the Garrison. In this conjecture I am & justified not only from the improbability of their being taken from the Enemy but likewise from many Demands still existing from the Inhabitants of the adjacent Country against the Company for Cattle taken from them in that manner, & about that time. And besides as very & dreadfull consequences may ensue from & permitting the indiscriminate plunder of Cattle In my humble opinion it should never be Authorised, excepting in cases of great Emergency, nor when unavoidably practised should the Value of them be paid to the Captors until it is clearly ascertained that no Claim can be made by the Inhabitants, & the proofs are clearly established of their having been originally the property of the Enemy.—

When the Enemy possess themselves of the Country they of course seize on the Cattle, but it would be both impolitic & unjust in us

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us when we repel the Invaders to consider the Cattle of our subjects as Prize property belonging to the Army, & consequently dispose of it as if it had been taken in a conquered Country. Were we to act in this manner, Your Enemies more prudently & were to give Cowle as they did during last War to the different Zemindars we should evidently become the most dangerous Enemies of our own people, & make our future Success to be deemed by them as the greatest of all evils. The Measure of sending out Detachments to seize on Cattle in a time of War should for another Reason be very cautiously adopted, for xxx If the Commandant of a Garrison should be an entrusted Character he may send out so many, and such large Detachments for this Service as may endanger the safety of the place during their absence, & if they should be cut off reduce the loss of it to an absolute certainty. In examining an Account of this magnitude, in which not only Claims of private property are to be ascertained, but principles of public Disbursements are to be considered, & if passed may establish Precedents of dangerous tendency it is incumbent on me to shew You on what grounds such Claims are generally founded, & likewise what consequences are likely to ensue on their being admitted, or rejected. How far & the Arguments adduced are applicable to the present

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present Case it is not for me to devide, but if the Cattle, & Sheep charged in General Lang's Account can clearly be proved to have originally belonged to the Enemy, still it will be necessary according to the Rules of the Service not only that the Attorney should produce a Certificate of their being delivered to the Paymaster, but likewise that the Agents Accounts should be examined in order to prove that they have been received, and employed in the Company's Service, or expended for the use of the Garrison. The whole Amount of Charges under this Head amount to 3,643 Pag.s.—

With respect to the Charges for Secret Service Money which amount altogether to 7,550 Pagodas, I can only state to you the Rules of the Service, & the only Checks that can be established upon this necessary, & confidential branch of Expenditure. No Officer but the Commander in Chief himself has a Right to make any Charge of this Nature unless he authorised by a Special Order from Government, or at least the Com.r in Chief, & this is usual for every Officer to send his Account of Secret Service Money expended to be Certified by the Person to whom he communicated the Intelligence, who alone can judge whether the Intelligence and the Means employed to obtain it justify the Expence.—

Under the head of Salary must be included the different Allowances of Salary as 2 in Council, Pay, Batta, Gratuity, Off.s Mess Table allowances, Writers & other Servants &c. &c all

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all these I see nothing worthy of objection but a part of the Table Allowance which he charges for 20 Months at the rate of 600 Pagodas per Month, And likewise his Salary as 2d in Council for four Months The former was an Allowance to be given to him in lieu of Batta, & I believe he was in the Field only a part of the time. To the latter I conceive he is not entitled without an Order of the Court of Directors On his appointment to act as Commander in Chief it does not necessarily follow that he has a right to the Allowances of a Member of Government.—

The Demand for Interest on his Account in my Opinion is entirely Irregular, and Inadmissible, for it does not appear that he was demanded Payment, & therefore if due his Money can only be considered in the light of a Voluntary deposit in the Company's Treasury where he might think it safer than in the hands of any Individual.—

Besides if this Claim was granted every Officer, Soldier, & Sepoy in the Service who had Arrears due to them, & were paid in Bengal Bills during the War at a discount of 30 & 40 ℘ Cent would have an unquestionable right on the same principle to demand the full Reimbursement of that Discount, & likewise the Interest of the Money till the Bills were discharged.—

I have the honor to be with great Respect

&c. &c.

(signed) J. Capper C.G. & A.

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16th March 1788.—

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present Case it is not proper to divide, but if the Cattle, & Sheep charged in General Lang's Account can clearly be proved to have originally belonged to the Enemy, still it will be necessary according to the Rules of the Service not only that the Attorney should produce a Certificate of their being delivered to the Paymaster, but likewise that the Agents Accounts should be examined in order to prove that they have been received, and employed in the Company's Service, or expended for the use of the Garrison. The whole Amount of Charges under this head amount to 3,643 Pag.s –

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The Demand for Interest on his Accounts in my Opinion is entirely Irregular, and Inadmissible, for it does not appear that he ever demanded Payment, & therefore if due his Money can only be considered in the light of a Voluntary deposit in the Companys Treasury where he might think it safer than in the hands of any Individual.— Besides if this Claim was granted every Officer, Soldier, & Sepoys in the Service who had Arrears due to them, & were paid in Bengal Bills during the War at a discount of 30 & 40 ⅌ Cent would have unquestionable right on the same principle to demand the full Reimbursement of that Discount, & likewise the Interest of the Money till the Bills were discharged.—

I have the honor to be with great Respect

&c.a &c.a

(signed) J Capper C.G.A.A.

