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Diary

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12 Received the following Letter from the Collector at Guntoor

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

Honble Sir

I had the honor a'inform you in my Letter
of the 29th ult.o of the motives that had actuated my Conduct
and of the Consequent measures I had adopted to apprehend
Canamanah Vencanah; I am now concerned to add that
they have hitherto miscarried.

Major Wynch lately enclosed to me Copy of
a letter from Ensign Muirhead to Captain Dawes, relative
to the Failure of his attempt to seize him; owing partly to
the misinformation he had received of the Extent of the
place where he resided: consequently the Guards stationed
were not sufficient to watch its Avenues; and partly
from being led astray by his Hircarahs when promptitude
would have insured him success in surprizing Vencan
asleep before his House, whose People being aroused, h
fled precipitately to the Hills. From the Copy of a
subsequent Letter from Captain Dawes to Major Wyn
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undergo a strict Scrutiny, and Government inflict what
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against him were well grounded, otherwise they would
immediately liberate him; but any opposition to their
Troops, must alone, independant of his other Offences,
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Sir &c &c &c
(signed) Robert Hughes
Collector

Guintoor
5th August 1789

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From Lieutenant Lennon, Astronomical Ob.
requesting that the Lascars attached to the Observatory
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From the Resident at Nagore — enclosing an Ind
for Military Stores.

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From the King's Deputy Adjutant General —
requesting that an order may be sent to the Commander
of the Duke of Buccleugh to receive on board his Ship
as Passenger for China and Europe, Captain Campbell
of His Majesty's 72nd Regiment.

13 Sent the undermentioned Letters (contents in M.B. No.
52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57.)

Mr. Francis Lind

To Mr. Francis Lind — appointed Military Store-
-keeper in the Room of the late Mr. Savage.

e Committee of
Stores

To the Committee of Stores — advising thereof.

Captain Lieutenant
John Torin

To Captain Lieutenant John Torin of the Cavalry —
to draw upon the Board for the Expences that may actually occur —
not to make any further Purchases of Horses, or enter
into any new Engagements.

rigadier General
Horne.

To Brigadier General Horne — approve there-
-commendations contained in his Letters of the 3rd & 6th and
Mr. Instant — each Officer of the two Regiments of Native
Cavalry Cantoned near Arcot to receive 50 Pagodas on Acct.
of

13 of Quarters — 5,000 Pagodas in Company's Bonds made to Major Younge, thro' his assistant Lieutenant Fie, for the purchase of the Horses now in the Market — Lieut.t M.r Fie to state the Average Price at which the purchases of Horses have been made — The Board do not intend to extend their purchases beyond the Advance now ordered.

To the Paymaster at Ongole

To the Paymaster at Ongole — the Board consent to the admission on his accounts of the Sums charged for Sundry disbursements in the Years 1786. 1787. and 1788.

To the King's Paymaster General

To the King's Paymaster General — to advance Captain Campbell of his Majesty's 72.nd Regiment Six Months Subsis=tence, and the usual Allowance of Passage Money to Europe.

To the Paymaster at Walanjabad

To the Paymaster at Walanjabad — to pay 50 Pagodas to each Officer of the two Regiments of Native Cavalry cantoned near Arcot, for the purpose of providing himself with a quarter at that Station.

Sent the following Letter to Colonel Capper.

To Colonel Capper

Comptroller General of Army Accounts —

Sir

To Colonel Capper — the Sundry Charges of Lieut.t Young upon which he has reported, have been admitted Lieut.t Freeman to be allowed House Rent — to furnish a Table shewing what is received by the Kings

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters dated the 10.th and 11.th Instant, and to inform you that they have admitted the Sundry Charges of Lieut.t Young upon which you have reported — they also consent

to

Company's Officers, Stating wherein the Difference exists.

to Lieutenant Freeman's drawing the House Rent, and dispense with the Refund in consideration of what you have mentioned respecting the embarrassed Circumstances of Lieutenant Freeman.

If you will lay before the Board your Indent for Stationary drawn out as for last Year, it will be complied with in the usual manner

In answer to your Letter of the 11th. I am directed by the Board to desire you will furnish them with a Table shewing what is received by the King's and Company's officers, & Stating wherein the difference Exists, & in what manner it is made up to the King's officers, so as to put them collectively upon an Equality with those of the Company. Having the proper materials before them, the Board will be enabled to decide upon the Claim preferred by the King's Field officers.

Fort St. George
11th. August 1789 —

I am
Sir
your most obedient Servant
(signed) J. Chamier
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At a Consultation Present
The Honble John Hollond Esqr.
Governor, President

Friday 14th. August
1789

James Henry Casamajor
and
Edward John Hollond
} Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation Read & Approved.

Read

Read the following Letters from Bengal.

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To John Chamier Esq.r

Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir

I am directed to request that you will be pleas

From Bengal — desiring to know what Number of Officers and Men are intended to be sent to Europe by the Homeward bound Ships.

to submit to the Governor in Council at Fort St. George the desir

of this Government to be acquainted, by the 20.th of October next,

what number of Officers proceeding to Europe from the Coast

will require to be accommodated in the homeward bound Ships,

of the ensuing Season, that are to touch at Fort St. George;

and what number of Supernumerary and Invalid Soldiers

are to proceed in those Ships to England

Fort William
20.th July 1789

I have the honor to be
Sir &c.a &c.a &c.a
(Signed) E. Hay
Secry to the Govt

To John Chamier Esq.r

Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir

From Bengal — regarding an application of the Nizam relative to the Family of Hoolub ul Doulah and Mobarik ul Doulah —

I am Directed by the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Translations of Letters which Lord Cornwallis has received from his Highness the Nawaub Nizam Ally Khan, and from Mobarik ul Doulah at Hyderabad. His Lordship wishes that you should lay these Letters before the Governor in Council at Fort St. George, with a request that he will enquire into the Circumstances stated in them, and give such orders upon the subjects as Justice to

the

the Family of Koolub ul Dowlah, and Regard to the Rights
of Mobarek ul Dowlah shall appear to require

Fort William
9th July 1789

I have the honor to be
Yr. Hble. Sr.
(signed) J. Tombelly
Jud. Secry

From the Nizam

Received 7th July 1789.

The Jaghire of Kulub ul Dowlah deceased
which the Company according to my Summud confirmed to
him, was on his Death resumed by the Company, on Con-
-dition that when the Sons of the Deceased shall come of Age,
it shall be released to them, and they received a monthly allow-
-ance instead. when they are arrived at full age. this among
the Rules of Friendship has not a good appearance. The
Fidelity and Attachment which the deceased shewed towards
the Company are well known: therefore, in Consequence
of my desire for the Welfare of my Servants, which is a
hereditary Virtue of my Family; I request your Lordship to
confirm this Khat to them.

A true Translation
(signed) G. F. Cherry. Pr. Fr.

A true Copy of the Translation
(signed) J. Tombelly
Jud. Secry

From Mobarek ul Dowlah — Hydrabad
received 9th July 1789

By God's help my Connection and attachment
which has been for Years firm and Sincere, is known to
Your

[illegible] 11th August 1797

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Your Lordships and your Lordship's Kindness and Benevolence are known to the World. I have in consequence deemed it necessary to represent my situation to you. The particulars of my inherited Jaghire will be learnt from the enclosed Paper. I hope your Lordship will be pleased to restore my pro=perty to me, that I may pass my time in prayers for the prosperity of the Company. altho' we are supported by the Company. I have made this request to publish their fame.

Enclosure

Annud Photeas &c. were granted by a Jummud under the Seal of Nawaub Asoph Jah Nizam ul mulck as Jaghire in the name of my Father and his Posterity.. When the Country came into Possession of the Company, in consequence of the Zeal evinced by my Father for their Welfare, it was confirmed by them. as I was under age, it was determined that until I came of Age I should receive one Laick of Rupees. now that I am of age, I hope that in lieu of the Money I shall be honored with the Jaghire, the Receipts of which do not vary from the Money paid me. Having obtained my right I will pray for the Company's Prosperity.

A true Translation

(signed) G. F. Cherry.
Dep. Ft.

A true Copy of the Translation

(signed) P. Tombelly
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Minute on the former Letter

Agreed that General Horne be desired to give the information required respecting Officers and Men to go to Europe by the Ships of this Season.

Read

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Read the following Letter from Colonel Musgrave.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor in Council &c &c &c

Sir

I have the honor to acquaint you that Earl Cornwallis has been pleased to appoint Ensign Saml Rostheron, acting Lieutenant: and Fireworker C. S. Bonney, and Acting Ensigns Kirby Dalrymple, and James Ogilvie of this Establishment to be Ensigns in his Majestys Regiments in India; I have therefore to request that you will be pleased to give orders that those Officers may be struck off from the Honble Company's Service, in order that they may join the Regiments to which they have lately been appointed.

I have the honor to be

&c &c &c

(signed) Thos Musgrave

Fort Cornwallis
12th August 1789.

Ordered that the Officers mentioned in Colonel Musgrave's Letter who have accepted Commissions in his Majestys Service, &c, from the end of the present month, Struck off the List of the Army.

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores with Enclosure entered in Misc No. 58

To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor in Council &c &c &c

Honble Sir and Sirs.

We have the honor to enclose you herewith Copy of a List of Stores received last month

month from the Military Storekeeper, Mustr
of which We examined and Approved .. We likewise
examined two 18 Pounders field Carriages for
Iron Guns and six 6 Pounders for Brass Guns, and
finding them made of good materials and well
finished, We ordered them to be received on the Compa-
-nys Books.

We beg leave to inform your
Honble Board, that We have made trial of a
Garrison Carriage for an 18 Pounder on a Traver-
-sing Platform, and found it to answer our full-
-est Expectations, both from the facility with
which it is worked with fewer men, which
gives it very advantage over the former Garrison
Carriages, and establishes a Certain Superiority
of Fire against any Enemy opposed to them,
besides having the peculiar property of being
traversed with the utmost ease, and fixed to
any particular object as well by night as
by day. We therefore recommend that 12 of
these Carriages for 32 Pounders be made up
without delay, for the Redans on the Sea Line,
and that the Works there be completed for their reap-
-tion.

12 Carriages for 32 Pound-
-ers to be made as recommended.

We think it proper to mention that this
Carriage has been made under the entire
direction and Superintendance of Lieutenant Colonel
Moorhouse, upon a very slight description of one of
a similar kind used in Europe, and We therefore beg
leave to express our opinion that the complete manner
in which it has been executed does him great honour.

The Zeal and Exertions of Lieutent.
Colonel Moorhouse very much
approved.

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

Fort St. George 5th August 1789

Signed { Math.w Horne
Patrick Ross
Wm Sydenham
J Moorhouse.

Read the following Letter from the Committee for Investigating the accounts of the King's Troops.—

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

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

Honble Sir.

We have now the honor to lay before You in Council, our last Week's report of the progress We have made towards Investigating the King's accounts.

Likewise an account of all Batta and Victualling in lieu of Batta, which were served out to His Majesty's Troops from August 1780 to June 1784. The Victualling to the Regiments doing duty upon this Coast, is Estimated agreeably to the accompanying average Rate, given in by the Agent Victualler, which includes Arrack, Wastage, &c. &c. &c. &c.—

The Provisions to the Troops on board of Ship (which were only four Companies of the 36th. Regiment, and about two hundred men of the 52nd. Regiment) is estimated Conformably to the Rate sent to us by the Garrison Storekeeper, a Copy of which We have also the honor to enclose — And as the Total Expence of these Detachments whilst on Service upon the Malabar Coast (the former from 15th. September 1783, to the latter from 24th. October 1783, to the 24th. of April 1784) was defrayed from this Establishment, Excepting only the victualling to the Privates and non Commissioned Officers, delivered out to them in lieu of Batta, We have not thought it foreign from our Investigation to include this Charge also (tho' incurred by Bombay) in our General Account of Batta to the Kings Troops, which for want of better Authority has been Averaged at the

from the Committee for Investigating the accounts of the King's Troops — enclosing their Weekly report, and an account of all Batta and Victualling in lieu of Batta from August 1780 to June 1784. with observations thereon

the same rate as during their Stay on board of Ships, being
a medium between the highest and lowest Estimates for the
Troops upon this Coast by the Agent Victualler.

We have not been able to ascertain with our
usual Satisfaction, the Expence of Batta to the 36th. Regiment,
four Years Regimental Books having been lost, and We having
only a memorandum for our Guide, which was furnished by
His Majesty's Deputy Adjutant General, from whose Assistance
(it is but Justice in us to remark) we have in this tedious
of Batta
investigation received much Assistance.

We are sorry it has not been in our Power fully
to execute our expectations as stated in our address of the 3rd.
Instant; but some doubts having arisen, respecting the Batta
paid to the Hanoverian Regiments during the War, the delay
of a few days has been unavoidable. a Compleat Account
of the Disbursements to these Regiments from their Landing
until June 1784, we will venture to promise shall accom-
pany our next Report

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

Fort. St. George
10th. August 1789

(Signed) Benj.n Roebuck
Geo: Jul.s Marten

Memorandum from the Books of the Agent for Victualling
the Troops under the Presidency of Fort St. George

Victualling the European Troops with the Grand Army,
including Carriage for Provisions, Lop, Wastage, &c. in
Camp appears upon an Estimate Average from August
1780 to April 1781, to be about 6 fanams and 70 Cash p.
man p. Diem.

Victualling

Victualling the European Troops with the Grand Army, Including Carriage for Provisions, Wastage, &c. in Camp, appears upon an average of four Years, viz. from May 1784, to April 1784 to be about 9 Fanams and 42 Cash each man p diem. but Rice was purchased at 150 & 200 Pagodas p Gara. Arrack at 150 and 200 Pagodas p Leager, and other Articles proportionably dear. nor does that Sum include the Loss sustained by the Company in sending the Rice to Camp, which cannot be ascertained.

Victualling the European Troops with the Grand Army, including Carriage for Provisions, Loss Wastage &c. in Camp appears upon an Estimated Average from 1st May to 30th September 1784, whereof Batta ceased to have amounted to 8 Fanams and 20 Cash each man p diem.

The Estimate Average Charge of victualling the Europeans with the Southern army from October 1782, to August 1784, including Charges Carriage of Provisions, Loss, and Wastage &c. — Five Fanams and 73 Cash each man p diem

The Estimate Average Charges of victualling the Europeans with the northern army from May 1783 to January 1784, including Charges of Provisions, Wastage, Loss, &c. 7 Fanams and 17 Cash each man p diem.

(Signed) Thos. Cockburn
Agent Victualler

A true Copy / Jos. Jul. Martin
to the Committee

To

To Messrs. Roebuck and Marten

Committee for Investigating
Accounts of Kings Troops

Gentlemen

Agreeably to your request I have to inform you that the Expence of Victualling the Kings Troops on Board of Ships, including Wastage &c. &c. appears from the Books of my Office, to be nearly at the Average Rate of 6 fanams and 64 Cash each man p. day.

I am
Gentlemen
your most obedient Servant
(signed) John Turing
Paymaster Generall

Fort St. George
13th August 1789

A true Copy (signed) Geo. Jul. Marten
of the Committee

Ordered that Copy of the foregoing Letter be sent to Bengal with the several Papers that accompanied it

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Sydenham.

To the Hon.ble John Holland Esq.r
Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir

I having been informed by the Commanding Officer of the Coast Army, that in the List of Officers entitled to share Gratuity from the 1st May 1788. to the 30th April 1789, I am considered by your Honble Board as a Supernumerary Lieutenant Colonel of Artillery until the Period

From Lieutenant Colonel Sydenham on the subject of his Gratuity.

Period of Lieutenant Colonel Tanner's Death, I beg leave to request that as my Case with that of Lieutenant Colonel Quels is under Reference to the Honble Court of Directors, whose decision may be daily expected, the proportion of Gratuity intended for the Field Officers of Artillery, according to the fixed establishment may be kept unappropriated until that Decision arrives, as I trust it will appear that holding a Commission of Lieutenant Colonel in the Justest right, being on the Returns of the army as such, and in the Command of a Battalion of Artillery on the Establishment, I cannot in Justice be deprived of any Allowances annexed to that Rank, and I do not therefore suffer myself to suppose that the Honble Court of Directors will consider it in any other light.

On this subject I take the liberty to refer your Honble Board to the representation and Argument contained in my Letter of the 30th August last, and hope my present Request will appear to deserve your favorable Consideration as being inseperately connected with my Rights in general, and upon which the validity of the Commission & Situation I have the honor to hold in the Service for a certain Period, greatly depends.

Mount 12th August 1789 — I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

(signed) Wm. Lydenham

Lt Col 18th

Minute thereon

Agreed that the proportion of Gratuity intended for the Field Officers of Artillery, according to the fixed Establishment, be kept unappropriated, until the

Orders

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orders of the Honble Court of Directors, respecting Lieu
Colonel Fiels and Sydenham, which are expected by the
Houghton, shall arrive.

Read the following Letter from Major Younge

To John Shamier Esqr.
Military Secretary &c. &c.

From Major Younge - proffers a Complaint against the Nabob's People for preventing Grain and Provisions from being brought to the Bazars.

Sir I have the honor to acknowledge your Letter of
the 9th. Instant, and in consequence thereof have withdrawn the
Guard at Arcot, furnished by the Cavalry.

I am under the necessity of acquainting you
for the information of the Honble Board, that the Nabob
People at Wallajanagar, Arcot, and in the neighbourhood
the Cantonment, prevent Provisions, and all kinds of Grain
from being brought to our Bazar, by which the Troops &
followers are much distressed.

The Nabobs Cutwall at Wallajawnagar
particularly troublesome and insolent

As I wish to avoid having any disputes with the
Nabobs Managers, I hope the Honble Board will honor
me with their orders how to act.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Wm. Younge
Major Commanding Cavalry

Cavalry Cantonment
near Arcot August 12th. 1789

Agreed

Agreed that the President be requested to speak to the Nabob on the subject of the Complaints made by Major Younge against His Highness's Cotwall at Walaujaunagur, Arcot, &c.

Read the following Letters from Lieutenant Colonel Ross.

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

Honble Sir

Ensign Cie having transmitted me the accompanying Letter respecting some repairs wanted at Walaujahabad. I hope to be favored with your directions thereon — I shall likewise be obliged to you for an advance of another thousand Pagodas on account of the Barracks at Tiagar, the Officers quarters being already occupied; Those for the Sepoys in good forwardness, and only one thousand Pagodas as yet received on their account.

I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c.
(Signed) Patrick Ross
Lieut: Col: & Chief Engineer

Fort St. George
10th August 1789 —

Lieutenant Colonel Ross — respecting some repairs wanting at Caujahad — requesting advance of 1000 Pagodas on account of Barracks at Tiagar

Colonel Ross

Sir

In consequence of a Representation from the Commanding Officers of the King's Troops, and Artillery, to Major Cuppage that the Roofs of the Privates Barracks admitted rain in several places

Cuppage

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places, I accordingly examined the squares and found that the Tiles of the Virandas in particular required shifting in several places, chiefly at the Angles: as also the Roofs of the Gunshed and Artillery Barracks, several of the Tiles being broke — to repair the whole will require upwards of 19000 Tiles.

They beg leave to observe that it is partly occasioned by the Soldiers throwing Stones &c. upon the Roofs, and taking off Tiles to carry fire to their Barracks.

As the Rain is already set in here, it is absolutely necessary that the Roofs should be made Water Proof without Delay.

I remain
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) A. Cric

Walaujahbad
7th August 1789

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

Honble Sir

From Lieutenant Colonel Ross enclosing an application for Centry Boxes for Tripassore.

I have the honor to lay before You an applica-tion for Centry Boxes received from Tripassore, and remain
&c. &c. &c.

12th August 1789.

(signed) Patrick Ross
Lieut. Col. & Chief Engineer

Colonel Ross Chief Engineer

Dr Sir

I am desired by Captain Dalrymple to request you'll be so good to order Six Centry Boxes to be sent to Tripassore.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. (signed) M. Russell

Tripassore
10 August 1789.

The

Fort St. George 14th August 1789.

ute thereon

The Board observe some irregularity in the applications respecting Repairs, which agreeably to the 2nd article of the Regulations ought to come thro' the Channel of the Commanding Officer of the Garrison or Cantonment where they may be wanted.

Agreed that this be notified to Lieutenant Colonel Ross.

Centry Boxes to be plied for Tripassore

Agreed that the Committee of Works be desired to order a supply of Six Centry Boxes for the Garrison of Tripassore

Pagodas to be advanced el Ross.

Ordered that a further advance of Pagodas 1000 be made to Lieutenant Colonel Ross for the Barracks building by him at Tiagar.

Read the following Letter from Mr Edward Garrow.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

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

Honble Sir

om Mr Edward Garrow the subject of Mr Lind's ointment as Military re keeper.

I am aware of the difficulty, Honble Sir, that an Individual must feel in addressing a person placed in your Elevated Station, by drawing off your attention from great concerns to a view of those Hardships he with humble Submission conceives he suffers.

Unsupported by any Interest, and personally being very little known to yourself. I apprehended that the line I had pursued in placing my situation in the clearest point of view to your Honor in Council previous to further appointments being made, would have saved me from being again superceded.

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A length of upwards of twenty Years Services, places me the very next on the List to a Gentleman who now has the honor to be a member of Government.

I have by me, and ready if necessary, Honble Sir, to produce in order, several Paragraphs and Letters from the Honble Court of Directors, and of this Government, expressive of their Sense of Meritorious Services in which I have been employed; and to speak to my actual Situation, I will readily make affidavit, that for three Years from next October, I have never received on an average, the scanty pittance of Forty Pagodas p month.

On these Grounds I looked up with anxious Expectation, that however my Claims had been overlooked, as they were clearly before the Board, regard would be paid to them; conscious that no Demerit on my part, could debar me from the Rights of the Service in its fullest extent.

Having repeatedly had the honor to wait on you at the Levee, subsequent to my address to your honor in Council of the 30th. ultimo, to which I did not understand any exception had been made, and having in addition to that Letter taken the Liberty to inform you what my Situation was, I flattered myself I should not be permitted to remain, a Spectator, merely, of the good fortune of others; my Surprize and mortification on hearing of Mr. Lind's appointment to the place of Military Storekeeper, immediately after my stating my case to your Honble Sir, was more than I can express.

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it would be unbecoming in me to state our Comparative Merits in the Service. I was long the Deputy to the Employ he is appointed to, and Mr. Linn is many below me on the list of Servants.

I have heard, Honble Sir, that applications were made for this Appointment by such whose Claims supercede mine thro' Seniority, but it does not apply to me, for, with great submission, these Gentlemen already held Posts of respectability with Allowances; but even their succession would have proved the means of my being provided for by their vacated Appointments.

The Advantages I have hitherto received from the Service arose from my Contract for the Repairs of Buildings; I obtained it from Government by a fair Competition; my Successors in it hold at this Moment a variety of other Employs, and I sincerely hope that the Industry of the more active part of my life, which has long been the support of a large Family, may not operate to my disadvantage, when Posts are disposed of.

My Situation as a Company's Servant is particularly hard, and I trust to this in having intruded so long. The distressed apply to such only as have the means of granting Redress. To whom Honble Sir, can I with any propriety make my application for my Rights in the Service, but to that Situation, which so properly possesses the power of doing Justice to every individual who has devoted his life to it.

I am with great respect
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Edward Garrow

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Read

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Read the undermentioned Letters (entered in MB No. 59. 60. 61. 62)

From Mr. Cochrane

From Mr. Cochrane representing that Condapah, the Head Attrack Conicoply at Chinglepat is still confined by Captain Monson, and requesting an order for his Release.

Minute thereon

Ordered that Captain Monson be directed immediately to release the Conicoply.

From the Paymaster at Tritchinopoly

From the Paymaster at Tritchinopoly reporting the death of the Store Serjeant, and requesting that another may be appointed.

Minute thereon

Ordered that General Horne be desired to recommend a proper Person for the office of Store Serjeant at Tritchinopoly.

From the Paymaster at Walaujahbad.

From the Paymaster at Walaujahbad stating that the Commanding Officers of His Majesty's 36th. and 52d. Regiments have applied for additional Puckallies, as was formerly allowed, and requesting to know whether he is to allott two Puckally Bullocks to each Company, or three to every hundred men as formerly.

Minute thereon

Ordered that the Commissary General be desired to report his opinion upon the foregoing Application.

From Lieutenant Graham

From Lieutenant Graham claiming the usual Allowance for having attained a knowledge in the Persian Language.

Minute thereon.

Ordered that the Persian Translator be directed to examine Lieutenant Graham, and report upon the Proficiency he has attained.

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The following Letter from General Horne is now taken into consideration.

The Honble John Holland Esqr.

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

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From General Horne recommending that the native private Invalids be draughted into the Revenue Corps; that one General Invaliding Committee be held at the Commencement of every Year; and that the European Invalids be formed into two companies

I have the honor to lay before the Board the proceedings of an Invaliding and Pensioning Committee held at the Presidency.

I beg leave to suggest to the Honorable Board from the present magnitude of the Native Invalided List, that a considerable diminution of the expence of this Fund may be avoided by draughting all the Native Private Invalids that can be conveniently Collected into the Revenue Corps, and that the Officers Commanding those Corps should be directed to discharge from the Service a similar proportion of Revenue Sepoys, by which arrangement the Effective Corps many of which are incomplete may have an opportunity of enlisting several new; and as I have observed that the present Establishment of Native Commissioned and non Commissioned are insufficient for the execution of the Duties of a Revenue Corps, which is generally divided in the several Districts where such Corps are Stationed in small detached Guards I beg leave to recommend that an augmentation of those Ranks from the Invalided List shall be ordered. Consisting of 5 Jemidars, 10 Havildars, and 10 Naigues to each Revenue Battalion.

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I must also further Remark to the Hon.ble Board that as the great encrease of the Invalided Establishment is an objet of serious moment, that in future only one general Invaliding Committee should be ordered to be held in each Division of the army on the Commencement of every Year, and that the present plan of holding them every 6 months should be abolished.

Before I conclude this subject I must call on the Board's attention to the present situation of the European Invalids who from not being formed on any regular System, are rendered of little or no use to the Public Service, when it is evident they are capable where properly officered of becoming of great utility in Stations where a Body of Europeans are necessary, particularly when the army is in the Field; I therefore beg leave to recommend that the European Invalids on this Establishment should be formed into two companies under the Command of Officers from the Invalided List, each Company to consist of the following Strength. viz.t

1 Captain
2 Subalterns
3 Serjeants
3 Corporals
2 Drummers
2 Fifers
75 Privates.

One of these Companies to be Stationed at Masulipatam, and the other at Madura; and should there be an insufficiency of Officers from the Invalided List in every respect qualified for the Station, I recommend the nomination of Officers from the Effective List, who are in some degree debilitated from Wounds and length of Service.

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If the accompanying proceedings meet with the Approbation of the Honorable Board, I am to desire it may be returned, in order that the necessary Orders may be notified for striking the Men off the Effective List of their Respective Corps.

