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Horne left Pritchinopoly, he concurred in opinion with Lieut.t Colonel Pels. that by employing the Company's Artificers in the Paymaster's Department: Pontoons might be easily made without incurring any expence to the Company except the providing of Timber: but as the Paymaster at that Garrison has represented he has no Timber in Store except what is appropriated for Platforms. We therefore beg leave to recommend, that Mr. Johnston be ordered to furnish a sufficient No. of Country Timber for completeating so necessary a Work.

We have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a Mathew Horne.
J. Capper.
Geo: Savage.
Patrick Ross.
Wm Sydenham.
J. Moorhouse

Signed

Madras
15th April 1789.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Read the following Letter from Brigadier General Horne.

To

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of the Drill, vacant by the Death of Lieutenant Wemyss.

Lieutenant Fireworker Morris to be a Lieutenant of Artillery.

Agreed that Lieutenant Fire Worker Morris, (being next for promotion,) be appointed a Lieutenant of Artillery.

Read the followings proceedings of the Hospital Board (with Enclosure entered in MB. No. 155)

Proceedings of the Hospital Board - with Letter from Mr. Horsman respecting Medicines supplied by the Government of Bombay for the use of the 71st Regiment — Europe Medicines purchased from Mr. Casimeer — recommending Mr. Fotter for the appointment of a full Surgeon & removal in consequence

Read a Letter from Mr. Secretary Chamier, enclosing a Correspondence with the Presidency of Bombay respecting Medicines supplied his Majesty's 71st Regiment at that place, the Hospital Board having called on Mr. Horsman, and shewn him the Papers, have the honor to enclose his answer, which they hope will appear satisfactory, as the Europe Medicines have never been placed to the account of the Surgeons under this Presidency.

Read a Letter from Mr. Casimere accompanied with a List of Europe Medicines amounting to £318.13.6, many of which are so much wanted, the Hospital Board recommend they may be purchased, as the Supplies from Europe generally come on the latter Ships.

Approved

Major Folson having represented to the Physician General, the great distance of Condapilly from Medical aid, the Hospital Board recommend Mr.

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As the Hospital Board have not report-

Ditto any Vacancy in the List of Surgeons, Mr. Potter's pro-
motion cannot at present take place.

Ditto ——— The other removals which do not depend
upon Mr. Potter's promotion, are approved.

Read the following Letter from Masulipatam.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council. Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

From Masulipatam-
with Arguments in
favour of Confining the
Authority of issuing
Dustucks, to the Chief
and Council - Enclosing
Letter from Mr Oram
on the Subject

We have already acknowledged the
Receipt of Your Secretary's Letter of the 21st Ultimo, an
informed you of our having applied to Mr. Oram,
be informed how far he could undertake to supply
the Bazar at Ellore with Grain and other Provisio
from the Districts under his Management; and if not
what quantity it might be necessary to grant Dust
for. We have now the honor of transmitting you
Copy of Mr. Oram's Answer, in which he appears
us to have wandered very wide from the Subject,
and rather considered what may be necessary if a
Army were to take the Field, than the supply of
a market; but as Government will no doubt in the
former Case, take proper measures for supplying
such

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Batta or Temporary Allowance is paid at the former, and not at the Latter — and altho' this is the case, We feel no want of Provisions here, either for the Troops or Inhabitants, without the necessity of Issuing Dustucks altho' Grain in the Neighbouring districts is usually at a higher price than about Ellore, and altho' all provisions coming into Masulipatam pay the Company Land Customs, which Ellore is exempted from. We have never heard of any scarcity at Ellore, or that the Price exceeded what might be considered reasonable; or if we had, We should on application, have been ready to apply a remedy. As Colonel Brathwaite has been already informed Mr. Oram must at all times be supposed to know the Price at which Provisions are sold in the different Villages of the Ellore Waveley, and of course what they may be sold for in the Market at Ellore; provided there is no Tax levied by the Commanding Officer or other individual for their own benefit. As the Complaints preferred to us, particularly mention Commanding Officers Bazars, and the loss of Revenue sustained in consequence of Dustucks being issued for supplying them; which Bazars being contrary to express orders of Government We shall certainly give no countenance to them; and if Colonel Brathwaite is conscious, that neither him

self

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Supply of the Bazar at Ellore, that he could not remedy by an application to Mr. Oram, his application ought to have been to us, or thro' us to your Honor &c.a, instead of addressing himself to the Commanding Officer of the army on the Coast; by which means the Regular Channel is reversed, by it's coming from Your Honor &c.a to us, instead of a Reference from us to You. This Deviation from the usual practice does not however surprize us, having observed, that whatever decisions of Government may have been, it is a constant practice with Colonel Brathwaite, to renew every subject that has been in Dispution, whenever a change of Government, or a new Commander in Chief affords him an opportunity; which reduces this Board to the necessity of troubling Government, and crouding the Records with a Repetition of Arguments which have often before been adduced; and We think it sufficiently obvious what the Consequence to the Revenue must be, if every Officer in Command had an acknowledged authority from Government to issue Dustucks at his pleasure, and to what extent he pleases, to exempt the holders of such Dustucks from paying Duties, in which case it might be expected, that every Banian, and Boutiquie Man

would

so large a Body of Troops: neither could Individuals effect it without exposing themselves to the probability of much Inconveniencies and Embarrasment - being resident in Cloue, the Bazar People are averse to accompany the Troops into the Field: nor have they Carriage Cattle to convey their Merchandize; and if compelled to go, they would be wholly at a loss when absent from their Cues from what quarter to procure fresh supplies. - , do the Gunge or Cantonment Bazar People who are ... sale dealers, provided with Cattle and in habits of ... curing supplies, constantly bringing in their Merc... dize under the Officers Permit, are I understand ... y equal to all these duties. and ready on a moment's ... notice to accompany and ... the necessaries for ... g force required, which is an advantage not to be derived from any other arrangement; nor can estimated Temporary supplies by periodical Dustoo's, be sufficient for the demands of sudden Extraordinary Emergencies: for Government will not probably chuse to incur the expence arising from Storehouse, Agents, Wastage, damage, and loss of Price unavoidable in large Stores of perishable commodities; but should they even consent to that extravagant Sijetem, the real or fancied want of some, (perhaps trivial) articles might with exasperated & refractory minds lead to disagreeable excess & consequences

for

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the Country in general; for the accumulated Duties & Choukies which now adays fluctuate both in rates & situations at the will of a Zemindar or Renter, by de-pressing the spirit of Trade and Industry. & indeed precluding the possibility of pursuing the former in Common Cultivators and the lower orders, exposes the whole district more or less to the pernicious conse-quences of monopoly by wealthy Individuals, who frequently by advances or loans obtain exemptions at the Choukies, and places an insuperable bar to Emulation Improvement, and encrease of Cultivation.

I cannot therefore but consider an alteration of the old usage as being inexpedient, and of no solid benefit so long as the Juncans remain on the present footing, especially when I reflect that Military Men Misusing or abusing this trust of Dustucks, are liable to punish-ment by the Severity of martial Law.

From what I have said You will infer, that Ellore and the Districts under me, are not competent to the supply of Ellore Cantonment. Paddy indeed We could furnish at the rates which the Season might warrant; but Wheat, Ghee, Sugar, Sheep, Cloths, European and foreign articles, of which the Consumption is considerable, are most of them wholly out of our line.

I have the honor to be
&c. (signed) Wm. Oram.

Masulipatam
7th April 1789

A true Copy.
(signed) A. Wallace —

Having —

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the desire I had of executing the work in which I am engaged, with as little expence as possible, is a laudable motive, and that a saving of 30 p Cent in the price of Bricks is not unworthy of Attention.

I beg you will do me the favor to insert this Letter and Enclosure in your first Dispatch to the Honble the Court of Directors.

I have the honor to be
Fort St. George
April 23d 1789
Jc.a Jc.a /pines/ Jas. Anderson

Andrew Berry Esqr.

Sir

I have been under the necessity of represent-
-ing to Mr. Holland the President of the Committee of Works, that some persons who say they are employed by you, have begun to make Bricks at Marmalong, and have taken upon them to stop the Carts coming in with Firewood for the purposes of my Contract with the Honble Company — I have in consequence receiv-
-ed his Directions to address you in his name, and to desire that you will give orders to those People to desist from making Bricks, as it is contrary to the Contract existing with the Company — and also that you will forbid their stopping any Carts in future — As Mr. Holland imagines you may not be acquainted with the circumstance of a Contract between me and the Company — I am likewise directed to acquaint you

that

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next morning: at which time he wrote me, requiring 2 or 3 Companies of Sepoys, and a Brigade of Six Pounders, without condescending to give me a single line of information relative to the Service they were to be employed on. — To avoid giving any shadow of offence, I complied with his requisition for three Company's of Sepoys. — Two hours afterwards, I was astonished to receive a peremptory Demand for one Compleat Battalion, and a Brigade of Six Pounders; at least one quarter of my Force, without any cause assigned for so strange an Alteration, or the least information of the nature, purpose, and extent of the Service to be performed by this Detachment: tho' by the General Order of 1st November 1786, his requisition was not valid until he gave such information. — In a letter of the 27th January to Mr. Sadleir, I explain myself very fully on this Subject. this Letter has been before the Honble Board. I will therefore not trouble them with a further Comment upon it. — In a subsequent letter he tells me, this Force was to support the Civil authority, and for the Collection of the Revenue, but these were very vague expressions, and by no means sufficient to give me an Idea of the nature, purpose, and extent of the Service to be performed by

so

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Hospital at Guntoor, from which I beg leave to give you an Extract.

Lieutenant Colonel Trent.

Commanding at Pautoor.

Sir.

I beg leave to acquaint you, that I called on Mr Sadleir, and to my great surprize found him speaking to Mr Scott and his Nephew in the most inconsistent, and incoherent manner, saying and doing things which astonished us all. on my calling Mr. Scott aside, he told me, that for some time past, Mr Sadleir had been much disturbed in his mind; but till this day he had lucid intervals. but that this morning his symptons of insanity appeared more confirmed &c.a

/Signed/ William Gordon

Hospital Surgeon.

Guntoor
3.rd February 1789—

I received a Letter of the same date from Ensign Colville, the Officer Commanding at Guntoor, giving more in detail an account of this Melancholy Calamity. a Copy of which I transmitted to Government, and beg permission to refer to it.

The same day I wrote to Mr Scott as follows:

Sir

I have received some very extraordinary Accounts of Mr Sadleir's being afflicted with a disorder which

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It is unnecessary for me to observe upon the impropriety and presumption of Mr. Scott writing to me a Letter of Service, beginning "I am directed by the Chief," at a time when it was notorious that the Chief had been for 24 hours raving Mad, and by his own Account to Doctor Gordon, "had been for some days much disturbed in his mind, but with Lucid intervals". or upon Mr Scott's extraordinary Answer to my Letter to him of the 3rd. February, desiring some account of Mr. Sadleir's situation. . . the following is a Copy.

Lieutenant Colonel Trent Commanding

Sir.

I am favored with your Letter of the 3d. Inst. on which day I wrote to you officially, what the Chief had some days before determined upon, and had advised the Governor of — excepting, that he did not till the morning of the 3d. fix the time of his departure. — He remains still indisposed, tho' I hope soon to have the satisfaction to inform you of his recovery.

Masulipatam
3d. February 1789—

signed / A. Scott Secy

I say it is unnecessary for me to trouble your Honor with any observations on this Conduct of Mr. Scott in so carefully concealing from me (altho' it certainly imported me much to know it) Mr Sadleir's

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still to remain, he desires that the Cutcherry and Cutwall's guards may also be continued: with particular directions to the former to comply with such applications as may be made by Verashalingham, and to the latter with such as may be made by the Cutwall.

Masulipatam March 6th 1779 — (signed) A.W. Scott Secy

As from the reason before mentioned, I harbo[u]r doubts with respect to Mr. Sadleir's Recovery, and as Mr. Scott's expression: "The Chief is greatly recovered", I thought it by no means sufficient, for Disorders of the Mind are unlike those of the Body. A Man greatly recovered from a fever, may have perfect use of his sensible faculties, & be able to do Business, but from Insanity a Man should be wholly recovered before he can be said to enjoy his mental powers.

And as putting me and the Officers under under my Command, under the necessity of obeying Requisitions from Verashalingham, and the Guards posted by Ensign Colville commanding at Guntoor, over the Bazars under the immediate Controul of the Cutwall, and Verashalingham: seemed not to be the acts of a man in his Senses: I thought myself authorized to take no notice of this Letter; and as my consideration for Mr. Sadleir prevented me from giving him these reasons, I judged it better not to make any reply.

on.

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To the Honble John Hollond Esq.
Governor &c.a in Council.
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs.

From the Governor of Columbo - expressing satisfaction at the assurances given him of affording Encouragement and assistance in the purchase of Grain on the Coast, for the use of the Dutch Settlements.

I have had the honor to receive your Letter of the 11th. February last, & feel much satisfaction at the assurances you have been pleased to give of affording every possible Encouragement to such Person or Persons as I may employ in the purchase of Grain on the Coast for the use of the Dutch Settlements.

These assurances correspond with the promises so made me by the late Governor Sir Archibald Campbell

I beg leave to inform you, that Mr. Mitchell. Senior Merchant in the Service of the Honble the English East India Company. will be requested to become the agent for the purchase of the Grain, and I beg you will have the goodness to afford him every assistance in the Execution of this Service.

Any Commands which your Honor & Sirs may have in this quarter will be with great pleasure attended to by

Honble Sir and Sirs,

Your &c.a Your &c.a Your &c.a Most Obedt. Humble Servt.
W. I. Vande Graaff

Columbo
the 20th. March 1789.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Stuart.

To

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this place, is the only spot between this and Madras, eligible for the Bullocks of the Detachment. I have in consequence thereof consented to his leaving the Extra Cattle of the Detachment here. I hope it will meet with your approbation.

I have the honor to be.

Gc. Gc. Gc. (signd) Offeney

Major of Honors.

Camp at Soulatapet 23d April 1789 —

The detachment from the Guntoor Circar being now very near to Madras, it is Agreed to notify to the Contractors for Bullocks, that the Bullocks are to be discharged from the 31st Instant.

The Bullocks to be discharged.

Read the following Letter from Captain Beatson.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir / Sirs.

In consequence of what has passed at Board respecting Mauiems of Lands proposed to be granted to Sircarrahs or late Major Pringle's Mun for the Establishments, many applications have been made to me to review this subject, by men who had formed expectations of such provision being made in reward for long and faithful services.

From Captain Beatson recommends that Vellanyo Co (the late Major Pringle's interpreter) be pensioned.

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To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council &c. &c.

Honble Sir.

From Mr. Charles Darke — states his distress, and repeats his request for some pecuniary aid from the Nabob.

My very unequalled and peculiar hard and Cruel Situation, will I humbly hope and pray it may urge you Honble Sir & Sirs, to alter your Intentions (as in your Secretary's Letter of the 24th. of last Month to me) in humanity to a Family that have noothermeans of existing but what they may obtain thereby from his Highness the Nabob, thro' the Charitable Representation of Your Honble Board. As His Highness in his Card to the Honble the Governor of the 24th January, is pleased to say, that "My distressed Situation has "given pain to His Highness, and he is willing to shew "me such favor as the late Honble Governor shall think "proper!

Therefore I humbly implore you Honble Sir & Sirs to name to His Highness what you may deem proper, until the pleasure of the Honble the Court of Directors is known.

Red Hills
28th April 1789—

I am Sir with the greatest respect
&c. &c. &c. signed / Chas. Darke

From Mr. James West

Read a Letter from Mr. James West, renewing his application on account of a claim of some Inhabitants in the Nabob's Country, respecting Cattle taken during the last War.

Agreed

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From the Brigade Major at Walaja-
jahbad, representing the necessity of publishing
a reward for killing Pariah Dogs, as before practised.

From the Brigade Major at Walajahbad

Minute thereon — Ordered accordingly.

From Lieutenant Forbes, Commanding
at Bellumcondah — stating, that there is not any
Shelter or accommodation for himself and Sepoys.

From the Commanding Officer at Bellumcondah.

Agreed to desire Lieutenant Forbes will
State what will be the expence of providing
Mud Buildings with thatched Roofs for the
accommodation of himself and Troops.

Minute thereon

From Lieutenant Mc. Kenras at Ranet-
Nellore — stating, the Expence of Repairing the two
Gates to be Pagodas 18.

From the Commanding Officer at Ranet Nellore.

Agreed, that he be permitted to expend
the above Sum upon the proposed Repairs of the
Gates.

Minute thereon

From the Chief Engineer — enclosing an
application from Lieutenant Norris at Vellore, for
some Lascars to repair Sundry damages occasioned
by a violent Squall of Wind.

From the Chief Engineer

Agreed to desire Colonel Ross will
direct Lieutenant Norris to report the particulars
of the Expences which will be incurred by the
proposed Repairs: when the orders will be passed for
their being Executed, agreeably to the Regulations.

Minute thereon

From —

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Sultaun certainly intends attacking Calicut.

Intelligence relating to the Operations and supposed designs of Tippoo

The President Communicates to the Board various Articles of Intelligence from Hydrabad, Poonah, the Mysore Country &c. principally relating to the operations and supposed Designs of Tippoo Sultaun.

John Holland

W. Page

Edwd Gopsill Hunter Jr.

Edwd Jn Holland

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29 had received from the Rajah, Three thousand Pagodas for the use of the Troops, which I have accordingly advanced them, and for which I will account to Mr Powney on his arrival.

I conceive it my duty on this occasion, to mention the great attention paid by the Rajah and his subjects to supply every want of the Detachment; and also the very great assistance afforded by them, which has enabled the Troops to perform this very difficult march with more ease than I could have expected.

I have the honor to be

Sauore, 17th April 1789 - Gt. Gt. Gt. (signd) J. Bannerman

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council &c.

Honble Sir.

From the Resident at Poona - enclosing the answer of the Peshwa's to Mr. Holland's Letter, announcing his succession to the Government of Madras

I have the honor to enclose the Peshwa's Answer to your Letter, announcing your succession to the Government of Madras.

Nothing material having occurred at this Court since my last address of the 24th Ultimo, leaves me only to add how respectfully I am Gt. Gt. Gt. (signed) C. W. Malet

Poona 11th April 1789.

Dispatched

Mr Malet's Letter received last Night from Bombay dated the 6th Inst. mentions Despatches being in the Neighbourhood of Tellicherry

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29 a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Oldham.

To Colonel Musgrave - Enclosing Co[py] of an order from the Nabob, to the Renter of [illegible] pass Grain agreable to the Dustuck without requiring any Duties.

To Colonel Musgrave

To the Commandant of Ravet N[ellore] informing him that he has permission to re[move] two Gates of the upper Fort at Ravet Nellore - that the Paymaster will pay him 48 Pagod[as] the same.

To the Commandant of Ravet Nellore.

To the Paymaster at Tritchinopoly.

To the Paymaster at Tritchinopoly - ordered to pay the above Sum of 48 Pagodas.

To the Hospital Board.

To the Hospital Board - Governm[ent] consent to the purchase of the Europe Medicines, a[mount]ing to £318. 13. 6. agreably to their recomm[endation] Mr. Trotter cannot be appointed a full Surge[on] until a vacancy in that Rank shall happen the other recommendations that do not de[pend] upon the promotion of Mr Trotter are approved.

To the Chief Engineer.

To the Chief Engineer - If there are any repairs necessary at Vellore in consequence of late bad Weather, an Estimate should be pr[epared] of the Expence attending the same previous to orders being passed for their Execution.

To

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30 Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in MB. Nos. 179. 180. 181. 182. 183).

From the Comptroller General of Army Accounts — Stating — that Lieutenant Aveon of the Hanoverians (having resigned the Service) has applied for all the Allowances of a Lieutenant until his Embarkation for Europe — and requesting to know if such application is to be complied with.

From the Comptroller General of Army Accounts.

From Colonel Stuart advising of the Detachment under his Command having marched on the 26th Instant, on the Service it was ordered for.