Fort St. George
19th March 1788—

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present Case it is not for me to divide, but if the Cattle & Sheep charged in General Lang's Account can clearly be proved to have originally belonged to the Enemy, still it will be necessary according to the Rules of the Service not only that the Attorney should produce a Certificate of their being delivered to the Paymaster, but likewise that the Agents Accounts should be examined in order to prove that they have been received, and employed in the Company's Service, or expended for the use of the Garrison. The whole Amount of Charges under this Head amount to 3,643 Pag.s –

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The Demand for Interest on his Account in my Opinion is entirely Irregular, and Inadmissible, for it does not appear that he ever demanded Payment, & therefore if due his Money can only be considered in the light of a Voluntary deposit in the Company's Treasury where he might think it safer than in the hands of any Individual.— Besides if this Claim was granted every Officer, Soldier, & Sepoy in the Service who had Arrears due to them, & were paid in Bengal Bills during the War at a discount of 30 & 40 ℔ Cent would have unquestionable right on the same principle to demand the full Reimbursement of that Discount, likewise the Interest of the Money till the Bills were discharged.—

I have the honor to be with great Respect

&c &c

(signed) J Capper C.G. A.A.

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Ordered that Copy of the foregoing be sent

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to Mr. Joseph Garrow Attorney to Lieutenant General Lang, and that he be requested to give such Information in support to the Generals Claims as may be in his Power.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Benfield -

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

President and Governor, &c. Council

Fort St. George

From Mr. Benfield, Mater that he has just procured his Instructions relating from the Service until the Subject Contained in the Papers laid before the Board by the Presidency the 4th Instant be fully elucidated Requests that his Letter of the 10th Instant may be early considered

Hble Sir & Sirs. -

I am honoured with Mr. Secretary Charnier's Letter, of the 18th Instant; by which I perceive you have been pleased to send Copy of my Letter of the 10th Instant to His Highness the Nabob. I beg leave to return my Thanks for the politeness of the Communication: but as I am called upon by Government, & respecting Papers delivered to them by the Honourable President, on the 4th Instant I can only look to the Honourable Board in the present Occasion. -

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Though I had not intimated to
your Honourable Board, that unemployed it
was my intention to have retired from the
Honourable Company's Service, and have
proceeded home, yet, I had privately communi-
-cated it: sensible, however, that I should only
be called upon by you, respecting the sequence
of Papers presented by the Honble President
on the 4th Instant whilst I remain in the
Honourable Company's Service it would
be unworthy to withdraw myself, under the
present circumstances. I have therefore
postponed my Intentions, and continue to
hold my situation in the Service, in order
to meet what has been brought forward
respecting me: and I feel a peculiar satisfaction
that on an Investigation I shall not have
occasion to be indebted in the smallest degree
to your favor.

It gives a heam concern to learn
my Correspondence has met with your
displeasure, and if I should satisfy my mind,
in what particulars it has been deficient
either

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either in Respect to a Publick Body, or in #
that Duty which I owe as a Company's #
Servant, I should have a thousand Apologies to
make.— When I signed my Covenants, as a
Servant of the Honble Company, I did not conceive
myself as forfeiting any of the Rights to which
the Laws of my Country entitle me: and whilst
I neither trespass upon them, nor transgress #
the Covenants I entered into with the Honourable
Company, I trust I may safely look up to #
those Laws as my Guardians.—

I take leave to myself with your #
permission, to observe my Answer to Mr.
Secretary Chamier's Letter, of the 18th Instant,
till the Business of the Papers that have #
been presented to you may be Cleared up:
and as my property is thereby evidently #
prejudiced, and its Negotiation of course #
proportionably impeded, I trust that the #
Requests contained in my Letter of the 10th #
Instant will have your early consideration—

I have the Honor to be with
great Respect—

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&c. &c.
(signed) Paul Benfield

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The President informs the Board that he proposes urging the Nabob to reply to Mr. Benfields Letter of the 10th. Instant, and thereby to bring the matter to a conclusion.

Read the following Letter from the Deputy Governor, and Council at Fort Marlborough.—

To the Hon'ble Sir. Archibald Campbell K.B.

Governor &c.a in Council

Fort St. George

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs—

From Fort Marlbro' consigning to this Presidency 60 Leagers of Arrack on account of the Company, and requesting that no Men of abandoned Character may in future be sent to them, two Men sent by the Triton now returned

We have the Honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter p.r Triton, with with the two Letter Packets from the Right Hon'ble the Governor General &c.a

By the Triton we have consigned to you 8,638 Gallons of Arrack in Sixty Leaguers on account of the Company. The Cargoe sent p.r General Elliot last year, we have heard, was in General esteem, and the quality, and strength of the present is equal to that of Batavia.—

We have been the more induced to send this Quantity on the Triton, as we have

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have rented the Company's Plantation, and Arrack Works to the Chinese, with the # condition of receiving the produce into # the Company's Godowns, to assist them, and ease the Company of a heavy Yearly # expence, The Freighters of the Triton have agreed to carry it at P8 ₰ Leaguer, and we # request the amount of the Freight may be paid to Sir John Menzies, and the amount proceeds of the Sale passed to the Credit of Fort William-

. We Robert Dashwood of your Establishment, being Security in a Bond with Mr L. Chantry deceased, to the Honorable Company whose Estate has been divided among the Bond creditors, and nothing further to be expected from it, We have wrote off the remaining part of the Principal, and Interest due to # ultimo December 178, to Your Presidency, amounting to P. 677: 2: 24 and now enclose the Bondsmen Order that the Amount may be received from Mr Dashwood.—

As our Garison here has already a Number of Untractable, and disorderly Men in it, many of the recruits being exchanged at St. Helena, for Men of that discription, #

We

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Their names Tho.s Brightw.e John. Bevey
We have returned two Cadets by the Triton, and
request that not any of the above Character
may be sent thither in future. The expence
of their Passage &c.a incurred here, we have
debited your Presidency for

We have the pleasure to acquaint you
of the Arrival of George Salmon Esquire and
the Earl of Chesterfield, who has taken the
Management of the Company's Affairs on this
Coast by Order of the Honble the Court of
Directors.—

We beg leave to trouble you with
two Letter Packets to the Right Honble the
Governor General &c.

and remain &c.a &c.a

Fort Marlboro
16th January 1788—

Geo: Salmon
(signed) J. Palmer
James Brooley

D.r Fort St. George Presidency in Account Current with Fort Marlborough &c.