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July 25th. 1789

I am with the highest respect
Gs. Gs. Gs.
(signed) Mathew Horne

Minute thereon

The Board approve the Recommendations of General Horne, with respect to the forming the European Invalids into two Companies in the manner he has suggested.

Ditto

Ordered that the above be carried into Execution, & that only one General Invaliding Committee be held in each Division of the army on the Commencement of every Year, in lieu of holding them every 6 months as at present

Intelligence

The President Communicates to the Board Intelligence received from the Mysore Country.

Ord. Geo. Stratton

John Holland
Edwd. Fr. Holland

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Diary

15 Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in MB, Nos. 63, 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75.)

To the Commanding Officer of the King's Troops.

To the Commanding Officer of the King's Troops — to give directions to Mr Drummond, Surgeon of the 52d Regiment, to proceed to Madras, in order that he may become amenable to the Judgement of the Mayor's Court.

To Colonel Capper

To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts — to report the number of Puckallies necessary for each Company of the King's Regiments. — a Letter from the Paymaster at Malaujahbad on the subject enclosed.

To the Committee of Stores.

To the Committee of Stores — Lieutenant Colonel Moorhouse Moorhouse
Zeal and Exertions in directing and superintending the new Garrison Carriage on a traversing Platform, very much approved — 12 of the abovementioned Carriages for 32 Pounders to be made up.

To Lieutenant Colonel Ross.

To Lieutenant Colonel Ross. All Applications for Repairs must come through the Channel of the Commanding Officer of the Garrison or Cantonment where they may be wanted. the Contractors will provide Six Entry Boxes at Tripasore. an advance of 1000 Pagodas will be made on account of the Barracks at Tiagar.

To the Secretary at Bengal

To Mr Secretary Hay — with the Proceedings of this Government in the Military Department from the 1st April to the 30th June 1789.

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15 To the Officer Commanding at Chingleput — immedi-
To the Commanding Officer at Chingleput
-diely to release Cundapah, the head Arrack Comicoplyat Chingleput.

To the Persian Translator
To the Persian Translator — to Examine Lieutenant Graham, and report whether he is entitled to the allowance granted to those who have attained a proficiency in the Persian Language.

To the Committee of Works.
To the Committee of Works — to order Six Centry Boxes to be furnished for the use of the Garrison at Tripassore — the Lascars doing duty with Lieutenant Lennon, Astronomi-cal Surveyor, to be allowed Batta.

To Lieutenant Lennon
To Lieutenant Lennon — The Lascars doing duty at the observatory, are to be allowed Batta in future.

To Colonel Musgrave
To the Commanding Officer of the King's Troops — the Company's Officers mentioned by him as having received Commissions in the King's Service, will be struck off the List of the Army on the 31st Instant.

To Brigadier General Home.
To Brigadier General Home — to state what Number of King's and Company's Officers, Supernumerary, Invalid, and Discharged Men, proceeding from the Coast, will require to be accommodated in the homeward bound Ships of the ensuing Season — To recommend a proper person for Store-Serjeant at Tritchinopoly.

To Brigadier General H
Home.
To Brigadier General Homes — his recommendations approved relative to the forming the European Invalids into two companies, agreeably to the Plan detailed by him; and to the holding a General Invaliding Committee once a year in lieu of the

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the one now in use.

17 Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in Mr. B, Nos. 76. 77. 78. 79.)

From the Paymaster at Madura

From the Paymaster at Madura — draws on the Pay-master General for 1500 Pagodas.

From Colonel Musgrave

From Colonel Musgrave — Shall give orders for the Surgeon of His Majesty's 52nd Regiment to proceed to the Presidency.

From Mr. Charles Darke

From Mr. Charles Darke — Desirous to know if his Letters have been entered upon Record, and transmitted to the Court of Directors.

From the Deputy Adjutant General to the King's Troops

From the Deputy Adjutant General to the King's Troops. The Surgeon of the 52nd Regiment arrives at the Presidency.

Received the following Letter from the Resident at Travancore.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

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

Honble Sir

From the Resident at Travancore — the Rajah mutter point of concluding a Treaty with the Dutch, by which Jacottah and the Fort of Cranganore will be given up to the former

The Minister has just been with me to acquaint me that he is upon the point of concluding a negociation, which has been pending for two Years between the Dutch and the Rajah of Travancore, that, if purchasing from them Jacottah and the Fort of Cranganore — that Mr Van Angelbeck the Governor of Cochin has received Powers from Batavia to adjust this Transaction, and that he expected it would be settled

If settled in a few Days, and the above places delivered over to the Rajah. – I have already done myself the honor of writing about them, and of mentioning the importance they were considered towards the security of this Country. I am concerned that I have not yet been able to procure an accurate Chart of this part of the Rajah's possessions, but in a few days I trust I shall have one, which will enable you to form a better Idea of the Consequence of this acquisition to the Rajah, than I can describe by writing.

The Dutch by this Cession have no other Possessions in this part of the Country, but Cochin, which from its Situation Tippoo can never attack, without demanding a passage for his Army thro' the Rajah's Territories, a measure by no means probable. – The Rajah by the defence of these Places should they now be attacked, cannot be considered the Aggressor of Hostilities, for they become a part of his Possessions, as he would have been, had he rendered the Assistance he intended when they belonged to the Dutch. If Tippoo's Object is to attack the Dutch possessions, the Capture of these places must have been only a secondary consideration to him, but his principal one, there is every reason to conclude, was to compel the Rajah into Hostilities, which would afford him a pretext to invade his Country.

As soon as this Cession takes place, I shall have the honor of acquainting you of it. Since my last Letter to you, no further accounts of Tippoo's operations have been received: he still remains at Coimbetoor with his Army.

Parrour
14th August 1789.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. (signed) George Ponney
Assistant

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17 Ordered that the following Letter be immediately dis-
patched to the Resident at Travancore.

To W.m George Powney

Resident at Travancore

Sir

To the Resident at Travancore to restrain the Rajah from Engaging at this Juncture in Measures which might tend to involve the Company in a War with Tippoo — and to make known to him that the English Arms will not be employd beyond the limits of his own Possessions

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 4.th Instant, and to acquaint you that, considering the intentions of the Rajah of Travancore of making purchases from the Dutch of Lands & Forts, which they hold under the Rajah of Cochin, a Tributary of Tippoo, as likely to have the appearance, in the Eyes of that Chief, of a Collusive Transaction, they judge it necessary to desire you will restrain him from Engaging, at this Juncture, in measures which might tend to involve the Company in a War with Tippoo; and you will inform him, that this Government will not support him in any Contests he may engage himself in beyond the Limits of his own Possessions.

A Letter to the above Effect will be immediately written to the Rajah from the President, and will be forwarded to you without Loss of time.

I am Sir your most obedient Servant

Fort St George
17.th August 1789.—

(sign.d) J. Chamier Secry

Sent the following Letter to Bengal

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

To Bengal enclosing a further report from the Committee for Investigating the accounts of the Rajah's Troops.

My Lord. We have now the honor to enclose a further Report

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17 Report from our Committee for Investigating the Accounts of the King's Troops, together with a Copy of their Letter which accompanied it.

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17th August 1789 — Yr. Mo. Obt. Hble Servts
(Signed) Jno. Holland
Jr. Council

At a Consultation Present
The Honble John Holland Esqr
Governor President
Tuesday
18th August 1789 James Henry Casamajor
and
Edward John Holland } Esqrs
Jr. Council

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved.

Read the following Letter from General Horne.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr
Governor in Council, at
Fort St. George

From Brigadier General Horne — with Letter to him from the Officer Commanding the Detachment in the Travancore Country, requesting to know if it is the intention of Government to assist the Rajah in the defence of Cotiote & Expecting, lately seized by him by the Dutch in case of an attack by Tippoo

Honble Sir

I have the honor to lay before the Board a Letter I have received from Captain Knox Commanding the Detachment Stationed in the Travancore Country, and beg leave to recommend to the attention of the Honble Board the Critical Situation of those Troops, and that Captain Knox may be furnished with clear and explicit Instructions, how far he

he is to comply with any Requisition from the Rajah or his Ministers for Stationing any part of his Forces in the different places ceded to him by the Dutch or Rajah of Cochin.

I conceive there can be little doubt of Tippoo Sultaun's disapproving of his Tributary's disposing of any part of his Dominions to the Rajah of Travancore without his Concurrence, and am of opinion he will not permit any part of them to remain in his Possession: It is therefore evident that should Tippoo Sultaun enter the Rajah of Cochin's Territories with any considerable Body of Troops in order to prevent those places remaining in the Possession of the Rajah of Travancore, the situation of Captain Knox will be very Critical, as his Cantonment at Parour lays considerably to the Northward of the great part of the Rajah of Cochins Country thro' which they were obliged to march in going to Parour, and that the Rajah incurred Tippoo's displeasure for permitting it to be done; and should Captain Knox remain in his present situation after Tippoo may have entered the Cochin Country, he must infallibly be cut off and not able to effect a retreat into the interior part of the Travancore Country, being deprived of the most necessary means, the want of Cattle to move his Ordnance and Camp Equipage.

Captain Knox has hitherto not been furnished with any Instructions for his guidance that I am acquainted with except those given to him to preserve Discipline and good order on his March / ever since his being ordered on his Command — How far he may have received Instructions from Government to pay obedience to any requisition from Mr. Powney, I am also a Stranger to; But in his present situation, I conceive it highly

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expedient that he should be furnished with clear & explicit Instructions from such Authority, as he can have no hesitation in implicitly obeying.

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August 16. 1789

I am with the highest respect
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Mathew Horne

To Brigadier General Horne
Commander in Chief
Sir

I have the honor to acquaint you that the Dutch have agreed to give up to the Rajah the Fort of Cranganore, and that part of the Island of Aporen belonging to them called Jacottah, where they have lines and a cantonment of about 300 men. — One of the Rajah's Battalions marched this morning to take possession of Jacottah, and Cranganore I understand is to be evacuated in a few days. I am unacquainted with the terms of agreement, but imagine the Dutch readily consented to give up the above places, as Cochin cannot be attacked until they are taken, and being in the possession of the Rajah fixes him as a party in any quarrel the Dutch may have with Tippoo

Cranganore and Jacottah are both in the King of Cochin's Country; the former on the North Bank of the River, and the latter on the South, at the head of the Island of Aporen. The Fort of Cranganore is small and the Works in bad repair; but from its particular Situation capable of being rendered tolerably Strong.

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I am of opinion that Tippoo will be very jealous and displeased at the Rajah's getting possession of Porto, and in his Tributary's Country; and as it's a new acquisition of territory, I should be glad to know if Government mean to assist the Rajah in the Defence of it, in case of an attack from Tippoo — and as it's probable the Rajah may soon apply for the Detachment or part of it to be Cantonment at Yacottah, or posted in Cranganore: in such an Event I should be happy to be in possession of Your Instructions. as for my own part I am averse to make Detachments from so small a force.

Parour - 16th Augt 1789

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient Servant
(signed) J. Knox

P.S. The Detachment at present is very sickly

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The President observes that Captain Knox has of course the same discretional Powers they have at all Military Stations, the Officers of which are not furnished with any particular Instructions to act on any sudden Invasion of an Enemy. On any such Emergency Captain Knox must act discretionally for the Defensive — That, the object of Captain Knox's Station is the defence of the Travancore Country — That, he is not to attend to any requisitions but such as shall be made by the Resident — That, the Rajah has been cautioned not to interfere between Tippoo and his Dependants & Tributaries; conformably to which the Resident has been furnished with Instructions in which it has been expressed that it is not the intention of the Board that the

President of opinion that the Company's Troops should not be employed in extending the Raja's possessions, by acting out of the immediate District of Travancore

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the two Battalions shall be employed in extending the Raja's Possessions, by acting out of the immediate Districts of Travancore.

W.m Edward Holland in opinion with the President

Mr. Edward Holland Concurs in the President's Sentiments.

Mr. Casamajor's opinion

Mr. Casamajor is of opinion also, that, if Captain Knox should think that his situation at Parour is one in which he might be embarrassed in the Event of an Attack on the Country, he should be directed to take, without delay, such a Position as may enable him to retreat towards Palamcotah, when he can no longer resist the Force opposed to him.

Resolution of the Board

Agreed that an Answer be sent to General Horne conformably to the Sentiments of the Majority.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Capper.

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

From Colonel Capper with a Table of the full pay of the King's and Company's Field Officers equalized — observations thereon.

In consequence of your orders signified by Mr. Secretary Chartier on the 12th Instant; I have now the honor to lay before You a Table of the full Pay of the King's and Company's Field Officers equallized.

The Pay of a Company's Field Officer of Cavalry previous to 1787, not being fixed, Government referred the same to the Military Board, in consequence of an application from Lieutenant Colonel Lugard Campbell then at the head of the Cavalry, when they recommended that a Lieutenant Colonel should be paid £ s d 1. 2. 10 p day, and a Major 19. 1 - being exactly the Amount of the daily

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Pay and arrears of a Lieutenant Colonel and Major in his Majesty's Dragoons; and consequently no difference of Pay can Exist between the Pay of the Field Officers of the King's and Company's Cavalry on this Establishment

By an act of Parliament passed in 1783 for regulating the Pay Office, two days full Pay, which were Stopped annually from the Officers by the Agents of Regiments under the name of Warrants, seeming by without any Authority whatever, had been restored to them from the 25th. of December of the same Year. As this was not taken notice of in the equallizing Tables published at Bengal by Authority of the Right Honble the Governor General, Sir Archibald Campbell ordered the same mode to be observed here, and that the Officers should account for the 2 days pay in England. therefore in considering even the full Pay only, a deduction ought to be made for the same from the 25th. of December 1783, to the 24th. of October 1788, when the present mode took place, from their Claims founded on the accompanying Table, according to the time they have respectively served as Field Officers in this Country, reckoning from the above Period in 1783.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) J. Capper C.F.A.C.

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Full Pay of the King's and Company's Field Officers
Equalized

	Sterling £ s d	Mad. Curr. Pagodas F. C
Company's Colonel his Pay for 365 days @ £1.5 p day	456.5	1140.26.20
Kings Colonel his Subsistence for 365 days @ 18s p day £328.10		
his Arrears for Ditto	80.7	408.17 — 1022.5.20
Excess of the Pay of a Company's Colonel over that of a King's for 365 days	47.8	118.21
and which being divided by 12, according to Lord Cornwallis's Mode, gives the Excess for 1 Calender Month — Vide —	3.19	9.36.60

Equalizing Table &c. Carried forward

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Equalizing Table &c. brought forward

	Sterling	Mad Curry
Company's Lieut: Colonel his Pay for 365 days. a 20ʃ pday	365 —	912.21
Kings — ditto — his Subsistence for 365 days at 13ʃ 5ᵈ pday £ 237.5		
his arrears for ditto 32.7	289.12	724 —
Excess of the Pay of a Company's Lt. Colonel above that of a King's ditto for 365 days — — — and which being divided by 12 as above, gives for 1 Calendar Month	75.8 —	188.21 —
	6.5.8	15.29.6
Company's Major his Pay for 365 days a 15ʃ pday	273.15 —	684.15.60
King's — ditto — his Subsistence for 365 days at 11.6ᵈ pday £ 209.17.6		
his arrears for ditto 45.13.1	255.10.7	638.36.45
Excess of the Pay of a Company's Major over that of a King's ditto for 365 days — and which being divided by 12 gives for one Calendar Month	18.4.5	45.27.15
	1.10.4½	3.35.34

(Signd) J. Capper C.K.

Minute thereon

The Board observe that Colonel Capper has not stated in what manner the difference is made up to the King's Field Officers — and as it appears under the former Book of Regulations, that there was an Allowance under the Head of Gratuity, to King's Field Officers for the express purpose of equallizing their Pay to that of the Company's Officers, it is Agreed to desire Colonel Capper will inform the Board how the difference that appears in the Table delivered in, arises, as no Sum appears therein Stated on account of the abovementioned Gratuity — and further that he will particularize every thing relative to the difference of Pay between the King's and Company's Officers of all Ranks, and shew in what manner it is made up when any difference exists.

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Committee for investigating the Accounts of the King's Troops.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr

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

Honble Sir

From the Committee for Investigating the accounts of the King's Troops with Papers specifying the Expences incurred by the 15th and 16th Regiments of Manoeuvriers from September 1782, to June 1784

We have the honor to enclose our last Week's report accompanied with the Expences incurred by the 15th and 16th Regiments of Manoeuvriers from September 1782, to June 1784.

Every Charge on account of these Corps have been stated under their Respective Heads, as appertaining to each Regiment, excepting Batta, and Victualling in lieu of Batta, Served out to the Privates and non Commissioned officers, which We have found impossible to disentangle from each other, and consequently have calculated the amount in a seperate Abstract, including the expence of Batta to the Privates and non Commissioned of both Regiments. — the occasion of this difficulty was the frequent Detachments that were made jointly from each Corps, and have so completely intermixed this Charge, that all our attempts at Discrimination proved fruitless.

Part of these Regiments also served for a short time upon the Malabar Coast, but as they were situated in every respect similar to the 52nd and 36th as Explained in our Letter of 30th Instant, we have calculated the provisions served out to the Privates and non commissioned, at the same Rate, and for the same Reasons.

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We have the honor to be with every respect &c. &c. &c.

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17th. August 1789.

(Signd) { Benjamin Roebuck
Geo. Jul. Marten.

Minute thereon

Ordered that the Accounts delivered in be forwarded to Bengal

The President informs the Board that in consequence of Major Youngs representation entered in last Consultation, he spoke to the Nabob on the subject of passing Provisions to the Cantonment at Arcot: on which His Highness has promised to give Instructions to his Aumildars, directing him to conform to the practice that has always been usual.

The President reports that the Nabob has promised to give Instructions to his Aumildars to allow Provisions &c. to pass to the Carnatic Cantonments near Arcot

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore.

To John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary

Sir

I received Your Letter of the 5th Instant, and without delay sent the enclosed Letters in the Moratta, the one to the Rajah, the other to Shevarow; I soon received a Message from the Palace, requesting I would come there on the evening of the 11th., having accordingly attended I found Shevarow present: the Rajah desired to know whether the order to me was from the President only, or from the President and Council: His Excellency then explained his

From the Resident at Tanjore Shevarow refuses to proceed to the Presidency without the Rajahs express order for that purpose — Substance of Conference with the Rajah on that subject — the adopted Child of the late Rajah much neglected.

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his surprize that Shevaroy, being his Servant, the President had not thought proper to write to him on the subject.

I replied that Shevaroy being the Person who signed the Deed, had thereby rendered himself (along with the others who signed) personally answerable for the performance, independant of his Excellency. that besides the English were considered the Ministers of Princes as accountable for the acts of their Sovereigns. — The Rajah answered that it was by his positive orders that Shevaroy signed it. he therefore considered himself accountable for what Shevaroy had done, and that by the Customs of his Country a Servant dared not refuse the bommand of his Master: they besides both affirmed that Mr. Petrie had been at great pains to persuade them that the signing was a matter of mere form. I observed to Shevaroy the Childishness of this Excuse from Men that ought to be well acquainted with Business, but could get no other result from them on this subject, but that if the President would write to his Excellency to send Shevaroy, His Excellency would then be able to judge what was proper for him to do. Shevaroy's reply was, that on his Masters order he would repair to the Presidency without delay.

Shevaroy will in all probability keep close in the Palace, in which case nothing but the marching of an armed force into the Palace can possibly effect his Seizure: how far it might be expedient so much to lower the Consequence of the Rajah in the Eyes of his Subjects, I leave to the consideration of the Honble the President in Council.

I took the opportunity of communicating to his Excellency the President's Letter to him relative to the Collieries of Pelly

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Cane who have plundered some Warriore Pollum Merchants;
his Excellency replied that he would enquire into the matter &
take every precaution in his power to prevent the like in future.

I shall not fail to inform the Honble President
and Council whenever sufficient Bills are offered — You will
be pleased to acquaint the honorable the President and Council,
that on the 8th. Instant, Mr Swinton and myself had an interview
with the adoptes Son of the late Rajah. He appeared to
be in good health, tho' a Gloom hung upon his Countenance;
his place of Confinement is spacious, tho' I believe he is never
permitted to come out of it: he told us upon Enquiry, that he
had no Masters given him to instruct him; complained of his
Confinement, and wished to go to the House of his Mother: to
he calls the Widow of the late Rajah.

I had before told Shevaroy that at least he should
be permitted to have the Exercise of Riding within the Walls of
the Palace. Shevaroy's Answer was, that he had repeatedly, but
in vain, recommended it to the Rajah: but it is much to be
doubted whether he would say any thing so much against
the Rajah's inclinations.

I am &c
Sir

Tanjour 12 August 1789. Your most obedient Servant

(signed) P. Ram
Resident

P.S. I hope I shall be excused mentioning that immediately
on my arrival I sent an Indent for Stationary to the Deputy
Secretary Mr. R. Clerk, to which I have received no answer
there

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there is not a single Article of Stationary remaining in the Office —

To the Rajah of Tanjore

As the Kists due from your Excellency, agreeable to the Arrangement made by your Excellency with Mr. Petrie are much in arrear, the Honble President and Council of Fort St. George think it necessary to recur to the Securities which are named in the abovementioned Agreement — They have therefore been pleased to order me to direct Shevaron, the first named of the said Securities, to proceed immediately to the Presidency, and to deliver over to Baphana the second named of the Securities, the Charge of Your Excellency's Affairs in this absence.

Your Excellency will therefore be pleased to order Shevaron to comply with the requisition of the Honorable President and Council abovementioned.

Tanjore
11th August 1789 — /signed/ D Rano.

To Shevaron

As the Kists due from the Rajah of Tanjour agreeable to the Agreement made by his Excellency with Mr. Petrie, are much in Arrears, the Honble President and Council of Fort St. George think it necessary to recur to the Securities which are mentioned in the abovementioned Agreement; They have therefore been pleased to order me to direct

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direct, you, Shevaroy, the first named of the said Securities, to proceed immediately to the Presidency, and to deliver over to Baphana, the second named of the Securities, the Charge of the Rajah's Affairs in your absence. - You will be pleased to signify to me without delay, your acquiescence with the above.

Tanjour
11th August 1789.

(signed) J. Ram.

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Oldham.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council at Fort St George

Honble Sir

I embrace this opportunity of addressing your honorable Board on a subject of the highest importance to myself and which I trust you will not deem an intrusion

from Lieutenant Colonel Oldham - requests to be considered as standing in succession for the command at Palamcotah, and that he may be appointed to it upon the removal of Lieutenant Colonel Bridges

Convinced of the Justice and liberality of your Honble Board, I am certain my length of Service will be considered, and that your honor &c. will allow me a right in common with my Brother Officers of similar Rank, and Claim to share in the benefits which they enjoy, Beneficial Commands, agreeable to the Custom of the Service, will I presume very soon become vacant; this induces me respectfully to offer myself a Candidate to succeed Colonel Bridges at Palamcotah, when your honorable Board shall be pleased to judge it expedient to remove him.

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I have the honor to be &c &c &c (signed) John Oldham

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Lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Works – (with Enclosures entered in M.B. Nos 80. 81.)

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

Honble Sir

From the Committee of Works – requesting an advance of 2527 Pagodas to discharge the Balance due to Lieutenant Norris on account of Work done at Arnee – are of opinion that the Charges made by Lieutenant Norris for Extra Works, are inadmissible

We beg leave to request an advance of Cash to the amount of Star Pagodas 2527.24 – that We may, in obedience to your Orders conveyed to us in Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letter under date the 9th. Instant, discharge the Balance due to Lieutenant Norris for Work done at Arnee, as by Agreement on the 6th. June 1788.

We are of opinion that the Charges made by Lieutenant Norris, for Extra Works are inadmissible, because executed in direct breach of an order of Government under Date the 27th September 1786, and being at the same time unsupported by proper Vouchers – In Justice however to Mr Norris, We beg leave to lay before you Copy of his Letter to us in support of his Demand, and of the Enclosures therein mentioned, together with Lieutenant Colonel Ross's Minute on the subject.

We have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
signed { Edward Jn. Hollond
J. Capper
Patrick Ross.

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Ordered that the Sum of Pagodas 2527.24 be advanced from the Treasury to the President of the Committee of Works, for the purpose of discharging the Balance due to Lieutenant Norris.

Ditto

The Board confirm the opinion given by the Committee respecting Lieutenant Norris's Charges for Extra Works.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Capper

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council &c.

Honorable Sir

From Colonel Capper
Two Peukallies only are fixed for each Company of Europeans.

I am honored with Mr Secretary Chamier's letter of the 15th. Instant, enclosing a reference from the Paymaster at Walaujahbad, whether 2 Peukallies or 3 are to be allowed to a Company of Men in each King's Regiment.

The original order is dated the 16th. April 1786, by which 2 Peukallies were fixed for each Company of Europeans: and this Establishment was settled by Sir Archibald Campbell for His Majesty's and not the Honble Company's Troops only. By a subsequent order, these Peukallies were to be furnished and paid by the Paymaster: "but they are neither to be removed nor exchanged without the consent of the Officer Commanding the Corps to "which they are attached." In short this matter has been frequently referred to Government in different shapes, but no alteration has ever been deemed necessary.

By

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By the Paymaster's Letter I find the Establishment is imputed to me, but I must beg leave to disclaim any concern in allowing Puckallies to Regiments in time of Peace: had I been consulted upon this business. I should have said that in my opinion 3 Water Carts drawn each by 2 Bullocks, would supply at least 2 Regiments, and as each Regiment has now 20 Bullocks, the of course Company would have saved 17 Bullocks in each Regiment Month, which taken for the whole Establishment, and for the whole Year, would amount to a very considerable Sum.

I sometimes find myself accused of curtailing, & sometimes of encreasing allowances which have been altered or granted without my knowledge or Concurrence, and this Charge of course makes me liable on one side, to much unnecessary odium from the army, and on the other subjects me to Censure from my superiors: When therefore I can with propriety explain away any mistake of this nature, as I flatter myself I can in this particular Instance, I trust Your honor will excuse my laying my Sentiments fully before you, even when they do not exactly correspond with the orders of Government.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
signed
J. Capper
Col.

Fort St. George
17th August 1789

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Report made by Colonel Capper on the subject of Puckallies be transmitted to Mr Taone; and that the Letter be directed to adhere to existing Orders.

Read the following Letter from Brigadier General Stone.

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

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

Honorable Sir

From Brigadier General Horne - with letter to him from Major Burrowes, complaining of the Plan proposed by Mr Vaughan formaking the stoppages for Pain from the Native Troops on the late Expedition to Shringapa - the 16th. Battalion in great distress for want of Pay.

The accompanying Letter from Major Burrowes Commanding the 2nd. Regiment of Cavalry, I Have the honor to lay before the Board for their Consideration, and to signify to them my concurrence in opinion with Major Burrowes, that the Plan proposed by Mr. Vaughan for making the Stoppages for Pain from the Native Troops on the late Expedition appears unprecedented and attended with great Ups to the Men.