From Colonel Stuart

From the Commandant of Vellore — stating that Khistna Raja, who was stationed near Gungapooram with two Hundred Poligars, has marched and (daubed) Chief Naig (in consequence of his having killed some of the Company's People) at Viraloor under a Will 4 Cofs distant from Gungaporam, killed two, wounded 4 of his people, and retook 6 Stand of the Company's Arms.

From the Commandant of Vellore.

From Major Clark at Madura — giving his reasons why he did not send to the Presidency Monthly returns — also returns of the troops doing duty at that Garrison previous to the orders of the 5th Instant.

From Major Clark at Madura

From the Commandant of Permacoil — Intelligence of General Conway's having dispa[tched] Vittaravu

From the Commandant of Permacoil.

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To 30 Edward Hay Esqr.

Secretary to the Government at Fort William

Sir

To the Secretary at Bengal desiring he will send Invoices of the Gunpowder, hand Grenades, &c. shipped on the Ranger in April last

The Committee of Stores at this Presidency having reported to the Board, that there were not any Invoices sent with the Gunpowder, Hand Grenades &c. on the Ranger and Hastings from Bengal in april last: and that in consequence, the Military Store-keeper has not yet given credit in his Books to the Bengal Presidency for the amount of the Stores.

I am directed by the Honble the Governor in Council to refer to the Letter written to you on the 17th October 1788 on the subject, and to request you will give the necessary orders that the Invoices may be sent hither in order to enable the Military Store-keeper to give the Bengal Presidency Credit for the amount of the Stores.

Fort St. George
29th April 1789—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. (signed) J. Chamier
Mily Secry —

To the Honble

from the committee of Stores requesting Invoices and Bills of lading of Stores received from Bengal in April last by the Stores Ranger & Hastings — also recommending that the Balance of Cash

Received the following Letter.

John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council &c. &c. —

Honble Sir & Sirs.

We have the honor to lay before you a Copy of a List of Stores received from Bengal last april by the Stores —

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30 approved.

We found regularly brought upto the end of last month.

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George
22d. April 1789 —

J.C. G.S. J.C.

(signed) I. Capper
Geo: Savage
Patrick Ross
Wm. Sydenham
I. Moorhouse

Received from Bengal & Inv.s per Snow Ranger the 10th April 1788, without Invoice or Bills of Lading.

Gun Powder 100 Barrels with 4 Copper Hoops to each [illegible] — 733

Per Snow Hastings the 25th April 1788

Gunpowder 100 ℔s Barrels with 4 Copper Hoops to each — 738
Iron Balls for Grape 1 Pounder — 19,680
Hand Grenades — — 9,686
Fuzes Empty for Hand Grenades — 9,900
Spades — — 176
Water Scoops — 55

A true Copy. (signed) T. Chase
Clk

1298 Fort St. George April 1789 —

30 approved.

We found regularly brought upto the end of last Month.

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22d. April 1789 —

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Fort St. George
22d. April 1789 —

Sir Sir Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servants
(signed)
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A true Copy (signed) F. Chase
Clk —

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30 approved.

We found regularly brought upto the end of last Month.

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George
22d. April 1789 —

Sir &c. &c. &c.

(signed) J. Capper
Geo: Savage
Patrick Ross
Wm. Sydenham
J. Moorhouse

Received from Bengal per Snow Ranger the 10th April 1788, without Invoice or Bills of Lading.

Gun Powder 100 Barrels with 4 Copper Hoops to each for Fort Marlborough — 733

Per Snow Hastings the 25th April 1788

Gunpowder 100 ℔ Barrels with 4 Copper Hoops to each — 738
Iron Balls for Grape 1 Pounder — 19,680
Hand Grenades — — 9,686
Fuzes Empty for Hand Grenades — 9,900
Spades — — 176
Water Scoops — — 55

A true Copy, (signed) T. Chase
Clk

1300

Fort St. George 1st May 1789

request to be informed whether your Government have taken Cognizance of any part of the said demand, and if so how much of it has been discharged.

We have the honor to be

Bombay Castle. &c. &c. &c. (signed) Wm. Medows
1st April 1789 D. Carnegie
Geo Green.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Military Paymaster General be desired to give the necessary Information upon the above Subject

Read the following Letters from Brigadier General Horne.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir.

from Brigadier General Horne - enclosing the proceedings of a Committee of Off Reckonings and desiring the Board's opinion upon the objections of the Committee against Lieut Colt. Russell and Major Burrowes sharing in the Fund prior to their arrival on the Coast.

I have the honor to submit to the consideration of the Honble Board, the proceedings of a Committee of Off Reckonings, and to request to be inform if the Board approves of the Objections brought forward by the Committee, against Lieutenant Colonel Russell and Major Burrowes sharing in the Fund prior to their arrival on the Coast.

Fort St. George. I have the honor to be
April 28th 1789 &c. &c. &c. (signed) Mathew Horne

P. S. the enclosed application from Lieutenant Darley of the 18th Battalion for permission to proceed to China for the recovery of his Health, I beg leave to lay before the Board for their determination. (signed) M.H.

For

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council &c. &c.—

Honble Sir

A Monthly return for March, of His Majesty's and the Honble Company's Troops, I have the honor to Enclose, and to submit to the Board's Consideration a Report from a Committee of Cavalry Officers, on the situation &c. of the Cantonment of Canditoore.

From Brigadier General Horne with a monthly Return of His Majesty's and the Company's Troops—also a report from a Committee of Cavalry Officers on the Situation &c. of the Cantonment of Canditoor.

for March/

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c. /signed/ Math.s Hor.

Fort St. George
April 28th 1789—

Brigadier General Horne

Commander in Chief &c. &c.

Sir.

In obedience to your Orders of the 22d Inst.
We proceeded to the Cantonment at Conditoore, and have the honor to acquaint you, that, in our Opinion it appears to be a place well calculated as a Cavalry Cantonment, being on a high Commanding Situation, the River about a Mile distant which in the dryest Season affords good Water—The proximity of the Vallies near the Hills intersected by many Rivulets, will at all times yield plenty of Forage and excellent of the kind.

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council &c. &c.

Honble Sir

From Brigadier General Horne — stating the Number of Troops (Officers included) that can be accommodated with Quarters in the Centre division of the Carnatick.

In conformity to the Instructions of the Honble Board communicated to me in Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letter of the 4th. Instant. I have examined the present State of the European Quarters in the Centre Divisn. as reported by the Chief Engineer and the Barrack Master. but as I observed a very material difference in those Returns. I deemed it necessary to call on them for such explanations as appeared necessary to enable me to form a Judgement of the real number of Troops that could be quartered at each Station.

With respect to the Barracks returned in Fort St. George. I beg leave to observe, that those returned in the Out Works are not properly Barracks, and can only be used as such on particular Emergencies. However I conceive there may be sufficient Room, exclusive of them, for the number of Europeans It may be deemed expedient to Garrison that place with, in time of Peace.

On a supposition that the two Regiments of Hanoverians are stationed at Madras, there will remain the 36th. 52nd. 74th. and seven Companies of the 76th. to be provided with Barracks.

At Pondamallee there appears to be Accommodation for near 1,300 Men, with the addition of some —

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believe is vain, and it becomes necessary to adopt some measures for erecting new ones — The Strength of this Fort is such, that whatever Buildings are Constructed they ought ~~to be of~~ durable materials, and such as will last a number of years — Some Officers quarters built at Tanjore, with arched Roofs, appeared to have answered very well — those Quarters (deemed by far the best public Quarters on the Coast.) were Constructed at a very moderate Charge to the Company, and will seldom require (Chief) expence in Repairs: I therefore recommend a Building built at Vellore, or a Plan similar to that it never Stephens built at Tanjore, as a cheap and expeditious system, compared with the Sum expended on Temporary Buildings, and it is to be regretted that Officer was not allowed to have built a sufficient number of Quarters for the whole Officers of that Garrison as it would have prevented some heavy Charges, under the head of Repairs of Quarters, at that Station since that period.

Engineer Norris's Report of the state of Quarters at Arnee render it unnecessary for me to make any observations on that Station, but to signify to the Hon.ble Board, that I am informed Mr. Norris is Completing with all expedition his Contract with Government, and at the Conclusion of which there will be sufficiency of Quarters in that Garrison for the Officers and men of the European Battalion stationed there.

I have the honor to be

Jc.a Jc.a Jc.a (signed) Mathew. Horne

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would ere this have been in the same situation.

We trust that upon your Representation of those Circumstances to the hon^ble the Governor in Coun- -cil, he will order such measures to be taken with res- -pect to the Quarters, as may secure their Inhabitants from the danger which they have too much reason to apprehend, should they be left in their present situa- to the Violence of another Monsoon.

We have the honor to be

/signed/ Fc. Fc. /signed/

" J. Patterson Mad.r " Francis Wragg Major

" Henry Blacker Lieut.t " Daniel Blair Captain

" Patrick Bowie Surgeon " John Forbes Captain.

" R.t Turing Lieutenant " Robert Parkison Lieuta

" H. Sinnwright Asst Surg.n " J. Parkison Lieutenan

" James Jones Lieutenant " Ja.s Frank Lieutenant

" Hodder Roberts Ensign " A. O. Beirne Lieutenan

" John Baillie Lieutenant " R.s Healy Lieut.t & Adjuta

" A. Hughes Lieutenant " F. Shadwell Ensign 3 B.n

Vellore, 21st April 1789.

The Board now pass the following Resol upon the foregoing Letters.

That the 1st, 2d and 3d Regiments of Native Caval be removed to Conditoor.

The 1st and 3d Regiments of Native Cavalry to be removed to Conditoor

That the opinion of the Committee for Off Reckonings be confirmed, and that Lt Colonel Rufsel and Major Burrowes be not permitted to share in the Off Reckonings

Lieutenant Colonel Russell and Major Burrowes are not to share in the Off Reckoning fund prior to their arrival on the Coast.

Reckonings

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but also for the protection of the Country, and the Collection of the Revenues.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. (signed) Sachl. Mackinnon
Captain Commanding 12th Batt.
N: I:

Pairtoor
25th April 1789

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing be sent to Mr. Hughes, and that he be desired to report his opinion upon the Expediency of — Stationing the 12th Battalion in Guntoor.

Minute thereon

Read Letters from the Chief Engineer entered in the Miscellany Book Nos. 188. 189 dated 27th and 29th Ultimo — Enclosing Estimates for Repairs to the Post Office, Main Guard Necessary, a Godown under the North Curtain at the Presidency; also two Estimates for Repairs to the Buildings in the lower Fort at Vellore.

From the Chief Engineer

Ordered that the Repairs to the Main Guard, to the Godown under the North Curtain, and to the Soldiers Privy at Vellore be executed.

Minute thereon

Read a Letter from the Pundit Peekaun (as entered in C No. 41) to the President, Congratulating him on his accession to

From the Pundit Peekaun

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Diary.

Received the undermentioned Letters (as entered in MB. Nos. 1. 2. 3.)

From the Paymaster at Tanjore —

From Mr. Jas. Strange — stating, that as he never indents to the Resident for more Cash than will defray the monthly Expences of the Garrison, he can have no Extra Sum in his hands for the supply of Colonel Stuart's Detachment; but in the event of his receiving any, that it shall be applied to the above use.

From the Acting Resident at Tanjore —

From Mr Wrangham — with supply the Pay-master with the amount Balance of the Company's Cash remaining in his hands, for the use of Colonel Stuart's Detachment.

From the Resident at Negapatam.

From Mr. Fallowfield — advising of the late Arrival of the Swallow Packet at Negapatam, & landing of the Stores.

Dispatched the following Letters (as entered in MB. Nos. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8.)

To the Commandant of Vellore.

To Colonel Nixon — the Repairs to the Soldiers Privy, are to be Executed.

To the Committee of Works

To the Committee of Works — desiring them to order the Contractors to make the Repairs to the Main Guard, and Godown under the North Curtain, agreeably to Enclosed Estimates from the Chief Engineer.

To the Chief Engineer

To Lieutenant Colonel Ross — acquainting him, that the Soldiers Privy at Vellore, the Main Guard

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2 respecting the quarters at Vellore, the Chief Engineer has been directed to report fully upon them, and to lay before the Board Plans and Estimates for Compleat Repairs.

Government concur in the opinion given by the Committee for Off Reckonings, & accordingly resolve that Lieutenant Colonel Russell, and Major Burrowes shall not share in the Off Reckoning Fund — prior to their arrival on the Coast.

I have the honor to be
Yr. Yr. Yr. (signed) J. Chamier
Actg. Secty. —

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To Brigadier General Horne.

Commanding the Troops on the Coast

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To Brigadier General Horne — desiring he will specify the names of such officers as are under Arrest. That application may be made for the necessary Warrant for summoning a Court Martial to the Officer Commanding his Majesty's Troops on the Coast —

Sir

The President having informed the Board that you had mentioned to him, that there were some Officers under Arrest, whom it was necessary to bring to a Court Martial. I am directed to desire you will be pleased to specify their names, when an application for the necessary Warrant for summoning a Court Martial will be made to the Officer Commanding his Majesty's Troops on this Coast

I have the honor to be
Yr. Yr. Yr. (signed) J. Chamier
Actg. Secty.

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4th. May 1789

Sent the following Letter (as entered in Mil. B. No. 9)
To the Commander of the Swallow — directing him to receive on board his Ship as Passenger for Bengal, Captain Hart of his Majesty's 73rd. Regiment —

To the Commander of the Swallow Packet.

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Shot. and other articles mentioned in the same Minute. and concur in opinion with Colonel Monhouse that they should be broken up, and the Balls be received on the Military Storekeeper's Books, to be kept for Service when required.

approved

Many Vessels which used to bring annually large supplies of Sulphur no longer trade to this place, & consequently it is found impossible to procure a sufficient quantity at any price. as the demand for Gunpowder is very great. and the Contractor has attained great perfection in manufacturing it, We are very anxious that no interruption should occur in carrying on the manufacture. and do therefore beg leave to request your Honor &c.a will please to apply to the Right honble the Governor General in Council for 300 Candies of Sulphur to be forwarded to Madras by the first favorable opportunity. in like manner as a supply from Bengal was formerly procured; but as the last sent from thence was scarcely fit for use, We trust you will please to recommend that care should be taken to procure the next supply of a superior quality.

approved

a Letter to be written to Bengal.

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Read the following Letter from Ganjam

The Honble John Hollond Esqr

Governor &c. Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir and Sirs.

We duly received Mr. Secretary Chamiers Letter of the 25th Ultimo, and have subsequently been advised by Lieut. Colonel Charles Fraser, that the remaining Companies of the 28th Battalion have set forth on their March hither.

Since our last address, several untoward Circumstances have intervened to frustrate the plan which we informed you We had recommended to Captain Eagle to entrust to the execution of Lieut. Gen: Barclay, and We have now under every favora Impression of the Services he has performed, conceded to his request of permission to join his Corps at Vizjour.

The Numerous sick and wounded in the Field added to the indisposition of the Assistant Surgeon of the 18th Battalion, induced us to direct Mr. Ainslie of this Garrison to proceed to the Field to contribute his Medical Aid - and in consequence of a reiterated representation from the Officer Commanding, stating its great expediency, we have appointed to the Troops in the Field a Body of 50 Coolies to be trained, and to act in the Capacity of Pioneers.

The late Operations in the Field have been

from Ganjam - advising of the March to Ganjam of 2 Companies of the 28th Battalion - have permitted Lieut Barclay to join his Corps at Vizjour, and directed Mr Ainslie, Assistant Surgeon to do duty in the Field - A Body of 50 Coolies appointed to the Troops to act as Pioners - detailing the late operations in the Field; and the Conduct of Munsoor - referring to this Enclosures on the Subject also enclosing Letters and papers from their Committee of Stores

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to assist Sanades in any shape whatever, as will fully appear from a perusal of the accompanying Papers No. 1 & 2.— It may not be unnecessary to add here, that We have received a Letter from Mr. Maxwell, informing us, that the Vizianagar Rajah since the Confinement of his Pauter Shamunda, made up Matters with a Brother who had for some Years past, lived in a Village situated in the Wandelly, and prevailed with him to return to Vizianagar with views perhaps inimical to Government, or for an apprehension that were he in our Power, We should avail ourselves of his Influence in the Zemindary to punish the Rajah for his Refractory Conduct, or to Reduce him to a due Sense of his Duty to the Company; but such is the present weakness of the Troops in the Mohurry Zemindary from sickness, and other Causes, that We think it expedient not to adopt at this time any Hostile Measures against him, as he is the most powerful Zemindar in the District, and could, as he has a considerable number of Peons, easily distress us, were he Driven to Extremeties, and thereby defeat the Object We have in View, that of securing the Persons of Sanades and the Bouvoursinghie Rajah, who, altho' a very inconsiderable Zemindar, still holds out against

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Mr. Munro's Minute

Inconsistency with those Sentiments by which I was actuated when I subscribed to the Requisition for more Troops for the Services of this District, I cannot now but dissent from the Resolution of Messrs. Williams and Wynch, who a Junto on a party of pleasure in the Country, without the least previous intimation to me who presided at the Factory, indecently directed the acting Secretary to assign a Letter to Captain Taylor, appointing him to a Staff-ony Command at Ichapour, as influenced by such principles were half of the army to be cantoned in this District. It could only tend to protract and obstruct the public Service; and I take leave to offer to the consideration of Messrs. Williams & Wynch, that increase of Expence, and defalcation of Revenue, by which I have every reason to apprehend We shall shortly be deprived of all other resource but Drafts upon the Presidency for the Pay and Contingencies of our present Establishment; altho' from the System they have thought proper to adopt, it is not difficult to predict the necessity of it's being yet further enlarged.

Disapproving of their measures, they may expect I should suggest others for their adoption; therefore, and because my Intelligence perfectly Quadrates with the Communication from the Officer Commanding in the Field, I recommend that Captain Taylor

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an opportunity offered of consulting him on the future operations in the Field, for which purpose he was privately written to, to come to Ganjam; therefore as this is the true state of the case, We shall not make any Comments on the high sounding words protracting and obstructing the public Service, and submit to the Consideration of our Superiors the propriety of Mr. Munro's stiling us a "Junto on a party of pleasure in the Country," where it is notorious to every one that although Rumba is situated in the Country, publick business has been frequently transacted there, and even with the consent of Mr. Munro. Junto is an Epithet improperly applied to us who are the Majority of the Board, and we take this opportunity of disclaiming such an Idea with that Indignity becoming our public Stations; but were we to adopt the same kind of Language as Mr. Munro has thought proper to use on this occasion, it might be better applied to himself — It is necessary to observe here, that the acting Secretary was directed to send to Mr. Munro the Letter We had deemed necessary to address Captain Taylor, for his Approbation, previous to it's being dispatched, which was the 10th; and therefore we are at a loss to conceive what could have induced him to assert in his minute of the 12th that We had without

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As Mr. Munro has made a Voluntary offer of proceeding to Vizianagen, to endeavour to conciliate the Rajah to a co-operation in the Views of Government. We readily acquiesce in his proposal of going thither, in expectation from his Station in the Council, that Munnedoo would pay proper attention to his representation.

Morgan Williams

16th April 1789—

/signed/ George Wynch

A true Copy.

/signed/ Thos. Snodgrass.
Secy

Mr. Munro's Minute.

Under the influence of such an opinion as the Majority of the Board have subscribed to, "that any Zemindar can at all times be secured from punishment by retreating to the Jungles." Where can be the utility of a Deputation to Vizianagen?— That Rajah has sufficiently evinced his disaffection to our Government, which would be degraded to a level with his Contempt by the adoption of such a measure, when the power of coercion is declared to be wanting, therefore I cannot but decline so humiliating an Office.— Yet wherefore so many Troops?—

The remainder of the Joint Minute of Messrs. Williams and Wynch, I am precluded from remarking upon by Gratitude for it's corroboration of my former Minute.

/signed/ A. Dr. Munro

Ganjam 15th April 1789—

A true Copy /signed/ Thos Snodgrass
Secy

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Security in the Jungles from whence they can easily retreat to the Hills, as our Troops have lately experienced, and What is to prevent Mummedoo from acting the same part when driven to the like necessity.