		P.	F.	C.		P.	F.	C.
To Paid Passage 4 European Soldiers sent per Snow Triton from Madrass	3	68.	2.	96	By Balance	173.	2.	69
To Advance to...D.o...D.o		72.	"	"				
To the Amount of the French Government debt as per Account Current	3	20.	"	"				
To Medicines administered the European Soldiers during their passage	3	11.	3.	73.				
Pag.e		173.	2.	69.	Pag.e	173.	2.	69.

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Errors Excepted
(signed) J. Grigson
Accompt.t—

Ordered

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Ordered that the Arrack be landed.

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and received in charge by the Import &
Warehouse Keeper, and that a Letter be
written to the Attorney of M.r Cochrane
desiring to know whether the Liquors can
at present be applied to the use of M.r
Cochrane's Employ as Agent for Spirituous
Liquors – or whether it can be sold at this
time without loss to the Company.–

Read the following Letter from

Bengal.–

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

From Bengal the Orders of the Company respecting Gratuity and Under the Consideration of the Commander in Chief.–

Honble Sir.

We have received your Letter of the 8.th Instant, with the Accounts which Accompanied it of Payments and Disbursements to the Kings Troops serving on the Coast of Choromandel from the 1.st July 1781. to the 30.th June 1782.–

The 7.th Paragraph of the Order of the Honble Court of Directors to this Presidency.

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Presidency by the Ranger relative to the Gratuity Claimed by the Field Officers of his Majesty's troops is under the Consideration of the Commander in Chief, whose Decision on the Subject will be Communicated to you as soon as possible.—

We have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(signed) Cornwallis
Chas. Stuart
J. Shore.—

Fort William
Secret & Mely Dept.
27. February 1788.—

Read the following Letter
from Brigadier General Horne, with
Enclosures entered in M. B. Nos. 109: 110.—

To John Shaw Esq.
Military Secretary

Sir

From Brigadier General Horne with the Engineers Report of the Quarters & Stabling erected in the Cavalry Lines by Captain Stevenson.— and Requisition of Adjutant Hill to be reimbursed the Expence of building a Quarter.

In conformity to the Hon'ble Boards instructions signified to me by your letter of date the 5th Instant, I directed Captain Byres to examine the Quarters and stabling erected in the Cavalry Lines by Captain Stevenson; and have the honor to transmit you the Engineer's Statement of the same, which I must beg

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beg leave to remark to you appears to me to be within the Sum those buildings must have cost in erecting however the bad condition of the Officers Quarters in general, as well as the deficiency in numbers to accommodate the whole which belong to this Station, has constantly been the subject of Complaint and of Applications for being reimbursed some necessary expences that they have incurred in order to make the places allotted to them habitable. Amongst the many representations, I have received on this head the accompanying one from Adjutant Hill appears to me to be as well founded as those of the Artillery Officers at Warriore &c. and am therefore to request you will lay the same before the Governor in Council. —

I must beg leave further to observe that if Government are pleased to reimburse any particular Individual for the expences they have been at, in repairing

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repairing their Quarters, and not extend this Indulgence to others in the same predicament that it will be productive of much dissatisfaction but in this observation, I beg leave to except the expence Captain Stevenson has been at in erecting Stables for the Regiment as they must be considered buildings for the Public Service, but I am desirous that it should be understood: Should the Government not be induced to grant an allowance to other Officers for repairing their Quarters &.c at this Station that the Honble President in Council will be pleased to direct whatever sum they may judge proper to reimburse Captain Stevenson that it may come under the head of Stabling and Store House erected in the Cavalry Cantonment at Warriore.—

I am &.c &.c

(signed)

Mat.w Horne.—

Head Quarters of
the Southern Forces
Trichinopoly
March the
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Agreed that a Sum not exceeding

Memo. respecting Captain Stevenson's Quarters. — the Cost of a Majors Quarter be paid to

Captain Stevenson for the Quarter &

built by him at Trichinopoly and

now appropriated to Major Burrows

Commanding; reserving what may have been

paid to Captain Stevenson for the

Possession of his Quarter when &

as Commanding the 4th Regiment of

Dragoons. —

With respect to the reimburse-

ment to Captain Stevenson of the Sum laid out

as to the Stabling by him in Stabling the 4th Regiment it is &

Agreed to decline paying more than the Sum

established for such Purpose. —

Ordered that the above Resolution

be communicated to General Horne, the

Paymaster at Trichinopoly, & to Captain

Stevenson. —

Read the following Letter from

the Chief Engineer. —

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

Commander in Chief, President & Governor &c. Council of

Fort St. George

From the Chief Engineer with the Mahratta Abstracted Accounts for February the Artificers on daily pay at the 4 Cantonments discharged except the Smiths, Carpenters supplied

Honble Sir & Sirs,

I have the honor to lay before You the

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supplied by the Paym.r
- Recommends that the entrenching Tools &c.a be delivered to the Commissary of Stores

The Wallajahbad Accounts for the Month of February and to acquaint you that Agreeably to your Directions, all the Artificers on daily pay & and the Establishment of Servants for the Works, there are discharged; except a Mastry and Under Mastry Bricklayer: So that there only remains the Monthly Smiths and Carpenters supplied by the Paymaster, who are employed in making Racks for Arms; and in case it shall be thought expedient to discharge them also, the Racks may be supplied compleat with Brackets &c.a at 4 Pagodas P Sett of 10 feet long, which will be a saving to the Company in pay to Workmen of, at least, an Hundred Pagodas P.r Month.