Captain White / Commanding the 16th Battalion / Stationed at Calicoil informs me that the Officers and Men under his Command are much distressed for want of their Pay, having received none since the Month of June: and as the Ploughdar / who is in Cash / declines furnishing any without the Sta-bles authority I am induced to imagine no arrangement is yet Resolved on how supplies are to be furnished for the Payment of that Station, more particularly as Mr. Vaughan declines receiving a Sum of Money tendered to him by Colonel Martinz. for Bills on the Presidency.

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I am with the highest respect
Yr. Yr. Yr.
(Signed) Mathew Horne
Brigadier General Horne
Commanding Officer on the Coast

Sir

As the mode proposed by Mr. Vaughan for stopping for the Rice served out to the Detachment on the late Expedition is under

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under Colonel Stuart, subjects the Troops to every heavy loss, I think it my duty to represent the Circumstance to you in behalf of the Regiment of Native Cavalry under my Command, and to request that you will be pleased to lay it before the Honble the Governor in Council, with such Arguments from yourself as you may judge the case merits, to the end that the desired redress may be obtained: for it cannot be supposed that Government would authorize any unnecessary burthen on Troops that have served the Honble Company with unshaken fidelity and attachment, thro' a series of Difficulties and Distress perhaps unequalled.

To throw the matter into as clear a light as I am able, I will in the first place state, what I understand to have been the Established Rule with the Grand army under Sir Eyre Coote: and with that I will contrast the mode proposed by Mr. Vaughan.

The price of the Company's Rice was Pag.s 97.35 ₰ Garce. Cont.s 100 Mercalls, or 4800 Seer. each Mercall being 12 Seer. It was paid for at the rate of 12 Seer for 11 fanams, which at a medium Ex.e of 15 fanams the Star Pagoda, amounted to Pag.s 97.35. which was the company's Price as above.

On the late Expedition the Grain was served out by the very same measure, at the rate of 4800 Seer to the Garce, & Mr Vaughan has acknowledged that his orders were to receive Pag.s 97.35. ₰ Garce, the same as during the late War.

Colonel Stuart issued an order in Camp, that the Rice should be stopped for at a fanam a Seer, and Mr. Vaughan insists that the Stoppages shall be made at the Ex.e of 12 fanams the Pagoda, at the same time that the Ex.e in the Buzar was 17 fan.s making a loss of 5 fanams on each Pagoda to the men

Supposing

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Supposing the Rice to be paid for at 4 fanams a Seer, and the Exchange as in the Bazar at 47 fanams — the Farce will then produce Pagodas 102..6. which is Pags 4..18 above the Company's Price: and that overplus arises from the Difference between 12 Seer for 12 fanams as ordered by Colonel Stuart, and 12 Seer for 11 fanams as ordered by Sir Eyre Coote, after deducting the difference of Exchange between 47 fanams and 45 fanams.

Supposing the Rice to be paid for at the Exchange of 42 fanams the Pagoda, the Farce will then be Pagodas 114..12. which is no less than Pagodas 16..10 above the Company's Price.

Viewing it then in the most favourable light to the Troops, they actually pay Pagodas 4..18 p Garce, or Ratio above more than they did during the greatest difficulties of the last War, and if a Comparison is drawn between those times and the present, when only an expedition is carried on against a refractory Tributary without a foreign Enemy to be apprehended, in the heart of the Nabob's Country, and surrounded by our own Supplies, it will appear reasonable for the Troops to expect the Grain furnished them at a more moderate price, rather than be supposed by the Stoppages made from them.

As the Regiment has not received its pay. I beg to be honored with your Instructions.

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

Cantonment
Warriore 12th August 1789.

Signed L. Burrowes
Major Commanding 2d Batt. 1st

Minute thereon

Upon enquiry from the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions respecting Major Burrowes's representation, it was found that Mr. Vaughan had not deviated from the established Regulations. Agreed that Copy of Major Burrowes's

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Burrowes's Letter be sent to Mr Vaughan, directing him to continue anadherence to the Regulations.

Agreed also, that the above be communicated to Genral Horne.

Read the following Proceedings from the Hospital Board. —

Hospital Board — 17th August 89.

Read Letters from Mr Gahagan Head Surgeon of Vellore, Mr. Briggs Surgeon at Visagapatam, and Mr. Rollo Surgeon at Cuddalore; requesting permission to visit the Presidency for a few days; which the Hospital Board recommend may be granted, as they have obtained the permission of their Commanding Officers.

from the Hospital Board — Capts Gahagan, Briggs, and Rollo apply for leave to visit the Presidency.

Approved.

Jas. Anderson
Physician General
Colley L Lucas C.S.
William Dick Jun
Head Surgeons.

The President Communicates to the Board,

Intelligence from the Mysore Country.

Intelligence received from the Mysore Country.

Ed Gwatkin Warton Sec

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19 Dispatched a Letter to the Rajah of Travancore / as entered in C.C. No. 70 / stating that the negociation he is concluding with the Dutch for the purchase Iyacottah and Cranganore, which they hold under the Rajah of Cochin, who is Tributary to Tippoo, may, at this juncture, have the appearance of a Collusive Agreement and tend to irritate that Chief against him / the Rajah of Travancore / and that the Government of Madras will not support him in any Contests he may engage himself in beyond the limits of his own Possessions.

Substance of a Letter to the Rajah of Travancore

Ordered that the foregoing Letter be sent to the Resident, to be by him delivered to the Rajah, and that a Copy thereof be sent for Mr. Powney's Information — Ordered also that the following Letter to Captain Knox be sent under a flying Seal to Mr. Powney.

To Captain Knox

Senior Officer of the Troops in the Travancore Country

Sir

Brigadier General Horne having laid before the Board a Letter from you on the subject of your situation in the Travancore Country, I am directed by them to observe to you, that as you are vested with the same discretional Powers, which all Officers in command of Stations possess, it is not thought necessary to furnish you with particular Instructions.

To Captain Knox — In the event of an Invasion of the Travancore Country by Tippoo, he is to act discretionally on the Defensive — to attend to no Requisition from the Rajah, excepting such as shall be made by the Resident — The Company's Troops in the Travancore Country are not to be employed beyond the limits of the Rajah's present Possessions.

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19 In the event of an Invasion you will act discretionally on the Defensive, in such manner as the Emergency may require.

The object of your Station is the Defence of the Travancore Country, and you are not to attend to any requisitions except such as shall be made to you by the Resident at Mr. Powney, who is furnished with requisite Instructions, & who has informed the Rajah that it is not the Intention of the Board to suffer the Battalions now in the Travancore Country to be employed in extending his Possessions, by acting in any place which is not in it's immediate Districts.

I am Sir Your most obedient Servant

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signed J. Chamier
Secy

Sent the following Letter to Brigadier General Horne.

To Brigadier General Horne
Commanding the Army on the Coast

Sir

In reply to your letters of the 15th. 16th. and 17th. Inst.

I am directed by the Board to inform you that, with respect to Captain Knox's application to you, they deem it necessary to say, that he is not to attend to any requisitions from the Rajah of Travancore, but to comply only with such as he may receive from Mr. Powney the Resident in consequence of the orders of Government to the latter. Captain Knox is to act discretionally

To Brigadier General Horne informing him of the orders sent to Captain Knox — Mr. Knox is directed to adhere to the Established Regulations in making the Stoppages from the 2nd Battn. of Native Cavalry.

19 discretionally on the Defensive, and this will be signified to him

With respect to the Stoppages for Grain from the Native Troops lately employed to the Southward. I am directed to inform you that Mr. Vaughan will be ordered to adhere to the mode practised with the Army under Sir Eyre Coote.

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

Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in Mtb No. 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89.)

To the Paymaster at Madura

To the Paymaster at Madura — In making the Stoppages for Rice from the Native Troops employed in the Sheivingha Country, he is to conform in every particular to the former practice, as well with regard to the Price of the Rice, as to the Exchange in the Fanams.

To M. Secretary Hay

To M. Secretary Hay — Enclosing another Report delivered in by the Committee employed in the Investigation of the Accounts of the King's Troops.

To the Committee of Works

To the Committee of Works — an order upon the Treasury is given for an advance of Pag. 2527.24 — on account of the Balance due to Lieut. Norris — Their opinion confirmed respecting the Extra Charges brought forward by Lieutenant Norris.

To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts

To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts — informing him that he has not stated in what manner the difference of Pay is made up to the King's Field Officers — to furnish a Table which shall particularize every thing relative to such difference between the King's and Company's Officers of all Ranks, and shew in what manner it is made up where any difference exists.

To the Paymasters at Walajahbad

To the Paymaster at Walajahbad — only two Buckallies are to be allowed to each Company in the King's Regiments, agreeably to existing orders.

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To W. Charles Darke 19 To W.m Charles Darke — His Letters &c.a are entered upon the Proceedings of Government: it was not thought necessary to send them to Europe as numbers in the Packet

To Major Young 20 To Major Young, Commanding the Cavalry Cantonment near Arcot — an application has been made to the Nabob on the subject of passing Provisions to the Cavalry Cantonment.

To Brigadier General Horne — upon further information it appears that M.r Vaughan has not deviated from the established Regulations in making the stoppages from the 2.nd Regiment of Native Cavalry.

At a Consultation Present

The Honble John Holland Esq.r

Governor, President

Friday 21.st August 1789

James Henry Casamajor

and

Edward John Holland } Esq.rs

Minutes of last Consultation read and Approved.

Read the following Letters from Brigadier General Horne.

To the Honble John Holland Esq.r

Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From Brigadier General Horne — Lieut.t Colonel Hughes having Effected, and recommended to be posted to the 5.th Brigade — Lieut.t Colonel Grant to the 2.d Brigade — Resigns Resolved the Commission be

Lieutenant Colonel Russell being permitted to

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to proceed to England on half Pay: Supernumerary, Lieutenant Colonel Hughes becomes Effective on the Establishment: I therefore beg leave to recommend to the honorable Board that Lieutenant Colonel Hughes shall be posted to the 5th Brigade, and Lieutenant Colonel Trent, absent on Command, removed to the 2nd Brigade, vice Russell.

Ensign Rosbotham having received a commission for his Majesty's 72d Regiment of Foot, requests permission to resign the Honble Company's Service.

A Certificate for Promotion in the 11th Battalion of Native Infantry, is herewith enclosed.

I am with the highest respect

&c &c &c

(signed) Mathew Horne

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor in Council &c &c &c

Honorable Sir

From Brigadier General Horne — Ensign William Douse succeeds to the Rank of Lieutenant vice Lieutt. Patrick Mair deceased —

I have the honor to report to the Board the Death of Lieutenant Patrick Mair of the 28th Battalion of Native Infantry on the 27th Ultimo.

Senior Ensign William Douse succeeds to the Rank of Lieutenant, by the Demise of Lieutenant Mair

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I have the honor to be

&c &c &c

(signed) Mathew Horne

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor in Council &c &c

Honorable Sir

From Brigadier General Horne — Ensign Riddell resigns the Adjutancy of the 14th Battalion of Native Infantry — Ensign Joseph Dixon appointed thereto.

I have the honor to lay before the Board the application from Adjutant Riddell of the 14th Battalion of Native Infantry, requesting Permission to resign the Adjutancy of that Corps.

In the event of Adjutant Riddell's application being granted, I beg leave to recommend to the Board the nomination of Ensign Joseph Dixon to fill that Appointment

Certificates for promotion in the native Corps are enclosed to the Board for their Approval

I am with the highest Respect

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&c &c &c (signed) Mathew Horne

The above Recommendations approved.

The Board approve the Recommendations of General Horne in the foregoing Letters, and it is accordingly Agreed that the Appointments and promotions be published in General Orders.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Taylor & Call

To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor in Council.

From Messrs Taylor & Call referring to their letters of the 18th Septr. & 2d Octr. 1787 in regard to their Claim to the Engineer Deposit Money — and stating in what manner the Balance due to them is to be liquidated

Honorable Sir

In obedience to your Commands of the 27th of June transmitted thro' Mr. Secretary Chamier, requesting us to explain circumstantially the transaction upon which our Claim

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Claim to the Tanjore Deposite is founded, as well as to State in what manner the Balance due by us to the Circar, has been li-quidated - We beg leave to acquaint your honor, that having in our Letters to the Honble Board of the 11th. September, and 12th. October 1787 / to which We beg leave to refer / Stated in the most circumstantial manner the grounds upon which We claim the Tanjore Deposit, We have nothing more to offer in explanation or support thereof, resting our Claim entirely upon the Agree-ment subscribed to by his Highness the Nabob and his Creditors in general dated at Chepauck 17th. December 1777, an Extract whereof comes enclosed - and as We have done no act to vitiate this Agreement, We trust that the arrangement of 1784 cannot be construed so as to affect our Right to the Tanjore Deposite which was virtually vested in us many years before that arrangement took place.

With respect to the Balance which was due by us to the Circar of Pag.s 150,886.2.38. the same has been fully dis-charged by an order dated 29th. May 1786, upon Messrs. Edwards Garrow, John Mitford, Josias du Pre Porcher, John Balfour, Ben-jamin Roebuck, and William Balfour to surrender up to Messrs Storey and Binny, as Agents to the Nabob / out of Securities lodged in their hands in Trust for a certain time / his Highness the Nabob own Bonds to the value of what We so owed him, and his Highness some time afterwards Transferred over the above order by giving Drafts upon his Agents for the full amount of it.

We are with the highest respect

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Yr. Yr. Yr.

(Signed) { Ja.s Call
Ja.s Taylor } For ourselves & Concerned

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Extract from an Agreement dated at Chepauck. December 17th 1777

His Highness is pleased to appoint Mr James Mooley and Mr John de Fries, his Agents in this Business, and Trustees on his Part

At a Meeting at Chepauck

Present

His Excellency Amer ul Amrah Bahadur.

and

Cojah Assum Caun Bahadur Dewan to his Highness the Nabob, appointed by his Highness the Nabob to confer with his Creditors. of whom were present.

Messrs. Dawsonne Drake
Quintin Crawford
James Taylor
John Defries
and
Antonio de Souza.

And above and besides the provision made for the payment of this Debt from those parts of the Carnatic now in his Highness's Possession. his Highness engages and agrees to give up for the further payment of the said Debt, whatever Money may be received by him from the province of Tanjore under what-ever Denomination until the whole shall be discharged; viz.t one Moiety of such Money to be given to Messrs. Taylor, Majendie Call &c.a in discharge of their Proportion, / but which they are to give Credit for in the general Account / and the other moiety to be divided amongst the Creditors in general, according to their respective Shares, but when the Debt to Messrs. Taylor, Majendie, & Call shall be paid, then the whole Money that may be

received

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received from Tanjore shalley to the Sheir Creditors untill the Debt to them be fully discharged also.

Signed

Dawsonne Drake
Dut. Crawford
Ja.s Taylor
Ja.s Call
Anor Majendie
Atty for Lorge Savage
Anor Majendie
John de Fries
for himself and partners
Antonio de Souza
Edward Monckton
Edward Monckton
for H. Moore in case he Approves
Paul Benfield
Peter Bonnevaux
Job Bulman
Lorge Moubray
Chas Oakely
attorys to Mr. Wm Petrie.
Geo: Mackay
H. A. M. Cosby
James Wooley
atty for various Persons
Archdale Palmer
Jam.s Johnson
for John Douglas.
Wm Gordon

Geo: Moubray
Geo: Moubray
Chas Oakely
Henry Hollies
Attorneys to Reynolds Adams
James Taylor
Executor to Reynolds Adams
Robert Storey
Digby Brooke
Runga Pulley
Edn.d Monckton
for Colonel Bonjour
Edn.d Monckton
for John Rochead
Robt. Storey
for Colonel Harper
Crowe Ellis
Antonio Desouza
for Mr. John Sprott.
Thomas Dibdin
Geo: Moubray
for Richd. Long Sullivan
Robt. Storey
Attorney for Mr. Bonwell

A true Copy from the Records of the Worble the Mayor's Court

(Signed) G. Taylor Deputy Registr.

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Agreed that the Substance of the foregoing be communicated to the Honble Court of Directors in the next Address.

Read the following Letter from W. Hughes Collector at Guntoor / with 3 Enclosures. entered in Mil. Bs. 90. 91. 92 /

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council at Fort St. George

Honorable Sir

From the Collector at Guntoor - 400 Pagodas will be paid to the Commandant of Bellumcondah on account of Repairs - further particulars respecting Cananamah Venkanah.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letters of the 1st. and 8th. Instant.

Inobedience to your orders, the Commanding Officer of Bellumcondah has been called upon for a Plan of the Work he is erecting. and the Sum of 400 Pagodas shall be sent him.

Since I had last the honor of addressing your Honble Board, Canamanah Venkanah has again intimated his Inclination to deliver himself up upon certain Conditions. which still considering totally inadmissible, from the nature of his Offences, I continued to adhere to my former determination.

I have requested the greatest care may be taken of some part of Venkanah's property which has been seized: amongst it was found a Box of Papers, Captain Dawes supposing they might contain some information, sent them to me, but upon perusal, nothing could be obtained therefrom, relating to his nefarious practices.

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A Ryot of the Village of Canannalacherloo was apprehended on suspicion of being Vencanah's Confidant. but on his Examination before me, it did not appear that either himself or any one of his family were in the service of Vencanah; I immediately wrote to Major Wynch, requesting he might be released, and at the same time submitted to him the expediency of empowering Captain Dames to augment the Force upon the service in question whenever he perceived or was informed of the utility of such measure; For, from a Company of Sepoys, it might not be prudent to detach any part of it, and whose operations must in some cases prove ineffectual; whereas should it be found advisable to employ two or three Companies, their Services for a day or two only, might be attended with a speedy and successful conclusion.

I have the honor to enclose Copy of Major Wynch's reply, and likewise Copy of a Letter from Captain Dames, dated the 10th Instant, with a Letter from Vencanah to him. I hope the discretionary power delegated to Captain Dames, added to the Assistance he may expect from the Gumba Rows, will enable him to terminate this Service ere long. & effectually prevent the Inhabitants from being alarmed; and in compliance with his recommendation I have wrote to the Amildar of Doo-paudo, desiring him to prevent the Brothers from taking refuge with their Relations in that District. As Vencanah has been already informed upon what terms he must surrender him-self, his letter was not entitled to any attention, and ap-parently meant to deceive, if Captain Dames's information that Vencanah has invited the Jullawars of Tippoo's Country

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to join him, be true.

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

Guntoor
14th. August 1789.

(signed) Robert Hughes
Collector

Read the following Letter from Mr Cockburn,
Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

To John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary to the Military Department

from the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions — stating by what means the loss of the Bale of Cloathing in the River Coleroon some months ago was occasioned.

Sir

I have received your Letter of the 14th. Ultimo, with one from Mr. Kingscote inclosed, Conveying the order of the Honble Board, directing me to enquire into the loss of one Bale of Cloathing mentioned in the Enclosure.

The people who were with the Bullocks at the time the loss happened having been since absent, prevented an earlier reply.

When the Agent has Cloathing to send to an Out Garrison, he Indents to the Contractors for Bullocks to carry it: The Bullocks are delivered into him, and are put under Charge of a Guard — from that Moment the people belonging to the Bullocks are under their sole directions and obey whatever order they may receive — having mentioned how far the People belonging to the Bullocks have any Control after being delivered over to the Guard, I shall now state all

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the information I have been able to obtain respecting the present loss.

When the Bullocks loaded with Seapoy Cloathing were passing along a narrow Road upon the Banks of the River Cavery, the Bank fell in, and with it One of the Bullocks with its load — the Bullock was carried down, and in the struggle to recover the Bank, the Cloathing was thrown off — to the Seapoys and Bullock People searched for the Bale, but could not recover it — it was then reported to Colonel Bruce, who immediately sent People with Nets in hopes of fishing it up, but their Efforts proved equally unsuccessful — this is all I have been able to learn — the Guard of Seapoys with the Bullocks at the time the Loss happened, was furnished I understand from Vermacoil.

I am, Sir
Your most obedient Servant
[signed] Tho.s Cockburn
Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

Madras
18th August 1789.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Agents for Cloathing be directed to supply the Deficiency occasioned by the loss of the Bale in the River Cauvery some Months ago.

Read the following Letter from the Storekeeper at Chinglepute.

To

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To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

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

Honorable Sir

From the Storekeeper at Chingleput — states the necessity of putting new Roofs immediately on the Granaries.

The heavy Rains that have fallen within these few days past, has so far damaged the Granaries built by Mr. Desbrisay, that part of the Grain in Store has got wet. I have taken it upon myself to shift the Tiles in order to prevent the Grain being spoiled; but as this is merely a temporary expedient, and the Roofs of the different Granaries being very leaky, not having been repaired these several Years past, I beg leave to recommend to your honor &c. that the putting on an entire new Roof will be attended with every trifling expence to the Company, and of the utmost utility in preserving their Grain from being damaged — Should your honor &c. be pleased to Comply with what I have taken the liberty to recommend, I request the favor of a speedy Answer, as the setting in of the Monsoon is near at hand, and the Company's Grain in danger of being damaged every Rainy day that occurs.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Walter Balfour
Storekeeper

Chingleput
20th August 1789 —

Minute thereon

Agreed that Mr. Walter Balfour be desired to state what will be the Expence of putting a new Roof upon the Granaries at Chingleput —

Read

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Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board.

To
Hospital Board. 7th August 1789

From the Hospital Board — recommending that the Assist.ts Surgeons of Cavalry be permitted to draw Cavalry pay — Reporting the arrival of the annual supply of Medicines from Europe — orders thereon.

Read a Letter from the Assistant Surgeons of Cavalry, complaining of the Commissary General having ordered them to refund the difference of Pay between the Cavalry & Infantry — The Hospital Board considering the Assistant Surgeons in the Cavalry Corps must have more real Duty, and exposed to more expense than those in the Infantry, hope Government will continue to them the Allowances they have hitherto drawn.

Cannot be complied with — the Assistant Surgeons of Cavalry must only draw the Pay of other Assistant Surgeons.

Read a Letter from Mr. Bulman, reporting the arrival of the annual supply of Medicines from Europe — the Hospital Board have directed him to issue them to the different Hospitals, in the same proportion as the two preceding Years, and to forward those for Masulipatam, by the first safe Sea Conveyance.

Approved.

(signed) Ja.s Anderson
Physician General
Colley L.s Lucas C.S.
William Duffin
Head Surgeon

Read the following Letter from the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

To

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To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council &c. &c.

Honorable Sir

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions — on the Grain in store at Tamericottah.

I have the honor to lay before you Copy of a Letter from the Storekeeper at Ongole.

It was ordered by the Honble Board in their Minutes of the 24th March 1789, that the Grain in Store at Tamericottah should be kept in Store, and exchanged by his Highness the Nabob, in the same manner as at other Garrisons — an order to his Highness's Manager in that Quarter is therefore necessary.

As the Grain at Ongole is not yet disposed of, you may perhaps wish, Honble Sir, to let it remain for a time in Store — and, if it could be put upon the same footing of Exchange with the Grain in other Garrisons, belonging to the Nabob, it might, in the event of any of the Circumstances mentioned by the Storekeeper, taking place, prove a great convenience.

I have the honor to be

Sr. Sr. Sr. Tho.s Cockburn

Commissary General of Grain & Provisions —

Fort St. George
20th August 1789 —

To Thomas Cockburn Esqr.

Commissary General of Grain and Provisions —

Sir

I have received your Letter of 9th April, and in reply thereto, I beg leave to inform you that the season is now

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now approaching when the new Crop of Grain in the Palnaud is cut and laid up, and therefore to recommend that the order to the Nabob's Manager to change the quantity in store at Tonericottah, be procured as soon as possible.

The Stock laid up in Ongole and now ordered to be sold, will not I fear, fetch any tolerable price to the Honble Company: The Consumption of the Inhabitants in that Circar being wholly Jounaloo, it can only be purchased with a view of Exporting it, which with the Charges attending, will not suffer the Merchants to give any considerable price. The Ria being Raw will not keep; I should therefore recommend, for the advantage of the Company, that this Stock be also changed, by the Nabob's Manager in that District, for new: particularly so, as the Sea poys would be driven to very great distress in case of scarcity, from failure of the annual Crop, or any other Cause, they feeding on Ria only, and from its not being the usual food of the Inhabitants, very little is cultivated; I shall therefore delay the Sale of it, till I am honor'd with your further directions: remaining Sir

Your very obedient Servant

(signed) Sam.l Young

Store Keeper

August 15th 1789

A true Copy (signed) Thos Cockburn C.S.P.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the President be desired to request the Nabob will give the necessary orders to his Managers for replacing the Grain stored at Ongole & Tonericottah with the same quantity of fresh Grain, as practised in other places.

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The President lays before the Board the following Draft of a Letter which he proposes should be sent to the Rajah of Tanjore, in consequence of what was reported in Mr Ram's letter entered in last Con=
=sultation.

To His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore

To the Rajah of Tanjore proposing the immediate discharge of his Arrears, the liquidation of which cannot affect his future Claims - desiring he will immediately order Shevarow to the Presidency, and establishing the adopted Son of the late Rajah, and allow him free access to his family.

In my last letter I explained the large Balance due from your Excellency to the Honorable Company, since which the accounts have been sent to the Resident Mr Ram, who informs me that he applied to you for Payment; but instead of complying with his desire, your Excellency represented to him your distressed situation. It is essentially necessary that you should liquidate your Arrears, which cannot affect your future Claims, but will rather be a means of recommending your Excellency's Situation to the favorable consideration of the honorable Company, and when any new Arrangements are intended I shall inform you of them.

In the settlement made by Mr Petrie Shevarow, Baphana, and Gunnapelly Soobiah were appointed to the Joint Management of the Revenues under certain Conditions, for the punctual performance of which they became Security - This matter has been fully explained to you by Mr Ram according to directions - As Shevarow has not fulfilled his Engagements, and no Money has been paid into the Com=
=pany's Treasury for Kists falling due since the month of March, it is my desire that your Excellency will be

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pleased to order him to Madras, that he may explain what has been the reason of discontinuing all payments, which may compel me to take measures I wish to avoid. I cannot fail of subjecting your Excellency to the serious displeasure of the Honorable Company.

The Resident will be directed to call upon the other two Securities for the accounts of their management; & it gives me concern to be obliged to inform your Excellency that unless the arrears are Discharged, it will be necessary to have recourse to the Articles of the Treaty. Your Excellency will therefore be pleased to point out what are your Resources to enable you to make good your Balance to the Honorable Company; no payments having been made on account of your Hists since the Month of March, there is great reason to apprehend that there has been great Embezzlements of your Revenues, or that they have been dessipated in idle expence, which ought to have been appropriated towards your Contribution, established by Treaty to be paid to the honble Company for the support of the Military Establishment & other purposes of Government.

The Securities placed by Mr. Petrie in the Management of your Countries, having entirely failed in their engagements to the Honble Company, it will be proper unless your arrears are discharged, to place them under the management of some European Gentleman; I therefore Caution your Excellency to fulfill your Engagements to the Company.

I have been informed the adopted Son of the late Rajah is kept by your Excellency under close confinement, & deprived of the means of an Education suitable to his

Rank

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Rank and Condition.— This I think proper to mention to your Excellency, not doubting that you will order him to be set at Liberty, & allow him free access to his adopted Mother, and the other branches of his Family, that proper care may be taken of his Education, and that his health may not suffer by Confinement.