(signed) Morgan Williams

George Wynch.

A true Copy (signed) Thos Snodgrass Secy

Mr. Munro's Minute

Though I officially subscribe to the Letter now under dispatch, I can never acquiesce in Sentiments involving such imbecility as are therein stated — respecting the conduct to be observed towards Mummedoo who has so unequivocably, from the Commencement to the cause of Tanadoo, and his adherents; for if an Individual Zemindar, whose Revenues, with the Assistance which we could so readily derive from his Brother of Pretapagherry, would have been exhausted in a month, is to hold us in such a true, it can proceed but from our own Relaxation — I now propose since Compulsory means are declined by the Majority, that Mummedoo be summoned forthwith to the Factory, his Compliance with which will be some Test of his obedience to Government.

Ganjam
18th April 1789

(signed) R. D.r Munro

A true Copy
(signed) Thomas Snodgrass Secretary —

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the seizing of Sanadee which has always been considered by the Board to be the primary Object of attention has been entirely frustrated by a Change of System for Reasons set forth by the Commanding Officer in the Field; and yet any one, who is a stranger to Facts, would naturally conclude from Mr. Munro's Question contained in his Minute of the 15th, of, "Wherefore so many Troops" our Affairs were in the most prosperous Situation, and that We were able to take the Field against one of the most powerful Zemindars in this District, secure the Mohery Zemindary from from Conflagration, and with facility seize Sanadee in the Jungles; but what would be his Ideas when informed that it is a matter of fact, that notwithstanding the assistance given Us by the Peons of Chigutty and Mohery, and likewise of Pretapagherry. We have not been able to reduce the insignificant Zemindar of Bourousinghie to a proper sense of his Duty; and it is necessary to add here, that Mr. Munro himself was so sensible of the Reduced State of our Troops from sickness in Mohery that he proposed to obtain the two Companys of the 11th Battalion for the Exigent Services of this District, altho' the Board had unanimously agreed to comply with the requisition of the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam to remand them to their Stations and

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We imagine were they to be arranged there would be little or no deficiency in those Articles.

We are with great Respect

Sir Your

Ganjam
8th April 1789

(signed) George Wynch
Alexander Mackenzie

A true Copy
(signed) Tho.s Snodgrass Secy

List of Deficiencies in Stores arrived on the Alert Ketch in April 1789 —

Tape Binding	4	Country Hides	1
Copper Clouts	8	Rattans	228
Steel Bits large	1	Helves for Axes	6
do do Small	1		
Priming Irons large	20		
Cartridge Cloths Empty 12 Pdr.	224		
do do 12 do	5		
Mallet Country Shanes	1		
Cartridges Serge Empty 3 Pdr.	1		
do do 5½ Inch	1		
Yoke Trace	1		
Iron Round Shot 12 Pdr.	12		
Shells 5½ Inch	34		
do 4½ do	7		
Copper Tubes of Sorts Empty	84		
Hand Grenades	5		
Fuzes Empty 5½ Inch	3		
do do for Hand Grenades	1		
Bayonet for Musket	1		
Brass Driver for Powder Barrels	1		
Screw Worms	100		
Gunny Bags	6		

Surplus of Stores received from the Ketch Alert.

Cloth Cartridges Empty 24 Pdr.	53
Iron Round Shot 24 Pdr.	11
Padlocks with Keys	18
Priming Irons Small	20

George Wynch
(signed) Military Storek.r

Alexander M.c Kenzie
Major Commanding

A true copy. (signed) P. Snodgrass Secy

Copy of the Letter & Enclosures from the Committee of Stores at Ganjam. to be sent to the Committee of Stores at the Presidency.

Agreed, that Copy of the Letter & Enclosures from the Committee of Stores of Ganjam be sent to the Committee of Stores at the Presidency.

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seizing Sanadea, but desire that you will desist fromthe pursuit of him by Detachments inthe Field. Such pursuit must be attended with very heavy Expences; and it may justly be concluded from former experience in similar Instances in your District, that itwould prove fruitless.

We are Gentlemen

&c.a &c.a &c.a /signed/ John Hollond
&c.a Council

Read the following Letter from Colonel Capper

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.
Governor in Council &c.

From Colonel Capper — accompanyed by a Corrected Copy of the new Regulations — Enclosing Applications from Ensign Martin also of the 52d Regiment & from Mr Pulloh inbehalf of Ensign Peart — with his opinion respecting them.

Honble Sir

Agreeable to your orders of the 12th Instant, I have sent Copies of the new Regulations to most of the Out Garrisons, particularly tothose tothe South of the Coleroon where they were most immediately wanted — In the Copy I have the honor to lay before you, You will perceive most of the Typographical errors are corrected; and I believe I can take upon me to say, they are now published to the Army exactly inthe same State in which they passed your Honble Board.

Enclosed I have the honor to lay before you an application from Ensign Martin Aloe of his Majesty's 52d

that therefore his Pay should cease from the day he leaves this Coast; otherwise the Company may be made to defray the expences of many Chimerical young Men, who hope to improve their fortune by absenting themselves from their Duty.

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a signed / J. Capper
C.G.

Fort St. George
30th April 1789

Minute thereon

Agreed, to desire Colonel Capper will inform the Board whether Ensign Hoe was at Bengal on Duty; in which event Travelling Batta may be allowed, but not otherwise — Ensign Frants Claim may be admitted.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Stuart.

To the Honble John Hollond Esq.re
Governor in Council &c.a &c.a

Honble Sir

From Colonel Stuart — reporting his arrival with the Detachment at Tripatore much in want of Water, Forage and Provisions — has written to Vellah Munda to send 5000 Bullocks of Rice to Shevagungah which place he intends reaching 3.d May — In the event of refusal, will march immediately to Collengoby — Tondiman's Troops has not joined the Detachment —

I have the honor to inform You that the Detachment under my Commans encamped — Yesterday at this place which is 53 Miles South of Tritchinopoly. The necessary repairs of Carriages &c.a and the State of the Cattle which have suffered considerably from Scarcity of Water, and the total want of fresh Forage have obliged me to halt this Day; and I am much concern to add, that I am likely to be detained still longer by an

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The President lays before the Board the following Card received from the Nabob, (which is also entered in C. C. No. 12.)

From the Nabob – has sent positive orders to Pitchinopoly for his Managers to discharge the Monthly payments – requesting the Governor's indulgence for a short delay in the payment of his Kist – States the difficulties he has incurrid from the Want of Rain, failure in Collections &c.

His Highness the Nabob Walaujah Bauhader presents his Compliments to Governor Holland, and acknowledges the receipt of his Card, informing him that the Monthly payments for February March and April at Pitchinopoly have not been made, and requesting him to send positive orders on that Subject – and also reminding him that a large Balance is due on the Kist.

His Highness has sent positive Orders for discharging the amount of the Monthly Payments for the Troops at Pitchinopoly.

With respect to the Kist, his Highness only wants the Governor's indulgence for a short time to compleat it. – Notwithstanding the various distresses and difficulties which His Highness has experienced, particularly from the want of Rain, of which the failure of the Collections in the Company's Jaghire is a strong proof in his favor; still he has paid 5 Lacks of Pagodas in the present Kist, and with the blessing of the almighty, the balance will be discharged very shortly – His Highness only wishes the Governor to give him a little indulgence in the business.

Some little difference of opinion had arisen

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I am at this moment paying 12 p.Cent Interest to different Individuals in the place who advanced me the Sum now due to me from the Company. my accounts as Contractor have been long closed, and as I am so unfortunate as to receive no Interest from the Company on this large Sum, and hold no Employ in the Service, the Circumstances make my situation at this period particularly a hard one, and under this impression I take leave to submit it for the Consideration of your honor in Council the

I have the honor to be
Yr. &c. &c. &c. (pro mc) Edw.d Garrow

Fort St. George
5th May 1789.

Minute thereon

Ordered that the Balance due to Mr. Garrow (being Pagodas 15,483, 41. 63,) be discharged by a Bill on Bengal.

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.

To the Honble John Holland Esq.r
Governor in Council &c.a &c.a &c.a

From the Military Board enclosing their proceedings of the 10.th 17.th Ult.o and 1.st Inst. together with the remarks of General Horne & Colonel Kyd on the Regulations for the Engineer & Pioneer Departments - accompanied with their observations on the same subject.

Honble Sir

We have the honor to transmit our proceedings at Meetings held on the 10.th and 17.th Ult.o and 1.st Inst. and to acknowledge the acknowledge the receipt of Mr Sartorius Chamier's Letter of the 1.st Ultimo.

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From Lt Bulman

From Lieut. Edward Bulman, reminding the Board of his former applications for payment on account of Cattle delivered to the Deputy Agent in Camp during the last War.

From Mr. James West

From Mr. James West - repeating the substance of his former Letters respecting a Claim made over to him by some black People, on account of Cattle delivered to Colonel Stuart for the use of a Detachment under his command during the late War.

Lie on the Table

Ordered that the above Letters do lie on the Table.

The President's Intelligence to the Board

The President communicates to the Board, Intelligence received from different parts, from which it appears, that Tippoo Sultaun has ordered rejoicings on account of his Victories over the Nairs, and that he has returned to Seringapatam.

Ed. Gr. Holland Secy.

John Holland
H. W. Cavanagh

Edw. Gr. Holland

6 distance of Pitchinopoly from hence, and uncertain, as liable to be intercepted by the Mundas Colleries, 15 miles of the road lying thro' a difficult and jungly part of their Country.

The orders I issued, on my arrival here, to the Neighbouring Ammildars, have hitherto scarcely produced Grain enough for our daily consumption; nor has a single Bullock load as yet been received from Tondiman, or from any part of the Nabob's Territories; and should the Mundahs not comply with the Demand of Grain I had the honor to inform you I had made, I shall be obliged to supply myself wherever I can; and in this case I fear the poor Inhabitants must suffer considerably.

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Under these Circumstances I think it not advisable to move from hence before a supply of provisions for 10 or 12 days shall be secured; of which I propose carrying 5 with me to Shevagunga, leaving the remainder with some other Stores, in the Fort of Tripatoore, which the pioneers are now employed in putting into some sort of Repair; but I can scarcely flatter myself with being able to collect that Quantity in less than four or five days, except by means of force, which for the sake of the Country I wish to avoid as long as possible.

Motabar Khan to whom the Board refers

6 will give orders for our being supplies with 300 Candies by the first favorable opportunity.

We beg leave further to request that your Lordship will give directions that the Sulphur may be of superior quality to the last supply, great part of which was scarcely fit for use.

We have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a (signed) Jn.o Holland
&c.a Council.

Fort St. George
the 5th May, 1789.

7 Sent the undermentioned Letters (as entered in MB Nos. 13. 14. 15.)

To the Committee of Stores — To the Committee of Stores approving their proceedings — informing them, that an application for Sulphur has been made to Bengal, and enclosing Copy of a Letter and Enclosure from the Committee of Stores at Ganjam.

To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts — To Colonel Capper — Ensign Moe to be allowed Travelling Batta, if at Bengal on Duty — Upon his producing a Certificate that it has not been previously paid — but not otherwise — Ensign Frantz Claim admitted.

To the Resident at Travancore — To Mr. George Powney — directing him to send back to Palamcottah, the Company of Sepoys that marched with Captain Bannerman from thence — and to report the earliest Intelligence respecting Tippoo's operations &c.a

From Major Fonyn — Received Letter from Major Fonyn (entered in MB. No. 16.) enclosing an Indent of Stores wanted for his Regiment

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Minute thereon

As it appears that Colonel Stuart considered an additional Force necessary for ensuring success to the Expedition, the Board concur in his having ordered the 16th Battalion of Native Infantry to join him. It would however have been satisfaction to them, if he had mentioned what reports he had received of Cheuna Mudaiis Strength, rendering it expedient to order the above Reinforcement.

Subject of a Letter to be written to Colonel Stuart

Agreed that this be communicated to Colonel Stuart, and that he be desired to annex to his returns of the Detachment, a Return of Draught & Carriage Bullocks attached to it, and on what services Employed.

Read the following Extract from the proceedings of the publick Department.

Extract of a Letter from the Committee of Works recommending that Bills from Messrs. Wolf & Shaw, Amounting to Pags. 1686. 26. 6 may be discharged

"Extract of a Letter from the
"Committee of Works. dated 2d May 1789"

"Messrs. Wolf & Shaw have laid Bills
"before us for work done by them, amounting to Star
"Pagodas 1,686. 26. 6. and have requested Payment of
"the same".

"These Bills being regularly certified by
"the proper Officers. We beg leave to recommend that
"the amount may be discharged."

A true Extract (signed)

Robert Clerke

To be paid by a Bill on Bengal

Ordered that the Sum of Pagodas 1686. 26. 6 for Work done, as above stated, be paid to Messrs. Wolf & Shaw by a Bill on Bengal.

2d July

Read

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particularly affects Fakeer Mahomed Subidar of that Corps who was in consequence directed to be discharged the Service. I beg leave to submit to the Board's consideration the said Representation, and if it meets their approval, to recommend that Fackeer Mahomed Subidar be restored to the Service with his former Rank.

Fort St George
4th May 1789

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. (signed) Mathew Horne

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir

From General Horne - enclosing a list of Charges exhibited against certain officers & Men of the Company's Service - also proceedings of a Court martial on Lieutenant Lee, with a letter respecting them - from Lord Cornwallis desiring Major Mackenzie may be ordered to the Presidency - submitting the proceedings of of Committees for casting Horses from the Native Cavalry, and recommends that the Mares be sold - requests permission for Benjn Ogilvie to visit Bengal.

In conformity to the orders of the Board I have the honor to enclose the Charges exhibited against Officers and Men of the Honble Company's Troops on this Establishment, whom it is necessary to bring to a General Court Martial.

I have the honor to submit to the Board's inspection (before the Sentence is notified in General orders) the Proceedings of a General Court Martial held on Lieutenant Lee of the 12th Battalion of Sepoys and approved by Lord Cornwallis, and agreeably to his Lordship's order I am to desire Major Mackenzie that Major Mackenzie may be removed from the Command of Tanjore, and ordered to the Presidency:

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I have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a &c.a (signed) Matthew Horne

Fort St George
4th May 1789

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Governor in Council &c.a &c.a

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In conformity to the orders of the Board I have the honor to enclose the Charges exhibited against Officers and Men of the Honble Company's Troops on this Establishment, whom it is necessary to bring to a General Court Martial.

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John Bolton Matross in the 1st Battalion of Artillery, confined for Desertion from his Corps at Guntoor on the 19th December 1788.

/signed/ Chas. Carlisle Captain
Commanding detached Artillery

Ensign and Adjutant Sheridan of the 25th Battalion of Native Infantry, ordered in Arrest by Captain Arthur Stuart Commanding the same Corps, on the Evening of the 8th February 1789 - for repeated neglects of Duty, and disobedience of orders since the 28th October 1788, after the Battalion's leaving Malavjatad, and for disrespectful behaviour to him on the Parade of the 25 Battalion, when the Men were under Arms on the Evening of the 8th February.

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9th February 1789.

/signed/ Arthur Stuart Captain
Commanding 25th Battalion Native Infantry

Lieutenant Thomas Parley of the 19th Madras Battalion of Native Infantry, ordered into Arrest by me, on Complaint of Ensign J Butler for a Conduct to him unbecoming the Character of a Gentleman and Officer, by attempting to defraud him of a Sum of Money, which as a Brother Officer, and a friend, he received for him.

Pallamcotah.
20th April 1789

/signed/ Thomas Leighton. Captain
Commanding 19th Battalion N Infantry

A true Copy,
/signed/ Henry Malcolm
Adjutant General to the Army

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The proceedings of the General Court Martial to lie returned to Genl. Home for publication

Agreed that the proceedings of the General Court Martial be returned to General Home, that he may publish the Sentence conformably to the Instructions of Earl Cornwallis.

Letter to be written to Colonel Musgrave for a Warrant to Convene a General Court Martial

Agreed that a Letter be written to Colonel Musgrave desiring he will issue a Warrant to convene a General Court Martial to sit at the Presidency for the purpose of trying such Prisoners as may be brought before them.

From Mr. Lind

Read a Letter (entered in MB. No. 17) from Mr. Lind, requesting a Company's Bond may be granted in Exchange for a Note given by the Committee of Works, in Compensation for Ground taken on account of the Company.

Minute thereon

As the whole of the Subject, to which Mr. Lind's Claim relates, is in Reference to the Court of Directors, no steps can be taken until their orders are received.

President's Intelligence to the Board.

The President Communicates to the Board, Intelligence which mentions a report of Tippoo's negociating a Peace with the Nairs.

John Holland
Ja. W. Kaye
Chief Cashl Marine

Edwd. Jn. Holland

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To Colonel Thomas Musgrave

Commanding his Majesty's Troops
on the Coast.

Sir

To Colonel Musgrave — to issue a Warrant for Convening a Court Martial to sit at the Presidency.

General Horne having recommended to Government that some Officers and Men now under Arrest be brought to a Court Martial without delay, I am directed to desire you will issue a Warrant for Convening a General Court Martial to sit at the Presidency, for the Tryal of such Officers and Men as shall be brought before them.

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I am Sir &c. (signed) I. Stamier
By Secretary

To Brigadier General Horne.

Commander in Chief &c.
on the Coast

Sir

To General Horne — approving his recommendations — acquainting him with the appointments of Lieutenants Boisdaume and Dallas to the Commands of Nellore and Rampore — and of an application for a Warrant to convene a Court Martial having been made to Colonel Musgrave — returning the proceedings of a General Court Martial for Publication — Major Mackenzie will be removed from his present Station &c.

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 6th and 8th Instant, and to inform you, that the several Recommendations therein contained, being approved, the necessary Orders will be issued.

Government have appointed Lieutenant Boisdaume to the Command of Nellore, and Lieutenant Peter Dallas to the Command of Rampore. They have also applied to Colonel Musgrave to issue a Warrant to convene a General Court Martial at the Presidency —

I return the proceedings of the General Court Martial that the Sentence may be published. — With respect to Major Mackenzie, I am directed to inform You that

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Approved

Approved

Fort St. George
7th May 1789 –

since the year 1780 been brought forward as a part of the Storekeeper's Stock, We conceive that this mode of adjustment required the Sanction of Government to carry it into Effect. We herewith annex a Copy (No 1) of the Storekeeper's Statement of this matter for your further information

We have the honor to enclose you (No 2) Copy of a report of a Proof of 600 Barrels of Gunpowder lately made at the mount by which it appears that this powder is of the same quality as that reported in our Letter of the 7th Ulto, and as every Care is taken in this Manufacture, We trust that the Powder may be made hereafter will prove equally good.

The Commissary General of Stores laid before us a list of Stores (Copy of which We enclose No 3) received from the Military Storekeeper last month, musters of which We examined and approved as We likewise did of 4 field Carriages, with limbers for Iron 18 Pounders 4 field carriages with limbers for Brass 3 Pdrs and 4 Tumbrils, and which being made of good materials and well finished, We ordered to be received on the Company's Books.

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

Math. Horne
J. Capper
Peo. Savage
Patrick Ross
J. Moorhouse

signed

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That Colonel Nixon be desired to direct an Engineer to report upon the State of the quarters at Amboor, and to transmit an Estimate of the Expence that will attend the repairing them.

Read the following Letter from the Board of Revenue.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council &c.a &c.a

Honble Sirs.

From the Board of Revenue enclosing a Letter from the Tasildar at Arnee which sets forth some depredations committed in that District by Poligars

Having received a Letter from the Tasildar at Arnee, representing that the peace of that District has been interrupted by the Depredation of some Poligars, We beg leave to send you a Copy of the Letter, that such measures may be adopted, as may appear to you necessary to prevent like disturbances in future.