It is proposed, with your Approbation to deliver all the Entrenching Tools to the Commissary of Stores, together with the Receipts of the Commanding Officers of Corps for such as they have had, that they may hereafter be considered Accountable to him for them.

The Accompanying Valuation of the other Stores and Materials is at such a Rate as the Hon.ble Board may have them supplied for.

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for enforcement. and, if approved, the Account Current
N.o 2. wherein Credit is given for their Amount
will shew the Balance that remains due.-

I have the honor to be.-
&.c &.c
(signed) Patrick Ross
Lieut Col.l & Chief Engineer

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25.th March 1788.-

Agreed to desire Colonel Ross will
discharge the Smiths & Carpenters at
Masulipatam Malacajanabad, & deliver to the Commissary
of Stores the Entrenching Tools under his
Charge.-

Ordered that Colonel Ross's
Accounts be sent to the Commissary General

Read the following Letter from
Masulipatam, with Enclosures entered
on P. C. Nos. 111 112)

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

Hon.ble Sir & Sirs,

From Masulipatam stating the Repairs immediately necessary to the Company's Garden House, & to the House occupied by the Chief in the Fort.-

A part of the House in this Fort allotted
for the Chief, having for some time been in a
decayed state, was lately so much damaged by
the

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of the roof falling in by the scaling of Guns, that it became necessary to have it taken down, for the sake of preserving the Materials of the Remaining part of the Building, erected in the Years 1779 and 80, while Mr. Cotsford was Chief in this Settlement. We enclose No 1: Copy of a letter from the Engineer descriptive of the repairs wanted, & expence necessary, for putting this House in its former condition, and as the new part will be liable to consi=derable injury by the first rains, in consequence of its being at present so much exposed, we request to be favored with Your Orders whether, what the Engineer has recommended should be immediately undertaken, as any delay might prevent its being finished before the Month of June, when the first rains generally set in & often with great violence.

One of the Pavilions at the Company's Garden House, which serves for the Chiefs Kitchenee, being also in want of repair, & some addition to its Verrando, for making it more suitable for the purpose required we

likewise

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Likewise, enclose No 2, a Letter from the Engineer relative thereto, together with an Estimate of the Expence that he thinks will be necessary for putting it on the condition proposed; and request Your Orders whether it should be undertaken, as it is a Building in constant Use, & which cannot without great inconvenience be dispensed with -

We had the honor of addressing you under date the 4th August 87 on the subject of the Company's Garden House, a part of the Verrando of which had been taken Down a short time before the Departure of Mr Floyer; and as it still remains in the same exposed & inconvenient state, in consequence of our not having received Your Orders, we request Your permission for its being rebuilt in the manner it was before, which will both better preserve the uniformity of the House, & be less expensive to the Company, than the addition that Mr Floyer intended to

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to One of the corner rooms, which from its present exposed state, will also render it liable to further injury when the rains setin.

We have the honor to with
Very respectfully
(signed) Jnth Sadleir
" James Hodges
" Wm Dobbyn.

Masulipatam
12 March 1788

The Board approve the recommendation of the Chief & Council respecting the repair Buildings, & it is accordingly Agreed that they be Authorized to carry the same into Execution.

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The President in his Character of Commander in Chief informs the Board that Major Judson of the Artillery being unequal by Wound & Infirmities to active Service, has requested to be placed on the Invalid List - in which Request the Commander in Chief recommends his being indulged.

Major Judson of the Artillery placed on the Invalid List

Ordered accordingly -

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The Commander in Chief proposes the following Promotions & Removals.—

Promotions & Removals recommended by the Commander in Chief.

Lieutenant James O'Laughlin to be invalided.—

Ensigns Charles Allison & David Cheap to be pensioned, the former on fifteen Pagodas ℔ Month & the latter on Nineteen Pagodas ℔ Month.—

Captain David Smith, to be Major, vice Judson Invalided— & Captain Lieutenant Francis O'Brien to be Captain of the Company— vice Smith.—

Lieutenant Thomas Blackmore to be Inspector of Stores at Vizagapatam vice O'Brien.—

Ensign Henry Blacker to be an acting Lieutenant vice Laughlin Invalided & a Lieutenant on Half Pay.—

Mr. John Stuart Conductor, to be an Ensign until the pleasure of the Court of Directors is known— vice Blacker, and an Ensign on half pay.—

Ensign

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Ensign Macfarlane & Alexander Maitland to be (an) Acting Lieutenants vice Somers Clarke & James Cunnyngham, & Lieutenants on half Pay.—

Messrs. John Jones & Angus Mac Laughlin Conductors, & Mr. Charles Managhan Gent: to be acting Ensigns, until the Pleasure of the Honble the Court of Directors is known vice Allison, Cheap, & Mr. Farlane, & three Ensigns on half Pay.—