To a friend what can I say more?

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(signed) John Holland

The foregoing Letter approved by the Board

The Board approve the proposed Letter, and it is in consequence Agreed that it be translated and forwarded in the usual manner (vide C.C. Nos. 71).

From Mr. Surgeon Lucas

Read a Letter from Mr. Lucas, Chief Surgeon, (entered in MB No. 93.) enclosing his Bills for House Rent for 40 Months, & assigning his Reasons for not having presented them earlier.

Minute thereon.

Ordered that the Commissary General be desired to Audit and report upon Mr. Lucas's Bills.

Intelligence

The President communicates to the Board Intelligence received from Poonah & the Mysore Country.

John Holland

Edwd Jno Holland

Edwd Gerrish Hoarder

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Diary

Substance of a Letter from the Nabob's Eldest Son.

22nd. Received a Card from His Highness the Nabob's eldest Son (vide C C. No. 72) requesting that an Order may be sent to Mr. Dighton not to stop the Provisions coming from the Country for the use of His Highness.

Ordered accordingly.

Ordered that the following Return of Recruits arrived from Europe this Season, be entered hereunder.

Return of Recruits from Europe for the Year 1789

Return of Recruits received at the Presidency of Fort St. George from Europe in the Year 1789.

Ships came out on	chosen for the Artillery: Privates	chosen for the Infantry: Sergeant	chosen for the Infantry: Privates	Unfit for Duty	Total Recruits	Died on the Passage	Grand Total
Valentine	33	"	85	2	120	"	120
Europa	14	"	94	9	117	.	117
Nottingham	21	1	91	3	119	2	121
Total	68	1	273	14	356	2	358

N.B. The 14 Men returned unfit for Duty were found to be so, on examination, in consequence of Wounds, Infirmities, or Diseases deemed incurable, with which they were afflicted before they were enlisted for the service of the Honble Company.

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15th August 1789.

signed Mathew Horne

Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.P. Nos. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98.)

From

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From the Chief & Council at Ganjam 22 — From the Chief & Council at Ganjam — with an account of Stores received by the Sron Dragon from the Presidency — Surplus to, or Deficient of the Invoice.

From the Barrack Master in the Northern Division — From the Barrack Master in the Northern Division requesting Permission to visit the Presidency for 3 months

From Mr Richard Dighton — From Mr Richard Dighton — requesting to be appointed Paymaster at Arka, in the Event of Mr Fisher's succeeding to the Vacancy in the Board of Trade.

From the Committee for Investigating the Accounts of the King's Troops — From the Committee for Investigating the accounts of the King's Troops serving in India. — enclosing their Weekly Report.

From the King's Deputy Adjutant General — From the King's Deputy Adjutant General. — Lieutenant Collier of his Majesty's 77th Regiment having taken his Passage for Anjengo, from whence he will proceed to Bombay, is to receive 2 months Battas.

Sent the Undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. Nos 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107.

To the Sheriff of Madraspatnam — To the Sheriff of Madraspatnam — Informing him that the Surgeon of the 52nd Regiment is arrived at the Presidency.

To Mr. Richard Dighton — To Mr. Richard Dighton — The Natives having complained that several Gunny Bags of Provisions have been stopped, he is immediately to suffer the same to pass, agreeably to the Governor's Direction.

To the Resident at Tanjore — To the Resident at Tanjore — enclosing Letter for the Rajah, and Copy thereof for his Information — to act conformably to the Tenor of the said Contents.

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To the Comptroller General of Army accounts.

To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts — To Audit Mr. Lucas's Bills for House Rent —

To Brigadier General Horne

To Brigadier General Horne — his several recommendations for Military Appointments contained in his Letters of the 13th and 20th Instant have been Approved.

To the Agents for Clothing

To the Agents for Cloathing — to supply to the 7th Battalion of Native Infantry, the Deficiency occasioned by the loss of a Bale in the River Cavery some months ago.

To the Paymaster at Chinglepute

To the Paymaster at Chinglepute — to state what will be the Expence of putting a new Roof upon the Granaries at Chinglepute.

To the Accountant General

To the Accountant General — Enclosing Returns of King's Officers entitled to Gratuity for certain Periods.

To His Majesty's Paymaster General 23

To his Majesty's Paymaster General — to advance Lieutenant Collier of the 77th Regiment 2 months Battat; being the usual Allowance lately granted to his Majesty's Officers proceeding from hence to Bombay.

At a Consultation Present

The Honble John Hollond Esqr.
Governor, President.

Tuesday 25th August 1789.

James Henry Casamajor
and
Edward John Hollond } Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Capper

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

From Colonel Capper— enclosing a Comparative Statement particularizing the Allowances formerly received by the King's and Company's Officers of the respective Ranks

Agreeably to your Commands of the 4th. Instant, I have prepared a Comparative Table, particularizing the Allowances formerly received by the King's and Company's Officers of the respective Ranks, taken from authentic Documents as far as they go; but as the amount of the Gratuity or Revenue Money to be paid to the Honorable Company's Field Officers for the period in question, is not yet ultimately fixed, nor is it known how many of them will receive Off Reckonings for that time, I cannot take upon me to say that this Comparative Table is by any means Complete.

I have the honor to be
with great respect
Honorable Sir
Your most obedient humble Servant

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A Comparative View of Pay and Allowances to the Commissioned Officers of His Majesty's Regiments of Foot, serving on this Coast, and the Honble Company's Battalions of European Infantry, prior to 25th of October 1788.

Ranks in both Services	His Majesty's Officers: Subsistence for 1 Day						Subsistence for 365 Days						Arrears Pannum						Average Amount of allowance, in lieu of non Effective Pannum						Gratuity Pannum			Total Amount of Pay and allowances Pannum			The Honble Company's Officers: Pay Pday			Pay for 365 Days			Gratuity Per Annum			Total Amount of Pay and Gratuity Pannum			Difference of Pay & Allowances: In favor of different Ranks in his Majesty's Regts Pannum			In favor of different Ranks in the Compt. Eur: Battns Pannum		
	£	s	d	Ps	F	C	£	s	d	Ps	F	C	£	s	d	Ps	F	C	£	s	d	Ps	F	C	Ps	F	C	Ps	F	C	Ps	F	C	Ps	F	C	Ps	F	C	Ps	F	C	Ps	F	C	Ps	F	C
Colonel	"	18	"	2	10	40	328	10	"	821	10	40	80	7	"	200	36	60	47	7	6	118	18	30	1000	"	"	2140	23	50	3	5	20	1140	26	20	1277	28	60	2418	13	"	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	277	31	30
Lieut. Colonel	"	13	"	1	26	20	237	5	"	593	5	20	52	7	"	130	36	60	47	7	6	118	18	30	1000	"	"	1842	18	30	2	21	"	912	21	"	665	17	67	1577	38	67	264	21	63	"	"	"
Major	"	11	6	1	18	30	209	17	"	524	28	70	45	13	1	114	5	55	47	7	6	118	18	30	500	"	"	1257	10	75	1	36	60	684	15	60	332	29	60	1017	3	26	240	7	65	"	"	"
Captain	"	7	6	"	39	30	136	17	6	342	7	70	33	9	7	83	29	25	47	7	6	118	18	30	250	39	30	795	10	75	1	10	40	456	10	40	136	36	60	593	5	20	202	5	65	"	"	"
Lieutenant	"	3	6	"	18	30	63	7	6	159	28	70	15	12	5	39	2	15	"	"	"	"	"	"	159	28	70	358	17	75	"	26	20	228	5	20	91	10	40	319	15	60	39	2	15	"	"	"
Ensign	"	3	"	"	15	60	54	15	"	136	36	60	7	14	3	19	11	65	"	"	"	"	"	"	91	10	40	247	17	5	"	21	"	182	21	"	45	26	20	228	5	20	19	11	65	"	"	"
Adjutant	"	3	"	"	15	60	54	15	"	136	36	60	13	7	10	33	20	10	"	"	"	"	"	"	91	10	40	261	25	30	"	26	20	228	5	20	"	"	"	228	5	20	33	20	10	"	"	"
Quart. Master	"	3	6	"	18	30	63	7	6	159	28	70	15	12	5	39	2	15	"	"	"	"	"	"	22	34	10	221	23	10	"	21	"	182	21	"	"	"	"	182	21	"	39	2	15	"	"	"

(signed) Capper

Comptroller General of Army Accounts

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To lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores with Enclosure entered in Mil. No. 108).

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor &c. Council &c.

Honble Sir and Sirs

From the Committee of Stores Mr. Francis Lind takes his Seat — entering Report of a proof of Gunpowder.

We have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letter of the 11th, & to inform you that in Consequence thereof, Mr. Francis Lind at our last Meeting, took his Seat as a Member of our Committee.

Approved

We have also received Mr. Chamier's Letter of the 15th Instant, and have ordered the Military Storekeeper to make up 12 of the new Garrison Carriages on a traversing Platform for 32 Pounders.

Approved

We at the same time approved of the Indent from Nagore, & ordered it to be complied with.

Enclosed We have the honor to transmit you a Proof of 600 Barrels of Gunpowder lately made at Madras, and which was laid before us at our last Committee by Lieutenant Colonel Aydenham, and as by this Report the Powder appears of equal quality to what We have lately reported on, we ordered it to be received into the Magazines.

Approved.

Agreeably to our usual Custom, we examined at our last meeting the Books of the Director of the Laboratory, and the Condutors Books, all of which We found regularly brought up to the end of last Month

Approved

We

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We have the honor to be
Honble Sir and Sirs
Your most obedient Servants

Fort St. George
the
19th August 1789 —

signed
Capper
Fr. Lind
Patrick Ross
Wm. Sydenham
J. Moorhouse

Read the following Letter from Colonel Capper.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

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

Honble Sir

From Colonel Capper —
requests further Instructions
previous to his entering upon
the audit of Mr. Willis's accounts

In obedience to your Commands, I have carefully perused the different Letters and Papers respecting Mr. Willis Accounts for the Detachment sent to take possession of the Guntoor Circar. But as they have already undergone an Examination by Mr. Sadleir, and in consequence of his remarks a very voluminous controversial Correspondence has ensued between those Gentlemen, I trust your Honor will excuse my proceeding in this business with unusual circumspection and Delay. I never have nor ever shall endeavor to shrink from the most prompt & decided execution of my duty, Invidious as it is; but when it shall seem necessary to Government to refer the Military Accounts to any other Investigation, that what they must necessarily undergo

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undergo in passing thro' my office; I could wish that such extra-ordinary Investigation should be considered as decisive, subject of course to the orders of Government; otherwise I shall continually be dragged into endless altercations, and the nature of my office be entirely changed from a public Auditor of Military Accounts, to a private arbitrator of personal disputes.

An Auditor founds his Judgements and Decrees upon established Regulations, which every person knows it is not in his power to dispense with or alter; and tried by this acknowledged and unerring Criterion, no person can complain of the Rigor of orders, which it is his Duty to know and to obey. But after Mr Sadleir's Report, if I am required to give an opinion of Mr Willis's accounts, I must either yield implicit belief to one party, or more than barely insinuate a doubt of the candor and veracity of both. For these reasons I cannot but flatter myself that Government will, upon further consideration, be pleased to settle this Business, without any further reference to me than merely to ascertain if the Charges are supported by proper Vouchers. But as this mode of Auditing Accounts is widely different from the common practice, I must beg leave to shew the necessity of it in this instance by producing particular points of Discussion extracted from the Correspondence, on which the merits of these Accounts almost totally depend, and which evidently can only be decided by Government.

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Mr Sadleir when stating in what light he considers Mr Willis's Station, says "The Troops assembled in the Guntoor Circar, about the time it was ceded to the Company

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"Company, could only be considered I think as an Army of
"observation, being opposed to no Enemy at any time, or ever
"having had the prospect of meeting an Enemy" By Mr.
Sadleir's implied definition of an Army of observation,
(which I must however, confess, does not exactly correspond
with my own) it is perfectly clear that he is of opinion,
this Detachment has no reason to expect any opposition;
whence in a subsequent part of his Letter he infers, that "it
"might have marched without any other Extraordinary Ex-
"pence than when Troops move in time of Peace from
"one Station to another." This assertion Mr. Willis contradicts
in strong unequivocal terms and produces Extracts from
public Records in Justification of his Proceedings. Not
being a Member of Government, it is impossible for me
to decide upon the merits of this important point, in which
the Major part of the Extraordinary Expence depends. If
the Detachment was equipped for actual Service, and there
was great reason to expect opposition, the Expences would
necessarily be considerable; especially in a strange Country,
the Inhabitants of which if not hostile to us, were certainly
not known to be attached to our Interest: If on the contrary
there was no probability of meeting with an Enemy, if
the Troops were only considered as marching from one
place to another in the Company's Territories, the Expence
as Mr. Sadleir observes, would only be very trifling, and
not much more than it would cost to move the same
number of Men in time of Peace to any other Station.

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The next material points to be ascertained are, whether Mr Sadleir did or did not possess a Power of controul over Mr Willis, in the Disbursement of Extraordinary Expences. Whether he attempted to exercise that power; and whether Mr Willis acknowledged or Disputed it. From the Papers before me I cannot ascertain these facts, for Mr Sadleir in his letter of the 2nd of June last says, "as I had not the authority of "controuling Expence, I can only offer such observations upon "the different Charges, as local situation enabled me to form a "Judgement concerning, and indeed this is all that your letter "to me of the 5th of November implies". But in a subsequent "Letter of the same month, he on the contrary says "The Governor's "letter of the 30th of October, confirmed by yours of the 5th of Novr, "explained the extent of the Controul it was intended I should "have regarding whatever constituted Extraordinary Expence" and he afterwards adds "Even this might however have "been rendered in a great degree unnecessary, if Mr Willis "had informed me of all extraordinary Disbursements before "he paid them, which I thought your orders implied". The seeming Contradiction in these Letters is probably owing to some error in the Transcript, but it is of the utmost consequence to ascertain, whether Government did delegate to Mr Sadleir an absolute power of controul over Mr Willis, and whether that power was exercised; for if Mr Willis made Reports of the Articles required, and of the prices paid for them, and no objection was made to either at that time, it will be rather unreasonable to subject him both to Censure and Loss for the

Charges

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Charges made at such a distant Period; when if they had been challenged in due time, he might have been able to produce Proofs of their being the current price of the time & place. On the contrary, if Mr. Sadleir can shew that his Comparative Statement of Prices was received from good Authority, and that he officially prohibitted Mr. Willis from exceeding those, in the purchase of Provisions and Stores at Guntoor; it follows of course that Mr. Willis must be made to account for the causes of the excess in those Charges. It is impossible for any person at Madras, particularly at this distance of time, to determine whether Mr. Willis's Charges, or Mr. Sadleir's Statement are most correct. But if Mr. Sadleir did possess a power of Controul over Mr. Willis, it is to be regretted that he did not exercise it immediately on the Spot, in ordering Mr. Willis to confine himself in the purchase of Provisions and Stores to the prescribed Rates.— Has Mr. Willis objected to those prices Mr. Sadleir could then have ordered them to be supplied by some other Person, or what perhaps would have been still more moderate and Equitable, the Bazar price might have been easily ascertained by some uninterested Person of respectable Character at the Cantonment, and his Report would have served as an infallible guide to me in auditing this part of the Accounts. But in this Stage of the Business, when the price of every Article must be totally different from what it was when the purchases were made, and with Statements so widely different before me, it is impossible for me to proceed until I have received the final Commands of Government respecting this and all the other principal points in dispute between Mr. Sadleir & Mr. Willis.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. (signed) Happer
P.A.G.

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Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Colonel Capper, in Answer to the foregoing, that he is to consider himself as an Auditor of Mr. Willis's Accounts in the first instance, and that a Communication of Mr. Sadleir's Letters, with his Correspondence with Mr. Willis, was made to him for the purpose of affording him the information which is contained on the Records relative to Mr. Willis's Employ.

Ditto . . Ditto

Agreed further to desire Colonel Capper will proceed in the Audit of Mr. Willis Accounts in the usual manner, making such use of Mr. Sadleir's Remarks & Objections as may appear to him expedient.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Webster, Seapoy Paymaster.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

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

Honorable Sir and Sirs

From Mr. Webster – Seapoy Paymaster – requests to be allowed Office Rent and a Writer.

As all the different Employs either draw Office Rent or hold appartments belonging to the Honorable Company, and there being no office Rent to my Employ, I beg that the Honble Board may be pleased to grant an Allowance, or permit me to have the Rooms I presently possess for an office.

I also entreat of the Honble Board to allow 8 Pagodas p month for a Writer – there having been none annexed to the office since I came to that Department, which has obliged me to employ my own private Writer to do all the current business. I have the honor to be &c. &c. &c. (signed) Geo. Webster Seapoy Paymaster

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Inadmissible

The Board decline complying with Mr. Webster's request for Allowances which have not been usual, and are not necessary.

Read the following Letters / entered in Mr. B.

Nos. 109. 110. 111. /

From the Persian Translator

From Mr. Haliburton, Persian Translator — reporting that he has examined Lieutenant Graham, and finds that he has attained considerable Proficiency in the Persian Language.

Minute thereon

Ordered that the Military Paymaster General be directed to pay to Lieutenant Graham the Sum of Pagodas 500 as a Gratuity for attaining a Proficiency in the Persian Language.

From Lieutenant Boisdaune

From Lieutenant Boisdaune — stating that it will require about 270 or 280 Pagodas to repair the European Quarters at Nellore.

Minute thereon

Ordered to lie on the Table.

From Cornet Alexander Falconer.

From Cornet Alexander Falconer — stating that he has been at considerable Expence in learning the Persian Language, and requesting to be examined, that, if found deserving he may receive the Premium proposed by the Honble Company.

Minute thereon

Ordered that the Persian Translator be desired to examine Cornet Falconer, and to report the Progress he has

made

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made in the Persian Language.

The President having stated to the Nabob the necessity of putting the Fort of Madura into a state of Repair, now lays before the Board two Persian Letters delivered to him by his Highness and containing his orders to the Aumildar and Killedar of Madura. For procuring Coolies to repair the Ditch, Counterscarp, &c.a at Madura, at the Expence of the Circar.

Ordered that the Letters be sent to Major Clark, with directions to employ the Coolies accordingly.

The President lays before the Board two Letters from his Highness the Nabob to the Aumildar & Killedar of Madura, respecting the Repairs wanting to that Fort.

Minute thereon

Ex. Geo. Jul. Harten Sr

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26 Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. Nos. 112. 113. 114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120.)

To the Commanding Officer at Madura

To the Commanding Officer at Madura – enclosing 2 Papers containing the Nabob's orders to the Aumildar & Killidar of Madura to permit Coolies, to be paid by the Circar, and employed in making such Repairs to the Ditch, Counterscarp &c. as can be done by the means of their Assistance.

To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts

To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts – to consider himself as an Auditor of M. Willis's Accounts in the first instance. Mr. Sadleir's letters and correspondence with Mr. Willis have been sent to him for the purpose of affording the Information which is contained on the Records relating to Mr. Willis's Employ. To make such use of Mr. Sadleir's Remarks and objections as may appear expedient.

To Mr. Vaughan

To Mr. Vaughan – The order for the accounts of the Shevigunga Expedition repeated.

To Colonel Stuart

To Colonel Stuart – To lay before the Board as soon as possible the Return of the Draught and Carriage Bullocks employed in the Shevigungah Expeditions.

To the Military Paymaster General.

To the Military Paymaster General – To lay before the Board a Statement of the Extraordinary Expences incurred in the late Shevigungah Expedition, to be charged to the Nabob.

To

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To the Military Paymr. General

26th To the Military Paymaster General — to pay to Lieutenant Graham 500 Pagodas, being the Gratuity allowed for attaining a Proficiency in the Persian Language.

To the Seapoy Paymaster

To the Seapoy Paymaster — Cannot comply with the Requests contained in his letter of the 24th Instant.

To the Barrack Master in the Northern Division

To the Barrack Master in the Northern Division — permitted to visit the Presidency for three months.

To the Committee of Stores

To the Committee of Stores — their Proceedings of the 19th Instant approved — Transmitting a Letter & Enclosure lately received from Sanjam on the subject of Stores sent on the Snow Dragon last month for that District.

Received the undermentioned Letters. (entered in Mis. Nos. 121. 123. 123. 124. 125.

From Mr. Richard Sighton

From Mr. Richard Sighton (2 Letters) — stating that the Nabobs Complaints against him for stopping Provisions &c. are unfounded.

From the Military Paymaster General — will furnish a Statement of the Extraordinary Expences incurred on account of the Sherzungah Expedition as soon as the Accounts of the Detachment are sent in by the Paymaster.

From the Military Paymr. General 27th

From Captain Beatson of the Guides.

From Captain Beatson of the Guides — has compleated the Survey of a Route upon the Western Frontier, extending from Cape Comorin to the River Kistnah, and that he intends proceeding to the Presidency.

From General Horne

From General Horne — with part of the Proceedings of a General Court Martial lately held at Tritchanopoly.

Received

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From General Horne

Received

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Substance of a Cass from the Cabob's Eldest Son

27th Received a Cass from the Ondat ul Omrah (entered in C.C. No. 73) enclosing a List of Articles for the Rajah of Calastry. to be passed as usual.

To Mr. Richard Eighton

Ordered that the above List be sent to Mr. Richard Eighton, and that he be directed to pass the Articles for the Rajah of Calastry in the usual manner (vide M.B. No. 126)

To the Persian Translator

To the Persian Translator (as entered in M.B. No. 127) directing him to examine Cornet Falconer, and report if he be entitled to the usual Gratuity granted to those who have attained a Proficiency in the Persian Language.

At a Consultation Present

The Honble John Holland Esqr
Governor, President

James Henry Casamajor
and
Edward John Holland
} Esqrs

Friday 28th August 1789.

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved.

Read the following Letter from Bengal.

To

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council at Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From Bengal advising of the distribution of the Arms sent to Bombay by the Court of Directors, and intended by the Court to be dispos'd of to the Country Powers

The Governor in Council at Bombay, in a letter which We have lately received from him, having desired our opinion in what manner to dispose of a large quantity of Musquets consigned to that Presidency by the Honble Court of Directors, with a view to their being disposed of to the Country Powers as a Resource for encreasing the commercial Exports of the Company, upon which point the secret Committee desired our opinion which has been delivered in terms unfavorable to such a measure, we think it proper to acquaint you that We have recommended to the Governor in Council at Bombay, (who has advised us that he was apprehensive of the arms sustaining Injury from the want of a proper place there, in which the whole could be taken care of) to send round one third of the Store by an early opportunity to Madras, to retain one third at Bombay, and dispatch the remaining third to Bengal.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

Fort William
20th July 1789

Signed { Cornwallis
Chas Stuart
J. Shore

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Read the following Letter from Masulipatam.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council at Fort St. George

Honble Sir

from Masulipatam — conveying Leave having been given to Mr. David Graham to proceed to Sea for the re-establishment of his Health.

Mr. Graham Paymaster of Ellore — being in a bad State of Health, and having transmitted to us a Certificate from the Surgeon of that Cantonment, recommending to him to embrace the earliest opportunity of a Voyage to Sea, as the best means for re-establishing it, We have the honor of here-with forwarding the said Certificate, and of acquainting Your honor &c. that Mr. Graham embraces an opportunity that now offers of a Vessel in these Roads bound for the Presidency, having previously delivered over Charge of his Employ, with our consent and approbation, to Mr. Robert Malcolm, who has agreed to officiate for Mr. Graham during his absence, and to which We hope you will have no objection.

We herewith enclose a Return of Military Stores for last month

We have the honor to be

Honble Sir &c. &c. &c.

Masulipatam
21st August 1789 —

(Signed) Anth Saddleir
Ja. Hodges
W. Dobbyn

This

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Certificate

This is to Certify that Mr. David Graham is so much debi-
-litated by a long course of bad health, and his Constitution
so much impaired by long Residence in this Climate, that
I have recommended to him to proceed immediately to the East,
& to take the earliest opportunity of a Sea Voyage as the most
effectual means of Re-establishing his Health.

Ellore 16th. August 1789—

(signed) J. Fergusson
Surgeon

Minute thereon

The Board approve the leave given to Mr. Graham,
in consideration of his bad state of health, and the urgency
of the case.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Capper

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To John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary —

Sir

I am favored with your's of the 25th. Inst. and
in obedience to the Commands of the Honble Board, will
consider myself as an Auditor of Mr. Willis's Accounts in the first
Instance; but the Letters of Mr. Sadleir and Mr. Willis being
absolutely contradictory to each other, instead of conveying
any information to me, serve only to confuse and perplex
the business. It is therefore I humbly apprehend impossible
for

From Colonel Capper — states that he cannot audit Mr. Willis's Accounts until he knows whether the Gunners Detachment is or is not to be considered as having been on a Field Establishment — whether Mr. Willis was subject to the Controul of Mr. Sadleir; and whether the latter's comparative Statement of Prices is to be the Auditor's Guide in adjusting the Charge for Grain &c.

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forme to proceed in Auditing these Accounts until the Honble the Governor in Council, by whose orders the Expedition took place, and was conducted, will condescend to acquaint me whether Government originally considered the Detachment as Equipped for actual Service, or, as a Body of Troops moving from one Station to another in time of Peace. Whether a power of Controul was delegated to Mr. Sadleir over Mr. Willis, at the time of the Equipment, or at any subsequent Period; and whether Mr. Sadleir's Comparative Statements of Prices, taken from local Information, is to be my guide in adjusting Mr. Willis's charge for Grain &c. &c.

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26th August 1789.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Capper C.G.A.C.

Minute thereon

Colonel Capper should be desired to report to
what particular Articles of Expence in Mr. Willis's Accounts
objected to by Mr. Sadleir depend on the question proposed for
the Decision of the Board, whether the Guntoor Detachment is
or is not to be considered as having been on a Field Establishment.
The Board are of opinion that the nature of Mr. Sadleir's
appointment implies a certain degree of Controul, such as
is vested in a subordinate Chiefship. — with respect to the
Prices of the various Articles of Provisions and Stores, Mr. Sadleir's
objections will of course be attended to, unless Mr. Willis can
produce sufficient vouchers in support of the Rates charged
by him. Extra Carriage cannot be allowable, if as Mr.
Sadleir

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Sadleir has observed, the Establishment of Carriage in the Department of the Commissary of Grain & Provision was sufficient for the purposes of conveyance charged under the former Denomination. The Board cannot suppose that the same full Establishment of publick Followers was requisite after the Detachment was reduced to Half Batta; & considered to be in Cantonments, that would have been necessary on active Services in the Field; and the purchase of Carts, or hire of Bullocks being within the Department of the Commissary of Grain and Provisions ought not probably to be charged by M. Willis.