We have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a
(signed)
Edw.d Saunders
David Haliburton
Geo: Moubray

Fort St. George
the
8: May 1789. —

From Gopaul Row Tassealdar at Arnee.
Dated 26: April, & received 4th May 1789 —

I beg leave to represent to your honors that on the 25: Instant at night, a number of 2 or 300 People with Mushal lights have entered into the houses of the Brahmin Inhabitants, Merchants, Weavers, &c.a in the Village of Colutoor —

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none at present, and directed to address to your presence, and procure your order. you will therefore please to signify your pleasure how to act on this occasion. It is said the People that plundered Coluttoor as above, are the Peons belonging to the Poligars Cheab Naick, and Vadroconda Rungapah Naick; besides which 4 or 500 of Cheab Naicks Peons keep themselves upon the Hills of Padawada, and also-licaud, seize the Ryots that are there and Rob them. Thus they act with great Violence. if you will be pleased to write to Colonel Kelly in the Fort, to punish them, the Ryots in the Villages will be easy, and Carry on their Cultivation.

As there are good Sibendy Peons with Carnatick Muskets ready here, if you will be pleased to grant me permission to employ them, they shall be stationed in the Villages of this District wherever required to oppose those Poligars Peons. For other matters I shall address to your presence by and by.

A true Copy
Wm Harrington.
Deputy Secretary

Agreed

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Diary

13 Sent the following Letters (as entered in M.B. Nos. 28. 29.

To Bengal.

To Bengal — The Consultations of this Government in the Military Department from 1st. January to 31st. March 1789, together with the Country Correspondence for that period and an Index subjoined to the Consultations, are entrusted to Mr. Marshall the Commanding Officer of the Swallow, to be delivered to Mr. Hay on the arrival of the Swallow in Bengal.

14 Received the undermentioned (entered in M.B. No. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38.)

From the Collector at Guntoor

From the Collector at Guntoor — has advanced the Paymaster in the Guntoor Circar, the Sum of 5000 M.Pagodas on account of his Monthly Disbursements.

From the Resident at Travancore

— From the Resident at Travancore — Announcing his arrival of Trivandaporam — States, that the Rajah is gone to perform some Religious Ceremonies at Etavanow, about 110 Miles from his usual place of Residence.

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — Enclosing a Letter from Lieutenant Howley

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From the Commandant at Innicondah — with Information of Shaik Noor Mahomed, Fougdar of Cumboor, and Chinna Naick's having marched from Puramcondah with 750 Sepoys & Peons to Cumboor, with orders to press every Man in that Country, the Farmers, Bramins & Merchants excepted.

From the Commandant at Innicondah

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From the Collector at Guntoor — thinks the removal of Captain Mackinnon's Corps to Guntoor eligible, on account of the accommodation it affords for the Officers & Sepoys.

From the Collector at Guntoor

Ordered that the following Extract from the Records of the public Department be entered here under.

15 Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, dated 12 May 1789.

"Read the following Letter from Bengal."

"To the Honble John Hollond Esqr."
"Governor in Council
"of Fort St. George."

"Honble Sir"

From Bengal, detailing the manner in which the Records of their Government are kept: and recommending a similar arrangement for the Presidency of Fort St. George.

"The late Communications to us
"from the Secret Committee of the Honble Court of
"Directors, having rendered it necessary that some
"alteration should be made in the arrangement of
"the

15 "and reforming Lapences, relative to whatever Office
"or Subject, are recorded separately in the Secret De-
"-partment, altho' matter of correspondence with the
"Court of Directors."

"In the Revenue Department We record all
"Busines relative to the Revenues, and upon Law
"points connected with it."

"In the Public Department We record all
"Subjects we record all Subjects not belonging to our
"proceedings in the Secret and Revenue Offices, and
"classed under the following Branches, in which our
"proceedings are kept distinct.

"1.st Subjects of various kinds separate from the
following.

"2.nd Those which are Commercial, & relative to
Shipping.

"3.rd Those which respect Contingent Charges, not
Military.

"4.th Those which respect Bencoolen, and

"5.th. Those which respect Prince of Wales's Island.

"We have acquainted the honble Court
"of Directors, that We should communicate to you
"the arrangement We should settle for the
"Busines in our Offices, under the Secretary;
"that if you should judge proper, you might
"adopt a similar Regulation at your Presidency,
"in order that the advices to the Honble Company

"from

15 "the Government General, that We shall
"keep seperate Records in our Secret Department
"of our proceedings relating to those points
"mentioned in the above Letter, and continue
"to transmit all communications thereupon to
"the hönble the Court of Directors, and not to
"their Secret Committee, who will be addressed
"by us on subjects unquestionably of a secret
"nature only. — The arrangements for conduct-
"-ing the other branches of the public Business
"at Bengal, under the Secretary, is perfectly
"similar, the Board remark, to the Rules
"observed at this Presidency for some time past,
"in conformity to the Instructions of the hönble
"the Court of Directors."

A true Extract
(signed) Robert Clerk Kyd Secy

Received the following Letters.

John Chanier Esqr
Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir

I am directed to transmit to you
a Letter, and Copy of it, from the Commander in
Chief

From the Secretary at Bengal — enclosing Letter from the Commander in Chief to Colonel Cuppage respecting his Rank.

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15 Brevet Commission of King's Rank for the Rank of Colonel which You hold only by the temporary tenure of your Continuance in the Office of Commissary General at the Presidency of Fort St. George.

I am Sir

Your most obedient, and most humble Servant

/signed/ Cornwallis

Fort William
25 April 1789.

A true Copy /signed/ E. Hay Secy. General

To the Honble John Hollond Esq.

Governor in Council — &c. &c.

Hble Sir.

From Vizagapatam — advising of their having sent a Detachment of 2 Companies of Sepoys into the Madigal and Golconda Countries, in consequence of an application for the same from Rajah Vizeramauze — the 2d. Battalion — Commanded by Captain J. Stuart passed Vizagapatm on their March to Chicacole the 3d. Instant

Having received a Letter from Rajah Vizeramauze, signifying that troubles had arisen in the Madigal and Golgondah Countries, and applying to us for a Detachment of two Companies of Native Troops to be detached to those Districts, We have thought proper to comply with his requisition.

From the best Circarrah Information, We have however reason to believe, that no disturbances will arise sufficient to interrupt the Rajah in the Collection of his Revenues.

We,

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Translation of a Letter from Cumar ul Dien Cawn, Cauzee of Nellore; dated 13th Shabaun 1203 Hegira. —

Meer Buddar ud Deen, Son in Law of the late Hussanee Beg deceased, about a Week ago, prefer'd Mahomed Baharaman (Son in Law to the late Synud Deen) for payment of half a Rupee which was a Balance due to him on acct of Cloth purchased from him. — Mahomed Baharaman promised to go to a Village at a little distance, and to bring the Money and pay it — after he went away Buddar ud Deen laid hold on his Son, a boy of 10 years age, and insisted on payment: the boy remained thus the whole day; and at night made his Escape to his own House — On the 12th Instant Buddar ud deen went to the boy's house, and prefer'd very hard for his Money, when the Mother at length; as is usual with Women, made use of some harsh expressions, and complained with a loud voice against Buddar ud deen's violent Conduct upon which he entered the house, seized the said Woman (who always was kept secluded from the sight of Man) by the hair, threw her on the Ground, beat her, and drawing his Oefs he attempted to cut off her nose, but the Woman ran away to the house

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15 this Road on the King's Frigate the Thetis, Commanded by the Commodore Count de Macnamara — these Ambassadors came on shore this day — the Season being too far advanced, prevented Mons.r Le Comte de Macnamara taking them to Mangalore.

I address myself with Confidence to your Excellency for the purpose of obtaining a Passport for these Ambassadors, with the presents entrusted to them, on the part of the King, their own Effects, the People of their Suite, and the Artists & Workmen they have brought from Europe, to proceed without Molestation as far as Atour.

I do not hesitate assuring your Excell.y that my request does not cover any Design that can affect in the smallest Shape the good understanding which subsists, & which I hope will for a long time subsist between our respective Nations in the four Quarters of the World. These Ambassadors have been treated with kindness by the King my Master, all the Commandants of Provinces and Cities through which they have passed, have had orders to receive them with the greatest attention. I did not expect them here, but since they are arrived, I cannot avoid receiving them properly, and treating them with the same attentions during the time they may stay; & I hope that their residence here will not be long.

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To the Boards of Revenue — To the Board of Revenue — with Information of the above orders respecting the Revenue Troops.

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To the Commandant at Nellore — To the Commandant at Nellore — Enclosing a Complaint from the Nabob respecting an Interference in the administration of Justice at Nellore — If the Criminal mentioned in the Cauzee's Letter be not one of the Company's Sepoys, he is to be delivered up immediately to the Nabob's Servants.

To the Committee of Stores — To the Committee of Stores — Mr Brodie to be credited for all the Gunpowder which he appears to have delivered, which Credit is to be balanced by Debiting the head of Military Charges for the Expenditure of the powder — their other recommendations approved.

To the Collector at Guntoor — To the Collector at Guntoor — Captain Mackinnon's Battalion is to be stationed in Guntoor.

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Sent the following Letter to Pondicherry.

To His Excellency Le Compte de Conway

Major General in his Most Christian Majesty's Service,
Commandant General of the French Settlements in India
&c.a &c.a &c.a
at Pondicherry

Sir

To the Compte de Conway — requesting an account of the Number of Persons that are to accompany the ambassadors of Tippoo Sultaun to Attoor, in order that proper passports for them and their Suite may be furnished.

I have been honored with the receipt of your Excellency's Letter dated the 13.th Instant, and am very happy that you place that reliance in the friendly dispositions of this Government, of which it will be my Study to give proofs whenever the opportunity may offer.

I request of you to furnish me with an account of the number of Persons that are to accompany the Ambassadors of the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun to Attoor, that I may procure and send to your Excellency a proper passport for them and their Suite.

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a (signed) John Holland

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from 2. to 2. 4 ℘ Cent; and conceiving that such Variation will affect the prices of the Horses to be purchased. I am directed to communicate to you this remark, for the Information of the Government of Fort St George, who are requested to pay due attention thereto, on the present occasion.

Fort William
22. April 1789 —

I am Sir
&c. &c. signed John Shore
Sub Secy

If it should hereafter be necessary to grant Certificates upon the Bengal Government, the Information contained in the foregoing Letter will be attended to.

Minute thereon

The President lays before the Board the following Card from the Nabob's Eldest Son.

From the Nabob's Eldest Son — States that large Supplies of Provisions have been provided for Colonel Stuart's Detachment, and requests that Escorts may be furnished to convey the same to Camp.

The Nabob Omdat Ul Omrah Bahauder presents his Compliments to Governor Holland, and informs him that Citabar Cawn has provided a large Supply of Provisions in the Tinnevelly District for the use of Colonel Stuart's Detachment — the Governor will be pleased to direct the Commanding Officer at Palamcotah to employ constantly one or two Companys of Sepoys in conveying the Provisions to the Camp — ample Supplies are also sent off from Tritchinopoly; so that the Detachment will not suffer

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A Return of the Killed Wounded, and taken Prisoners on the 14th Instant at the Attack of Collongoody.

	Europeans			Gun Lascars		
	Killed	Wounded	G. Total	Killed	Wounded	G. Total
Detachment of the 2d Battalion of Artillery	1	6	7	7	1	1

	Corporals	Matrosses	Total	Wounded	Lascars	Total	2d Gunballs	Lascars	Total	Killed and Wounded
	1	6	7	7	1	1	1	16	17	18

European Infantry

	Killed			Wounded						G. Total
	Corporal	Private	Total	Captain	Lieutenant	Sergeant	Corporals	Privates	Total	Killed and Wounded
The 2 Companies of His Majesty's 72d Regiment	.	3	3	.	.	1	1	16	18	21
The 2 Companies of the 1st Battn. Europn Infantry	1	1	2	1	1	.	2	16	18	20
G. Total	1	4	5	1	1	1	3	32	36	41

Native Infantry

	Killed				Wounded						G. Total
	Serjeant	Naigues	Sepoys	Total	Lieutenant	Ensign	2d Native Serjeant	Havildar	Naigue	Sepoys	Total	Killed & Wounded
The 7th Battalion Native Infantry	1	.	1	2	1	1	.	.	1	11	12	14
The 20th Battalion Native Infantry	.	1	3	4	.	2	1	2	1	25	28	32
G. Total	1	1	4	6	1	3	1	2	2	36	40	46

List of Officers Wounded.

Lieutenant Cuppage. Dy. Master

Captain Read, Lieutenant Taylor } 1st Battn. Europn Infantry

Ensign Mc Worth } 7th Battn. Native Infantry

Ensign Ridge, Cormick } 20th Battn. Native Infantry

Pioneers

	Wounded	
	Sepoys	Total
G. Total	2	2

His Highness the Nabob's Troops

	Native Infantry – Killed				Wounded				Taken Prisoners		Gun Lascars Wounded		G. Total
	Sepoys	Total	Sepoys	Total	Havildar	Naigue	Sepoys	Total	Sepoys	Total	Pickallies	Lascars	Total	Killed Wounded and Taken Prisoners
The Madura Troops	1	1	1	1	-	1	3	6	1	1	"	"	"	8
The Ramnaud Troops	1	1	-	1	"	"	5	6	"	"	"	"	"	7
The Shevigunga Troops	-	"	-	"	"	"	-	-	-	-	1	3	4	4
G. Total	2	2	1	2	"	1	8	12	1	1	1	3	4	19

/ Signed / J Stuart
Col Commanding

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General Horne's Letter.

Minute thereon

Agreed also, that the above be referred to the Chief Engineer, and that he be directed to report his opinion upon the Recommendations of General Horne and Colonel Nixon.

Colonel Maxwell permitted to absent himself occasionally from his Station.

Agreed, that Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell be permitted to absent himself occasionally from his Station as recommended by General Horne.

Return of Draught and Carriage Bullocks employed with the Guntoor Detachment

The following return of the Draught & Carriage Bullocks employed with the Guntoor Detachment, is laid before the Board.

A Return of Draught & Carriage Bullocks employed with the Guntoor Detachment, specifying the Corps and Departments to which they were attached

	September 1788.		October 1788		November 1788		December 1788		January 1789		February 1789		March 1789	
	Draught	Carriage	Draught	Carriage	Draught	Carriage	Draught	Carriage	Draught	Carriage	Draught	Carriage	Draught	Carriage
Commanding Officer and Staff	"	54	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	46
Engineer Corps	"	23	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Detachment of Native Cavalry	"	44	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	48
Ditto of Artillery	"	60	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	50
15th Hanoverian Regiment	"	180	"	180	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	234
2d Batt. Native Infantry	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	64
4th Ditto Ditto	"	64	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
8th Ditto Ditto	"	64	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
12th Ditto Ditto	"	55	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	60
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N.B. In the Month of October the Bullocks of the Detachment were ordered under Charge of the Contractor's Agent, and not to be Returned by Corps during the time the Detachment remained in Cantonment.

(signed) Ja.s Campbell q.r m.r g.l

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be laid before the Honble Board, I have the honor to enclose it.

Mr. Torriano Paymaster at Vellore and Amboor having called upon His Highness the Nabob's Manager to exchange 314 Garce 100 Marcalls & 4 Seers of Paddy at Vellore, and 37 Garce 96 Marcalls 11 Seers at Amboor, he received for Answer, that he (the Manager) would write to His Superiors and Conform to the Orders he might Receive. — As yet, I have not heard that he has Exchanged any part.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. signed Tho. Cockburn
Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Committee of Stores be directed to order the proper Officer to make the Surveys and reports Mr. Cockburne has recommended upon the Carts &c. in his Department

Read the following Letter from Masulipatam with Enclosures entered on Mil. Nos. 46).

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council — &c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir & Sirs,

We have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your Secretary's letter of the 12th Ultimo — and

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carrying General Orders into Effect, We thought it only necessary to request your Directions for our guidance, in order to prevent similar inconvenience to your Honor &c. and to ourselves in future.

The orders communicated in the two last Letters acknowledged, shall be duly attended to.

Having transmitted a Copy of the List of Artificers that came Enclosed in your Secretary's Letter of the 2d. Ultimo, to our Committee of Stores, We have the honor of Enclosing Copy of a Letter which they have written to us on the Subject. It will appear thereby, that the Committee is of opinion, the number of Artificers allotted for this Storehouse is insufficient; and We have only to observe, that the Stores lodged here, are not for the use of this Garrison only, as all the out Garrisons in the District are supplied from it, and as it is in fact the only Garrison to the Northward of Madras, where a Detachment could on any Emergency be supplied with Stores; and as these cannot at all Seasons of the Year be sent up by Sea from the Southward, it becomes necessary to keep a greater number of Stores here, than might otherwise be the case, and

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The Committee have likewise mentioned the Batta usually paid before this time to the Commanding Officer of Artillery, during the time of his being employed in superintending the drying of Gunpowder, but now objected to for the first time by the Comptroller General of Army Accounts. The place where the Powder has always been dried, and where a proper Terrace &c. has been constructed for the purpose, being at some distance from the Fort, on the opposite side of the River, we conceive this circumstance may have been the original reason for allowing Batta to the Officer employed in superintending that Duty, tho' not allowed perhaps at other Stations; and as it can only continue for a few months in the Year, We beg leave to recommend the opinion of the Committee for it's being continued, to your favorable Consideration.

We likewise enclose an Indent made out by the Committee of Stores, for Stores wanted from the Presidency, which Colonel Braithwaite has approved, and to which We have no remarks to annex.

We have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
Anth. Sadleir
signed J. Hodges
W. Dobbyn

Masulipatam 9th May 1789

P.S. Herewith We have the honor of enclosing our Military Consultations for the Months of March & April, & those of Secret Department for February and April.

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Recommendations to his, that the Cooper and the old Establishment of Artificers agreeably to the Enclosed Statement, be continued the allotment for this Garrison.

We have also the honor to forward to you a transcript of a Petition from our Factory Lascars, and in Consideration of the Circumstances they state think it incumbent on us upon principles of Equity, exclusive of every Claim they may have to Indulgence, to recommend them to your notice.

They entered the Service originally at 7 Factory Lascars at 6 Rupees pr month, but have notwithstanding been frequently Employed in the Field, and subsequently suffered a Reduction of a third of their Pay, which combined with the advanced price of Provisions, is We think the lowest Establishment upon which the Company can Expect to employ the Services of so useful a Body of Men, at a Seaport where they may have abundant private occupation on as profitable terms.- They have Recently however, by directions from the Commissary General been put under a monthly Stoppage of half a Rupee pr man for Cloathing, with which so long as they have been in the Service they have furnished themselves, and that they may be permitted to continue in the same practice, and to

receive

Malabar Coast are not comprehended in the Cartel, I am always anxious to act on all occasions conformable to the principles of Generosity and good understanding which should cement the happy Harmony which subsists between two respectable Nations whose Esteem is reciprocal.

I shall therefore make no difficulty in giving up the Deserters to your first order; they will stay on board 'till I am honored with Your Answer; but I request your Excellency to have the goodness to treat these Deserters with Lenity. I shall be very sensible of this flattering proof of your Compliance: and the humane Sentiments of your Excellency persuade me that my request will not be found improper.

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

(signed) Conway

Pondicherry
17th May 1789.

A true translation
(signed) F. Chase
Persian Trans.r

Minute thereon

Agreed that the receipt of the above be immediately acknowledged expressing the sense of this Government upon General Conway's attention, and assuring him that his humane intentions towards the Deserters shall be fully supported.

Ditto

Resolved also, that the President be requested to give directions for receiving the Deserters at the

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the 11th December 1787, that the unusual number of arms in these Stores induced the Governor instead of reducing any part of the Establishment, to increase the proportion formerly allotted to the Garrison.

I humbly conceive it will therefore be found proper either to remove the many Stand of arms from this place, or to reduce the present Establishment only in the proportion of Men allowed the 19th Batt. upon the new Plan.

The reduction is so great at present as to leave no hands for the preservation of the Stores, hardly for the trifling repairs of the arms of the Revenue Corps: yet whatever Establishment the Honble President in Council shall be pleased to allow, He may depend upon the application of their service as far as they will go. — it is also for the Consideration of Government that these Men of every Denomination are the only Artificers in this remote part of the Country fit for the Company's Service, and may not be easily replaced when their Experience is wanted.