Resolved that the above be published in General Orders.—

Read the following Letter from Mr. Rolleston.—

The Honble Major General Sir Archid. Campbell K.B. Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir

From Mr. Rolleston requesting that his Letters of Application to be admitted into the Service, may be sent to the Court of Directors, with favorable mention of his Character

As it appears from your Honors reply to my letter of the 5 Instant, in answer to my late Application to Government, preferring Claim to Rank in the Honble Company's Army, that no such Claim can be admitted without the Sanction of the Honble the Court

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Court of Directors I have to request that my letters of the 8th May 1786, and 29th Ulto may be transmitted to Europe for their consideration by the earliest opportunity. And as my attainment of the object in view must in a great measure depend on my Character I presume further to request that your Honors will be pleased to mention me to the Honble Court of Directors in such manner, as upon enquiry into my Conduct during the Whole of the late War, I may be thought to deserve which will be conferring a particular obligation on

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&c. &c.
(signed) Francis Rollston

Minute thereon

Agreed that Mr. Rollestons Paper be Copied & sent to England, & that his Zeal & gallantry be particularly noticed in the next Dispatches to the Court of Directors.

From Mr. Drummond Surgeon of the 52 d Regiment

Read a Memorial of Mr. Drummond, Surgeon to the 52 Regiment as entered in the M.B. No. 113) Stating that he is in prospect of some Chits for Hospital Charges during the Month

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Months of April, May, June, July & August 1785, & desiring that the Balance being, Pagodas 1337 may be discharged—

Agreed to desire Mr. Drummond will deliver in his Chits for the Purpose of their being examined by the proper Officer, previous to any dicision respecting the mode of liquidating them

Minute thereon

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board the following Memorial from three Artillery Officers—

To

His Excellency Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K.B Commander in Chief of His Majesty's and the Honble Company's Troops on the Coast of Coromandel &c &c &c

Sir,

We the Subscribing Officers of the Corps of Artillery, beg leave to lay before your Excellency, the following Circumstances relative to our Rank in that Corps and trust, from your known Candor and Justice that our Case will meet your support and Approbation.

We were Appointed Cadets for the Bombay Establishment early in the Year 1781.

Known Lieutenants Burke & Coopland & Lieut Fire Worker Burke, claiming Rank over Lieutenant Jourdan—

and

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and arrived at Madras in March the year following
when as no opportunity offered for proceeding to
the Place of our Distination, we remained #
acting as Ensigns, and doing the Garison #
Duty of Fort St. George, until the 25th of Sept.
in the same Year, when Government was #
pleased to Appoint us to the Corps of Artillery
as will appear by the following Order, which we
beg leave to insert.—

September 25. 1782.

G. O.— By Government.—

The following Gentlemen to be Lieut Fire=
=Workers Ensign Blackmore Date of Rank 19 Febry 82
Mr. Saunderson ——— Do. 20th ——— Do.
Mr. Batty ——— Do. 21st ——— Do.
Mr. Munro ——— Do. 22d ——— Do.

Messrs. Richard Darke
" William Cowpland
" Thomas Finch
" Ho. Burke
} Cadets on the Bombay Establishment to Act as Lieut Fire Workers till Vacancies happen for their Promotion.—

We further beg leave to observe, that Messrs. Batty and Munro, who by the above order stand immediately above us, were neither of them #. Cadets for any of the Company's Establishments, the former having come to this Country a # Volunteer in His Majesty's 98 Regiment and the

Fort St. George 25. March 1788.

the latter in His Majestys 73d Foot

From the above Circumstances we hope it will appear to your Excellency, that after the Cadets Messrs. Blachmore and Saunderson for this Establishment, were promoted, that We from coming out Cadets, and Covenanted Servants to the Honble Company might expect precedence of those Gentlemen who had no Claim whatever on their Service

We also hope that our having done the Duty of Ensigns at the Presidency as before related, 'till the time of our appointments to the Corps of Artillery (as Lieutenant & Colonel Sydenham now our Commanding Officer and then Town Major of Madras, as well as the Garrison Orderly Book can testify) would urge greatly our Plea for taking precedence of those Gentlemen.-

We immediately joined the Army in the Field, with the fondest hopes of succeeding to the first Vacancies, but on November following we found our prospect of Preferment as remote as ever, occasioned by the following Order & which we beg to recite.- G.O.

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G. O. By Government November 12. 1782

John Jourdan Lieutenant of

the Nabobs Artillery (Prisoner) to be Lieutenant

Fireworker - Date of Rank February 23: 1782

By this Order your Excellency &

could perceive that Mr. Jordan was next

immediately above us and next under &

Messrs Batty and Munro altho at that

time there was no Vacancy for Lieutenant

Fireworker, which induces us to think it

was the intention of the Honble Board

that Mr. Jordan should come in Youngest

Acting Lieut Fireworker, We are the more

inclined to believe this to be the Case as

a similar Circumstance happened in

the Course of the next Year by Appointing

Messrs Mackie, Morris, Northan & Murett to

the Rank of Lieutenant Fireworker, when &

Messrs Friend, Pierce, Scott &c. had been &

Acting Lieut Fireworkers for some Months before,

which being represented to the Honble Board

the Appointment was Countermanded, and they

were placed next in Succession to the Acting &

Lieut

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Lieut Fire Workers as will appear by the annexed

Order.

G. O. By Government. August 26. 1783.

The following Gentlemen are

Appointed to the Corps of Artillery to be Lieut

Fire Workers and to Rank as follows.—

John Mackie ..... 22. August 1783.