Agreed that the Substance of the foregoing be Communicated to Colonel Capper.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Musgrave

To the Honble John Kolland Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

I take the liberty to inform you, that in a Letter received from Captain Dalrymple who Commands the 5 Companies of the 71st. Regiment Stationed at Trincomalee, he mentions that the old Tents received at Ponamallee are so much Damaged by the heavy Rains that has fallen within the last fortnight, that if Steps are not speedily taken to repair or replace them the health of the Men cannot fail to suffer

Should it therefore be the intention of Govern-

ment

From Colonel Musgrave states that Tents are immediately wanted for the Troops at Trincomalee

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Government to continue this Detachment any time longer at Tripassore. I have no doubt you will see the necessity of giving directions for remedying this defect.

Pardons 28th August 1789—

I have the honor to be
Hon. Hon. Hon.
(signed) Thos Musgrave

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Colonel Musgrave, that the Commanding Officer at Tripassore must be desired to Indent for such Tents as are necessary for the Troops at that place.

Read the the following Letter from Messrs. Capper, Turing, Moubray, and Cockburn.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Honorable Sir

From Messrs. Capper, Turing, Moubray, and Cockburn reporting upon the proposed Arrangement of the Military Auditor General of Bengal, and recommending that no alteration be made in the present System at this Presidency, until orders are received from the Court of Directors

We have had the honor to receive Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letter, enclosing one from the Governor General in Council of Bengal, transmitting a Letter addressed to that Government by their Military Auditor General, together with various Forms and Regulations from No. 1 to 50.

Your Secretary's Letter directs us to report upon the proposed Arrangements of the Military Auditor General of Bengal, and to give our Sentiments fully as to the mode of carrying them into Execution at this Presidency.

We

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We accordingly met for that purpose, and having perused the Letter from the Governor General in Council, Mr. Moubray the Accountant General observed, that as the Arrangements proposed by the Military Auditor General of Bengal appeared to be grounded upon a Letter from the Honble Court of Directors bearing date the 28th March 1788, he thought proper to mention to the meeting the receipt of a Letter addressed to him by the Auditor of Indian Accounts in England dated 20th August 1788, generally approving the new arrangement of Military accounts of this Settlement which took place on the 1st May 1787, and informing him, that his further observations will appear in the next public Dispatch; and further laid before us Extract of a Letter from the Honble Court of Directors to this Government under Date the 4th March 1789, in which they say, "that they reserve their observations on the Military accounts to their Letter in the Military Department". This Letter upon Enquiry has not yet been received.

Mr. Moubray having stated these Circumstances, submitted to the Consideration of the Meeting, whether it would not be more regular and satisfactory to delay entering upon the Consideration and Investigation of the Papers before us until the orders of the Court of Directors should arrive.

With this information before us, & sensible that a frequent alteration of the System of Accounts never fails to introduce much irregularity and Confusion, and equally satisfied that every alteration proposed should be made to appear essentially necessary, We concurred in the propriety of proposing to postpone our

Investigation

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Investigation until after the arrival of the orders of the Honble Court of Directors, which may be soon expected; and the more readily, since if any alteration in the present system should be deemed necessary, it cannot, in our opinion without greatly perplexing the whole Military Accounts of the Establishment, be carried into Execution, before the commencement of the Company's Year, viz.t the 1st May 1790.

In order however that no time may be lost, after the orders of the Honble Court of Directors are received, We have to request that application may be made to the Governor General in Council, for the forms of the Books &c.a in their Military Paymaster General's Department, mentioned in the Enclosure No. 50 transmitted from thence: and, to enable a judgement to be formed of the probable Expence of any new Arrangements which may be deemed necessary, founded upon the recommendation of the Supreme Government, We have further to request, if it meets the approbation of your Honble Board, that application may be made for the complete Establishment of the Office of Military Auditor General, and Department of Military Paymaster General, and Paymasters at that Presidency, together with the monthly Expence thereof to the Honble Company.

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

Fort St. George
28th August 1789.

(Signed)
Capper
J.s Turing
Geo. Moubray
Thos Cockburn

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To lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the Table for further consideration

Read the following Letter from Bengal.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

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

Honorable Sir

From Bengal — Enclosing copy of the Rules and Regulations lately published at Calcutta regarding the Division of the Commission on the Revenue to the Field Officers of His Majesty's and the Honble Company's Troops; and recommending that the same, as far as may be expedient, be adopted on this Coast.

We have been advised by the Honble Court of Directors in a General Letter to us dated the 11th. March 1789. and received ffrs. Bevington, that Instructions had been sent their several Presidencies to adopt a new distribution of the Allowance to the Field Officers of His Majesty's and the Honble Company's Troops, known by the name, or granted in lieu, of Revenue Money. We Observe that these orders are founded upon the presumption of a disposition of the Kings Regiments, which does not, in fact, at present Exist, and which, according to circumstances, may be liable to still greater changes and alterations in future.

In considering this Subject it appears very evidently to us to have been the intention of the Honble Court to prescribe and regulate the Sums to be paid in future to the Field Officers of the respective Ranks at each Presidency, and consequently, that any greater or less proportion of His Majesty's Troops, serving at either of the Presidencies was not to affect the proportion of any individual doing duty with them.

Considering the orders in this point of view, We found that some subsidiary Rules were necessary to be laid down in respect

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respect to the King's Regiments, whose services being intended for the General protection of the Company's Territories, can never be looked upon as belonging to any particular Presidency or Establishment, and as a strict equality of public Allowances between the Troops of both Services, according to the situations in which the King's Troops may be employed, has been so repeatedly enjoined by the orders of the Court of Directors, and is proper on every Account to be attended to, We have agreed that a necessity must exist for extending or diminishing the number of Shares in all cases where the King's Officers are concerned, in proportion to the number present at each Presidency; but, to avoid at the same time creating any Material encrease of expence thereby, it has been determined, that the proper share of any Officer belonging to a Regiment at Bombay, or Madras shall revert to the Company, so long as he is employed on Duty in Bengal, and receiving a share of Revenue Money there.

Such a Rule when generally adopted at all the Presidencies, We are sensible, may be attended with greater or less Expence to the Company as Circumstances may occur; but in point of amount, the difference will probably be very inconsiderable, and one important object We know will be secured by it viz. that no greater number of Shares can ever be received, at the three Presidencies collectively, than the Orders of the Company have prescribed, altho' the proportion to be paid at each may occasionally vary.

We are persuaded that the Court of Directors could neither have adverted to the Customs of his Majesty's Service or to the present state of several of the Regiments in India, when their

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their Instructions for the Distribution of the Revenue Money to the King's Troops were given, which may be construed into a Sanction to their Governments abroad to assign certain Proportions of the Revenue Money to the three Senior Officers of each Regiment, whatever their Rank might be.

It often happens that neither the Colonel, Lieutenant Colonel, or Major of a Regiment are in India, & that Regiments are Commanded by Officers of no higher Rank than that of Captain.

To substitute the claim of a Lieutenant Colonel or Major, who may actually be in the Command of a Regiment, in the place of an absent Colonel, but more especially to consider the three Senior Captains as acting in the place of the Colonels, Lieutenant Colonels, and Majors of Regiments, and to grant them Allowances of Revenue Money accordingly, could not fail, by the Emoluments being so exceedingly disproportioned to their Rank, to excite great Jealousy and discontent in his Majesty's other Regiments, as well as amongst all the Officers in the Company's Service, and would virtually amount to a renunciation of every principle of the System for equallizing the Allowances of the two Services.

We have therefore, in some Degree qualified the Instructions, by not admitting the Revenue allowance of a Colonel to be drawn by any Officer under that Rank; and although We have permitted the Commanding Officer of a Regiment, whether Lieutenant Colonel, Major, or Captain, to draw the Revenue allowance of a Lieutenant Colonel, We have not given our Sanction to any distribution of that Fund going lower, in any

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Case whatever, than to the Senior Captain present of any Regiment.

By this extension of Shares, We have shewn the utmost disposition in our power, consistent with the preservation of Harmony among the different Corps, and between the respective Services, to conform to the liberal intentions of the Court of Directors, at the same time, that by the limitations We have adopted, We have studied to keep the Rank and Allowances upon that equal Balance which is never to yield to any other Consideration than what the weight of additional Duty & responsibility may reasonably create and Justify.

The Shares of absent Field Officers that will be saved by this Regulation will return to the Credit of the Company.

As it is absolutely necessary, in order to give the intended effect to the above mentioned alterations & modifications of the Court of Directors orders, that the same uniform Principles of Distribution should take place at all their Presidencies, We strenuously Recommend the adoption of them, and to that end We forward to you a Copy of the orders which have been published to the Army in Bengal, on the Subject of Revenue Money, Requesting that the Regulations of your Government, in the points adverted to, may be made to conform strictly to them.

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

Fort William
29th July 1789 —

signed { Cornwallis
Chs Stuart
J. Shore

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Extract from Minutes of Council in the Military Department — Fort William 29th July 89.

"Resolved, in Conformity to Instructions received from "the Honble Court of Directors by the Berrington, that all "the orders at present in force respecting the Division of the "Commission on the Revenues to the Field officers of His Ma- "-jesty's, and the Company's Service, be revoked, and that from "the 1st of May last, being the Commencement of the Current "half Year, the following Rules and Regulations be adopted "for the Distribution thereof."

"1st That, in lieu of the variable amount of the Commission "on the Bengal Revenues, heretofore Constituting this "Fund, a fixed Sum of two Lacs of Current Rupees be "set apart as the annual amount to be divided, in "two half yearly payments, amongst the Field Officers "of the Bengal Establishment, and those of the two "Regiments of his Majesty's Troops serving there, in the "following Proportions."

"To 6 Colonels of the Company's Establishment, and "2 of his Majesty's Service, 17 Shares to be divided equally "between them."

"To 16 Lieutenant-Colonels of the Company's Establish- "-ment, comprehending 6 of European Infantry, 6 of "Native Infantry, 3 of Artillery & 1 of Engineers: and "2 of his Majesty's Forces, 16 Shares to be equally "divided between them."

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"To 16 Majors of the Company's Service, comprehending
"6 of European Infantry, 6 of Native Infantry, 3 of
"Artillery, and 1 of Engineers: and 2 of his Majesty's
"Regiments, seven Shares to be divided equally between
"them."

"2ndly That altho' specified Sums have been allotted by the
"orders of the Court of Directors to be paid to the Field
"Officers belonging to each Presidency, a necessity will
"still exist for extending or diminishing the number of
"Shares, in all cases where the King's Officers are concerned,
"in proportion to the number Present at each Presidency.
"Thus a Colonel, Lieutenant Colonel, or a Major of a
"Regiment, stationed at Madras or Bombay, if they
"shall be employed on Duty in Bengal, shall receive
"the Share of their respective Ranks, as paid in Bengal
"for the period of such Service, but without participating
"in or diminishing the Shares of other Officers serving
"there. The Shares paid to them in such Cases, must
"be Extra, to provide for which, those they would have
"been entitled to receive at Madras or Bombay must
"then revert to the Company."

"3rdly That as Casualties may occasionally happen in the King's
"Regiments, which may not immediately be filled up,
"or as Officers proceeding to Europe, may occasion the
"Establishment not being constantly Effective in India,
"the following Provisions in all such Cases are to take
"place."

"In the absence of the Colonel, the Lieutenant Colonel
"and

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"and Major are to receive their own Shares respect-
"-ively, and the Colonel's share is to be a saving."

"In the absence of the Lieutenant Colonel,
"the Colonel and Major being present, the Major is to
"receive a Lieutenant Colonel's share, and the Senior Captain
"according to Regimental Rank is to receive the Major's
"Share."

"In the absence of the Major, the Colonel
"and the Lieutenant Colonel being present, the Major's
"share is to be received by the Senior Captain according to
"the Regimental Rank."

"In the absence of the Colonel and Lieutenant
"Colonel, the Major is to receive the share of a Lieute-
"-nant Colonel, and the Senior Captain, according to
"Regimental Rank, is to receive the share of a Major,
"the Colonels' share is to be a saving to the Company."

"In the absence of the Colonel and Major, the
"Lieutenant Colonel being present, the Senior Captain
"is to succeed to the Major's share, and the Colonel's share
"is to be a saving to the Company."

"In the absence of the Colonel, Lieutenant
"Colonel, and Major, the Senior Captain, according to
"Regimental Rank, is to receive the share of a Lieutenant
"Colonel, The Colonel's and Major's shares to be a saving
"to the Company."

"In the absence of the Lieutenant Colonel
"and Major, the Colonel being present, the Senior
"Captain according to Regimental Rank, is to re-
"-ceive

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"receive the share of the Lieutenant Colonel, and the
"Company will save the share of the absent Major."

"It is however to be understood that no
"Casualty or vacancy in any Regiment which may
"happen by an Officer's being employed on Duty at
"another Presidency shall authorize any other Person
"to claim the Absentee's Share of Revenue Money;
"but the Absentee receiving it from another Presiden-
"cy his proper share shall revert, as before directed,
"to the Company, it being the intention of Government
"to limit the number of Shares prescribed for the three
"Presidencies of Bengal, Madras, and Bombay, altho'
"the proportion of Shares to be paid at each is not
"to be invariably Fixed"

"4thly That no Supernumerary Field Officer on the Company's
"Establishment, nor the Adjutant General, Quarter
"Master General, or their Deputies, or any other Person
"holding the Rank of Field Officer only in Consequence
"of Staff Appointments, shall from the 1st May last,
"have any share in the Revenue Money."

A true Extract (signed) E. Hay
Secry to the Govt.

The Consideration of the above Letter deferred.

Agreed that the consideration of the foregoing be deferred until next meeting, and that the Papers be sent in Circulation.

Read the following Letters from the Resident at Travancore.

To

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council &c. &c.

From the Resident at Travancore — stating that the Negociation between the Rajah and the Dutch, by which Jyacottah and the Port of Cranganore, are ceded to the former, has taken place; and enclosing Letter from the Rajah detailing the particulars of the Negociation, and applying for a Company of Artillery.

Honorable Sir

On the 4th Instant I had the honor of inform-ing you that the Rajah was upon the point of con-cluding a Negociation which he had entered into with the Dutch. for the purchase of Cranganore & Jacottah. the accompanying Letter which I have the honor to transmit you from the Rajah, is to acquaint you that this transaction has taken place, and the above places have been accordingly delivered over to his People. His Letter also contains an application for a Company of Artillery. the Rajah has requested (thro' his Minister) that I would set forth to you how much he was in need of them. If the prepa-rations which Tippoo is making are intended to be directed against this Country. Artillery Men will certainly be much required. for the few the Rajah has are sta-tioned, and appear to be very little acquainted with their Duty.

I have the honor to be
Honble Sir
Your most faithful and obedient
humble servant
Geo: Powney Resident

(signed)

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Resident at Travancore
Enclosing Translation of
a Treaty between the
Rajah of Travancore &
the Dutch East India
Company, concluded in the
Year 1753 — also Copy of
a Letter from Tippoo to the
Rajah of Cochin, and one
from the Rajah of Cochin
to the Rajah of Travancore

I have the honor herewith to transmit you a Translation of the Treaty between the Rajah of Travancore, and the Dutch East India Company — it is taken from a Copy only of the Malabar part of it: the original was not sent there; I therefore am not certain with respect to the name of the Person who concluded it on behalf of the Dutch; I understand he was the second in Council at Cochin — the rest of the Translation I believe to be correct. Since this Treaty took effect the Dutch have lost the greatest part of the Country they then possessed. Hyder took from them from Chougaut to within a few Hundred Yards of Cranganore, and having now disposed of that place and Jacottah, no-thing now remains to them on this part of the Coast but Cochin.

A Vackeel from Tippoo Sultaun arrived a few days ago at Cochin, with a Letter to the Cochin Rajah; his Minister, who has been for some time past in Tippoo's Camp accompanied him. Having obtained a sight of Tippoo's letter to the Cochin Rajah, I have the honor to send you a Translation of it; likewise the Translation of a Letter from the Cochin Rajah to the Raja of Travancore, with the substance of Intelligence communicated by the

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Cochin Minister or Vackeel — These were sent to the Travancore Minister by the Rajah of Travancore and the contents of them this Instant communicated to me by him. He informs me that the Rajah of Travancore does not intend to take any part in this Business, in which resolution I have strenuously recommended him to adhere. Tippoo's Vackeel still remains at Cochin. I intend to proceed to morrow in hopes of procuring more Intelligence.

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

Parroor
16th August 1789

(signed) Geo: Powney
Resident

Translation of the Treaty between the Rajah of Travancore and the Dutch East India Company.

Article 1st The King of Tripapoo maniopam Tree Palpanapa dausa Vanchy Balla Martanda varma Caulashakara paroomallayer, for himself and his Successors, has entered into a Treaty with Meynheer Peter Konits on behalf of the Dutch East India Company to the following Effect.

2nd It is Agreed from this period that an everlasting Alliance shall subsist between the abovementioned parties.

3rd That whatever is expressed in this Treaty shall be equally binding to both Parties.

4th That the King of Travancore shall afford no protection to the subjects of the Dutch East India Company, and such Subjects being in his Country, shall on requisition be immediately delivered up.

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Article 5th That the King of Travancore and the Honble English East India Company having for many years a Treaty of Commerce and Friendship subsisting between them, the Dutch Company shall on no occasion cause any interruption to it

6th That in the Event of the King of Travancore being attacked by any Enemy, the Dutch Company are to assist him with Money and Troops to repel such Enemy.

7th That in like manner if the Dutch in this Country should be attacked by an Enemy, the King of Travancore shall render them every Assistance, with regard to Troops, that lies in his Power.

8th That the King of Travancore shall annually supply the Dutch Company with 3000 Candies of Pepper at the rate of 500 Lt ℔ Candy, the King of Travancore receiving Value for the same.

9th That the Dutch Company shall pay for the Pepper the price which has heretofore been settled, and the King of Travancore shall pay the Dutch for such Ammunition and Stores as he may be supplied with by the Dutch Company, agreeably to the former Settlement.

10th That the Duty on Pepper shall be paid agreeably to the former rate.

11th That the Dutch Company shall afford no Assistance or Protection to the Enemies of the King of Travancore, and they shall not be allowed to remain within their Territories.

12th That if any ship belonging to the Dutch should be Wrecked on any part of the Coast belonging to the King of Travancore, he is to render every Assistance, and to cause to be restored to the Dutch all the Effects of such Wreck.

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Article 13th That all Expences attending the Charge and delivery of such Effects shall be defrayed by the Dutch.

14th That if any Servant or Subjects of the Dutch Company shall molest a Brahmin, or commit any outrage on a Woman, or kill a Cow, or enter into any religious place of Worship in the Travancore Possessions, he or they shall receive such punishment from the Dutch as would be adjudged to them if they had been Subjects of the King of Travancore.

15th That in Consideration of the King of Travancore having settled a fixed price for the Pepper, and never to be subject to alteration, the Dutch shall make an annual present to the King of Travancore

16th That the King of Travancore shall have no interference whatever in the Possessions of the Dutch Company from Cochin to Chougant, the Revenues of which shall be appropriated entirely to the Dutch Company.

17th The King of Travancore for himself and his Successors, and Mynheer Peter Vonitz, on behalf of the Dutch East India Company, bind themselves most faithfully to adhere to the above Articles.

Signed at the Fort of Mavalicarah, in the Malabar Year 929, on the 3rd of Chinga Mussom, or Dutch Year 1753, on the 15 August. "
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Translation

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Translation of a Letter from the Rajah of Cochin to the Rajah of Travancor

On the 29th of Ady Mapseum, or 10th of August my Vaikeel, with a Vaikeel of Tippoo arrived here. on the 11th of August I received his visit, and he delivered me his letter from Tippoo Sultaun. I asked him the reason of his coming. I am come, he replied, to carry with me some of your People to Tippoo; also, he wants to purchase the Fort of Cochin, which he hopes to accomplish thro' your means, and he will give any price for it; to effect these I am come, and they must be done in the most private manner. — I told him I has never heard of this transaction before, and it was my opinion the Dutch would never sell the place; but I would try whether they would or not, and that he might confide in me; I would do my best to accomplish whatever would give Tippoo pleasure. In this manner I spoke to his Vaikeel.

You will perceive by this that Tippoo is beginning to trouble me, and that he proposes to me things which are impracticable, in order to bring on me the Enmity of all my friends: I hope therefore you will give me your advice how I am to act in this business.

A true Translation

(signed) Geo: Powney.

Resident

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Substance of Intelligence communicated by the Rajah of Cochin's Vakeel, just arrived with Tippoo Sultaun's Vakeel from Coimbatoor, transmitted by the Cochin Rajah to the Rajah of Travancore.

Tippoo has sent for all his Cavalry from Seringapatam, and has stationed them about Coimbatoor, & the army at this time at Coimbetoor consists of 1000 Cavalry, 5000 Regular Infantry & about 2000 Matchlockmen &c. He has sent orders for Provisions and Stores to be brought from the northward, Vizt 100 Bullocks. He is likewise now preparing Stores & Ammunition at Coimbetoor. — No one knows what his intentions are, or what place he is going against — he sent some time ago one of his Surdars to Ammaghiny on hearing some French were there, but not meeting with them he returned. — Tippoo sent some time ago a letter to Pondicherry by four of his Vincarrahs, they brought an answer to him that when the Weather would permit they would either go to Mangalore, or proceed to Seringapatam to visit him — at the same time arrived near 200 French Artificers at his Camp — the Nizam's Vackeel was in Camp for the purpose of receiving from Tippoo 11 Lacks of Rupees in conformity to an agreement that has passed between them; and the Vackeel arrived from Tippoo, during the time he was there 600 Rupees p month for his Expences

a true translation
(signed) Geo: Ponney
Resident

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Translation of a Letter from the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun to the Rajah of Cochin. Received 11th August 1789.

I send A Man of consequence to you called Abdul Kader, with your Vackeel Ishingah, and they will acquaint you personally whatever is fitting to be done. — You will agreeably to this requisition send the Young Prince, or your confidential Minister Teerovapaudoo to me, and I will not detain them more than one Day after their arrival. You must place every confidence in me; you and your Predecessors have always conducted yourselves with great propriety — By the Blessing of God, and by attending to what is proposed to you by my Vackeel, your prosperity and greatness will encrease; and that you should be great and prosperous is my desire.

A true Translation

(signed) Geo: Ponney
Resident

Substance of a Letter from the Rajah of Travancore

The Bengal Government to be informed of the above.

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The President lays before the Board a letter from the Rajah of Travancore to him (entered in C. C. No. 74) containing matter to the same purport as those from Mr. Ponny.

The Board judging it proper that a communication should be made to the Bengal Government, of what has lately been notified to them of the consent of the Rajah of Travancore

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the following Letter to the Governor General in Council is drafted and Approved.

To the Right Honble Chas. Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at Fort William

My Lord

To Bengal — communicating the Information lately received from the Travancore Country.

We have had the honor to address your Lordship in Council under date the 5th Instant, on the subject of Intelligence received from the Travancore Country.

Since the date of the above Mr. Powney the Resident notified to us that the Rajah of Travancore was upon the points of concluding a Negociation that had been pending for 2 years between him and the Dutch, which was to purchase from them Jacottah and the Fort of Cranganore.

By this Cession the Dutch would not have any other Possessions in that part of the Country, excepting Cochin, which from its Situation Tippoo could never attack without demanding a Passage for his Army thro' the Rajah's Territories.

Upon receiving this notification from Mr. Powney, We immediately informed him that considering the intentions of the Rajah of Travancore, of making purchases from the Dutch of Lands and Forts which they hold under the Rajah of Cochin a Tributary of Tippoo, as likely to have the appearance, in the Eyes of that Chief, of a Collusive transaction,

We

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We thought it necessary to desire him to restrain the Rajah at this Juncture from engaging in measures which might tend to involve the Company in a War with Tippoo.

We further desired Mr. Powney to inform the Rajah that this Government would not support him in any Contests in which he might engage himself beyond the limits of his own Possessions.

Besides the above Communication our President addressed the Rajah in very strong Terms to the same Effect.

In a few days afterwards We received a Letter from Mr Powney, informing us that the Negociation was concluded, and that the Rajah had taken possession of his new acquisitions. The Rajah also wrote to the President to the same Effect, and desired that a Company of Artillery with European Officers might be sent to him for the purpose of defending his new Possessions.

We lament very much that we were not acquainted with the Rajah's Negociations with the Dutch until it was too late to prevent their being concluded. nothing now remains but to express to him our disapprobation of his having entered into Treaties with other Powers for extension of Territory, without our knowledge, and to signify that in having done so, he is liable to a forfeiture of the Company's Protection.

For Your Lordship's particular Information We forward Copy of Mr. Powney's last letter with the Enclosures. it gave Cover to a Translation of a Treaty between the Rajah of Travancore & the Dutch East India Company which was concluded in the Year 1753.

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We have thought it necessary to make this Communication to your Lordship in Council, as it is not impossible but that the indiscreet conduct of the Rajah may involve us in some Embarrassment, should Tippoo be disposed to wrest from the Rajah his new acquisitions.

We have endeavoured to provide for this case, by the Instructions We have given to the Officers Commanding the Company's Troops in the Travancore Country.

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We have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) { Jno. Holland
&c. Council

Ordered that it be Copied fair and dispatched.

Letters to be written to the Rajah & to the Resident of Travancore

Ordered that Letters be drafted to the Resident, and to the Rajah of Travancore, conformably to the tenor of the Letter to Bengal, and that the Letter be desired to give back to the Dutch the places he has indiscreetly purchased from them, thereby re-esta-=blishing matters upon their former footing.

Read the following Letter from the Governor & Council at Columbo —

To

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor &c. Council at

Fort St. George

Honorable Sirs

From the Governor & Council of Columbo – enclosing Copy of the 6th Article of the late Treaty between Great Britain and Holland – stating that an opinion has been entertained that the French on withdrawing their Forces from Pondicherry have designs upon Ceylon, & particularly Trincomalli; and requesting if such should be the case, that the English Troops intended for the Defence of the Dutch Possessions may be kept in readiness in the Neighbourhood of the Northernmost parts of Ceylon.

The letter which you have favored us with of 10th July last, in answer to a letter wrote by the first undersigned Governor to Governor Holland, We have had the honor to receive on the 29th.

Since which the Directors have sent us the 6th Article of the Treaty between His Majesty the King of Great Britain, and the States General of the United low Countries, concluded at the Hague the 15th April 1788, and We have orders from them to Govern ourselves agreable thereto.

We do not doubt but that the Directors of the Honble English East India Company have sent you the same also, nevertheless We join a Copy of it here enclosed, in case it might not have been received by You.

Without doubt you are informed long since of the Reports that the French are to leave Pondicherry, with the greatest part of their Troops in next October or November.

That the French have such a design is confirmed by many agreeing informations, in such a manner that we cannot doubt of it, but nothing as yet appears clear enough to us to form a Judgment on

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the credibility or Incredibility of the various conjectures concerning the reason of it, and Especially how far may be grounded the opinion of some who think that this is only a pretext to cover a design against Ceylon, and particularly against Trincomallee.

The Circumstances of France, according to what We can judge from appearances, are such as to make that Kingdom rather Incline to the continuing of Peace than to wish for War; in the mean time it is perhaps worth remarking that Pondicherry, as we are informed, had re-ceived in the course of this Year considerable reinforcements of Troops and Ammunition.