As the Establishment for the Garrison of Palamcotah admits only of one Puckally, I am inclined to think this is meant to lie for the use and certainly requisite for the Stores, Laboratory &c. &c. But fearful of misconceiving the orders of Government, I beg leave to request an Explanation, and at the same time to remark that the River is so far distant from the

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Agreed to desire Captain Dumoody will deliver up the Prisoners to the Nabob's Renter, that they may be punished according to the Customs of the Country Government.

From the Deputy Kings Paymaster.

From the Deputy King's Paymaster General - stating a Claim made at his Office by Captain Gage for Non-Effective Allowance while serving as Captain in the 100th Regiment, and Enclosing Sundry Vouchers.

Minute thereon

Agreed, that the above be referred to Colonel Capper, and that he be desired to report thereon

From Lieutenant Colonel Ross

From Lieutenant Colonel Ross - enclosing sundry Estimates from Lieutenant Norris for Repairs at Arnee & Vellore.

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Lieutenant Colonel Ross that the above mode of transmitting Estimates is irregular - that every thing relative to repairs in Out-Garrisons should be transmitted thro' the Channel of the Commanding Officer, who will lay the same before Government with their opinions.

Ditto

Resolved that the above be communicated to Colonels Nixon and Kelly, and that they be desired to give the necessary Directions to Lieutenant Norris, who should be ordered to transmit to the Chief Engineer Copies of all Estimates which he may officially deliver to the Officers Commanding the

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20 Diary

Dispatched the following Letters (as entered in M.B. Nos. 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66.)

To the Committee of Stores

To the Committee of Stores – to report their opinion upon an Enclosed Indent for Stores received from Masulipatam – The Carts and Stores belonging to the Department of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, lately returned from the Guntoor Circar, are to be inspected and reported upon.

To the Quarter Master General.

To the Quarter Master General – Directed to furnish another Return of Bullocks employed with the Guntoor Detachment, specifying the Service to which they were attached, under their respective heads of Distribution – referring to Orders by their Dates for the Establishment kept up.

To the Chief Engineer

To the Chief Engineer – enclosing Copies of Papers Received from Vellore, respecting the widening the Entrance to the Gateway in the Fort; upon which he is desired to report.

To Brigadier General Horne

To Brigadier General Horne – informing him of the Contents of the foregoing Letter to the Chief Engineer, and that Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell has

permission

20 to Government, upon which he is desired to give such Information as may be in his power.

To the Chief Engineer 21 To the Chief Engineer — Government consider the mode of bringing before them Estimates of Repair for the Garrisons of Vellore and Arnee &c.a irregular — In future all Representations relating to Fortifications &c.a are to be made thro' the Channel of the Commanding Officer.

To the Commandants of Vellore and Arnee To the Commandants of Vellore and Arnee — with information of the above.

To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts — Government consent to the Continuance of the Batta that has usually been allowed to the Commanding Officer of Artillery at Masulipatam during the time of his being employed in superintending the drying of Gunpowder.

To Colonel Stuart — To Colonel Stuart Commanding the Detachment in the Shevagunga Country — If any distress for Bullocks or Provisions for the use of the Detachment should still exist, he is to supply himself by compulsion measures, and keep a regular account thereof —

To Masulipatam — To Masulipatam — Those parts of their Letter of the 9.th Instant, which relates to the Departments under the Military Board and Committee of Stores, have been referred to them — Government consent to the

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To Colonel Stuart — To Colonel Stuart Commanding the Detachment in the Sheragunga Country — If any distress for Bullocks or Provisions for the use of the Detachment should still exist, he is to supply himself by compulsive measures, and keep a regular account thereof

To Masulipatam — To Masulipatam — Those parts of their Letter of the 9.th Instant, which relates to the Departments under the Military Board and Committee of Stores, have been referred to them — Government consent to the

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21 and tho' these were not so plentiful as I wished, they were given without oppression or trouble to the Inhabitants, a Circumstance I was determined agreeable to the Spirit of my Instructions to attend to above all others as long as possible, that is as long as the Negotiations on the part of the Nabob and his Servants continued with the Murdaks, who had a Vackeel all this time in Camp, and were still in hopes of a peaceable Accommodation.

They were even remitting part of their Arrear to Pitchinopoly, and were flattered by the Nabob Wajeem ul Mulk with an immediate Recal of the Detachment. — On the 12th I found the Resolution had been taken to Negotiate no more, and on the 13th having only two days Rice in Camp, I marched to Nollerepurmcottah without meeting any interruption at two different places on the Road where Works had been thrown up to oppose us, but which were abandoned at our approach.

On the 14th I had the honor to inform you We got possession of this place, which is a considerable Village, Chiefly inhabited by the Relations of the Murdahs. It is surrounded by a Mud Wall (strong enough to resist our Six Pounders) in which are 16 projecting Towers, some of them of Size enough to receive Guns, tho' only two of

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Company of the 72nd, the 7th Battalion and the Sheiregunga Troops by pushing as far as possible into the Jungle, to endeavour to get into it's rear. The Flank was covered by a Village with open Ground in front, upon which a large party from the Works with great Spirit drew up to oppose our approach, but they were immediately driven back by the Line and pursued thro' the Village, where I took post 'till the Enemy's situation could be reconnoitred, and to give time for Colonel Oldham to advance thro' the Thicket as directed. In the mean time the Enemy kept up a Continual but little Effect Fire from their Bank, but that was no sooner distinctly reconnoitred which the 20th Battalion from its first situation was enabled to do, than it was stormed and carried, as was also an Inner Work not before seen, a large Tank in the rear of their left fortified in the same stile with the others. The pursuit was here so close, that the Enemy had barely time to shut the Barrier to the South Entrance of the Fort, but that being secured they began so heavy a fire from the whole of the South face, that it was necessary to recal the Troops that were Gallantly trying to force the Barrier, and post them under cover of the Tank. Guns were then brought up but tho' perfectly well served, they had little Effect on the Defences, which were hid by the surrounding Jungle. As nothing could be done on this side, three Companies

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21 mean to make a stand betwixt this and Calacoil; and though their Troops are not now numerous / for many are said to have left them / they are well affected, and actuated by the same despair with themselves. and — above all they are armed and appointed much better than Poligars have usually been. — They are too Vigilant to allow themselves to be surprized. and to reduce them regularly it appears to me a greater force is necessary than that I have here, respectable as it is. — By Casualties and sickness the Europeans of this Detachment are diminished a third; the Sepoys are deprived in the same way of several good Officers, and in this species of Service, the presence and Countenance of European Officers are particularly necessary to Native Troops. — In addition therefore to the 16th Battalion which I expect will join me in a day or two, I have ordered a reinforcement of 30 Artillery Men, and a Company of European Infantry from Trichinopoly, and three Companies of the 77th Regiment from Vellum to Tripatoore. I have also ordered the two flank Companies of the 72d Battalion to the same place from Madura, and of these with the addition of such Troops as I may be able to spare, I propose if necessary to form a seperate Detachment to act in a different direction from that in which I may move. — A diversion of this kind I judge expedient, as, if the

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21 such Detachments cannot with safety be composed but in great part of Company's Troops, And. as I mentioned before, in all probability a seperate Detachment must be formed for the purpose of a Diversion, and that too must consist chiefly of our own Troops.

The number of our Sick and Wounded, besides has obliged me to establish an Hospital in the Fort of Collengoody, which I am now putting into a state of Defence for that purpose, as well, as that it may serve as a Magazine for Provisions during the present Cusiness, and as a post of Communication with Calacoil when We get possession of it; and both will require a Garrison for some time at least, or till all resistance from the People in the Jungle ceased; and it is unnecessary to repeat that till the End of these troubles, such Posts cannot be safe unless our Troops compose part of their Garrisons.

Altogether, the additional Force I propose to have here appears to me requisite, and I hope the Honorable Board will believe that unless I were under the strongest impression of its Expediency, and even necessity, I would not have presumed either to order or solicit it. The orders issued cannot take Effect without the approbation of the Honorable Board, and if they

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directions mentioned in Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letter, I will in future transmit with returns of the Detachment under my Command, a Return of the Draught and Carriage Bullocks attached to it, shewing the particular Services on which they were employed.

I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c. (signed) J. Stuart
Colonel Commanding

Camp Collongoody
15th May 1789.

Received the following Letters (entered in MB. Nos. 68. 69. 70.)

From the Paymaster at Tiagar – stating the inconveniencies attending the Dismission of all the Lascars from that Garrison, who are now ordered to Madras.

From the Paymaster at Tiagar.

From the Commandant of Pennacoil – with Intelligence of Tippoo's having plundered Mahé, and torn the French Flag from the Mast, in consequence of which General Conway has dispatched two Hircarrahs to Seringapatam.

From the Commandant at Pennacoil.

From the Commandant of Nellore – In Explanation of his Conduct with regard to the Man whom he confined for assaulting a Woman in that Garrison.

From the Commandant of Nellore.

Sent the following Letters.

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To Colonel Stuart

Commanding the Detachment
at Collongoody
in the Shevagungah Country.

Sir.

To Colonel Stuart - approving the reinforcement he has ordered from Tanjore, Tritchinopoly, and Madura.

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter dated the 15th Instant, and to inform you, that in Consequence of the Reasons you have given, they Concur in the measure you have recommended, and approve the Reinforcements which you have ordered from Tanjore, Tritchinopoly, and Madura.

I am Sir. Your most obedient Servant
(signed) J. Chamier
Secretary

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21st May 1789

At a Consultation Present
The Honble John Holland Esqr.
President

Friday
22d May 1789

James Henry Casamajor
and
Edward John Holland } Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved.

Read the following Letters from the Governor of Pondicherry.

To

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Proper Names of the Ambassadors and their Suite.

Ambassadors

Mahomet Vereech Khan
Akbar Ali Khan.
Mahomet Osman Khan
Aga Gail, Son of Akbar Ali Khan
Gonlami Sait Nephew of Osman Khan.
Moudin Khan Secretary
Wassel Khan ... Ditto

Sepoys.

Che Ali Doula. Officer
Chei Imaum ... Serjeant
Chei Iman ... Soldier
Chei Houssein ... Ditto
Nour Mahomet ... Ditto
Chei Mira ... Ditto
Chei Ismaid ... Ditto
Chei Osman ... Ditto
Abdoul Naby ... Ditto
Chei Assan ... Ditto
Jaffer Mahomed Kismadar
Mahomed Jacob Ditto
Chei Moitman ... Ditto

Chei Mahomed Kistmadar
Mackara. Hircarra
Biscarra ... Ditto
Mootoo ... Masalgee
Cadrey ... Washerman
Papana ... Barber
Chee on ... Doty
Mobin Chan ... Lascar
Chei Mobin ... Ditto
Chei Ka ... Waterman
Sack ... Interpreter

Moodoo
Chitty
Badjenee
Chee Adon
Dela Orby
} Attendants on the Ambassadors

Vengaby Swamy
Anoze Evelle
Dinan a Bank
Mejespen ..

Europeans

Villemet ... Doctor
Barraule ... Surgeon
Garcon ... a Drawer
Villepark ... Ditto
De Bay. a Clockmaker
Sandor ... Ditto
Monnot an Optician

Reignier a Woollen Draper
Ponein Regnier his Wife
William Do.
Augustus Do.
Victor Do.
} their Children

Pombard, Master Dyer
Menaud, a Turner

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To John Holland Esqr.

President & Governor of Fort St. George

My Friend.

From the Nabob enclosing Copies of Letters from and to the Governor of Pondicherry, and of a Pass port for Tippoo's Ambassadors and their Suite.

The Enclosed is my Letter to General Conway in reply to the one I received from him thro' you, and it covers the Dustuck which he has applied for.

Translation of his Letter, of my answer, and of the Dustuck come also enclosed for your perusal.

May all happiness attend my Friend.

What can I say more?

Chepauk House
18th May 1789.

Translation of a Persian Letter to His Highness the Nabob, from General Conway, Governor of Pondicherry. Dated 16th Shaabaun 1203 Hegira. answering to the 12th May 1789.

After the usual Compliments

The day before Yesterday His Majesty's Ship Le Thetis, of which Monsieur Le Compte de Macnamara, an Officer of distinction in the french Navy, is Captain, arrived and anchored in the Roads of Pondicherry. The Ambassadors of Tippoo Sultaun are arrived in her, the Change of the Season was the

cause

this as being for my own good.

I always wish for an encrease of your Highness's prosperity, and for a long Continuance of your valuable Life.

To General Conway

22d. Shabaun 1203 Hegira, or
18th. May 1789.

I have received your Letter, signifying to me the arrival of one of the King of France's Ships with the Mysorean Ambassadors on board, and that she brought them to Pondicherry, because the Season was changed on the other Coast; wherefore You request my Dustuck to pass them.- and informing me of your having received a Letter from Your Sovereign containing Injunctions to you to pay every attention and respect towards me, with certain Expressions worthy of the Exalted Discerning mind of Majesty.

From Motives of Respect towards the King of France, and in Consequence of Your Request I have sent you a Dustuck, and I beg leave thro' you to offer my most respectful thanks to his Majesty for having been graciously pleased agreeably

to

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Translation of the Dustuck.

To the Gomastahs of the Phouzdars, Jaghiedars, Poligars, and all Guards on the Roads.

Know

The Bearers of this Dustuck, and their Attendants, together with some Presents and Artificers from France, (being altogether 75 Persons) are proceeding to the Mysore Country, by the way of Moor and Annantgerry — It is required that no one stop them on the Road, but pass them thro' your respective limits, and furnish them with Articles of Provision.

Consider this a positive Order, and act accordingly thereto.

Ordered that a Letter be draughted to accompany the Nabob's Letter and Dustuck, addressed to the Governor of Pondicherry.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from Captain Bannerman.

The Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor &c. &c.

Honble Sir

Since I did myself the honor of writing

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own Judgement. For my own part, Honorable Sir, you may rest assured that I shall observe the same Cautious line of Conduct as hitherto. But I hope sincerely that Mr. Powney, who is expected in a few days, will arrive before Tippoo's movements force the Rajah to come to a Decision on so important a point.

Should Tippoo attack Cranganore, I am led to think that he will exert himself to perfect the Plan which the King of Cochin imparted to the Rajah last year, of which I had the honor to transmit a succinct account to Sir Archibald Campbell on the 7th of June 1788.

Army application. By desire of the Rajah's Minister, Captain Knox has detached a Company to the Gate leading from Tippoo's Country. The reason for this Detachment will be fully explained by the Copy of my Application, which I have the honor to enclose.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

signed / J Bannerman

Paroor
12th May 1789

To

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Read the following Letter from the Hospital Board.

Hospital Board

Read a Letter from Messrs. Thackeray and Duncan, Assistant Surgeons with the 10th and 13th Battalions in the Travancore Country, representing the Hardship of their not having Sepoy Allowances the same as the other Commissioned Officers. what is called Sepoy Allowance the Hospital Board believe was first granted to enable the Officers to entertain Masters to teach the Country Languages; and as it appears to the Hospital Board, a knowledge of these Languages must be more indispensably necessary to make Surgeons execute their Duty with precision, than even the Officers. the Hospital Board hope Government will issue the necessary Orders for that purpose, as there is a marked distinction between the Duty of Assistant Surgeons in Native and European Corps.

From the Hospital Board requesting that Assistant Surgeons attached to Native Corps may be permitted to draw Sepoy Allowance, and repeating their Recommendation for the promotion of all Roster.

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Read the following Letter from the Military Board.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council.

Honble Sir.

We have the honor to transmit our Proceedings at meetings held on the 8th and 15th instant, and to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Chamier's and Mr Deputy Secretary Jackson's Letters of the 12th, 18th and 29th Ultimo, and 9th Instant., with their several Enclosures.

From the Military Board. Recommending the Abolition of all Allowances to Commanding Officers at Out Stations, under the head of "Garrison Charges" and that Batta be allowed in lieu thereof — their Opinion on the Regulations for the Engineer and Rower Departments — Reporting on the Establishment of Artificers necessary at Pennacoil, Ellore, Tanjore, Tiagar, Ongole, & Madura — And on Captain Parson's Representation on Account of Cloathing due to Invalid Sepoys at Trichinopoly.

The Garrison Charges referred to us by your honor's letter to Colonel Capper of the 16th January last, We find are almost solely confined to some of the Garrisons in the Circars, and which were probably given to the Commanding Officers in lieu of Batta, particularly at Ganjam & Vizagapatam but as Officers Commanding in those Stations are subject extraordinary Expences, and Batta is given at all other places, We are of opinion that it would be better to make the allowance of Batta general to all Officers Commanding at out Stations, and to

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matters, without the Sanction of the Officer at the head of the army, or Division with which he is acting.

On the 15th Article.

As We understand this Article relates to Building Materials only, and not to the issue of Military Stores, we recommend it should as such compose a part of the Regulations.

The 17th Article tending only to prevent improper Communication of Plans, We are of opinion it is absolutely necessary that every Officer Commanding a fort or District, should have lodged with him an Official Plan of the Fort or District under his Command; he to be responsible for it's being safely kept, and that no Copy be taken of it.

With respect to the expediency of forming the present Corps of Pioneers, the Majority of our Board are of opinion, that as Government are so fully in possession of the Sentiments of the Commander in Chief respecting the formation of a Corps of Pioneers; it rests entirely with your honor to judge of the expediency of raising it until the Establishment of the army is Compleated. If the Pioneers now in the Service are to be Continued, We think they should be formed in the manner proposed by Lieutenant Colonel Ross.

And thus having in Compliance with your Orders

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the distance from which it must be brought, be deemed insufficient by the Commanding Officer, We are of opinion it should be left to his Judgement to determine upon the necessity of any occasional addition. Cooper we are of opinion should be allowed at Ellore — but with respect to Chucklers, We are of opinion that Colonel Brathwaite, at the time of writing his Letter, had not information that the Storekeeper, by the late orders was authorized to call upon the Artificers attached to the different Corps stationed under his Command, for assistance, when occasion required.

We beg leave to offer it as our opinion, that 8 Puckallies properly distributed, will be fully sufficient for Tanjore, over and above what are attached to the Regular Corps. in this number We make no provision for the Resident and his Suite as We conceive they do not form any part of the Military Establishment of that Garrison.

We also beg leave to recommend that all the Arms at present lodged in the Fort at Trichinopoly, except 50 Stand, the proportion of Spare Arms allotted for that Garrison, be removed to the Presidency; when we are of opinion the Artificers belonging to the 3.d Battalion will be fully sufficient to keep what will remain in order, and for every other necessary purpose.

By

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Town Major of Madras, and clothed the Invalid Sepoys
he was told that no stoppages had been made for the
Invalid Sepoys of that Garrison, and in Consequence it
was resolved that if on a Reference to the Paymaster
General's Books it appeared that any Cloathing was
due to them, the Individuals might be paid in the
same manner as was observed with the 9th and other
Battalions. — Brigadier General Horne also informs
us, that he has directed Mr. Ferguson to cause proper
Vouchers to be made out for each Individual, and that
he would give them Leave to come down to the Presidency
to receive their Money; this we still are of opinion, is
the only means by which Justice can be done them.
With regard to the Claim of the Subedar, We beg leave
to recommend to your honor to order it to be paid,
after having gone thro' the proper Examination, and
that Captain Beason be directed to furnish all others
with proper Certificates

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

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15th May 1789.

signed
Mathew Horne
I. Capper.
Patrick Ross
Henry Malcolm
Ja.s Campbell
W. Sydenham
I. Moorhouse.

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Tanjore, Trichinopoly, &c.a &c.a and respecting also the Claim made by Captain Pearson, relative to Clothing accounts due to Sepoy Invalids.

With regard to that part of the foregoing Letter which mentions the Alteration in the Mode of proceeding, and in which the Military Board desire to know whether they shall form, or abide by their original Instructions: Government remark, that they by no means wish the Military Board to deviate from their original Instructions. They Conceive, that the desiring the Military Board to furnish them with the Collective opinions of their Board upon Specifick points referred to them does not militate against the Instructions, as Government still expect that the separate opinions of the Members of the Military Board be forwarded with the address which may contain the Resolution of the Majority.