Edward Northan ..... 23 ..... Do

L. B. Mussett ..... 24 ..... Do

The above Order having appeared

to Major Mackay to be a Mistake he represented it

to the Honble Board which produced the following

Order.

G. O. By Government Septemr 12. 1783.

Lieut Fire Workers, Mackie Morris

Northan, and Mussett were in Orders by Mistake

in preference to the Officers named to Act in that

Station with the Corps of Artillery.—

The Right Honble the President

and Select Committee being pleased to promote

all the Acting Lieut Fire Workers to fill

Rank, they will stand as follows, including

in their proper places the Gentlemen

promoted

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Diary

Sent the following Letter to the Resident at Poona

C. W. Malet Esqr.

Poona

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781. Fort St. George March 1788.

26th

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I am With great Esteem.—
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To the Import Warehouse Keeper with Invoice & Bill of lading of Arrack

To the Import Warehouse Keeper

per Triton from Fort Marlbro', & directing him to take charge of it.—

To the Surgeon of the 52d Regt. to lay his Chits mentioned in his Memorial to the Commander in Chief, before the Board for their Approval.—

To the Surgeon of the 52d Regt.

To the Chief & Council at Masulipatam the Board consent to the Repairs & Building to the Company's Garden House, & to the Chief's House in the Fort as recommended by them.—

To the Chief & Council at Masulipatam

To Mr. Roebuck Attorney to Mr. Cockrane, to state the most preferable Mode for disposing of the Arrack from Fort Marlbro' lodged in the Import Warehouse.—

To Mr. Benjamin Roebuck.—

To the Paymaster at Ongole, the # decayed Provisions at Semmeypetah to be sold & the loss arising thereon to be carried to # Profit & Loss.—

To the Paymaster at Ongole.—

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To Mr. Joseph Garrow, Attorney to Lt. General Lang Enclosing Copy of Colonel Capper's report upon the General's Accounts and desiring he will reply thereto.

To Mr Joseph Garrow

To the Chief Engineer the Walajanbad Accounts sent to the Comptroller General for Official Examination; the Board approve his discharging the Smiths and Carpenters at Walajabad, & delivering over the Entrenching Tools under his Charge to the Commissary of Stores, also his Valuation of the Stores & Materials.—

To the Chief Engineer

To Captain Stevenson.— The Board consent to his being paid Pag.ª 300: for his Quarters at Trichinopoly, but cannot make any Allowance for Stabling more than what has been already fixed for the Native Cavalry.—

To Capt Stevenson.—

To Brigadier General Horne & to the Storekeeper at Trichinopoly, advising them of the Board's determination respecting Captain Stevenson's Quarters.—

To Brigadier Genl Horne—
To Mr. A. Johnston

To

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To the Commissary General Enclosing Walanjauba'd Accounts presented to the Government by the Chief Engineer.—

To the Commissary General.—

To Captain Williams Enclosing a List of Officers to embark on his Ship for Europe, & directing him to Apply to the Paymasters of the King & Company's Troops for the usual Allowance of Passage Money granted to the Officers permitted to proceed on his Ship—

To Captain Williams Commanding the Princess Amelia—

To the Paymaster of the King's Troops To pay the usual Allowance of Passage Money to the Commander of the Princess Amelia, for the King's Officers proceeding to Europe.—

To the Paymaster of the King's Troops

To the Military Paymaster General with a similar Order for the Company's Officers going on the same Ship—

To the Military Paymaster General—

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At a Consultation Present

The Honorable. Major General

Sir Archibald Campbell, K.B.

President

Friday 28th. March 1788

John Holland, James Henry Casamajor

and

Robert Maunsell Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved.—

The Draft of the General Letter to be sent by the Princess Amelia from this Department being read and approved is ordered to be Copied fair.

General Letter p Princess Amelia approved.

The President lays before the Board some Intelligence lately received, the Heads of which are as follows—

Intelligence respecting Tippoo

"The Troops in the Coddapa country "are

Intelligence—Tippoo's Motions indicate hostile Measures towards the Company

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Cutcherry or Public Court where all matters of Account are adjusted - He therefore requests that his Friend Sir Archibald Campbell will assist him to oblige this refractory Servant to attend at his said Cutcherry for the purpose of settling his Accounts. -

His Highness encloses for the perusal of Sir Archibald Campbell the purport of a Message delivered by Nujeb Caun, Nooreed Deen Mahomed Caun to Khajah Asiem Caun with his answer

Chepauck House
19 March 1788

Translation of a Paper given by Mahomed Nujeb Caun Nooreed Deen Mahomed Caun and Budder Islam Caun under their Seals. -

On the 1st Jamaudejany 1202 of the Hegery (18 March 1788) Monday at three in the afternoon we went to Khajah Asiem Caun by order of the Nabob Waulajah Bahauder and delivered the following Message

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Message to him from His Highness "That
"by his Remaining in his House and
"negotiating through others, the Settlement
"of his Accounts had been much prolonged
"and that it was therefore proper that he
"should come with an easy mind, to the
"Presence and settle them in the same just
"and equitable manner as all other Debtors
"to the Circar do"

Khajah Asiem Cawn Replied
that the Mutsuddees of the Circar should
attend at his House to negotiate and
settle the Business and that he could
not attend the Durbar until it was
settled — His Highness the Nabob on hearing
this Answer of Khajah Asiem Cawn to
his Message was pleased to say that
it was customary to settle the Accounts
of all Debtors to the Circar whether
they were Men of low or high Rank in
the Cutcherry which is the public Office
and that Cojah Asiem Cawn who is the
Circar's