Tippoo Sultaun who in the beginning of this Year sent an Officer to demand the Company's Fort of Cranganore, belonging to the Government of Cochin. Upon their refusing to deliver it, is retired, but remains still at Coimbetour, and are, where he has an Army, and according to report makes divers preparations announcing Hostile intentions.

Notwithstanding that, from all this we can-not form any thing certain concerning the views of the French, and much less that they have any inimical intentions against us, and that, we repeat it, it is not probable but that the French are more inclined to the Continuation of Peace than to break it, however it happens sometimes that the most improbable things come to pass.

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Should the French really have any hostile views against Ceylon, it is most probable that they will begin with attacking Trincomallee. This place with the Fort Oosten-berg depending thereon, have together a Garrison of nearly 800 Europeans, and above 800 Country Troops; but the Fortifications, notwithstanding that We have diligently worked at them, are not yet in the State we could wish, to withstand a long Siege.

In case that you, Gentlemen, who can be better and sooner informed of the French's Motions, should suspect that they have really any hostile views against Ceylon, we desire by this that you will be so kind to consider in time of the necessary measures which you think most proper, to keep in readiness in the Neighbourhood of the Northernmost part of Ceylon the Troops with which you could assist us in case We should require them.

We take the liberty to Inclose a Letter to His Excel-lency the Governor General Lord Cornwallis, & Council, which We beg of you to be so kind as to forward by the first opportunity. We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

Columbo
5th August 1789—

(signed)
W. P. Van de Graff
P. Luyskens
M. P. Raket
Chr. Tilenius
J. Reinton's
B. L. Van Litter
A. Sambant
I. A. Vollenhove

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Minute thereon

Agreed that the Receipt of the above be acknowledged. and that the Governor & Council of Columbo be assured that this Government will be ready to assist in the defence of the Dutch Settlements, as prescribed in the Treaty between Great Britain and Holland, whenever the Emergency may require. That there is no reason to believe that there is at present any intention on the part of the French, to give them the least Molestation.

Read the following Letter from Brigadier General Horne.

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

Honorable Sir

From Brigadier General Horne - with a proposed plan for forming the European and Native Invalids now upon the Establishment into 11 Independant Companies - recommending that the Invaliding and Pensioning Committees be assembled only once a Year

As a considerable encrease of the Infantry Invalids / by the approval of the Proceedings of the Committee which sat at the Presidency / has taken place since my letter to the Honorable Board, under date the 25th. Ultimo, I beg leave to submit to the Board's consideration some alteration in the Arrangement I proposed for this Establishment, as I presume very considerable advantage may be derived to the service from it's being carried into Execution.

That from the small proportion of Native Commissioned and Non Commissioned with the Revenue Battalions, I propose that an augmentation of 5 Jemidars, 10 Havildars,

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W Havildars, and 10 Naigues shall be added to the present Establishment of those Corps, and from the 1st of October next, that the remaining Infantry Invalids / European & Native / shall be formed into Eleven Independant Companies from the same Period, viz.t Three of Europeans to be numbered from one to three inclusive, and Eight of Natives to be numbered from one to Eight inclusive - Each Company of the former to have a proportion of Commissioned Officers furnished from the Invalided List, and the latter one Serjeant appointed to it, as also a Subidar to each, who is to be considered the Native Commanding Officer of the Company.

The Stations I beg leave to recommend for these Companies are as follows.

Stations	Europeans	Natives
Fort St. George, Poonamallee & Tripassore	"	4 Companies
Chingleput	"	1 do.
Cuddalore	1 Company	1 do.
Masulipatam	1 do.	2 do.
Vizagapatam and Ganjam	1 do.	"
Companies	3 Europeans	& 8 Natives

As I observe that from having such frequent Invaliding Committees, that it affords a great Field for abuse, by causing many unnecessary Applications to be made - I beg leave further to recommend to the Board that the Committee for the Examination of such Men as are reported to be real objects for the Invalid and Pensioned List, shall be assembled only once a year, viz.t on the 1st of November, in order that the Men who are Recommended and approved may be

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be struck off the strength of the Corps on the last day of December, and that the numbers admitted as Invalids may be transferred to the Independant Companies on the 1st. of January annually.

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August 26. 1789 —

I am with the highest Respect
Yr. &c. &c. &c.
(signd) Mathew Horne

Approved

Agreed that the plan proposed by General Horne for forming the European and Native Invalids now upon the Establishment into Eleven Independant Companies, be adopted, with the proportion of Officers as suggested.

Agreed also, that the Invaliding & Pensioning Committees be assembled only once a Year as recommended by the General.

Resolved that a General Order, establishing the above be published.

Read the following Letter from Majr. Chase & Parry.

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

From Majr. Chase & Parry — stating the Balance due to the Captors of Manarcoil, Mahabepatam, Alengody, & Combaconum; & requesting that orders may be given for the payment thereof.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have the honor to lay before you an Extract from the Drain Books given in by the Honble Basil Cochrane Collector in the Tanjore Districts of a Cer=
=tificate

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Certificate from him, by which it appears there was a Balance of Pagodas 1114.5.40 due on the 31st May 1782. from the Honble Company to the Captors of Manarcoil, Mahadepatam, Alungoody & Combeconum; We request you will be pleased to give orders for the payment thereof, and have the honor to be

&c &c &c

(signed) Chase & Parry

Madras
25th August 1789.

Sundry Accounts Dr. to Kenelm Digby, Agent for the Captors of Manarcoil, Mahadepatam, Alungoody, & Combeconum, Pagodas 1114.5.40, Received from him as follows

	Cullums	Pr. Cl.	Pr. 6
Paddy			
At Manarcoil @ 27 p Bull.	753	188	2.40
At Mahadepatam 4 p Ct.	3800	1520	—
At Alungoody 4 p Ct.	606	242	4 —
At Combeconum 4 p Ct.	846	337	6 —
	Cullums 6003	2288	2.40 or Pr. Pags. 953.21 —
Manarcoil @ 3½ M p p Ct.	291	3	199.7.20
Mahadepat. @ 8 p p Ct.	30	—	24 —
Alungoody @ 8½ p p Ct.	202	—	161.6 —
	Cullums 523	3	385.3.20 or Pr. Pags. 160.26.40
			1114. 5.40

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I do hereby Certify the above to be a true Extract of a Journal Entry in the Grain Books given in by me to Government, as Collector of Grain in Tanjore & Districts, on the part of the Honble Company; by which there appears to be due by the honble Company to the Captors of Manarcoil, Mahadepatam, Alungoody, and Combeconum, the sum of one thousand, one hundred & fourteen Star Pagodas, five Fanams & forty five Cash, from the 31st May 1782

Star Pagodas 1114. 5.40 —

(signed) Basil Cochrane

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Ordered to Lie on the Table.

From Lieutenant Colonel Ross

Read two Letters from the Chief Engineer, (entered in MB. Nos 128 & 129.) one Exhibiting a complaint against Captain Flint at Niagar for opposing obstacles to the execution of the Works carrying on there under the direction of Colonel Ross's Agents; the other giving Cover to a Letter from the Garrison Storekeeper, applying for Repairs to a Bandall where Grain is kept.

Directions

Minute thereon

Ordered that Copy of Lieutenant Colonel Ross's Complaint be sent to Captain Flint, and that he be required to reply to it.

Ditto

Resolved that Colonel Ross be desired to deliver in an Estimate of the Expence which will be incurred by the proposed Repairs.

Examined
Geo. Hill Secretary

2385 Fort St. George 29th August 1789.

Diary

29th Sent the following Letter to the Governor and Council of Columbo.

To the Honble W.S. Van de Graaf

President and Governor &c^a Council

at Columbo

Honorable Sir and Sirs.

To Columbo — The strictest attention will be paid to every Article contained in the Treaty between the King of Great Britain & the States General of the United Provinces.

We have been honored with the Receipt of your Letter dated the 5th Instant, with the several Enclosures; the one addressed to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council was immediately forwarded to Bengal.

We have received from our Superiors a Copy of the Treaty between the King of Great Britain & their High Mightinesses the States General of the United Provinces, and are prepared to pay the strictest attention to every Article contained in it.

With these dispositions We assure your Honble Board that you will find us as ready to assist in the defence of the Dutch Settlements as prescribed in the Treaty whenever the Emergency may require. This, We trust is an Event not likely soon to occur, for we have no reason to believe that there is at present any Intention on the part of the French to give you the least molestation.

We shall not fail to communicate to you any Intelligence which may be interesting to the Affairs of the Honorable the Dutch East India Company, and have the

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To Lie on the Table

From Lieutenant Colonel Ross

Fort St. George 28th August 1789

Ordered to Lie on the Table.

Read two Letters from the Chief Engineer, (entered in MB. Nos. 128, 129.) one Exhibiting a complaint against Captain Flint at Tiagar for opposing obstacles to the execution of the Works carrying on there under the direction of Colonel Ross's Agents; the other giving Cover to a Letter from the Garrison Storekeeper, applying for Repairs to a Pandall where Grain is kept.

Directions

Minute thereon

Ordered that Copy of Lieutenant Colonel Ross's Complaint be sent to Captain Flint, and that he be required to reply to it.

Ditto

Resolved that Colonel Ross be desired to deliver in an Estimate of the Expence which will be incurred by the proposed Repairs.

Examined

Geo. Hill Secy

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Diary

29th Sent the following Letter to the Governor and Council of Columbo.

To the Honble W.J. Van de Graaf

President and Governor &c. Council

at Columbo

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29th The honor to subscribe ourselves with great Esteem

Honorable Sir and Sirs

Your most obedient humble Servants

Fort St. George
28th August 1789

(signed) John Holland

&c. Council

30th Sent the following Letter to the Resident at Travancore.

To Mr. George Powney

Resident at Travancore

Sir

To the Resident at Travancore — the conduct of the Rajah in purchasing Tyacottah & the Fort of Cranganore from the Dutch highly disapproved — to endeavor to prevail upon the Rajah to give them back.

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters dated the 8th & 16th Instant, with their several Enclosures: a Letter from the Rajah to the President has also been received.

I enclose a Letter to the Rajah in reply, and a Copy of it for your Information, from which you will observe that this Government disapprove the conduct of the Rajah in concluding the Negotiation of the Dutch, which at this Juncture cannot but be considered extremely impoli=tick; and they therefore desire you will endeavor to prevail upon him immediately to give back to the Dutch the places he has indiscreetly purchased from them, & thereby re-establish matters precisely upon their former footing.

In your Conferences with the Rajah, you will

recommend

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30th recommend to him the utmost caution in his Conduct towards Tippoo, which from the late indiscreet acquisitions that he has made is become particularly necessary.

In the event of any Emergency the Board desire you will conform to the Spirit and tenor of the Instructions sent to Captain Knox, which were forwarded to you under a flying Seal with my letter of the 20th Instant, Copy of which a Copy is herewith sent you

I am Sir
your most obedient servant
(signd) J. Chamier Secry

Fort St. George
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Substance of a Letter to the Rajah of Travancore.

With the above Letter to the Resident, another was sent for the Rajah (vide C. C. No. 75) notifying to him the Board's disapprobation of his indiscreet Conduct in his late Purchase of Territory from the Dutch, and recommending to him the re-delivery of the Places so impolitickly obtained, as it is not the Intention of this Government to defend Territories acquired without their Consent.

of Travancore

Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. Nos. 130. 131. 132. 133. 134. 135. 136.)

To the Chief & Council at Masulipatam

To the Chief and Council at Masulipatam— Their Board approve their having given Permission to Mr. Graham to proceed by Sea to the Presidency, in consideration of his very bad state of Health.

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To Brigadier General Horne

To Brigadier General Horne — approving his recommendation in regard to the European & Native Invalids upon this Establishment

To Colonel Musgrave

To Colonel Musgrave — the Commanding Officer at Tripassore must Indent for such a number of Tents as are necessary for the present accommodation of the Troops at that Garrison.

To Captain Beatson —

To Captain Beatson of the Guides — has Permission to proceed to the Presidency.

To the Commandant at Tiagar

To the Commandant at Tiagar — to reply to the Complaint exhibited against him by the Person in charge of the repairs to the Company's Works at Tiagar.

To Mr Richard Dighton

To Mr Richard Dighton — to pass duty free five [illegible] of grain sent by Messrs. Porcher Redhead & Co. to Major Stephenson at Arnee.

To the Chief Engineer

To the Chief Engineer — to particularize the Repairs wanting to the Pandall, and furnish an Estimate of the Expence which will be incurred thereby.

31st Sent the following Letter to the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army Accounts.

To Colonel Capper

Commissary and Comptroller General of Army Accounts

To the Comptroller General regarding Mr Willis's Accounts.

Sir

In reply to your Letter of the 26th Inst: I am directed by the Board to desire you will report what particular

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31st particular articles of Expence in Mr. Willis's Accounts, objected
to by Mr. Sadleir, depend upon the question you have proposed,
viz.t whether the Guntoor Detachment is, or is not, to be considered
as having been on a Field Establishment.

With respect to the nature of Mr. Sadleir's appoint-
ment, the Board are of opinion that it implies a certain
degree of Control, such as is vested in a Subordinate Chiefship;
and with regard to the prices of the various Articles of Provi-
sions, & Stores, they conceive his objections ought to be attended
to, unless Mr. Willis can produce sufficient vouchers in support
of the Rates charged by him: Extra Carriage cannot be allowed,
if as Mr. Sadleir has observed the Establishment of Carriage in
the Department of the Commissary of Grain and Provisions was
sufficient for the purposes of conveyance charged under the former
denomination.

The Board cannot suppose that the same full
establishment of Publick followers was requisite after the
Detachment was reduced to half Batta and considered to be
in Cantonments, that would have been necessary on Active
Service in the Field; and the purchase of Carts or hire of
Bullocks being within the Department of the Commissary of
Grain and Provisions, ought not probably to be charged by
Mr. Willis.

I am Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Fort St. George
29th August 1789 —

(Signed) J. Chamier
Secy

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31 Received the following Letter from the Secretary at Bengal.

To John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir

From the Secretary at Bengal — Ensign Wood permitted to decline the Ensigncy in his Majesty's 36th Regiment — his return to the Company's Service to follow of course.

I am directed to acquaint you for the Information of the Governor in Council at Fort St. George, in answer to his Letter of the 25th ult. June, respecting Ensign & Practitioner Engineer Wood, that he is allowed to decline the Ensigncy in his Majesty's 36th Regiment to which he had been nominated: his return to the Company's Service will follow of course.

I have the honor to be
&c, &c, &c (signed) J. Tombelle
Sub Secy

Fort William
5th August 1789

Received the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore

To John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir

From the Resident at Tanjore — thinks it's the Rajah's intention to pay some part of his Note shortly.

I am just returned from the Palace, having delivered to the Rajah the Honble President's letter to his Excellency of the 21st Instant: His Excellency observing that the Contents were weighty, desired a few days to consider of them.

J.

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31st I am inclined to believe it is his Excellency's Intention to pay some part of his Visits shortly, and that his having been disappointed in some Money Concerns is the reason of his not having done so sooner.

I am Sir your most obedient humble Servant

Tanjour. 26: August 1789 } (signed) J. Ram Resident

from the Committee for Investigating the Accounts of the King's Troops serving in India

Received a Letter from the Committee for Investi-gating the Accounts of the King's Troops serving in India (as entered in MB No. 137) enclosing their Weekly Report.

At a Consultation Present

The Honble John Holland Esqr Governor, President

Tuesday 1st September 1789

James Henry Casamajor and Edward John Holland } Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved.

The Board now take into Consideration the Letter from the Bengal Government entered in last Consultation on the Subject of a new mode for the Distribution of the Revenue

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Revenue Money to the King's & Company's Field Officers serving in India.

Minute of the Board on the Letter from Bengal, regarding an annuity for the distribution of the Revenue Money to the King's & Company's Field Officers serving in India.

Resolved that the Accountant be directed to make up a Statement of the annual Commission on the Revenues of this Establishment on an Average for 5 years, at the rate of half of 10 p Cent, allotted by the last General Orders to form a Gratuity Fund for the Field Officers of his Majesty's & the Honble Company's Troops; and the proportions which the respective Ranks would receive upon the principle of distribution esta-blished in P.C. to take place from the 1st May 1788, of which he is also to be directed to draw out a comparative Statement with the respective Proportions allowed to the Field Officers serving in Bengal according to the Distribution fixed on two Lacks of Rupees by the above Letter.

Read the following Letter from Ganjam.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor &c. Council at Fort St

Honble Sir and Sirs

From Ganjam — with a report of their Military operations.

We have received your Letter of the 7th and your Secretary's Letters of the 5th and 11th ultimo.

In your address of the 12th Ultimo we suggested that the reduction of our Field Force by the strong detachment which We thought proper to send as an Escort with Budgeroos and Shamshunder to Chicacole might occasion a temporary suspension of Military Operations; accordingly Captain John Taylor

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aware of the Consequences, was desirous that We should delay the Execution of that measure until he has Essayed a plan which he had formed for attacking the Insurgents on the Hills of Moherry, but preferring a Certain to a contingent good, and influenced by the hopes of the early arrival of Lieutenant Colonel Trent, We adhered to our first resolution, and after delivering Mudgeoo and Thamshunder safely at Chicacole, our Detachment returned to Camp some days since.

We most sincerely assure you that as there is no object under our Administration that is of greater Importance, so there is none that engages more of our attention than the means of quelling the insurrections in this District, & of reducing the consequent Expences of our Military Establishment.

We have communicated to the Manager of our Revenue an Extract from your Letter of the 7th. Ultimo, respecting the Extra Establishment of Peons retained by him; the sickly State of the Company's Troops at that time, added to his solicitations, who was thought responsible for the interior Economy of his own Department, induced the Chief to procure for him a party of Peons from Pettapaghenny, and We presume that Mr. Maxwell will fully explain to you his motives for retaining them, and all other Peons supernumerary to the accustomed Establishment.

Severe Indisposition obliged Captain Taylor to quit the Field some days since, but We have the pleasure to announce the subsequent arrival of Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Trent, who agreeably to your orders has assumed the Command of the Troops in this District.

In

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In deference to the Confidence which you repose in Lieutenant Colonel Trent, we have remitted to his discretion the whole conduct of all Field Operations, and full power to arrange seperately with Mr. Maxwell all measures applying to the defence of the Cavalry, consistently with which, and with a due security to the Revenues of the other Countries under our Charge, We have enjoined to Lt. Colonel Trent to adopt such means as may the soonest enable us to reduce the Expences of our Military Establishment, without neglecting to advert to the burthen of the Extra Peons retained by Mr. Maxwell.

We have also Communicated to Lt. Colonel Trent a transcript of our Chief's Minute of the 9th ultimo, & informed him that should he think it expedient to adopt the Plan therein suggested, Puzzepatty Deo Zemindar of Kimmedy is prepared for the fullest co-operation of his resources: at the same time We thought it proper to acquaint him, that although your Honble Board has not yet intimated your approbation of that Scheme, yet that you had previously acceded to a proposition of ours for the investing Guzzepatty Deo with the Zemindary of Bourousinghie, should he become principally Instrumental in the seizure of Tamadeo.

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

Tanjam
14th August 1789.

signed { Wm Williams
A. D. Munro
George Wynch.

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Minute thereon

The Board are much concerned to observe so much difficulty & delay in quelling the Disturbances of this District, arising from Sanadee's Escape. The immediate operations in the Field must necessarily be referred to the Officer in Command, but the Board do not perceive any very distinct information of the Objects proposed to be accomplished.— On a representation that the strength in the District was not adequate to its' defence, and the opposition expected, an additional Force was ordered; notwithstanding which M.r Maxwell raised a Body of Peons equal to near half a Battalion of Sepoys for the defence of the Havaillies, which is a mode quite novel, as no force should be raised without the Sanction of the Chief & Council, and under some Military Regulation. The Board are therefore surprized that any Sanction should have been given to this measure without its being mentioned to Government, and they think it proper to intimate that the defence of the Havaillies, as well as other Districts appertaining to the Subordinate of Ganjam, is entrusted to the Chief & Council. The term Insurgents we presume must allude to Sanadee, and his Adherents; but without support from the neighbouring Zemindars dependant on the Company, We conceive it would not be possible he should find means of creating so much confusion and opposition; the Board therefore wish to be informed what parties are engaged in the insurrection, as it will be expedient to take possession of the Districts of any Zemindar that is engaged in the support of Sanadee.

Agreed that a Letter to the above Effect be written to the Chief & Council

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Cockburn

The recommendations contained in the Letter from Majors Capper, Twining, Moubray, & Cockburn approved.

The Letter from Colonel Capper, Mr. Twining, Mr. Moubray and Mr. Cockburn, entered in last Consultation, being now taken into consideration, it is Agreed to acquiesce in the Recommendations contained therein

Ordered that a Letter be drafted to the Bengal Government conformably thereto.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Musgrave.

To the Hon.ble John Holland Esq.r

Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From Colonel Musgrave requesting to be informed of the steps taken by Government in regard of the claim of his Majesty's Field Officers for arrears of Pay.

An Application has been made to me by the Field Officers of his Majesty's Regiments serving on this Coast, in which they solicit that I would apply to Government for Information relative to their Claim for arrears of Pay, some time past decided in their favor by the Governor General, & which they had the honor lately to lay before the Board.

I therefore take the liberty of requesting you will be so obliging as to inform me of the steps which Government has taken with respect to these Claims, in order that I may communicate the same to those Officers whom it concerns.

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a
(sign'd) Tho.s Musgrave

Gardens
29.th August 1789

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Minutes thereon

The Sentiments of the Right Honble the Governor General were published in P. O. upon the application made by the Field Officers of his Majesty's Regiments, on the subject of Gratuity and other Claims. — The Board supposing that the usual Pay and Allowances according to the fixed Establishment of this Presidency, have been issued to the Field Officers of this Majesty's Regiments, wish they would state the nature of the arrears of Pay to which they conceive they have a further Claim, and to whom it is due, that it may be referred to the Governor General with the necessary information from this Board for his final decision.

Ordered that an answer be drafted to Colonel Musgrave, agreeably to the foregoing.

Read the following Letters from Wm George Anderson.

To the Honble
Sr John Holland Esqr
Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

From Wm George Anderson complaining of oppression, and requesting the interference of Government.

I am under deep affliction to find, that after obtaining the Indulgence of Government to put to Sea for the re-establishment of my health, I should be debarred that Chance of recovery by the collusive proceedings of a

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sets of Men who wantonly sport with my life and the laws of honor and Justice, in open defiance of the orders of the Honble Company, and the act of Parliament passed the 24th. year of his present Majesty's Reign, "for the better regulation and management of the affairs of the East India Company."

As the interest of the company, the honor & dignity of the Nation are involved in this affair, I am very desirous of having it fully investigated, when I pledge myself to produce such important Facts, as will enable my Honble Employers to limit, if not altogether remedy abuses which have often, and successfully traversed their best concerted measures upon this Coast.

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

Madras
August 27th. 1789.

(signd) George Anderson

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From Mr George Anderson on the same subject

A perusal of this Letter will I trust be my best apology to your Honble Board, for its following so closely my address of the 27th. — my Malevolent persecutors are alarmed at the Courageous firm and disinterested manner in which I have repelled their dark Manœuvre, and apprehensive of the serious consequences which must result from a publick Enquiry, practise every art to induce me to withdraw my Letter.

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They even go so far as offer to cancel an acceptance of mine, which an Attorney of the Court, in a protest of the 11th Instant, termed a legal demand for 21,000 Pagodas, & audaciously threatened me with all the horrors of a Jail, if I did not forthwith discharge it :- The native associates of this Cabal, aware that I am in possession of Materials, which may subvert an arrangement formed upon principles of oppression, and cherished by those of cruelty, have meanly assailed my integrity by holding out a large Bribe to relinquish my pursuit. Great God! what have I (an humble individual) not to fear from Men who set no bounds to their spirit of corruptions, with the Revenues of an Empire to carry it on.

I hope the humanity and sound policy of the Honble Board will see the necessity of a speedy investigation; otherwise I shall not be in possession of a single evidence, for my very Domestics will be corrupted.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signd) George Anderson

Madras
August the 30th 1789

To lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Read the following Letters from Brigadier General Horne.

To
The Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Brigd. Horne - Mr Vaughan refuses to discharge Bills for Extra Pay & Off. Recruits for the 7th Battalion

A Representation being made to me by the Offic. Commanding the 7th Battalion of Native Infantry, that Mr. Vaughan late Paymaster of Colonel Stuart's Detachment

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Detachment / has pointedly refused to discharge the Amount of the accompanying Bills, though in every Respect conformable to the 2d General Orders under date the 24th July 1788, a Copy of which orders I have the honor to annex.

As the reasons assigned by Mr. Vaughan / of there being no such payment authorized in the new Book of Regulations / may subject other Paymasters to bring forward the same objections: I beg leave to recommend to the Honble Board, their Directing the Heads of the General order now alluded to, to be printed and inserted in the Book of Regulations; but in the intermediate Period that the Paymasters be directed in General Orders to continue the usual Payments to the Seapoy Recruits; and as the new Book of Regulations appears to me in several Instances to be very Deficient and Incorrect, I beg leave to recommend to the Board the subjecting the whole of these Regulations to the Reconsideration of the Military Board, so that the necessary Amendments and Alterations may be made, and the whole more regularly arranged.

I have the honor to be
Honorable Sir
Your most obedient and
humble Servant
signed Rath.r Horne

Fort St. George
August 31st 1789.

To

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From Brigadier General Horne advising of the arrival of Captains Speedinman & Lieutenant Coke.

I have the honor to lay before the Board, the Certificates of Captain Robert Speedinman of the Artillery, and Lieutenant Thos. Coke of the Infantry, who arrived here Yesterday, signifying the Honble Court of Directors permission for their returning with their Rank to this Establishment.

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

Fort St. George
September 1st 1789.

Minute on the former Letter

Agreed that Mr. Vaughan be directed to discharge the Bill for Extra Pay to Sappoy Recruits for the 7th Battalion, and that he be informed that the General Order of the 21th July 1788, is considered as forming a part of the Book of Regulations.

Minute on the latter Letter

Agreed also that the return of Capt.n Speedinman and Lieutenant Coke, with the Permission of the Court of Directors be announced in General Orders.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Cockburn Commissary General of Grain & Provisions.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions enclosing Copy of a letter from the Storekeeper at Tanjore, regarding the issues of Grain from that Garrison

Agreeably to the resolution of the Honble Board, I communicated to Mr. Strange that it was not deemed expedient at

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at this time to dispose of any part of the Grain in Store at Tanjore, in reply to which I received the enclosed, stating I gave made previous to, and since, the receipt of my Letter, relative to which I request to be favored with your orders.

The Store Keepers representation respecting the repair of the Granaries, will I hope meet your early consideration, as the Monsoon approaches when the effects of the Dampness must be severely felt. Indeed, the Company sustained a very considerable Loss on the former Stock of Grain laid into Store there, from a similar Cause.