Ordered that the foregoing be Communicated to the Military Board.

Read the following Letter from Captain Dunwoody at Ongole.

To The Honble John Hollond Esquire

Governor in Council &c.a &c.a

From the Commandant at Ongole has received Intelligence that the Sullewars are burning and laying waste all the Villages in the Cumbum District

Sir

I have the honor to acquaint you that Accounts have reached me by a person whom I sent into the Cumbum District, that the Sullewars under

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With respect to the proposed Veranda, the Board are of opinion that for the present it may be dispensed with.

From the Chief Engineer

From Lieutenant Colonel Ross - reporting that Lieutenant Norris has finished the Quarters at Arnee; and requesting leave to send in his account - also stating his opinion in reply to the reference made to him, that Colonel Nixon's recommendations respecting the widening the entrance from the Gateway at Vellore, should on every account be adopted.

Minute thereon

Colonel Ross's opinion being very pointed as to the Expediency of attending to Colonel Nixon's recommendation, it is agreed, that the Paymaster be directed to Conform to it - The Board are at the same time of opinion, that it is not necessary to make any addition on this Account to the Sum which they have agreed to give Mr Sorriano for rebuilding the Paymaster's House.

Mr Norris's Bills for building Quarters Erected at Arnee, may be sent in.

The President Communicates to the Board Intelligence received from Hydrabad.

Ea Gospel Morten &c

John Holland

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24 for the Inspection of Government — The Veranda &c. proposed for his quarter, may for the present be dispensed with.

To the Commandant of Vellore — his opinions respecting the extension of the Gateway of the Fort of Vellore, have been approved; Mr Torriano will be desired to conform thereto.

To the Chief Engineer — with Information of the same, and that Lieutenant Morris may send in his Accounts as soon as he pleases.

To the Paymaster at Vellore — directed to erect his House in a Position which shall give to the Road from the Gateway, the extension recommended by Colonel Nixon

The Board do not see any necessity for making any addition to the Sum which they have agreed to allow him for building his House.

To Colonel Brathwaite Commanding the Northern Division of the Army — his Letter of the 17th Ultimo was referred to the Military Board, who have reported upon it — Government have approved and confirmed their Recommendation. The same to Tanjore, Ongole, Permacoil, Tagar, Masulipatam, and Palamcotah.

To the Military Board — with the Resolutions of Government upon their Report on the Regulations of the Engineers Department, & the Corps of Pioneers — their Recommendations as to Captain Pearson's Claim, approved.

To.

To the Commandant of Vellore.

To the Chief Engineer

To the Paymaster at Vellore.

To Colonel Brathwaite Commanding the Northern Division of the army. —

To the Commandant of Tanjore. —
To ——— Ongole
To ——— Permacoil
To ——— Tagar
To ——— Masulipatam
and to ——— Palamcotah

To the Military Board.

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To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir.

From Brigadier General Horne – reports the death of Lieutenant Weyms. Inspector of Drill – and of Lieutenant Betty of the artillery. and Ensign John MacRae of the 24 Battalion of Native Infantry.

I have the honor to report to the Honble Board, the death of Lieutenant Weyms of His Majesty's 72d Regiment, and Inspector of the Drill to the Army; as also, Lieutenant Betty of the 2d Battalion of Artillery on the 4th Instant, and Ensign John MacRae of the 24th Battalion on the 20th.

The appointment of Inspector of the Drill to the Army being vacated by the death of Lieutenant Weyms: I am to request to be informed if the Honble Board judge it expedient to continue that Staff in the army, in order that I may submit to the Board's Consideration, some applications I have received, soliciting to be nominated to that appointment.

A Vacancy for a Lieutenant of Artillery having happened by the death of Lieutenant Betty, I beg leave to Recommend, that Lieutenant Fireworker Morris be promoted to that place in this room.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. (signed) Mathew Horne

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Agreed to inform General Horne, that the Board decline receiving the appointment of Inspector

The appointment of Inspector of the Drill not to be received.

&c.

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Mr. King be appointed to that Station.

The Hospital Board taking into Consideration the largeness of the Cantonment at Walajahbad, and the present hot Season, recommend Mr. Potter Senior Assistant, to be promoted to a full Surgeon, and appointed to that Station. Mr. Bell to be appointed Medical Storekeeper, vice Potter. Mr. Baird to Negapatam, vice Bell; and Mr. Inglis promoted to an Hospital Mate. They likewise recommend Mr. Duncan to be appointed to the 4th Battalion at Innicondah – Mr. Fitzgerald to be appointed to the 5th Regiment of Cavalry, and Mr. Bingham to the 1st Regiment of Cavalry.

James Anderson
Physician General.

(signed) Colley L. Lucas
Chief Surgeon

William Duffin
Head Surgeon.

Hospital Board
4th April 1789 —

Agreed. that the Europe Medicines, &
Amounting to £318. 13. 6, be purchased, Con-
formably to the recommendation of the Hospital Board.
As-

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would soon be possessed of one.

We have the honor to be
Yrs. Yrs. Yrs.

Masulipatam
17th April 1789 –

/signed/ { Anthony Sadleir
J. Hodges
Sam Statham

To Anthony Sadleir Esqr.
Chief & Council
Masulipatam

Gentlemen

I have to acknowledge your Secretary's Letter of 5th Inst. hig. on the subject of the Cantonment Bazar of Ellore.

In answer I have the honor to inform you, that I cannot but be of opinion the Troops of the Cantonment are not likely to be so uniformly & sufficiently supplied with the numberless articles they require, by any Manager or Renter, or Change, as by the mode followed from the time of Colonel Calliaud. Viz. Importing the several articles necessary for the Cantonments use by Merchants under the direction and Controul of the Commanding Officers – my reasons are because the Town Bazar People and Shop keepers have not sufficient Time to purchase the large Store of articles necessary for the immediate Consumption and sudden Emergencies of

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Minute thereon

Having again taken into Consideration the subject of Dustucks, it is agreed to confirm the resolutions relative to them, as recorded on the Minutes of the 21st February last.

Resolved that this Confirmation be communicated to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam, and that they be desired to notify it to Colonel Brathwaite, and to Mr Oram; and to afford every facility to the issuing of Dustucks, now committed to their management and superintendence.

Do.

Read the following Letter from Dr. Anderson

To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor &c. in Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

From Dr James Anderson enclosing Copy of a letter from the Contractor for Bricks and Chunam, respecting an Encroachment on the Contract

In compliance with your orders of March 18th. I caused Bricks to be made for the Repair of the Choultry, which it now appears by a Letter from Mr Joseph Parrow, he considers an encroachment on a Contract with you.

He wishes by his Letter to Mr Berry, of which I have the honor to close a Copy, to make it out, that he holds an exclusive Monopoly of Brick making, which I cannot persuade myself to believe.

I have paid for both Labour & Firewood in ready money, and not seized any Firewood of his as he pretends. I therefore hope that you will allow, that the

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that if any Bricks or Chunam are required at Mar-
-malong either for Work on account of the Company, or
your own purposes, that I am ready to make any
quantity for you agreeably to the Terms of my Contract.
I shall be happy to receive your Commands, which
shall be executed with all possible expedition.

I have the honor to be.

22d April 1789— Jc. Jc. /signed/ Joseph Garrow

Lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant
Colonel Trent.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council.

Honble Sir

From Lieutenant Colonel Trent — in reply to the charges exhibited against him by Mr. Sadleir

I have received the honor of Mr.
Secretary Chamier's Letter of the 9th of april 1789—
accompanying a Copy of the correspondence between
Mr. Sadleir and myself, when in Command of the
Troops in the Guntoor Circar — intimating that it is
your pleasure I should reply to the Complaints that
Gentleman has made against me to Government—
As I conceive my Letters already before the Board contain
satisfactory answers to the allegations of Mr. Sadleir,
and serve to explain fully the motives of my Conduct on

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authority. The new orders were a letter from Mr Secretary Chamier to me of the 30th December 1788, containing the Government's approval of Mr Scott's being left in Charge of the Civil Department &c.a — a copy of which said orders were enclosed to me by Mr Scott, on the 6th January with a positive requisition to me to issue them in orders, which I did. how a literal compliance with his requisition can have been subversive of his authority, only himself can explain —— On the 22nd January I informed Mr Sadleir I had the permission of Government to move the Encampment from Guntoor. I mentioned to him a spot I thought would answer for Forage and Water, but requested to be favored with his opinion. this Letter which surely does not betoken any contempt of his authority. he has omitted to lay before the Honble Board. On the 26th January, I wrote to him, that I should march the 28th. during this long interval. I expected, but in vain, that he would make a requisition for the Detachment he intended to have with him at Guntoor. Surely it could be for no other purpose than to distress me, that he delayed making this requisition until the 27th January at 11 o'Clock when I was so much employed in making my Arangements for marching the

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so large a Detachment from my Command .. he persisted however in giving me no other reasons for the very sudden alteration in his requisition, from two or three Companies of Sepoys, to a Compleat Battalion: I therefore left with him ~~two~~ three Companies of Sepoys, agreeably to his first Demand.

I could dwell longer on these subjects, but that the whole of my Correspondence with Mr. Sadleir being now before the Honble Board, I fear to tire them with unnecessary repetition.

That Gentlemans enclosures to Government of the 16th and 20th of March. I have never fully replied to. They were subsequent to the unfortunate insanity with which he was visited, and motives of delicacy to a Gentleman of his Years and Rank, in so pitiable a Situation, were the cause of my silence. – But however to the Testy him, and called upon by Government, it is incumbent on me however reluctant, to give what I hope will appear sufficient reasons for having declined to send a Jemidars Guard compleat, with Mr. Sadleir's Servant Veera-shalingham on the Removal of the Cutcherry from Guntoor to Coolpaiah, nearer Masulipatam.

On the 3d February 1789, I received a Letter from Doctor Gordon, the principal Surgeon to the Hospital

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which has deprived him of his reason, and under-
standing; and that he has become totally insane—
from your silence on the subject I am led to believe
that this Information may be exaggerated, and re-
quest that you, as speedily as you can, will inform
me if the reports are true.

(signed) Tho.s Trent

Pantoor
February 3rd 1789

To this letter Mr. Scott did not think
proper to reply until the 5th, but he wrote me a
Letter without a date, which, from the hour I received
it, I suppose to have been written the 3rd February
in the evening: of which the following is a Copy.—

Lieutenant Colonel Trent Commanding

Sir

I am directed by the Chief to inform you
of his intention to proceed this evening to Masulipat.m
but as he may probably return, he has ordered Cap-
tain Kennedy to furnish a Guard for the protection
of the Fort and Baggage which may be left here.—
Condacoor Verashalingham will remain in charge
of the Cutchery and Business of Revenue during the
Chief's absence. and if he should have occasion to apply
to you, or to Captain Kennedy for assistance, he will
have directions to do it.

(signed) A.w Scott Secry at

Guntoor
February 1789

real Situation, and his using that Gentleman's name to give me orders, at a time when he was deprived of reason. How could I at any future period be certain that the Letters received from him on the Service were really wrote by Mr. Sadleir.

On the 3rd. March I had a public Letter from Hodges as provisional Chief of Masulipatam, and on the 11th. March Mr. Scott wrote me as follows.

Lieutenant Colonel Trent. Commanding

Sir

The Chief being now greatly recovered from his late indisposition, and again able to attend to all material public Business, he has directed me to inform you of it, and of his intention to compleat what now remains to be done by & in with respect to the Guntoor Circar at this place, as he acquainted to the late Governor before he was taken ill. Government have likewise been acquainted with his having left Veraphalingham in the Station of Ameen to conduct the Business of Revenue &c. under the Chief's Directions, and he accordingly thinks it necessary to require, that you afford him whatever aid he may have occasion to apply for, and that you will order all officers Commanding at detached Stations to do the same. The Chief having finished his local investigation, does not foresee that there will be any occasion for his returning to Guntoor, but as the Cutcherry and Servants belonging to it are

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On the 10th March Mr Scott wrote me, that the Cutcherry was to be removed from Guntoor to Coolparah nearer to Masulipatam, and required a Jemidar's Guard to be sent with it.

As I was still unconvinced of the State of Mr Sadleir's health, and as at this time I knew that he had been removed from his Station in the Guntoor Circar, by a Double Appointment, Mr Baker, anson his Death, Mr Hughes — Under all these Circumstances I thought it better not to make any alteration until the arrival of the new Resident who was daily expected.

I ought to apologize for being Any way the cause of giving you so much trouble, but it would only tend to make too long a Letter longer.

I have the honor to be

Madras
April 24th 1789 —

&c. &c. &c. (signed) Thomas Trent

Minute thereon

The Board are of opinion that the above is satisfactory, & that Lieutenant Colonel Trent has justified his Conduct upon the Charges exhibited by the Chief of Masulipatam.

Read the following Letter from the Governor of Columbo

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To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council &c. &c. —

Honble Sir

From Colonel Stuart — the detachment marches from Trichinopoly plain

I have the pleasure to inform you, that Mr. Vaughan having Yesterday Received from the Nabob's Manager, three thousand Pagodas, and a promise of two thousand more soon, for the use of the detachment. I put it in motion this morning, and am now Encamped at this place which bears off Trichinopoly nearly South 11½ Miles. — As I trust the supply promised Mr. Vaughan will be immediately sent after us, I mean to proceed without a Halt to Tripatore, and from thence with as little delay as possible in such a direction as the object of my Instructions may make it necessary for me to take.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c. (signed) J. Stuart

Col. Commanding

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Read the following Letter from Major Offaney.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council &c. &c.

Honble Sir.

From Major Offaney — states, that he has left the Extra Bullocks of the detachment at Soolatapet

Lieutenant Boisdaume (Contractor's Agent) having represented to me that the Country Contiguous to this

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Among them is Yeteraujaloo, who had served Major Pringle in the capacity of Interpreter during the whole of last War. - he not only formed expectations of a Maintenance, but, as appears from Major Pringle's letters to him, had even obtained a promise to that Effect, together with an additional provision of about 4 Pagodas monthly (in which he has been also disappointed) to render his Situation Comfortable: in consideration of having been disabled by a wound in the execution of his duty: and as a recompence for his fidelity and Attachment.

As this man is in the greatest distress, being unable to procure himself a livelihood, I hope you will pardon the liberty I have taken in laying his case before you -, and in expressing a hope that you will be pleased to grant him some Monthly Allowance for life, in consideration of his misfortune.

I have the honor to be

Tiagar 16th April 1789 — Jo.a Je.a Jo.a (signed) A: Beatson

Captain of Guides.

Minute thereon

Agreed, in consideration of what is above represented by Captain Beatson, that Yeteraujoloo Vencarrah, formerly Interpreter to Major Pringle, be allowed a Pension for life, of 2 Pagodas p.r month, to be paid by the Military Paymaster General, and to Commence from the 1st Instant.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Charles Duke. To

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Minute thereon

Agreed, that the Secretary do return Mr. West's Letter, remarking to him that his interference in agencies of this kind is very improper, & inconsistent with the principles upon which he was permitted to return to India.

Read the following Letters (entered in the Miscellany Book Nos. 156. 157. 158. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164.)

From : Mr Joseph Garrow Surveyor of the Hospitals.

From Mr. Joseph Garrow, Surveyor of the General Hospital at Vellore, acquainting the Board, that Colonel Nixon had issued a Garrison order, Militating against the standing Regulations respecting the mode of collecting the amount of the Victualling Bill.

Minute thereon

Agreed, that Colonel Nixon be directed to Revoke any order which Militates against the standing Regulations, from which he is not to deviate without previously applying to Government, and obtaining their Sanction.

From the Post Master General.

From the post Master General, enclosing an application from Lieutenant Freer, Deputy Post master with the Detachment under Colonel Stuart: for a Tent and Centinel on account of his Office.

Minute thereon

The Board are of opinion, that it is not necessary to comply with the above request.

From

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From Lieutenant Colonel Oldham.

From Lieutenant Colonel Oldham explanatory of his Letter to General Horne, respecting his apprehensions of being superseded in Command.

Minute thereon

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing be sent to General Horne.

From Colonel Brathwaite

From Colonel Brathwaite respecting artificers struck off from the Cantonment at Ellore; stating the necessity of their being kept up as before.

Minute thereon

Agreed, that the Military Board be desired to report their opinion upon Colonel Brathwaite's Representation.

From the Paymaster at Trichinopoly

From Mr Johnston Paymaster at Trichinopoly, enclosing Copy of the Receipt granted by Captain Bannerman's Agent, for Pags 3,808.—

Minute thereon

As in the above mentioned Receipt, it appears that 308 are Charged as Commission at the rate of 10 ₰ Cent upon the Purchases of the Horses, it is agreed that the same must be reposed, there being no authority for such Charge.

Substance of a Letter from the Rajah of Travancore.

Read a Letter from the Rajah of Travancore (entered in the Country Correspondence, No. 40) giving some account of the operations of Tippoo upon the other Coast, and stating that the

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Diary.

Received the following Letter.

John Chamier Esq.r

Military Secretary

Sir

From Captain Kennerman at Paroor — advising of the arrival of the Detachment under Captain Knox — will return to Trivandaporam in a few days — Has received from the Rajah 3,000 Pagodas for the use of the Troops, for which he will account to Mr. Powney on his arrival.

I take the liberty to request of you to inform the Honble Board of the arrival of the Detachment under Captain Knox at this place, where Barracks are already erected for the Sepoys, and the quarters for the Officers are in such forwardness, that I hope before the Monsoon they will all be covered in. The Rajah was so very urgent with me to proceed with the Detachment in order to see Barracks and supplies of provisions &c.a properly arranged, that I found myself under the necessity of complying with his request, and am happy to acquaint the Honble Board that every thing hitherto has been settled to the mutual satisfaction of both parties. — I do not believe my presence here will be necessary above a few days longer, when I shall return to Trivandaporam, where I hope to arrive before Mr. Powney.

I was last night favored with your Letter of the 6th Instant; before the receipt of which I has

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Dispatched the following Letters (as entered in B.B. Nos. 165. 166. 167. 168. 169. 170. 171. 172. 173. 174. 175. 176. 177. 178.)

To the Contractor for Bullocks — directing them to discharge the draught & Carriage Bullocks belonging to the detachment lately employed in the Guntoor Circar from the 30th. Instant.

To the Commandant at Bellumcondah. — to lay before the Board, an Estimate of the Expence which would attend the erecting Mud Buildings with Thatched Roofs, for the accommodation of himself & the Sepoys at Belumcondah.

To Mr. James West — His last letter returned — The Board consider his Interference in Agencies for the support of Claims upon Government from black People exceedingly improper, and inconsistent; and desiring he will in future discontinue such applicati-ons.

To the Post Master General — informing him, that the Board think it unnecessary to comply with Mr. Freer's application of the 25th. Instant.

To Brigadier General Horne — the Board decline a revival of the appointment held by the late Lieutenant Wemyss — Lieutenant Fireworker Morris to be a Lieutenant of artillery — also enclosing Copy of

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To the Brigade Major at Walaujahbad

To the Brigade Major at Walaujahbad — stating, that the Reward for killing Pariar Dogs at the Cantonment of Walaujahbad, may again be offered and paid.

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions — enclosing Copy of the order sent by the Nabob to the Renter of Madura, respecting the Exchange of Grain in that Garrison —

To the Military Board

To the Military Board — with Papers from Colonel Braithwaite, and from the Paymasters of Tanjore, and Trichinopoly respecting Artificers allotted to their respective Garrisons — and desiring their opinion thereon.

To the Commandant at Vellore

To the Commandant at Vellore — with Copy of an order issued by the Nabob in consequence of the Complaints preferred by him against the Aumildar at Vellore — and directing him to Revoke any Orders Militating against the standing Orders in the Books of Regulations of 1776, respecting the mode of collecting the amount of the Victualling Bill.