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Circar Servant now wanted to break through the
that Custom by settling in his own house &
that all his Servants and those who are endebted
to his Circar would take this as a procedent &
which is not only against his Inclination
but would be "subversion of the rules of the
Cutcherry - that in this Case what distinction
would remain between his Highness who
is the Master and him (Apsim Cawn) who
is the Servant. That he must absolutely
attend the publick Cutcherry - His Highness
was further pleased to say" - When Kojah
"Apsum Cawn was Dewan he never went
"to the house of any Debtor of the Circar &
"(either Great or small) to settle the Accounts
"there, though several Debtors to the Circar
"were His Highness's own Relations and of
"greatest rank and Consequence than Apsim
"Cawn? That he never thought of this
"proposition then"

From the above request that the Meeting with the President respecting Apsim Cawn may be deferred until he has provided himself with Certain Papers tending to elucidate the Subject

His Highness the Nabob Walajah Bahauder presents his Compliments to Sir Archibald Campbell, he understands from his Son, the Governor Wishes to have a meeting with him

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him upon the Business of Asoiss Lawon -
his Highness begs to inform him that as
this is a matter affecting his Sovereignty and
Authority and his Jurisdiction over his &
Dependants, granted to him by the 13. Article
of the Treaty of Paris and further Secured
to him by Assurances from his Majesty &
and the Company as also in a correspondence
between the Secretary of State and the Court
of Directors in August 1771 in consequence of
a Representation from His Highness to his
Majesty, it will take some little time to
Illustrate and Arrange ~~them~~ Papers which he
wishes to lay before Sir Archibald for his Infor-
mation, and as soon as they can be got ready his
Highness will appoint a day for the Meeting
Sir Archibald wishes - His Highness will at
the same time lay before him the several &
Engagements of this Presidency to support
him in all his just Rights upon the strength
of which only he was induced to take up his
Residence with his Family and Dependants
at Madras.

The

Chepauk House
28th March 1788.

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The President lays before the Board the following Card received from the Nabob on the Subject of the 2d. List as entered also in the C.C. No. 20)

His Highness the Nabob Walajah Bahauder presents his Compliments to Sir Archibald Campbell.-

From the Nabob on the Subject of his Second List - Desires Permission to withhold the Payment of 1 Lack of Pagodas, until the 20th April.-

His Highness believes Sir Archibald Campbell is sensible of the great burden that His Highness is loaded with, but as he may not be fully Acquainted with the many obstacles he has to encounter with in the collection of his Revenues His Highness requests leave briefly to state them, The Zemindar of Calestry has not paid the Circar's Money - The Shavaguer=gah Man has not discharged any part of his Rent for the present year, eight Months of which are expired, nor has he even discharged his balances for the last Year, the Polygars of Tinnevelly, so far from discharging their Tribute, have frequently

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frequently committed depredations upon the ad
Cerears Villages, injured the Ryotts and ad
carried off the Revenues, and in the Arcot
province the Colleries very frequently rob
plunder, and even Murder the Inhabitants
These causes together with the want of
a sufficient quantity of Rain, in most of the
Provinces, and the great Alarm of the Ryotts
at the late rumours of a French War, have
been of every great detriment to his His
Highness's Revenues, add to all this the bad
State of his Son's health, and Sir Archibald
Campbell will see the great difficulties his
Highness has labored under His Highness
does not however mean to advance the ad
above as a plea for the non performance
of his Engagements, by the blessing of God
the Kist will be punctually fulfilled; and the following
is a State of the payments which have been
already made in it 2 Kist payable the 31st
March Pagodas 9,00,000 deduct on Lack
to be received thro the Governor on Account
of the Tanjore Rascals remain Pagodas 800,000.—.—
Paid to the Company to the 27th March 303,000.—.—
Balance ——————————— 497,000.—.—

His

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His Highness has received Bills from the Country for 269,000 Pagodas payable on the 31. March, but as the Merchants on whom they are drawn, wish to be allowed a few days more they will not be paid on that day. In the course of a week however the Bills will be all paid off and in the mean time large Sums will be daily paid in part. Receipts are shortly expected from the Southward for 28,000 Pagodas paid to the different Paymasters on Account of the Troops these two Sums make 297000 Pagodas and the balance will be 2 Lacks. For the payment of one Lack, His Highness is allowed one Month by the Treaty - and if the Governor will be so good to allow the same time for the payment of the other Lacks they will both be paid off by the end of April.

His Highness looks up with confidence to Sir Archibald Campbell for assistance, and the support and he hopes therefore he will be so good to comply with this request.

Chepauck House 28 March 1788.

The Board are of opinion that they cannot take upon themselves to acquiesce in the Nabobs request respecting the postponing the payment

Minute thereon

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payment of a Lack of Pagodas to the end of next Month, as such acquiescence would be a departure from the Treaty if entered into with His Highness on the 24 February 1787.