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I have the Honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) Tho. Cockburn
Commissary General of Grain
& Provisions

To Mr. Thomas Cockburn
Commissary General of Grain & Provisions.

Sir

I have had the honor of your Letter of the 16th Inst. informing me that Government do not at this moment judge proper to dispose of any part of the Grain in Store at Tanjore. Under this restriction, it becomes my Duty to inform you, that Grain is now issuing in part payment of the Native Troops now in Garrison — that a quantity has been sent to the Rajah (by application from the Resident, and upon Indent from the Commanding Officer to me) amounting to (10,000) Ten thousand Cullums; and that a considerable quantity was supplied to the Detachment under the Command of Colonel Stuart — 11 Pounds of 100 Lane have been issued upon these various Accounts.

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The Granary has been lately inspected by the Engineer, and his official report, is, I am informed, already transmitted to the Presidency; It will have more Authority than any thing I can say on the subject of their incomplete & insufficient state, and which daily subjects the Honble Company to considerable Risk in so valuable & necessary a store. So soon as it shall please Government to order any repairs, they shall be executed with all possible dispatch; but the Evil will not be removed by any momentary repair of Cracks and old Doors - It will be necessary so to repair them, that they may be free from the Dampness which is now so injurious to the Grain: to do which, it will be requisite to raise the Floorings so much above the level of the Grounds as they are now upon it.

Tanjore 23rd August 1789. I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Ja Strange
Hr. Keeper

Minute thereon — The Board disapprove very much of the Issue of Grain at Tanjore without the Permission of Government - Agreed that this be notified to the Resident and Paymaster, and that the former be directed to apply to the Rajah, and to desire his Excellency will replace the Grain Borrowed.

Ditto — Agreed, also, that the Paymaster be desired to transmit an Estimate of the Expence which will be required for the Repairs necessary to the Granary at Tanjore.

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The President lays before the Board the following Letter from Governor Vande Graaf, delivered to him by the Baron Van Albedyhl.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr
President & Governor &c.
Fort St. George

Hon.ble Sir

From the Governor of Columbo— the Baron Van Albedyhl will communicate in Person to the President the Object of his present Mission to Pullicat

The Designs of the French in withdrawing their forces from Pondicherry, have given room for much Conjecture, and where the Troops are to be transported is yet uncertain. It does not appear however, that France is at this moment inclined to War; but We often see that things most unexpected come to pass.

M.r Baron Van Albedyhl will have the honor of delivering this Letter to you in his way to Pullicat, & he has my orders to communicate in person to your Honor the Objet of his present Journy.

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

Columbo
25. July 1789

(signed) J.W. Vande Graaff

The President reports the conversation he has had with the Baron Van Albedyhl

The President informs the Board that the Baron Van Albedyhl has requested the President to inform him whether the Dutch may depend upon assistance from the English, agreeably to the Treaty concluded in Europe — In answer to which the President has made the Baron acquainted with the Contents of the Letter addressed by this Government to the Governor & Council at Columbo a few days ago, on the same Subject.

Read

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Read the following Letter from Messrs Porcher,
Redhead & Co.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

On the 7th January 1783. We took the Liberty
of submitting to you the demands of Ganababy Iyer, Gomastah
to Sedasedumbara Pillay for Grain supplied to Captain
Anderson, then Commandant at Carangooly — On the 21st follow-
ing We laid before you a Petition from the same man,
setting forth the services he had rendered the Company during
the War, and calling on Mr Thomas Graham then Secretary
to Sir Eyre Coote, to bear Testimony of them. We were desired by
the Government to produce that Testimony, & did accordingly
do so, as appears by our Letter of the 8th May 1788.

The Hon.ble Board were pleased to direct in conse-
quence, that the Hon.ble Company's Books should be ascertained,
by which it has appeared that Captain Anderson has Credit in
the Military Paymaster's Books for Pagodas 2,689.9. and
Pag.s 3874.40.13 in the Agents Books, both amounting to
Pag.s 6564.7.13, and for the Residue a reference was made
to Captain Anderson himself, which was done in an Official
Letter under date the 14th August 1788; to this We understand
no answer is as yet received.

We therefore take the Liberty of once more in-
truding this Demand on your attention, & presume to hope you
will direct the amount, which absolutely appears to have
been credited the Company to be paid with Interest, and that
Captain Anderson may be peremptorily called upon to account for
the remainder — We have the honor to be
&c.a ... &c.a — &c.a Porcher, Redhead & Co.

From Messrs Porcher Redhead & Company - respecting the demands of Ganababy Iyer, Gomastah to Sedasedumbara Pillay, for Grain supplied during the late War to the Commandant of Carangooly

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Minute thereon

Ordered that Captain Anderson be peremptorily called upon to reply to the Official Letters sent to him respecting the Certificates given by him for Grain received at Carangoly.

Read the following Letter from Mr. John Tulloh.

To the Honble. John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

From Mr. John Tulloh — requests that an order may be given for the Distribution of the Sadras Prize Money.

The late Captain George Mackay having been Commanding Officer on the Expedition against Sadras in the course of the late War, and Mr. William Jackson appointed Agent to him on the part of the Honorable Company, and the Captors, I have on behalf of the Executrix to the Will of Captain Mackay, and at the solicitation of his Bond Creditors, applied for the Share of Prize Money coming to him as Commanding Officer; but Mr. Pontus Attorney to the Agent informed me that he was not at liberty to make any Distribution without the order & concurrence of the Honorable Board, and added that it appeared no Orders had yet been received from the Honorable the Court of Directors, relative to Sadras.

captors

As the Honorable Court of Directors have on all occasions manifested a uniform disposition to reward the Services of their Troops, I humbly conceive that tho' they have been silent respecting the Capture of Sadras, yet it must have been an accidental omission, as it could not have been their Intention to have put the Detachment to which Sadras surrendered, on a different footing from the Troops who had Captured other Dutch Settlements on this Coast

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Coast, the Captains of Madras being in every Circumstance similar, and not the least important to the Interests of the Company: It is therefore to be presumed that the Court of Directors meant to include the Madras Prize Money in the orders given for the distribution of that of other Places taken from the Dutch, tho' no particular mention may have been therein made.

The Estate of Captain Mackay is much involved, and several European Gentlemen in the Service have very considerable demands upon it: they have suggested an application to the Honorable Board from a confidence in their disposition to give a favorable countenance to their Interests in that Estate; and I have no doubt but your honor will from a consideration of all circumstances be pleased to order a Distribution of the Madras Prize Money to the Claimants entitled to it in general, and thereby relieve the Embarrassments of many Individuals, particularly the Creditors of Captain Mackay.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Tulloh
Attorney to the Executors of Captain George Mackay Deceased.

Fort St. George
28th August 1789.

Agreed to inform Mr. Tulloh, that the Court of Directors have ordered the Distribution of the Madras Prize Money, & that it will be issued by Mr. Porcher, the Agent, upon a proper Application made to him by the Captors.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letters (entered in the Miscellany Book for the Month of September Nos. 1. 2.)

From the Persian Translator – reporting that Cornet Alexander Falconer has attained a proficiency in the Persian Language.

Ordered

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Minute thereon

Ordered that the Sum of Pagodas 500 be paid to Cornet Falconer, by the Military Paymaster General, as a Gratuity for the Expences incurred in learning the Persian Language.

From Lieutenant Norris of the Engineers.

From Lieutenant Norris of the Engineers — offering to furnish the Collectors of the Revenue in the Jaghire with such Plans as they may stand in need of without any additional Expence to Government

Minute thereon

Agreed that Lieutenant Norris's offer be accepted.

Intelligence

The President communicates to the Board Intelligence received from the Mysore Country &c.

John Hollond

Pr Geo. Stratton

Edwd Fr Holland

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Diary

2nd Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in MB.

Nos. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14)

To M. Vaughan late Paymaster to the Shevigunga De-

To M. Vaughan

tachment, - the Bill presented by Lieutenant Orton for

Extra Pay to Recruits entertained in the 7th Battalion, is

to be discharged. the General Order of the 26th July 1788, to

be considered in force.

To Brigadier General Horne - advising of the above -

To Brigadier General Horne.

Ensign & Practitioner Engineer Wood to remain on the list of the

Company's Officers.

To the Accountant General - to send a Statement of

To the Accountant General

the annual Commission on the Revenues of this Establishment

on an Average for five Years at the rate of half of 10 p Cent

allotted by the last General orders to form a Gratuity Fund for

the Field Officers of his Majesty's & the Company's Troops &c.

To M. John Tulloh - the Court of Directors having ordered

To M. John Tulloh

the Payment of the Sayras Purje Money, it will be discharged by

the Agent M. Porcher.

To Lieutenant Norris of the Engineers - the Board approve

To Lieutenant Norris

his offer to furnish the Collectors of the Revenue in the

Jaghire with such Plans as they may stand in need of, with-

-out any additional Expence to the honorable Company.

To Captain Anderson at Ellore - directing him to give

To Captain Anderson

an immediate Reply to the Official Letter written to him.

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2d. under date the 14th August 1788.

To Colonel Musgrave

To Colonel Musgrave — the Board wish that the nature of the further Arrears to which the Field Officers in his Majesty's Service conceive they have a Claim, should be stated, and to whom they are due, that the same may be referred to the Governor General for his final Decision.

To Mr Secretary Hay

To Mr Secretary Hay — the Proceedings of this Government in the Military Department from the 1st April, to the 30th June last, are entrusted to Mr Yeates, who has been desired to deliver them on his arrival at Calcutta

To Colonel Kepper

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts — desiring he will proceed to examine and report on Mr Willis's Accounts, according to the best of his Judgement from the Information before him.

To Mr Rs Cockburn

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — the Board have expressed to the Resident & Storekeeper at Tanjore their pointed disapprobation of the Issue of Grain from the Company's Stores without the Permission of Government.

To the Storekeeper at Tanjore

To the Storekeeper at Tanjore — notifying the Board's pointed disapprobation of the Issue of any Grain from the Company's Stores. — to transmit an Estimate of the Expence of the Repairs which he states to be necessary to the Granary, before the Monsoon.

To the Resident at Tanjore.

To the Resident at Tanjore — to desire the Rajah to replace immediately the 10,000 Cullums of Grain borrowed by him from the Company's Stores — to address his Letters in future to the President in Council.

Received

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Substance of a Letter from His Highness the Nabob.

Received a Letter from his Highness the Nabob (as entered in C. C. No. 76) enclosing Extract of a Letter from his Naib at Valgoonda pour respecting the hostile designs of Tippoo Sultaun — His Highness recommends that measures may be taken for the Defence of the Carnatic; and alludes to the assistance lately afforded the Rajah of Travancore, as the cause of the present alarm.

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob

The President sents in Circulation a proposed draft of an Answer to the above Letter (as entered in C. C. No. 77.) giving it as his opinion that it is not the intention of Tippoo to engage in hostilities with the English; but, as it is prudent to be prepared for every Event. His Highness is requested to send orders to his Amildars to lay in Grain in the Garrisons of Vellore, Arnee, Trichinopoly & Madura.

The Board having approved the Draft, it was immediately translated & dispatched.

Received the following Letter from the Resident at Travancore.

To the Hon.ble John Holland Esq.r

Governor in Council

From the Resident at Travancore — Enclosing Extract of a Letter to him from the Commandant at Tellicherry, stating the distressed situation of that Garrison — the Resident intimates his intention of sending a supply of Rice to Tellicherry.

Hon.ble Sir

I have the honor to transmit you herewith an Extract of a Letter which I last night received from Major Dow at Tellicherry dated the 18th. Instant — In a few days I hope to be able to send a supply of Rice from this Place to alleviate the distress the Inhabitants there labor under, for want of this necessary of life.

In the letter I did myself the honor of addressing you

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you on the 16th instant, I acquainted you of my intention of going to Cochin to endeavor to procure Intelligence, as Tippoo's Vackeel was there. he is come avowedly for the purpose of demanding from the Cochin Rajah arrears of Tribute due by him to Tippoo, for some Possessions which the Rajah has on the north side of the Rajah of Travancore's lines. these I understand were conquered by Hyder, and re-delivered to the Cochin Rajah on his paying Tribute for the same. the object however of the Vackeel's Mission you will have learnt from the Papers I enclosed in my last letter. he still remains at Cochin, and I believe principally to transmit Intelligence to Tippoo, who continues at Coimbetour — the Dutch are making every preparation to resist him, & I am informed that the Governor has sent to Columbo for a reinforcement of Europeans.

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

Parour. —
22nd August 1789.

(signed) George Powney
Resident at Travancore.

Extract of a Letter from Major Dow Commandant at Tellicherry, to the Resident at Travancore, dated 18th August 1789.

"This Settlement has all the Rains been as
"completely blockaded by the Troops of the Nabob, as it
"could have been in an actual state of Hostilities. He
"has established a regular chain of Posts all around us, some
"of them within Musket Shot of our Lines, who have strict

"orders

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2nd "orders, which they obey with unrelenting vigilance, to prevent "the most trifling Article of Provisions from being brought in "to us.— With the neighbouring Posts at Cannanore & Mahé "too, we are deprived, except by stealth, of the least commu- "nication. his Boats by Sea, whenever the weather permits, "being equally watchful as his Troops by land. the consequence "is, that many necessary of life has for these several months "been extremely scarce, and exorbitantly dear.— From the "high price of Rice in particular, and the additional number "of Inhabitants, which We have had ever since the Nabob "was in the Neighbourhood, when they took refuge here from "his Barbarity, there has been among the poorer People "little short of a famine"

A true Extract
(signed) George Powney
Resident at Tellicherry.

Sent the following Letters.

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

My Lord.

To Bengal — enclosing Copy of the letter from Messrs. Capper, Tening, Montray, and Cockburne — the Recommendations contained therein have been approved by Government

We have now the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's Letter under date the 8th. May last, with it's several Enclosures, and to inform you, that We, upon the receipt of it, appointed a Committee, consisting of the Comptroller General of Military Accounts, the Military Paymaster General, the Accountant General, & the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions, to give their sentiments upon the mode of carrying into execution the recommendations con- tained therein.

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The Committee have given their Sentiments upon the points submitted to them, in a Letter, of which We have the honor to enclose a Copy for your Information, and We have approved their recommendation of postponing any new arrangement until after the arrival of the Marquis=tons, by which the orders of the Hon.ble Court, referred to in their Letter, may be Expected.

We request that you will be pleased to send us the forms of the Books &c.a in the Military Paymaster Generals Department, mentioned in the Enclosure N.o 50, with such other information as the Committee have applied for.

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

(signed) John Hollond
&c.a Council

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To Morgan Williams Esq.r
Chief, &c.a Council at Ganjam

Gentlemen

To the Chief & Council at Ganjam —
The Board approve their having referred to the Officer in command the immediate operations in the Field — are surprized at their Sanction to the measure of raising Peons by Mr. Maxwell — & repeat that parties are engaged in the Insurrection.

We have received your Letter dated the 16.th Ultimo, and are greatly concerned to observe so much difficulty and delay in quelling the disturbances in your District, arising from Sanadee's Escape.

You have acted properly in referring to the Officer in Command the immediate Operations in the Field, but We do not perceive in your Letter any very distinct Information of the objects proposed to be accomplished — Upon

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2nd "a representation that the Strength in your District was not adequate to its defence, and the opposition expected, an additional Force was ordered; but notwithstanding this reinforcement, Mr. Maxwell has raised a Body of Peons, equal to near half a Battalion of Sepoys, for the defence of the Havailleis, which is a mode quite novel, as no force should be raised without the sanction of your Board, & unless under some Military Regulation; We are therefore surprized that you should have given your sanction without its being communicated to Government - the Defence of the Havailleis, as well as of other Districts appertaining to the Subordinate of Ganjam, is entrusted to the Chief and Council.

We imagine that the term, "Insurgents" must allude to Sanadeo and his Adherents; but without support from the neighbouring Zemindars, dependant on the Company, We are of opinion, it would not be possible for Sanadeo to find the means of creating so much Confusion and Opposition - We therefore, wish to be informed what parties are engaged in the Insurrection, as it will be expedient to take possession of the Districts of any Zemindar who may support Sanadeo.

We are Gentlemen

Your most obedient Servants

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1st September 1789

(signed) John Holland
&c. Council

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3rd

Substance of a Letter to His Highness the Nabob.

Sent a Letter to his Highness the Nabob (as entered in C. C. No. 78.) stating that it is absolutely necessary he should immediately take means for the discharge of the Balance due on the March List, and referring to the several Letters already written on the subject.

Sent the following Letter to Bengal.

To the Right Honble Chas. Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at Fort William

My Lord

To Bengal — Enclosing Copies of the late Letters from & to the Nabob, & the Resident of Travancore, respecting Tippoo's Operations.

We had the honor to inform your Lordship fully under date the 28th Ultimo, on the subject of the Rajah of Travancore's late acquisitions from the Dutch. We mentioned also that We had notified to him our disapprobation of his indiscreet Conduct, with our Resolution not to defend Territories obtained without our Assent.

We have further desired the Rajah immediately to give back to the Dutch the places thus impolitically obtained, and thereby re-establish his affairs precisely upon their former footing

We have now to inform your Lordship, that Mr. Powney has lately transmitted to us an Extract of a Letter received by him from Major Dow at Tellicherry, of which a Copy is enclosed, wherein the Major gives an account of the very distressed situation of that Garrison. Mr. Powney expressed his hope of being able to send them a supply of Rice.

We enclose Copy of a Letter received yesterday from

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3rd " from the Nabob, with our President's reply thereto. Your Lordship will therein see that our Ideas of Tippoo's intended Hostilities are not similar to those expressed by his Highness; We shall nothowever neglect such Steps as may appear to be necessary at the present Juncture.

A letter was forwarded to your Lordship in boun-cil, immediately on the receipt of it, a few days ago, from the Governor & Council at Columbo, and one arrived at the same time under our address, which expressed the apprehensions of the Dutch of an intended attack from the French upon their Settlements on the Island of Ceylon. they in Consequence enclosed to us an Extract from the Treaty Concluded in Europe between Great Britain & Holland, and requested to know whether they might depend upon our assistance if requisite, agreeably to the abovementioned Treaty - of this Letter We also Enclose a Copy, together with our Answer.

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

Fort St. George
3rd September 1789 —

signed { John Holland
&c. Council

This day arrived a Squadron of His Majesty's Ships from Europe, under the Command of Commodore the Hon.ble William Cornwallis.

Arrival of His Majesty's Squadron -

The Squadron consisted of the following Ships

Names, Weight of Metal & Commanders &c.

The Crown of 64 Guns (Flag Ship) Captain Cornwallis
Phœnix 36 Guns ..... Captain Byron.
Perseverance 36 Guns ..... Captain Smith
Atalanta 16 Guns ..... Captain Delgarno

Arrived also the Hon.ble Company's Ship Houghton Captain Munro from England.

Arrival of the Houghton

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At a Consultation Present

The Honble John Hollond Esqr

Governor, President

Thursday 3rd September 1789 ..... 8 o'Clock P.M. } James Henry Casamajor and Edward John Hollond } Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved

The Packet by the Hon'ble Company's Ship Houghton, being brought ashore is now opened, and the several Papers therein contained are found to agree with the Lists.

The Packet p Houghton— the consideration thereof deferred.

General Letters to the Military Department bearing date the 8th and 15th April 1789.

Agreed to defer the particular consideration of the above dispatches.

Geo. Stuart Martin Sr

2119 Fort St. George September 1789.—

Diary

11 Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. No. 15)

To the Commandants at Trichinopoly — Palamcotah — Madura — and Ameer — enclosing the Nabob's order for storing Grain, which they are to see enforced.

To the Commandants at Trichinopoly Palamcottah Madura and Ameer.

Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. No.s 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21.)

From the Commandant at Madura

From the Commandant at Madura — States, that by Intelligence from Tippoo's Camp, the Troops are preparing to repass the Gauts in consequence of some Reports from the Mysore Country regarding the Mahrattas.

From Colonel Stuart

From Colonel Stuart — will forward a Duplicate Return of the Draft & Carriage Bullocks attached to the Shevigunga Detachment, as soon as he receives it from the Quarter Master.

From Mr. Vaughan

From Mr. Vaughan — will forward the Accounts of the Shevigungah Detachment with all possible expedition after his arrival at Madura.

From the Commandant at Vellore.

From the Commandant at Vellore — recommends that the Half Company of Sibendy Seapoys lately sent into the Ameer District be recalled.

From the Resident at Nagore

5th From the Resident at Nagore — requests permission for Mr. Harry Taylor to visit the Presidency.

Ordered accordingly.

From

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From Ganjam 5°. From Ganjam — advising of their having given permission to Messrs. Van Meirop & Hinslie to visit the Presidency in consequence of extreme ill health.

Received the following Letter from the Comptroller General of Army accounts.

To John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary to the Military Department

Sir

From the Comptroller General of Army accounts — states, that upon the solution of the question "whether the "Guntoor Detachment is "or is not to be considered "as having been on a field "Establishment" depends whether he is to make allowances for a War or Peace Establishment

In your favor of the 29th ult.o received Yesterday, you inform me the Honorable Board direct me to report "what particular Articles of Expence in Mr. Willis's Accounts "objected to by Mr. Sadleir, depend upon the Question proposed by me viz.t whether the Guntoor Detachment is, or is not to be "considered as having been on a Field Establishment."

In obedience to their Commands I have the honor to inform you, that upon the solution of this question depends whether I am to make allowances for Bullock & Camp Followers &c.a either for a War or Peace Establishment.

I have the honor to be

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S.r Y.r M.st O.t S.t

(signed) Capper

Col.o &c.a &c.a

Ordered that the following Minute of the Board upon Colonel Capper's Letter be entered hereunder:

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Minute thereon

5.th The Board consine the Directions contained in the Secretary's Letter of 29.th ultimo, more sufficiently full and explicit on the queries of the Comptroller General, preparatory to his obstructing Mr. Willis's Accounts of the Expences of the Guntoor Detachment.- They desired to be informed, of the Charges objected to by Mr. Sadleir, what particular Articles depended on the Detachment being considered on active Service in the Field or otherwise, supposing of course that the amount would be stated when the accounts were reported on; & they gave their opinion on other points of Reference, conceiving the same Establishment of Public or Camp Followers could not have been necessary after the Detachment was reduced to half Batta & considered to be in Cantonments, as would have been requisite if the Troops had been on active Service.

The Board desire that the Comptroller will proceed to examine and report on Mr. Willis's Accounts according to the best of his Judgement from the Informations before him.

Ordered that the Substance of the foregoing Minute be transmitted to Colonel Capper

Received the following Letters

To John Chamier Esq.re

Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir I am directed to acknowledge the Receipt of a Letter from the Governor in Council at Fort St. George of the 11.th Inst.o with its Enclosure, and to acquaint you in reply for his

From Bengal - reporting the Storm and Attack sent down with the Charge Captain Sadler

Information

5th Information, that as the Provision of the Rum and Arrack for the Madras Presidency was offered to publick Contract, and as the lowest proposals delivered in were accepted, no Steps can be taken for a Reduction in the prices.

I am further directed to desire, that you will inform the Governor in Council at Fort St. George, that Instructions have been given to the proper Offices to enquire into the complaints made of the badness of the Casks in which the Liquors were sent round by the Vessel, Captain Sadler, and of the Leakage during the Passage, and that a Copy of their Report will be sent forwarded when received.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Stratton
Sub Secy.

Fort William
12th August 1789

6th The President sends in circulation the following Minute.

The President recommends, in consequence of alarming reports from the Southward that all the Troops that can be conveniently drawn from the Southern Garrisons be cantoned at Trichinopoly, & that the 16th Battalion be recalled from Chingeput.

The alarming reports of the preparations of Tippoo Sultaun in the Coimbetour Country, and on the Boundaries of the Carnatic, render it necessary to assemble such a Force as can be collected together on the South of the Coleroon, with the least possible Expence; altho' it is hardly probable that Tippoo unprovoked will hazard a War with the English, yet, as it is impossible to ascertain what may be the sudden resolutions of a mind so little regulated by common Rules of Policy, the President is of opinion it will be prudent to be in a state of as much preparation as from the present situation of our Troops to the Southward, can be accomplished. He recommends therefore, with the concurrence

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6th Instance of General Horne, that Colonel Stuart be directed to recal the 16th Battalion from the Chevigunga District. that as the Troops that can be conveniently drawn from the Garrisons of the Southern Division of the Army be ordered to assemble in Cantonments at Trichinopoly. that the Draft & Carriage Bullocks of the Establishments stationed at Tanjore and Trichinopoly be assembled and kept in readiness at Trichinopoly. and the President further recommends that all Officers be ordered to repair to their Stations, and join their respective Corps.

(signed) J. Hollond

Ordered that a General order to the foregoing effect be immediately published.

A General Order to be published

Sent a Letter to His Highness the Nabob, (as entered J. C. in C. C. No 79) informing him, that as the Troops to the Southward are ordered to assemble at Trichinopoly, it is necessary that His Highness should issue orders to his Aumildars to be attentive in ordering a sufficient number of Draft & Carriage Bullocks, as well as Cattle for Slaughter, to be kept and employed in such places that on any sudden Emergency, they may be drawn within the protection of the Company's Troops.

Substance of a letter to His Highness the Nabob.

Sent a Letter to the Public Secretary at Bombay. (entered in Miscellany Book No. 22.) advising of the arrival of his Majesty's Squadron.

To the Secretary at Bombay.

At

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At a Consultation Present

The Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor, President

Tuesday
8th September
1789. James Henry Casamajor
and
Edward John Holland
} Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation Read & Approved.

Read the following Letter from Masulipatam

To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor &c. Council

Fort St. George

Honorable Sir and Sirs

From the Chief & Council at Masulipatam — with recommendations respecting the not permitting the same Persons to hold Lands under the Southern & under the Company's Governments

We have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your orders communicated to us in your Secretary's letter of the 5th Instant, and shall use every exertion to enable us to discharge the Bill therein mentioned at the time specified, which We conclude it to be your intention should have a preference to every other Claim upon this Treasury.

The most positive orders have repeatedly been issued to all Zemindars &c. possessing Districts on the Coders

borders of the Soubah's Territories, not to assist protect, or harbour any of his subjects under any pretence whatsoever, and the same directions have often been sent to Mr. Kinchant, the Complaints we have received being chiefly against the Petty Tributaries belonging to the three Pungunnahs under his Management. This Evil which it may be difficult entirely to prevent, is considerably encreased by several of our Petty Zemindars on the borders of the Commamet Circar, holding Lands in that District, as well as from the Company; which affords them the means of removing from the one Country to the other, whenever it suits their convenience, or when pressed for their Revenue. It has often been suggested therefore, as the most likely means of preventing this inconvenience that an Agreement might be entered into with the Soubah, and strictly adhered to, that the same Person should not be permitted to hold Lands under both Governments, and that the refractory Subjects of the one, when they take Shelter in the Territories of the other, should be delivered upon application.