To the Paymaster at Trichinopoly

To the Paymaster at Trichinopoly — as the Charge on account of Commission upon the purchase of Horses, has not been authorized by Government, the Sum of Pags. 308 must be Refunded by Captain Bannerman's Agent — To pay 48 Pagodas to Lieutenant M.c Kenas for Repairs of two Gates to the upper Fort at Ranet Vellore.

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30 Hircarrahs from Pondicherry to Seringapatam, with accounts of Tippoo's Embassadors having left the Isle of France, with an Intention to land at Mahe on the Malabar Coast.

Sent the following Letters (entered in W.B.) Nos. 184. 185. 186. 187.

To the Commissary General — stating, that Lieutenant Queen is only entitled to receive King's Subsistence & quarters until his Embarkation for Europe — a pension of 2 Pagodas p.month is granted to Yeteroyaloo, Hircarrah & Interpreter to the late Major Pringle; to commence from the 1st. Instant.

To the Commissary General.

To Lieutenant Inc. Darley — with permission to proceed to Bombay and China for the recovery of his Health.

To Lieutenant Inc. Darley.

To Masulipatam — Government confirm their former Resolutions respecting Dustucks, as Communicated to them by the Board of Revenue — to notify the same to Colonel Brathwaite and to Mr. Oram.

To Masulipatam.

To the Military Paymaster General — Enclosing Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, respecting a Pension to Yeteraryaloo, Hircarrah — to discharge the Residue of the printing bill (being Pagodas 350).

To the Military Paymaster General.

Sent the following Letter — To

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Pds 20513.32.6. dueby 30
Brodie as Gunpowder Con-
tractor at Pondicherry be
to off the Storekeepers Books

Snows Ranger & Hastings without
Invoice or Bill of Lading, and as the
Books of the Military Storekeepers Depart-
-ment cannot be adjusted until it
is known at what prices the said
Stores are to be brought to account,
We beg leave to recommend that the
necessary information be obtained from
thence.

ah application to Bengal has been made, and will be repeated.

The Military Storekeeper
having represented, that on the Books
of his Department Mr Alexander Brodie
as Gunpowder Contractor at Pondicherry
stands indebted The Sum of Pags 20513.
32.6. and that it appears by the
Companys Records, as well as Mr Bro-
-die's receipts, that the said Contract
Powder account has been finally
adjusted and paid, We take leave to
propose that this account be wrote off
the Storekeeper's Books.

The Committee desired to explain what is meant by the Expression of "Writing off" and why the account is not closed and Balanced.

We have to inform your
Honble Board, that the Stores for the
Southward have been in readiness
some days with Beach for Embarkation, but the
violence of the winds, and the bad wea-
-ther have prevented their being sent
on board the Swallow.

At our last meeting We
examined the Books of the Laboratory
and the Conductors Books, all of which

We

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At a Consultation Present.

The Honble John Hollond Esqr.

President & Governor &c.a &c.a

Friday 1st May 1789 - James Henry Casamaijor

and

Edward John Hollond Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

Valentine arrives from England - General Letter bearing date the 10th December last

The Honble Company's Ship Valentine having arrived from England, her Packet is brought ashore, and being opened the Numbers in the Packet agree with the List - the General Letter bearing date the 10th December last.

The Recruits to be landed -

Ordered that the Recruits on board the Valentine be landed.

Read the following Letter from Bombay.

The Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council &c.a &c.a

Honble Sir

Bombay soliciting Claim on behalf of Lieut. James Taaffe of the Artillery who was killed in February 1784 at Cannanore for Pay and field allowances from 1st June 1783 to the day of his Death and requesting to know how much of it has been discharged

A demand having been made upon this Government in behalf Lieutenant James Taaffe of the Artillery on your Establishment, who served with the Bombay army at Cannanore where he was killed in February 1784 - for pay and field allowances from the 1st June 1783, to the day of his Death. We request

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To Brigadier General Horne

Commander in Chief &c. &c.

Sir

Having laboured under severe illnys from frequent attacks of the Liver, ever since the month of September last, and it being recommended to me to proceed to Sea for the Re-establishment of my Health, I have to request your approbation to my going to Bombay and China on the Ship Henry Captain Wilcox that will sail in four or five days; and I beg you will do me the honor to obtain me permission from the hon'ble the Governor in Council to proceed to the above mentioned places, on the accompanying Certificate, and that they will have the goodness to make mention of me in their General Letter to the Gentlemen at China.

I have the honor to be

Sir &c. &c. signed / John Darley

Lieutenant 18th Batt.

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This is to certify, that Lieutenant John Darley in the hon'ble Company's Service, has for some months past laboured under severe Liver Obstructions &c. for which he has been for some time under my care, and in order to reinstate his health thoroughly, I strongly recommend a Voyage to Bombay and China. To lose no time, but Embark on the first Ship.

signed / Wm. Ruddiman

Surgeon.

Madras. 24th April 1789

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On enquiring from several of the Officers and others who belonged to Captain Macalister's Regiment at the time he lost his Horses, it does not appear the loss was occasioned from the badness of the Water or Forage, but from an Epidemical disorder which sometimes prevails amongst horses in the healthiest Stations: and which several Instances can be quoted, Viz.t Colonel Cosby's Regiment at Tuccalum. Major Campbell's at Arcot, and the European Troops Commanded by Captain Tonyn Trincomalee.

Major Tonyn in his Letter says "It is at "a loss to account for the necessity which Major Younge "supposes to exist at this Juncture for the removal of a "Regiment from Arcot." The necessity of Major Younge's proposing that a Regiment should be moved on account of the Scarcity of Forage, was founded on the Reports of Officers Commanding Corps; particularly that of the 1st. Regiment joined to his own observations; and he pointed out Conditoore, because the late Commander in Chief when at Arcot, did tell Major Younge that he approved of that place, and recommended it as a Cavalry Cantonment; and as the 1st. Regiment were without Stables, the New without Barracks, it was proposed to move that Corps, which suffer less inconveniency: the other Officers Commanding Regiments having been at considerable expence in building Stables, Store Rooms &c.a

We have the honor to remain

Cavalry Cantonment
April 29th 1789

&c.a &c.a William Younge Major Commanding 4th Regiment Cavalry
Henry Darley. Major Comd.t 5th Regt of Cav.y
J Stephenson Majr. Comm.t 3d Regt Cav.y

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some more Officers Quarters.

At Walaujahbad there are also sufficient Barracks for two Regiments, including the Gun Shed, at present occupied for that purpose - but I beg leave to observe, that it is highly necessary some other building should be constructed to preserve the Stores, and so fine a Field Train as is collected at that Station, from the Weather; otherways they must be essentially injured. - At this Station 4 Battalions of Sepoys are Cantoned. The Officers quartered returned at Walaujahbad Consist of 4 Field Officers, 18 Captains, & 36 Subalterns; so that &c. &c. &c. by the present Strength of the Corps at that Sta more Officers Quarters are only required to be Nixon here now remains only Seven Companys of the Regiment to be provided Barracks; and, agreeably to the Chief Engineers accommodations for four Companies are Compleated at Tripassore: I am therefore of opinion, that if the Hanoverians remain in the Country, the 76th Continued on the Coast, and the whole of these Corps are to remain in the Centre Division, then it will be necessary to compleat the Quarters at Tripassore for a Regiment; but in case of the recall of the Hanoverians, or in the event of Reinforcing the Southern Division, with one of these Regiments, then it appears to me that no more Barracks at those Stations will be found necessary, with the exception of a few more Quarters for the Officers, as before remarked.

The Officers Quarters at Vellore require particular attention, (as the accompanying enclosures from Colonel Nixon will shew) but any Idea of repairing them I believe

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To Brigadier General Horne.

Commander in Chief

Sir

The enclosed representation of the Officers in this Garrison of the general state of their quarters is requested to be laid before the Governor in Council in order that such directions as they think proper may be issued regarding the Repairs.

I have the honor to be

Vellore
23d April 1789.

Fc.a Fc.a (signed) E. Nixon.

To Colonel Nixon Commanding Vellore.

Sir

The Officers of this Garrison whose names are Undersigned, take the liberty of representing to you the deficiency of Quarters, which has obliged several of them to build houses at their own expence, and the ruinous condition of those which remain, expose their Inhabitants to the danger of being crushed by their fall.

We presume not to enter into a minute detail of the condition of the Quarters; Yet it may not be altogether unnecessary to mention that the quarters which are now standing were built on Contract to last fourteen Years, a period which from the time of their being erected is now nearly doubled — one third of them are now in Ruins, the Terraces of a great part of the Verandahs of the remainder have already fallen, and the beams which support the Roofs have in every one of them been propped by Piers, or they would

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Reckoning Fund, prior to their Arrival on the Coast.

The Chief Engineer to report upon the Quarters at Vellore.

That the Chief Engineer be directed to report fully upon the Quarters at Vellore, and to lay before the Board, Plans and Estimates for Compleat Repairs.

Read the following Letters from Captain Mc. Kinnon.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council &c.a &c.a &c.a

From Captain Mc.Kinnon stating the Inconvenience the Officers and Men experience from their present Situation at Cuntoor.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Having had the honor of being appointed to (the Command of this Place) the Command of this place, I beg leave to represent to you, that our present situation here is very inconvenient. Our Tents were blown down and very much damaged by a Storm of wind and Rain, on the evening of the 19th. and last night We had such a violent Storm as totally destroyed all our Tents, & Bungaloes we were at some Expence to build. — As Weare liable to be exposed constantly to weather of this kind, and now entirely divested of any Shelter whatever, I purpose to move for the safety of the Troops to morrow to Mungalgerry a Village about 6 Miles from this towards Cuntoor, which will afford us some Shelter until I have your Answer — I take the Liberty of pointing out Cuntoor (in my opinion) as the most Eligible Station for a Corps, not only for the convenience of quarters, and its central Situation

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to the Government.

President Communicates Intelligence respecting Timour Shaw.

The President communicates to the Board sundry Articles of Intelligence among which is, that Timour Shaw had advanced 40 Cos from Multaun, and had put the Countries under Contribution beyond Bahalpoor.

John Hollond

Jas H Casamajor

Edwd Jn Hollond

Ld Hobart Wm Ton Sr

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Guard, and the Coovum under the north Curtain, are to be repaired — Lieutenant Norris's Bill of Rp. Pag. to be discharged — directing a full Report upon the General State of the Quarters at Vellore — Estimates for their Compleat repair to be laid before the Board.

To the Collector in the Guntoor Circar

To Mr. Hughes — enclosing of a Letter from Captain Mc. Kennon, and requesting his opinion upon Captain Mc. Kennon's recommendation of removing the 12th. Battalion to Guntoor.

To Captain Mc. Kennon

To Captain Mc. Kennon — Informing him, that Mr. Hughes's opinion has been requested upon his recommendation.

Sent the undermentioned Letters to Brigadier General Horne.

To Brigadier General Horne

Commanding the army on the Coast.

Sir.

To Brigadier General Horne — the Board will issue a G.O. for removing the 1st & 3d Regiments of Cavalry to Conditoor — Acquainting him that the Chief Engineer has been directed to make a full Report of the Vellore Quarters — Major Burrows and Lieut. Colonel Roffell not to share in the Off Reckoning Funds prior to their Arrival on the Coast

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters dated the 28th. and 29th. Ult.o, with their several Enclosures, and to inform you that they will issue a General order for removing the 1st. and 3d. Regiments of Cavalry to Conditoore, agreeably to your Recommendations.

In consequence of your Representations respecting

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At a Consultation Present

The Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Tuesday
5 May 1789 — Governor &c.
and
Edward John Hollond Esqr.

Mr. Casamajor absent indisposed.

Minutes of last Consultation read and Approved.

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores.

The Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor &c. in Council —

Honble Sir & Sirs

From the Committee of Stores — Inclosing Copy of Colonel Monkhouse's Minute recommending that a Survey be made of the old Arms therein mentioned, and that a public Sale be made of those which are unserviceable — also, that the Grape Shot be broken up — receiving an Application to Bengal for 300 Candies of Sulphur

At our last meeting, the Commissary General of Stores laid before us a minute, of which We have the honor to inclose you a Copy — stating, that the old Arms therein mentioned are entirely unserviceable, and occupy Godowns which are very much wanted. We beg leave therefore to recommend, that they shall be very carefully surveyed, and that such as are found to be ~~in~~separable shall be advertized for public Sale in 20 days after the publication of the Advertizement; We have also examined the Grape Shot

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

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(signed) J. Capper
Geo. Savage
Patrick Ross
Wm. Sydenham
J. Moorhouse.

The Commissary General of Stores lays before the Committee Returns of unserviceable arms that fill Godowns much wanted for useful Stores, and submits to their Consideration the propriety of recommending to the Honble Governor in Council, that they be immediately surveyed, and such has are found irreparable sold by public outcry at the Sea Gate.

He also lays before the Committee a return of unserviceable Grape Shot, and some other Articles, which he recommends should be broke up, and the Balls received on the Military Storekeeper's Books.

The Commissary General of Stores begs leave to represent to the Committee that the Sulphur fit for making Gunpowder is nearly expended, and as the quantity of that article usually imported has lately failed, so that it is impossible to procure it on the Coast at any Price.

He therefore submits to the Committee the propriety of requesting the Honble Governor in Council to apply to Bengal for a supply not exceeding 300 Candies

(signed) J. Moorhouse
Commy Genl Stores

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been confined to the expelling of the predatory Incursions of the Insurgents, and covering the Moherry Villages from further Conflagration, and We learn from Captain Eagle that the Manager had positively assured him, that the day previous to the attack of an Havildar's Party at Ankarpour, the Insurgents were joined by a Reinforcement of 15 Peons and a Sardar entitled Juggut Sing, from Vizianagur, and that this Sirdar having lost his Life at the attack of Combogerry, his Death disheartened his People so much that they immediately retreated to their own Country; and that he had from the same Authority received Information that subsequent to the attack 11 Doolies were descried conveying the Wounded of the Enemy to a Hill in the Neighbourhood of Gopaulpour in the Vizianagur Zemindary, adding that it has long been a general belief that the Rajah has from the origin of the Insurrection supplied Sanadoo with Rice, Powder and Ball, and by a Letter received on the 16th from Lieutenant Hunt, We are given to understand that a Bramin attached to Sanadoo had been apprehended, and on his Examination has confirmed the Account of his being furnished by Munnedoo with Ammunition

This Conduct appears to us very extraordinary, as We cannot reconcile it to the professions contained in Munnedoo's answer to a Perwannah addressed him by the Board at large, with a View to impress him more forably with a proper Idea of the Consequences which must necessarily result from his attempting

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the Company's authority, by not only affording him a Shelter in his Zemindary, but assisting him with his influence among the Hill people to create disturbances in the Country. We shall however on the arrival of Captain Taylor with his Detachment from Chicacole, consult him on the measures that should be adopted for the future disposal of the Troops, of which We shall acquaint you in our next address.

We have desired Captain John Taylor to consider Itchapour as the head Quarters of his Detachment until further orders, and to be prepared to move on Service at the shortest notice. on which occasion the accompanying Minutes were induced, which Mr. Munro requested might be transmitted to the Presidency.

We have lately received some Stores from the Presidency, and enclosed have the honor to transmit to you a Letter from our Committee of Stores with a Statement of Surplus and deficient Articles as compared with a List received from the Commissary General of Stores.

Herewith We have the honor to transmit to you a Return of Stores in this Garrison, and a general Return of Troops in the Itchapour District for the Month of March.

We have the honor to be
Sr. Yr. Mo. Hble. Servts.
Morgan Williams
R.A.D. Munro
George Wynch

Ganjam
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Taylor be furnished with proper Guides &c. from this, and directed to proceed with his Detachment immediately to Vizianagur, in order, that if that Rajah should still persist in his Contumacy of our Controul, he may be brought to a sense of his Duty by Military Force, and as We have experienced the inefficiency of distant correspondence, I have no objection, should the Board think it expedient, to individually to proceed to Vizianagur to endeavour to Conciliate the Rajah to a co-operation in the Views of Government, or the Secretary can be sent for that purpose.

Should these propositions be of no avail, I request that a Copy of this Minute may be transmitted to the Presidency by the next dispatch, that I may be exempted from Eventual Censure.

Ganjam, 12th April 1789

A true Copy (signed) Thos. Snodgrass, Secy (signed) R.t D.r Munro

Messrs. Williams & Wynch's Minute

On referring to the Letter to Captain Taylor of date the 10th, We cannot discover in any part of it a design in us to continue him at Itchapour, when his Services were wanted in the Field, because it appears in the said Letter, that altho' he was to consider that place as the head quarters of his Detachment, he was nevertheless to be in readiness to move with his Troops at the shortest notice; in short it was our intention that he should remain there until

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without the least intimation, "indecently" directed the Letter to be written to this Officer. This is a language We have never been used to, and we presume our superiors will never authorize such to be used in future.—

With regard to the Encrease of Expence, and Defalcation of Revenue, we have only to observe at present, that the former is inevitable, because we are under the necessity of maintaining a Considerable Force in the Field; but in respect to the latter, every means must be used to prevent it, altho' We cannot conceive how that object is to be attained if We are to be sending our small Force against every Zemindar in the District, because he may be suspected of disaffection, as it is well known he can at all times be secured from punishment by retreating to the Jungles, of course the Revenue would be lost as the Zemindar in such a situation would naturally apply it to his own use.

As these are our Sentiments, and we are of opinion we ought not to lose a moment in pursuing the Object We originally adopted, that of securing the person of Tanadeo, and for which occasion We applied for an encrease of our Military Force, we think it would be best to wait for the arrival of Captain Taylor, who must be here in a day or two, in order to benefit by his advice for the disposal of the Troops.

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Messrs. Williams & Wynch's Minute

We shall remark in answer to Mr. Munro's last Minute, that the proposition for sending a deputation to Vizianagur originated in himself, and the Board agreed to it, not with a view to any degradation, but merely from his suggesting that it might be of public Utility, being not perfectly convinced of the Utility of the measure, in order that We might go hand in hand for the Good of the public Service, which cannot be promoted by discordant Opinions. Altho' it might be deemed unnecessary ~~to~~ that 6 Companys of Sepoys should accompany him to Vizianagur, for the purpose of Coertion from the motive already alledged, yet the Board would not have been wanting in the necessary support of his dignity and consequence, had he been serious in his proposal of going on the Embassy.

Whatever may have been the opinion of Mr. Munro when he quotes part of the Board's Minute respecting the Zemindars Security from punishment by retreating to the Jungles, it is an undoubted Fact, that the Mundesaw Zemindar, and Bourousinghie Rajahs escaped seizure by Lieutenant Barclay, by their flight into the Jungles, and is it not evident that Sanadeo and the last named Zemindar now bid defiance to the power of Government by their present

Security

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Messrs. Williams & Wynch's Minute

Mr. Munro, from a desire of multiplying Objects with a view to divert the attention of Government from passing Judgement from his first Performance, would willingly now inculcate an Idea by Vague and insufficient Arguments, that We are not sufficiently attentive to our Duty, because We do not readily adopt his opinions, but We trust Government will make a proper distinction between an Anxiety for the prevention of further troubles in this District, and his precipitation into Measures, which were we to confide in, might involve us in greater difficulties than he is at present aware of, and Ultimately bring on us that Censure which it seems to be Mr. Munro's wish to Effect.

The Honble Board will perceive from what has been stated in the Letter, that We had not come to any resolution concerning Munnedoo, Except in that of acceding to Mr Munro's proposition to be sent on the Embassy to Vizianagur, because We wished to Consult Captain Taylor on the prudence and propriety of Commencing hostilities against this Rajah consistent with the present State and Condition of the Company's Troops in Mohurry where they are so considerably reduced by sickness, as scarcely to leave a sufficient Number for the protection of this Country from the incursions of the Conds; so that the

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the proposition was acceded to.

From a Conviction that sending a summons to Munnedoo will not be attended with an instant Compliance, as it is well known in the most peaceable times, that it is attended with much difficulty to bring him or any other Zemindar to the Chief ship, We do not think his obedience should be put to such a Test.