The President lays before the Board the following Report of the State of the Treasury, and its expected Resources from which he thinks Government justifiable in issuing the Residue of the Dividend due to the Publick and Private Creditors of the Nabob

President lays before the Board a State of Treasury &c. &c. expected Resources & recommends issuing the Residue of the Dividend

Balance of Cash &c. in the Treasury		3,33,676.—
Balance of Europe Bill Cash Book		1760.—
Musters of Coin		371.—
Deposits		16,185.—
Billon Balfour & Co.		5333.—
Tanjore Bills due 8 March		14,955.—
		3,72,280.—
The Nabob owes of this Kist due 31 March about 5,00,000.— Suppose him to pay no more immidiately than		3,00,000.—
		6,72,280.—
1st April.— Payments for the Troops	30,000.—	
Civil Paymaster	5000.—	
Export Warehouse Keeper	5000.—	
Various current demands	5000.—	45,000.—
Balance that would be remaining after paying the Troops for the 1st		6,27,280.—
The Dividend due to the Creditors on Account of Money received for their use last Year, Account as p. State to	Pagodas 2,55,355	
The Interest on the Bonds about 1,00,000.—		3,55,355.—
Surplus	Pagodas	2,71,925.—

The President also recommends the payment of the Interest due on the Company's Bonds agreeably to the foregoing Statement.—

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Fort St. George 28th. March 1788.

The following Papers shew the Distribution of the Dividend proposed, with the Sums to be refunded to the Consolidated Creditors.—

Distribution of Three Lacks of Pagodas to the Public and Private Creditors of Her Highness The Nabob of the Carnatic, Ordered by the Honorable The President in Council to be made on the 4th. April 1788.—

Distribution of the dividend proposed to be made.—

To The Creditors of New Consolidated Debt of 1777

For 3 Months Interest at 6 per Cent per Annum to the 31st December 1786 ..... 82477. 17. 65.

To the Creditors of the Old Cavalry Loan

For 3 months Interest at 12 per Cent per Annum to the 31st December 1786 ..... 20718. 26. 57.

Pagodas 103196. 8. 42.

The Residue being Pagodas 196,803.27.38 is to be equally divided between the Company and the Creditors of the Old Consolidated Debt of 1767

To the Creditors of Old Consolidated Debt of 1767

For 3 Months Interest at 10 per Cent per Annum to the 31st December 1786 .....

In part of Principal at Pag.s .. .. .. per Cent ..... 98401. 31. 59.

Amount payable to the Three Classes of Creditors Pag.s 201598. 4. 21.

The Honorable Company

Will Retain their Proportion being ..... 98401. 31. 59.

Total Pagodas 300000. .. ..

The

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Papers shewing the Sum to be issued to the Consolidated Creditors

The proportion of Dividend payable to the three Classes of Consolidated Creditors, out of the Three Lacks remaining undevided on Account of the Payments for 1786, Amount to ... 201.598. 4. 21.

The Dividends Paid to Messrs. Cosby, Campbell, Jourdan & Dott, ordered to be refunded to the Consolidated Creditors Amount to ... 47,037. 23. 7.

A Dividend of 3 months Interest to be now made to the above mentioned Creditors to put them on a par with those of the Consolidated Cavalry Loan ... 6719. 24. 5.

Sum to be Issued ... Pags £255,355. 15. 33.

The Dividend declared for the 1st of April the Interest on the Company's Bonds to be discharged at the same Time.

The Board approve the recommendation of the President, & it is accordingly Resolved that the Dividend be issued on the 4th April, & the Interest be at the same time discharged on the Company's Bonds.

Ordered

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Ordered that the usual Notifications

Notification to be made in Consequence—

be made to the Accountant General & to the Register of the Nabob's Debts, also to the Settlement at # large by a Paper sentien Circulation, & an # Advertisement in the Courier.—

The President lays before the #

Substance of a letter from the Rajah of Travancore

Board a Letter from the Rajah of Travancore (entered in Country Correspondence No. 22) stating that the People employed by him on the # confines of his Country have received information of the approach of an Armed Force belonging to Tippoo who have been cutting the Jungles near the Annymeller Moliatteira & Mungehaim hills & are making roads for the passage of a large Army of Horse & Foot— that he has sent armed People to defend & shut up the passes & prevent the Cutting of Jungles— & that he hopes Orders will be sent to the Commanding Officer at Palamcotah to assist with the Company's Troops whenever there may be occasion # without waiting for Orders from Madras

Ordered that the information #

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Contained in the Rajah of Travancore's Letter be Communicated to the Honble Court of Directors

The President lays before the Board the following List of Kings & Company's Officers

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Officers permitted to proceed to Europe who have requested leave to embark on the Princess Amilia now under Dispatch.—

List of Officers to embark in the Honorable Company's Ship Princess Amilia &c 27th March 1788.

List of King's & Company's Officers to embark on the Princess Amilia for Europe—

King's Service

Major John Gratton Quarter Master General to His Majesty's Troops in India with his Family

Capt. John Campbell ... 72d Regiment

Lieut. Henry Zouch ... 52d Regiment

Lieut. George Fraser ... 71st Regiment

Ens: James Campbell late 101st Regiment

Captain Harling } 14th Hanoverian Regt.
Lieutenant Wacker }

Mr. Thomas West Volunteer in the 36th Regiment

Total ... 8.—

Company's Service

Lieutenant Clarke ... } Infantry — 2
Lieutenant Cuningham }

Total ... 10.—

Ordered that the Commander of the Princess Amilia be directed to receive on the

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800 Fort St. George 28. March 1788.

the above Officers on board, & to furnish them with Suitable Accommodations. —

Ordered that the Hengé Company's Paymaster be directed to pay to Captain Williams the Sums paid for Passage Money agreably to the Rank of the different Officers. —

Minute thereon

Ed.

Arch. Campbell

John Holland
Ja. Wt. Basamajor

R. Maunsell