It is with Reluctance that We agree to the Transmission of the different Minutes which are to accompany our Letter to the honble Board, as we do not by any means think it regular, being of Opinion it is sufficient for a dissenting Member to enter his reasons on Record without troubling our Superiors with them, and to produce them when called upon in his own Justification.

21st April 1789

Morgan Williams
George Wynch

A true Copy
(signed) Thos. Snodgrass Secy

Morgan Williams Esqr.
Chief &c. Council at Ganjam

Gentlemen.

We have the honor to Enclose you a List of Deficiencies and Surplus of Stores received from the Ketch Alert. - In respect to the deficiency of Shot & Shells, there are so many broke that

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The Board take into consideration the State of affairs in the Tanjam District.

The Board now take into Consideration the State of affairs in the Tanjam District, as represented in the Letter from the Chief and Council: and Agree that the following Letter be sent to them.

To Morgan Williams Esqr.

Chief &c.a Council at Tanjam

Gentlemen

To Tanjam – approving of the Chief's & Mr. Wynch's Opinions respecting the Line to be taken in the present State of affairs in that District – directing them to desist from all Military Operations, excepting such as may be necessary for the protection of the most Exposed Countries – recommending Rewards to be offered for seizing Sonadoo but not to pursue him with Detachments –

We have received your Letter of the 21. Ult.o at with its several Enclosures, and approve the opinions given by the Chief & Mr. Wynch respecting the line to be taken in the present State of Affairs in your District.

It is our desire that all your operations should be confined to the protection of such Countries as may be liable to interruption from Sonadoo and his followers, and that you will accordingly desist from all Military Preparations excepting what may be absolutely necessary for the above purposes.

We trust that the Troops belonging to your District, if properly disposed, will be sufficient to preserve the publick Tranquility, and that not only there will not be any necessity for keeping a Force in the Field, but that the Battalion sent from the Chicacole Circar may be returned to its Station.

We recommend that every measure by means of rewards be continued for the purpose of

seizing

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an unlooked for want of provisions. The Nabob's Manager at Tritchinopoly has utterly disappointed me of the Supplies he promised; and but for the precaution of ordering the Troops and followers to provide themselves with 4 days Rice before they marched, We should now have been reduced to very serious distress. Motobar Khan has not the means of assisting us in this respect, and tho' I have written pressingly to Pondiman for a supply, I expect but little from him, at least early enough for the present Emergency.

In this Situation I have been obliged to have recourse to the very people against whom the Expedition is directed: and have ordered the Aumildars of the Neighbouring Villages to furnish some days Rice for the Detachment, on a promise of Ready Money for the Value. I have also written to Vella Murda to send 5,000 Cullums on account of the Arrear to Shevagunga, which I propose reaching on the 3rd. May, if the orders I have issued are complied with, as I expect they will be, in a certain degree, to morrow.

Should Murda refuse the supply I have demanded, nothing remains but to march without delay to Collongoody, in the Neighbourhood of which I have intelligence of Grain being collected: though that measure may perhaps prevent the Negociation which Motabar Khan (it is likely) has Instructions to try before means of force are had recourse to.

Camp Tripatoor
30th April 1789

I have the honor to be
Yr. a. Yr. a. (signed) J. Stuart

P.S. Pondiman's Troops are not yet arrived, tho he promised me (bel: command:) they should join the Camp to day P.S.

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arisen between his Highness's and the Company's Servants at Trichinopoly, which by this time will have been agjusted.

Chepauk House, 4th May 1789 —

Read the following Letter from Mr. Edward Parrow.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

President in Council &c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir,

From Mr. E. Parrow reminding Government of the Balance due to him of Pags 15,483.41.63, being still unpaid — and stating the hardship of his situation in being without employ, and receiving no Interest on the above large amount —

I beg permission to remind your honor in Council that the resolution of the Board dated 20th January last, informing me that the Balance of Pagodas 15,483.41.63, due to me, as stated by the Committee of Works, should be paid as soon as the state of the Company's Treasury would admit, has hitherto been productive of no advantage to me whatever.

My address to the Committee of Works of 31st December 1788, with the account accompanying it under the same date, states the length of time I had been without any advance of money at that time, near 11 months, and that this Balance was accrued in consequence of an order I received from Government to finish the work that had been indented for previous to my resigning the Contract in August 1787. —

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In conformity with your Orders signified to us by Mr. Secretary Cramer in his Letter of the 10th March last, the Regulations for the Engineer and Pioneer Departments, and for working parties, have been submitted to the inspection of Brigadier General Horne for his opinion thereon, who has thought proper in consequence to lay before us his remarks on those Departments, which will be found inserted in the proceedings of this day, together with Lieutenant Colonel Ross's observations on those remarks.—

After the most attentive consideration of General Horne's remarks, as well as the observations on them by Lieutenant Colonel Ross, We have found it necessary to deliver in our sentiments on them separately, and beg leave to refer Your Honor to our Proceedings of this day, where they will appear inserted at length.

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

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1st May 1789

(signed) Mathew Horne
J. Capper
Patrick Ross
Henry Malcolm
James Campbell
Wm. Sydenham
J. Moorhouse

The above to be sent in Circulation

Ordered that the above with the proceedings accompanying it, be sent in Circulation for the Consideration of the Members of Government.

Read the followings Letters (entered in MB. No. 10. 11)

From

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Diary

6 Received the undermentioned Letters from Mr. Benjamin Torin & Colonel Stuart: the former entered in Mem.B., No. 12.

From the Paymaster of Palamcotah — From Mr. Torin — has received 6,000 S.Pagodas from the Nabob's Manager, for the use of the Garrison of Palamcotah.

The Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council &c.a &c.a —

Honble Sir.

From Colonel Stuart by his wants of provisions &c. the exertions of Mr. Johnstone, towards supplying his Detachment with Grain, and the little assistance which he has received in this respect from Jaffer Cawn, the neighbouring Amildar, Poodimain &c.a &c.a — Tinnes remaining at Dipatoor until he can get 5 days provisions to carry with him — requests the Paymaster General may honor the Bills of the Paymaster of this Detachment — 2,000 of Poodimain's Troops have joined.

I am sorry to acquaint you that I am still detained here by want of Provisions: and I cannot with certainty say when a sufficient quantity is likely to be procured to enable me to move on. — Jaffer Cawn who was to supply the Detachment has only sent 100 Bullock Loads of Rice to Camp since We marched: I look for little more from him, as he writes me he has not Bullocks to forward any considerable supply to us, which proves he is not disposed to exert himself —

My Chief Dependence is on the activity and Zeal of Mr. Johnstone, who in consequence of a Letter from me stating our difficulties, dispatched immediately from Tritchinopoly 50 Bullock Loads of Rice and 200 of Paddy, and has promised to continue furnishing more, as expeditiously as possible: But even this supply cannot be trusted to, as it must be slow, from the distance

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refers me for the Money and Provisions that may be required, is equally unable to supply the one, or the other; and as the Sepoys purchase their Rice in the Bazar, receiving none from the Grain Keeper, who has indeed none to issue; there is an absolute necessity for their being regularly paid. For this purpose, I trust the Honble Board will give Orders to the Paymaster General to honour the Bills of the Paymaster of the Detachment for the Money that may be necessary for it's subsistence.

Tondiman's Troops to the number of near 3,000, all Irregulars, joined me yesterday. - I hope they may be hereafter put to some use. at present they rather add to our Embarassments, having brought but little Provisions with them.

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a (signed) J. Stuart
Cdr Commanding

Camp at Tripatore
2.d May 1789.

Dispatched the following Letter to Bengal

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

My Lord

To Bengal - requesting 3 to 4 / 300 Candies of Sulphur.

Our Committee of Stores having represented to us, that it is impracticable to procure at this place, a sufficient Quantity of Sulphur for the Manufacture of Gunpowder, We request your Lordship will

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At a Consultation Present

The Honble John Hollond Esqr.
President Governor &c. &c. &c.

James Henry Casamaijor
and
Edward John Hollond } Esqrs.

Friday
8 May 1789

Minutes of last Consultation read & approved

Read the following Letter from Colonel Stuart

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.
Governor in Council &c.

Hon'ble Sir

From Colonel Stuart reports that the Nabob's Commandant at Madura is unable to join his Detachment for want of Money - also the small Force he is to receive from Colonel Martinz - and that in consequence he has ordered the 16th Battalion to march from Tanjore.

I had yesterday the honor to inform you of the arrival of Pondiman's Troops, which are too Irregular to add considerably to our Strength. The Nabob's Commandant of Madura writes to me that he is unable to take the Field for Want of Pay and Camp Equipage, and the Force that Colonel Martinz can spare from Ramnad joram, I find will not exceed 100 Regular Sepoys, and a few hundred Men of the same description with Pondiman's. Being thus disappointed of the aid expected, and unwilling to expose the Detachment either to risk, or the extraordinary fatigue of which those aids would have eased them. I have judged it expedient to order the 16th Batt.n to march from Tanjore and join me without delay. A measure which I hope will meet the approbation of Government.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. (signed) J. Stuart
C.C. Commanding

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Read the following Letters from
Brigadier General Horne.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council &c.

Honble Sir.

From General Horne—
Lieutenant Boisdaume having resigned his Quarter Masterships, recommends that Ensign Rand be nominated to that Appointment, and Lieutenant Robert Parkinson to the Adjutantcy thus Vacated by Ensign Rand—also that Taher Mahomed Subidar be restored to the Service.

I have the honor to acquaint the Board that Lieutenant Boisdaume, Quarter Master of the 5th. Brigade has officially applied to me for permission to resign that appointment, and on a supposition that his request will be granted by Government, I beg leave to recommend that Ensign Rand Adjutant of the 5th. Battalion may be nominated to that appointment in his Room,

Lieutenant Robert Parkinson having been deprived of his Staff appointment as adjutant to the 33d. Battalion by a Reduction of the Sepoy Establishment in 1785. I beg leave to recommend to the honble Board the nomination of that Officer to the adjutancy of the 5th. Battalion in the room of Ensign Rand, particularly as I understand it was the Intention of the late Commander in Chief to nominate him to a similar appointment on the first Vacancy.

As it appears by a representation from Captain Vigors to the Adjutant General, that some mistake occurred in investigating the Claims of the Commissioned Officers of the 21st. Battalion, and which particularly

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&c &c &c (signed) Mathew Horne

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Brigadier General Horne &c &c

Sir

I have Confirmed the Sentence of the General Court Martial which sat at Ganjam for the trial of Lieutenant Lee of the 12th Native Battalion, and I return the proceedings inclosed; but although Lieutenant Lee has merited the reprimand which he will receive from You, for the unguarded and disrespectfull manner in which he behaved to Major Mackenzie in his Character of Commanding Officer of the Garrison of Ganjam; I am sorry to say that from a perusal of the proceedings of the General Court Martial, I have seen good reason to believe that Major Mackenzie has suffered Sepoys to be employed on Duties that are not proper for Soldiers, and has not in other respects conducted the Duty of that Garrison in a regular and Military manner.

I must therefore desire that You will immediately remove Major Mackenzie from the Command of the Garrison of Ganjam, and I recommend that he may be placed in situations where he shall not be Commanding Officer, until he shall give proofs of paying more attention to the Duties of his Rank in the Service.

I am Sir

&c &c &c (signed) Cornwallis

Minute thereon

The Board approve the several Recommendations of General Horne, & it is accordingly Agreed that the necessary Orders be issued.

Lieut Boisdaume appointed to the Command of Vellore, & Lieut Dallas to that of Rampore

Resolved that Lieutenant Boisdaume be appointed to the Command of Vellore, & that Lieutenant Peter Dallas be appointed to the Command of Rampore.

Major Mackenzie ordered to the Presidency

Resolved 4th That Major Mackenzie be removed from Ganjam, and ordered to the Presidency; agreeably to the Recommendations of the Commander in Chief in India.

Agreed

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Diary

9 Received the undermentioned Letters (as entered in MB Nos. 18. 19. 20.)

From Mr Secretary Hay — From Mr Secretary Hay — enclosing Invoice and Bill of lading for Rum and Arrack sent by the Ship Cheerful.

From Ensign Grace — From the Commandant of Nellore — Complaining of the Renters for beating a Tom Tom in the Garrison without his Permission.

From Mr Wrangham — From the acting Resident at Tanjore — Enclosing Statement of Money received from the Rajah since the 18th April on account of his Visits.

Dispatched the following Letters (as entered in MB. Nos. 21. 22. 23. 24.)

To the Military Board — To the Military Board — requesting their Opinions collectively upon Colonel Ross's proposed Regulations for the Engineer and Pioneer Departments.

To the Committee of Stores — To the Committee of Stores — enclosing an Indent from Major Fonyn, on which they are directed to report.

To the Quarter Master General — To Lieut Col J. Campbell — desiring him to lay before Government a return of Draught & Carriage Bullocks lately employed in the Guntoor Circar.

To Ensign Ogilvie — To Ensign Ogilvie — with permission to proceed to Bengal for 6 Months from the 15th Instant.

Sent the undermentioned Letters.

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I the Board will remove him from his present Station, agreeably to the Recommendation of the Commander in chief in India.

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I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a (signed) I. Chamier
Secy

To Colonel James Stuart

Commanding the Troops south of the Coleroon, and the Detachment employed in the Sheveragunga Country.

To Colonel Stuart — Approving his having ordered the 16th Battalion to join — requesting, he will accompany the future returns of his Detachment, with a return of Draught & Carriage Bullocks attached to it

Sir

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the Receipt of your several Letters, the last dated the 8th Instant, and to express their Concurrence in your having ordered the 16th Battalion to join you, as you considered this Step necessary for securing the objects of the Expedition, which they hope will not meet with any further obstructions. — It would however have been a satisfaction to the Board, if you had explained what reports you had received of the strength of Chinna Munda rendering it expedient to order the above reinforcement.

The Board desire you will transmit to them with your future Returns of the Detachment under your Command, a return of Draught and Carriage Bullocks attached to it — shewing the particular services on which they are employed.

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4th May 1789.

I am Sir &c.a &c.a (signed) I. Chamier Secy

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honor to address you again soon.

I have the honor to be

Yr. Hble. Servt. (signed) J. Stuart.

Col. Commanding

Camp at Poccoor 12th May 1789

Read the following Letters from the Committee of Stores, (with 3 Enclosures entered in M.B. Nos. 25. 26. 27.).

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor & Council —

Honble Sir & Sirs.

In consequence of the Remark made by your Honble Board, on our Letter of the 22d. Ult.o regarding the Sum debitted to Mr. Brodie, and which We recommended should be wrote off the Storekeeper's Books, We now beg leave to observe, that the Military Storekeeper having stated to us that by the Books of his Department there still appeared a Claim upon Mr. Brodie for Pags. 20.5.3. 32.6 which had been afterwards regularly settled, we judged it but proper that the demand should be closed, and therefore requested your Permission for the Storekeeper to write it off his Books, or in other words, to credit the head of Alexr. Brodie by that of Military Charges, for altho' the Continuance of this Claim is entirely unfounded and improper, yet having regularly since

...m the Committee of Stores ...th their opinion respect... the adjustment of Mr. ...die's account enclosing ...Storekeeper's Statement on ...subject also a port of ...of 600 Barrels of ...powder made at the ...ment, and a list of Stores ...ived from the Military ...keeper

Mr. Brodie should be Credited for all the Powder delivered, and Military Charges debitted for its Expenditure.

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Colluttoor situated to the West of the Cusba of Arnee, and plundered them of every thing they had. moreover, there was a Brahminy traveller whom they wounded, plundered the whole village and went away. The Ryots say that their Effects robbed of as above, will amount to 4 or 500 Pagodas. by which all the Ryots Colluttoor, Maghan were greatly discouraged, came hither and represented that it is impossible forthem to live with their Families and carry on their Cultivation in the said Villages. unless a Company of Sepoys is stationed to protect them; and they further represented that it is absolutely necessary to have a Company of Sepoys placed there.

By the Depredation of these Polygars, the Ryots of this District were thrown into a great Confusion. forwhich either a Company of Sepoys, or 100 Sibendy Peons should be stationed at Colluttoor Maghan. that none of the Ryots of Colluttoor Maghan seem to settle themselves at the said Village: wherefore your Honors will be pleased to order a Company of Sepoys to be stationed there. If it is delayed to be granted, you will give me order to employ 100 Sibendy Peons, and I shall accordingly enlist the Peons and Station them in two or three places in Cullotoor Maghan, encourage the Ryots, and have them settled in their respective Villages.

It has been represented to Colonel Kelly in the Fort here, of Colluttoor being plundered; he replied that if he had Sepoys he would assist them, but he had none

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Minute thereon

Agreed that Colonel Nixon be desired to station half a Company of Captain Ewing's Revenue Battalion in the Village of Coluttoor, for the purpose of protecting the Inhabitants from the Poligars.

Substance of a letter from Tippoo Sultaun

Read a letter from Tippoo Sultaun (entered in Country Correspondence Pa. 40) stating at length his applications to the Chief of Tellicherry, and complaining of the Conduct of that Chief — expressing his intention of preserving inviolate the Articles of the Treaty, &c. &c.

John Holland

W. Page

Wm. Gasaway Jr

Capt. Popham Martin Jr

Edw. Jn. Holland

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"the Business, as it has been ordered hitherto in the
"Secret department: We think it proper to acquaint
"You, that We propose to keep separate, in that
"Department, the Record of Subjects strictly Secret,
"and strictly proper to be Communicated to the
"Secret Committee of the Court of Directors, however
"connected with other points which have hitherto
"been deemed of a Political nature, either on account
"of such Connection, or because they make part of
"the Correspondence with foreign Settlements, or
"with Ministers and other Officers in Situations of
"Political Trust. Weare therefore to request that Your
"Letters to us upon Subjects strictly and unques-
"tionably secret, may be separate from the rest of
"your Correspondence."

"It has been usual with us to
"consider in our Secret Department all Military
"Subjects, and Subjects generally relative to foreign
"Nations and foreign Individuals. — Motives of
"Arrangement with respect to the Duties in the other
"Offices under our Secretary, have induced us to continue
"these Records in the Secret Department; although
"our Communications thereupon will be made
"to the Honble Court of Directors; and in the same
"manner our Proceedings on revising Establishments

"and

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"from the Several Settlements may be conducted
"by the same Rules."

"We have the honor to be

Fort William
10th April 1789.

&c.a &c.a

"signed { "Cornwallis
"Chas. Stuart

"Minute thereon"

"Agreed to acknowledge the receipt
"of the above Letter, and to acquaint the
"right Honble the Governor General in Council
"that We shall carefully attend to his
"Requisition in keeping seperate from the
"rest of our Correspondence, all Letters to him
"upon subjects strictly Secret — observing to
"his Lordship, that the alteration alluded to,
"appears to correspond in a great measure with
"a regulation suggested by us to the Honble
"the Court of Directors in our General Letter
"under date the 1st. March 1788. and our
"subsequent addresses upon all Military, as
"well as political Subjects &c.a hitherto record-
"-ed in the same Department, have been
"transmitted to the Court of Directors under
"the head of Military, by way of keeping
"the proceedings under the heads prescribed by
"their orders. — Agreed, further to acquaint

"the

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We have the pleasure to acquaint you, that the 2/5th Battalion Commanded by Captain G Steuart, passed by this place on their march to Chicacole the 3rd. Instant.

We have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a &c.a

Visagapatam
5. March 1789 —

| signed | Alexander Davidson
Charles Maxtone
Michael Keating

From the Nabob complaining of the Commanding Officer at Nellore having given great Interruption to the publick administration of Justice, as detailed in an enclosed Translation of a letter from the Cauzee

His Highness the Nabob Walaujah Bahauder presents his Compliments to Governor Holland, and requests leave to inform him, that the Commanding Officer at Nellore has given great interruption to the public administration of Justice, as the Governor will see by the enclosed Translation of a Letter from the Cauzee of that place — The Governor will be so good as to furnish His Highness with orders to the Officer to deliver up the Criminal to his Highness's Servants — His Highness will shortly have occasion to make anny necessary application to the Governor relating to the Commanding Officer at Nellore, and to request his Compliance therewith.

Chepauck House
12th May 1789 —

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