The accompanying Consultations, in which is entered such part of the Chief's Correspondence during his absence at Guntoor, and since his return, as relate to the affairs of this District, will serve to communicate what has lately passed on the subject above mentioned. What passed between us and Seif Sing a little before the Guntoor Circar was delivered up to the Company, need not be mentioned by us at present, as all the correspondence relative thereto, was either transmitted by us to your Honor &c., or by the Chief

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to the late Governor. The Plundering of the small District of Lingagary by a subject of the Nizam's in the End of the Year 1782, and the entire Loss of its Revenue from that time, has already been often mentioned in the correspondence between this Board and the Presidency; & M.r Richard Johnson when at Hydrabad in 1784, was also applied to on the subject: No redress was however obtained, altho' promises to M.r Johnson, which induced the Chief to write regarding this matter to Captain Kennaway, and as his Letter dated the 18.th Decem.r is entered in the monthly Proceedings we beg leave to refer to it, as also to one from Captain Kennaway dated 17.th July last, by which it will appear that every thing regarding Lingagary was then on the point of being adjusted thro' his Mediation.

Our Chief's letters to Captain Kennaway dated 18.th December, 4th & 29.th June, and 8.th July, and those from Captain Kennaway dated 17.th May, 23.rd June, and 17.th July will serve to explain what has been suggested as the most proper means for preventing the complaints mentioned in the Extract from the Government General: and the Letters from Hussamuddeen Cawn Naib of Commamett, who is the son of the present Minister at Hydrabad, will also serve to shew that it is generally thought to be the best means of preventing troubles in future on the borders of the two Countries, that the same person should not be permitted to hold lands in both. To carry this measure into Effect, it will however be necessary for us to have your Sanction; and the present time of assembling the Zemindars for a new Settlement affords a favorable opportunity for this purpose; more particularly as the Naib of Commamett has sent a person to this place to represent his Claims upon several of the Petty Zemindars for the Lands which

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they hold in the Commaunett Circar. We might by proper Caution prevent any of the Soubah's Subjects from Renting Lands in this District, but it must Depend upon the Soubah himself, or upon his Managers not to let any of his Lands to Company's Subjects, and particularly to the Petty Zemindars. The Revenue of those People have lately become very precarious, by the means they have of removing their Crops into Villages rented by them in the Commaunett Circar, and flying thither themselves, in order to evade Payment. While there, no measures can be taken, further than to apply to have them delivered up, which is liable to be prevented by the Soubah's Managers having also demands upon them. An Instance of this kind has just happened — two Petty Zemindars of the Chintalapooly Pergannah being summoned to this Place, have retired into the Commaunett Circar, alledging in their Letters to us, that their attendance has been required by the Nabob: at the same time it appears, by a Letter from him, that he understands them to have proceeded hither. The complaints which We have lately Received of those Petty Tributaries, not only protecting Persons who have been guilty of Murder and Plunder in the Commaunett Circar, but also of committing Depredations themselves, renders it absolutely necessary to adopt some measures for the preservation of the Peace of the borders in future. This Circumstance being our principal motive for summoning them at present to this place, which however may be attended with difficulty, owing to their having been long tolerated, from their insignification, in their Contempt of all authority, that which Mr. Kinchant professes over them being merely nominal, as will appear by all the Correspondence with him entered on our proceedings sent to the Board of Revenue.

When

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Whenthey have arrived, and We have had an opportunity of acquiring more complete Information respecting themselves and their Countries, than We can obtain thro' Mr. Kinchant, We shall address your honor &c. Further on the Subject

The difficulties occasioned by Seif Jung's having Sol-
-icited a Zemindar who holds lands both from the Company and the Soubah, with a considerable Force into this District, in the beginning of the Year 1786, are already sufficiently known, as also their having been renewed in some degree last year; and it also happened lately that the Aumil of Nullagondah sent Troops into the little District of Munagalah which is entirely surrounded by the Nizam's Territories, but which were immediately withdrawn in consequence of Captain Kennaway's interposition. We conceive it well worth while therefore to take every means for preventing the Nizam's Managers from having any Demands on the Company's Zemindars, which cannot be done while they are permitted to Rent or otherwise hold Lands in the Soubah's Country.

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

Anth. Sadleir
Ja. Hodges
W. Doblyn

Masulipatam
31st August 1789

(signed)

Private Thurs

The Board approve the Chiefs & Council's recommendations respecting the not permitting the same Person to hold Lands under the Soubah's and under the Company's Govern-
-ment

Resolve

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Resolved that they be desired to carry them into Effect as far as practicable, availing themselves of the approaching Period when the Zemindars shall be assembled for a new Settlement.

Agreed that an answer be drafted to Masulipatam to the foregoing Effect.

Read the following Letter from Pulicat

To the Honorable John Holland Esqr.
Governor &c. Council at Fort St. George

Honorable Sir and Gentlemen

From the Chief & Council at Pulicat — repeating their request for the several Dutch Books & Papers found at the Capture of Negapatam & the subaltern Settlements

Last Year we took the liberty to request the restitution of several Papers of Consequence lost by the Capture of Negapatam, and the subaltern Settlements, which We supposed to be found at Madras or other Establishments.

Some days after We received from your Honble Board the favorable promise to receive any papers relating to the affairs of the Honorable Dutch Company, that should be found.

Since this time we received some papers only from Masulipatam, but those not being sufficient for our purpose, We most kindly repeat the Request for the restitution of all such Books and Papers as were found by the Capture of Negapatam & other Settlements, and are yet subsisting in your hands.

We shall always acknowledge this favor, and have the honor to remain

Honble Sir &c. &c.
(signed) N. Tadama
& Council —

Pulicat
31st August 1789

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Minute thereon

Agreed to remind the Chief & Council at Pallicat of the Letter addressed to them by this Government under date the 22nd October last, and to inform them that our Endeavors to furnish them with the Papers they want have been fruitless: and that We can only repeat the offer made in the above-mentioned address.

Ordered that W. Cochrane be desired to deliver to the proper Offices the publick papers in his Charge relating to the Capture of Negapatam

Read the following Letter from Colonel Stuart (with Enclosure entered in MB No. 23.)

John Chanier Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir

From Colonel Stuart — Enclosing the Engineer's Report respecting the Church at Vellum, occupied as a Barrack — also Estimate of the Repairs wanting to the Fort.

In obedience to the Commands of Government signified thro' you in your Letter to me of 20th January last, I ordered the Engineer at present Stationed in this Garrison, to survey the Church at Vellum at present occupied as a Barrack, and I now have the honor to transmit his report for the Information of the Honble Board.

I have also the honor to enclose for the information of the Honble Board a Report made to me as Commandant of the Garrison of Tanjore, by Lieutenant Jennings the Engineer at present Stationed in that Garrison, representing the necessity of some repairs being made on the counter-scarp

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Countrscarp of the Ditch west of the small Fort; and as I am entirely of Mr. Fanning's opinion respecting the necessity of the Repairs being made for the reasons he assigns in his report, I beg to be honored with Government's Commands thereupon, and I have the honor to be

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

Colonel Commanding

Tanjore
30. August 1789

Minute thereon — Agreed to desire Colonel Stuart will make an offer to Mr. Swartz of 300 Pagodas for the purchase of the Church at Vellum, to be in full of all demands.

Ditto — Agreed also to desire he will furnish the Board with an Estimate of the Expence which will attend the Repairs recommended for the Countrscarp of the Ditch &c.

Read the following Letters from Brigadier General Horne (with Enclosures entered in MB Nos. 24. 25. 26. 27.)

To the Hon.ble John Holland Esq.r

Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From Brigadier General Horne — as to Repairs wanting at Tritchinopoly, and to the Cavalry Cantonment near Arcot.

I have the honor to lay before the Board the Engineers Report & Estimates of some Repairs required on the publick Buildings at Tritchinopoly, and beg leave to acquaint the Board that as the large House in that Garrison is now converted into Quarters for the accommodation of eight Officers (being in a most ruinous state) that it is absolutely necessary before the Monsoon sets in, that the Engineer should be directed to

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to repair it.

The public Duties of the Garrison has always been carried on in the old Cutcherree for want of another Building suitable to the occasion; but as it appears that it is now irrepairable, I consider the Engineer's proposed plan of putting on a new tiled Roof, judicious, and less expensive than any other mode he could adopt.

An application from Major Younge (Commanding the Cavalry Cantonment at arcot) respecting the situation of the men's Barracks, Stables &c. of the 4th. and 5th. Regiments of Cavalry, I have the honor to submit them to the Board's consideration.

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Septem. 2d. 1789—

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

To The Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council.

Hon.ble Sir

From Brigadier General Horne — the reports the death of Captain Bridges and promotion in Consequence Ensign Clements killed on Service in the Ganjam District.

Being informed through several Channels that Captain Bridges did in the month of May last Embark at Ganjam on board the Alert Captain Walker, which Ship has been missing ever since, and lost in the opinion of several Persons of whom I have made particular Enquiry in a Gale of Wind between Viragapatam and Ganjam, two or three days after she left the Port, I deem it expedient to report the same to the hon.ble Board, and to signify to them that by the demise of Captain Bridges, Senior Captain Lieutenant Moore succeeds to the Rank of Captain of a Company, vice Captain Bridges.

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant Colonel Trent, Commanding at Ganjam, has reported that Ensign George Clements was Killed on Service in that District, in the course of last month.

Certificates for Promotion in the Native Corps I have the honor to lay before the Board.

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

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The Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From Brigadier General Horne + recommends that Lieutenant Colonel Hughes be placed on the Invalid dist - Encloses Letter from that Officer on the Subject

I have the honor to lay before the Board an application from Lieutenant Colonel Hughes of Infantry, requesting to be placed on the Invalided List.

In justice to the merits of a very old Soldier, debilitated and wounded in the Service, I beg leave to recommend to the consideration of the Hon.ble Board, the Colonel's solicitation of being appointed to a situation that does not immediately require the presence of an Effective Officer.

Lieutenant Fireworker Northen's Certificate from the India house, permitting him to return to the Service, is herewith Enclosed.

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

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Minutes thereon

Agreed that the repairs reported to be necessary at Tritchinopoly, and at the Cavalry Cantonment near Arcot be carried into execution in the manner recommended.

Agreed also that Lieutenant Colonel Hughes be placed on the Invalid List conformably to his request; and that the other Promotions recommended by General Stone be acquiesced in.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Musgrave.

To the Hon.ble John Hollond Esq.r
Governor in Council.

Hon.ble Sir

From Colonel Musgrave with Letter to him from Colonel Floyd, requesting a further supply of Cash for the purchase of Horses.

I have the honor to lay before you the Copy of a Letter from Colonel Floyd Commanding his Majesty's 19.th Regt. of Light Dragoons, and request you will be so obliging as to favor me with your pleasure thereon.

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a
(signed) Thomas Musgrave

Madras 5th Septem.r 1789

Colonel Musgrave
Commanding His Majesty's Troops

Sir

Notwithstanding my Endeavors to execute the orders of Government, of last March, to procure 22 Horses, the number then wanted to complete his Majesty's 19.th Regiment Light Dragoons, I have hitherto been able to procure only two.

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There is to be a Horse Fair at Tripetty the middle of this month, where a Considerable number of Horses are expected for Sale, and it will probably afford an opportunity of procuring at least the number already ordered.

Another favorable opportunity offers in December at Cochin by Horses expected by Sea.

The Casualties as per Returns since march amount to 8 Horses, and 11 or 12 appear to be unfit for Service, and in my opinion ought to be cast.

I request you will please to lay these Circumstances before Government, and inform me if they think proper to authorize me to procure the additional number of 20 Horses, which have become wanting to compleat.

If this Suggestion meets the approbation of Government, I request they will be pleased to order me the usual Sum in the same manner as formerly for the purpose.

I have the honor to be
Gentn. Yr. Mo. Obt. Servt.
(Signed) T. Floyd

Chinsurah
1st. Septr. 1789

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Colonel Musgrave, that the Board conceive it more regular to wait until Colonel Floyd has expended the Advances already made before they come to the Resolution of furnishing him with a further supply of Cash for the purchase of Horses.

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.

To

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To the Hon.ble John Holland Esq.r

Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From the Military Board desiring to know whether the Pioneers at present paid, or the artillery Gun Mares are to be considered as part of the Establishment

Enclosed We have the honor to transmit our Proceedings since the date of our last address.

As it does not appear that the Pioneers at present paid, or the Artillery Gun Mares, are part of the Establishment published in 1786, or authorized by any subsequent order, We beg leave to submit to your Judgement whether they shall be considered as part of the Establishment or discontinued.

We have the honor to be

Hon.ble Sir Hon.ble Sir Hon.ble Sir

Mathew. Horne
J. Capper
P. Ross
Henry. Malcolm
Ja.s Campbell
J. Moorhouse

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28th August 1789

(Signed)

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform the Military Board, in reply to the foregoing, that the Pioneers at this time paid, and the artillery Gun Mares, may remain, for the present, upon the Establishment.

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Ross.

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To the Hon.ble John Holland Esq.r

Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From the Chief Engineer — with Estimate of the Expence of Repairs wanted to be done to the Sheds and Railing on the Nabobs Ground

Agreeable to your orders I have the honor to lay before you the Estimate of the Expence of Repairs wanted to be done to the Sheds and railing on the Nabobs Ground for the use of the Garrison Storekeeper.

and I remain Most respectfully

Fort St. George
3rd. Septem.r 1789.

(signed) P. Ross
Lieutenant Col. & Chief Engr.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Estimate be sent to the Committee of Works, and that they be desired to direct the Repairs to be executed.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Hughes, Collector at Guntoor.

To the Hon.ble John Holland Esq.r

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

From the Collector at Guntoor — has in the Name of 400 Pagodas to be Summaued at Bellumcondah on account Repairs — further information regarding same to Executed

I have the honor to transmit to you Copy of a Letter from the Commanding Officer at Bellumcondah, with a Plan of the Quarters he is constructing, to whom, in obedience to your orders I [illegible]

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Malaupaudoo conceiving that a party of the Jellawars about four Cos's distant in the Palnaud District meant to assist Cannamanah Vencanah, were under some alarm, on which I wrote to the Commanding Officer, that from the Latitude he had been pleased to grant to Captain Dawes of detaching such a force when ever expedient, as might both protect the Inhabitants as well as give greater Efficacy to his Endeavors to apprehend Vencanah, I hoped these measures would impress the Inhabitants with a confidence of their Safety.

On the 20th. Instant Major Wynch transmitted me a Copy of a Letter from Captain Dawes, who submitted to Major Wynch whether it might not be for the good of the Service to proceed to extremity against any Person or Persons of the above description found in Arms, and acting hostily in the Company's District. The Letter being referred to me for my opinion, I replied, I did not think it adviseable to attack the Jellawars in the situation mentioned; but should their imprudence lead them to enter this Circar in a hostile manner, the Officer employed on this Service would be the best judge how to act: and every Exertion on our part should be made to repel them. Major Wynch having recommended as prudent to strengthen the Party at Malaupaudoo with another Company, I approved of the measure.

Having hitherto acted upon the probability of apprehending Vencanah in order to punish him for reasons that have been fully related to your Honble Board, I cannot act with any hope

[illegible] Hills & Jury

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but nevertheless, I shall not now recall the Party detached, as their Services are at present particularly necessary; for should the Inhabitants be molested, at this Season of Cultivation, it might prove injurious to the Revenues of the District.

I have the honor to be

Sir &c. &c. &c.

Guntoor. —
28th August 1789.

(signed) Robert Hughes

Collector

Read the following Letter from the Paymaster at Chingleput.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

From the Paymaster at Chingleput — states the necessaries for the repairs of the Granaries — the Soldiers Barracks &c. in very ruinous conditions.

Having examined the State of the Roofs of the different Granaries, I find some of them are in real want of Repairs, and that others are in such good order that it does not appear necessary to take down the old Roofs: Shifting the Tiles, and placing new flat ones where they are wanted, with some little additions of Chunam &c. will in my opinion render the Roofs water Proof .. The Roofs of the other Granaries ought entirely to be taken down, and new ones put on. By the nearest Calculation I can make, I am of opinion that the whole expence of repairing some, and putting on new Roofs upon other Granaries, will not exceed the Sum of 300 Pagodas.

I shall now take the liberty of representing

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to your Honor the ruinous state of the Soldiers Barracks — they are in such a condition, that the Men find it impossible to keep themselves dry; the Roofs are entirely decayed; Tiles, Rafters, &c.a, in short, all the wooden part of the Roofs are crumbling into Dust, the consequences of which are, that the Men are daily carried into the Hospital, from their Barracks being so leaky that they scarcely afford them better shelter than being in the open air.

From what I can learn, these Barracks have not been repaired these 30 years past; and as they are in a most ruinous Condition, I have taken the liberty of representing it. I have the honor to remain

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

Chingleput 31st. August 1789

(Signed) Walter Balfour

Minute thereon

Agreed that an Extract from the foregoing be sent to the Chief Engineer, and that he be desired to procure an Estimate of the Expenses necessary for repairing the Granaries at Chingleput

Read the following Letters (entered in P.C. No.s 2229. 30.)

From Mr Joseph Shawe

From Mr. Shawe, Second Assistant in the Secretary's Office — Stating the hardships he endures from Mr. Marten's continuing in the Office, altho' lately appointed Secretary to the Board of Trade, and holding other Employs.

Minute thereon

The Board remark that Mr Shawe holds at least as many Employs as Mr. Marten, and is as much disqualified from a constant attendance on the Secretary's Office as Mr.

Marten,

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Marten; His objections to Mr. Martens continuance are not therefore well founded.

From Colonel Capper — stating that the Barrack Master north of the Kistna has made Changes for Cotts, Potts &c. supplied twenty five Coffrees at Ganjam, which being irregular, ought not be conceives, to be continued.

Minute thereon The Board approve Colonel Cappers recommendation, and desire he will act conformably to them.

From the Chief of Cuddalore — From the Chief of Cuddalore — complaing of the very irregular conduct of Mr. Haines, a Pensioner.

Minute thereon — Agreed to desire the Chief & Council of Cuddalore will severely reprimand Mr. Haines, and inform him that on any repitition of his irregular Conduct, his Pension will be taken from him.

John Holland

Edwd Fr Holland

Ex. Geo. Jul. Marten Esq.

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At a Consultation Present

The Honble John Hollond Esqr

Governor President

James Henry Casamaijor

Wednesday 9th September 1789 and } Esqrs

Edward John Hollond

Minutes of last Consultation read and Approved

Several Letters from England in the Military Department to Houghton, taken into consideration & orders passed thereon.

The Board now proceed to pass the necessary orders upon the General Letters lately received from the Court of Directors, under date the 8th & 15th April last.

Para: 1st and 2nd need no particular order

3rd To be sent to the Military Paymaster General

4th Resolved that proper attention be paid to the order contained in this Paragraph whenever the Posts of Adjutant & Quarter Master General shall become vacant.

nounced

Para: 5th Agreed that Mr Forst's appointment be announced in General Orders.

Para: 6th To be announced in General Orders.

7th Ditto — Ditto — Ditto and a Copy to be sent to the Hospital Board.

Para: 8th and 9th To be sent to the Military Paymaster General.

Para: 10th to 15th Resolved that the Directions contained in these Paragraphs be attended to when the business of Mr Digby's Accounts shall be brought before the Board by Mr Digby's Attornies.

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Paras. 16 to 21st To be sent to the Military Paymaster General.

Para. 23rd The Instructions in this Paragraph having been already Complied with, no particular order is at present necessary.

24th — Requires no order

25 — Agreed that Copy of this Paragraph be sent to the Chief Engineer, and that he be desired to report thereon.

Para 26, 27, 28. require no particular order at present.

29—39— Resolved that the Directions contained in these Paragraphs, respecting the Claims of Lieutenant Colonel Giels, be carried into execution, and that the Substance of them be announced in General Orders.

Para: 40 Agreed that Copy of this Paragraph be sent to Lieutenant Colonel Giels.

Para 41 ... To be sent to the Commissary General.

43 ... To be sent to Lieutenant Bowles of the Cavalry.

44 — Needs no particular order.

45 — Agreed that Copy of this Paragraph be sent to the Hospital Board, & that Mr Gahagan be placed on the List of Surgeons next below Mr Duffin, agreeably to the Decision of the Court of Directors upon his Memorial.

Para: 47 .. Dr Bell having lately succeeded the Reverend Mr Millingchamp as one of the Chaplains at the Presidency, his Services cannot at this Juncture be dispensed with — Agreed therefore that any resolution upon this Paragraph, be, for the present, postponed.

Para: 48. to 53 Require no particular orders.

Para

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Para: 54. Agreed to postpone the consideration of this Paragraph.

Para. 55 .56. Require no particular orders.

57 To be communicated to Colonel Nixon.

58. to 63 Require no particular Orders.

64 The reasons upon which the Board acquiesced in Sir Archibald Campbell's recommendation for raising the 5th Regiment of Native Cavalry, are already upon Record, and the Board have seen no cause to depart from the Resolution formed upon them — They are still of opinion that the Regiments (being part of the Establishment sent on from Europe) should be kept up, as recommended by the late President.

Para: 65: requires no order

66 Upon this Paragraph the Board remark, that the Regulations for the Invalid & Pensioned List, already upon Record, contain all they have to say on the subject, & are, it is conceived, sufficiently comprehensive — They trust that the Honorable Court upon a further consideration of them, will be of opinion that the Invalid and Pensioned List is now upon the most advantageous Footing for their Service

Para 67, & 80 Require no particular orders.

81, & 85 Ordered that Copies of these Paragraphs be sent to the Chief Engineer, & that that he be directed to give every Information on the subject

Para: 86 Agree that the Directions contained in this Paragraph be complied with,

Paras: 87. 88. 89 require no particular order.

90. Will be attended to in the Event of further purchases of Horses.

Paras. 91. 92 Require no particular order at present

Paras

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Para 93..94. Require no particular order at present.
95 Bills Bills
97. to 118. Order that Copies of the foregoing be sent to
General Home, and that he be desired to report his opinion
respecting the Military arrangements therein Contained.

Para 1..4.. 119-120 Resolved that the Directions contained in
the foregoing Paragraphs be attended to in future.

Para 121.. to 130 Require no particular orders.

P. — 131. To be communicated to Lieutenant Colonel Hydenham
132 to the End of the Letter — require no particular Orders
at present.

General Letter 15th April 1789.—

Para: 1st and 2nd
Agree that the Consideration of the above be
deferred.

John Holland
Edwd Fra Holland

Ex.
Joseph Martin Esqr

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Diary

9th Sent the following Letter to the Chief & Council at Pulicat

To the Honble Nicholas Sadama Esqr

Superintendant of the Possessions of their High Mightinesses the States General on the Coast of Coromandel,

and to the Council at Pulicat

Gentlemen

To Pulicat respecting the Books and Papers in the hands of the Agency for the Capture of Negapatam &c.

We had the honor to address you under date the 22d October last, enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Honble Basil Cochrane, respecting the Books and Papers in the hands of the Agency for the Capture of Negapatam.

We are sorry to report, in answer to your Letter of the 31st Ultimo, that our Endeavors to furnish you with the Papers which are necessary to you, have been fruitless; and that We can only repeat the offer made in Mr Cochrane's Letter, a Copy of which was enclosed in ours of the 22nd of October last.

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

Fort St George
8th Septr 1789

(signed) J Holland
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&c Council

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9th Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in No. B. Nos. 31. 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49.)

To Cuddalore — To Cuddalore — Mr. Haines to be severely reprimanded for his irregular Conduct, and informed, that if there be any repitition of it, his Pension will immediately be withdrawn.

To Brigadier General Horne — To Brigadier General Horne — The Repairs wanting at Tritchinopoly and at the Cavalry Cantonments near Arcot, are ordered to be carried into Execution. — Lieutenant Colonel Hughes Invalided; and Captain Moore promoted.

To Colonel Musgrave — To Colonel Musgrave — the Board conceive it more regular to wait until Colonel Roy's has expended the advances already made before they come to the Resolution of furnishing him with a further supply of Cash for the purchase of Horses.

To Brigadier General Horne. — To Brigadier General Horne — Enclosing Extracts from the Court's Letter under date the 8th. April last, and desiring his opinion respecting the Military Arrangements therein contained.

To the Commandant at Tritchinopoly — To the Commandant at Tritchinopoly — Enclosing an Estimate for Repairs, to be carried into Execution agreeably to the Regulations of the 26th. Septem. 1786. — A Room of Mud with a Tyled Roof to be constructed adjoining the General Hospital, for the reception of those who die in the Hospital until they are buried.

No 3. Copy of the above to the Paymaster.

To

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To the Hon.ble Basil Cochrane 9th

To the Hon.ble Basil Cochrane — to deliver into the publick Office the Papers mentioned in his Letter of the 21.st October last, as being publick Papers relating to the Capture of Negapatam.

To Major Young

To Major Young Commanding the Cantonment near Arcot — His recommendation regarding the Repairs to the Stabling &c.a approved — the Paymaster will be directed to make the necessary Advances.

To Colonel Nixon

To Colonel Nixon Commanding at Vellore — the half Company of Sibendy Seapoys sent into the District of Arnie are to remain for the present in that District — Enclosing the opinion of the Court of Directors to his request made thro' the Channel of this Government.

To the Commandant at Tanjore

To the Commandant at Tanjore — the Engineer to prepare an Estimate which will be occasioned by the proposed repairs to the Counterscarp of the Ditch — the sum of 300 Pag.s to be offered to M.r Swartze for the Church at Vellum.

To the Paymaster at Walaujahbad

To the Paymaster at Walaujahbad — To advance the several Sums mentioned by Major Young as necessary for the Execution of the Repairs to the Stabling &c.a at the Cavalry Cantonments.

To the Military Board

To the Military Board — The Pioneers at this time paid, and the Artillery Gun Mares may remain for the present in their actual Situation.

To Lieutenant Colonel Sydenham

10.th To Lieutenant Colonel Sydenham — Enclosing Copy of the 131.st Paragraph of the General Letter from the Court of Directors, under date the 8.th April last.

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10th To Lieutenant Colonel Giels — Enclosing Copy of the
40th Paragraph of the above Letter

To Lieutenant Colonel Giels.

To the Military Paymaster General — with the 3d — 9th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th and 21st Paragraphs of the above-mentioned Letter, for his Information and Guidance.

To the Military Paymaster General.

To the Hospital Board — with the 7th — 45th and 75th Paragraphs of the aforementioned Letter — Mr. Gahagan to rank next under Mr. Duffin.

To the Hospital Board.

To Colonel Capper — To Colonel Capper — Enclosing Copy of the 41st Paragraph of the same Letter

To Colonel Capper

To Lieutenant Henry Bowles — To Lieutenant Henry Bowles with the 43rd Paragraph

To Lieutenant Henry Bowles

To the Chief Engineer — Enclosing the 25th — 81st — 82nd — 83rd — 84th — and 85th Paragraphs, and desiring he will give every Information in his Power relative to the Subjects contained in them.

To the Chief Engineer

To the Collectors in the Jaghire — informing them that Lieutenant Norris will furnish Maps of the Jaghire — to send in an Indent for such Maps as they may require.

To the Collectors in the Jaghire

Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in No. 113 Nos. 50, 51, 52).

From Masulipatam — Enclosing Extract of a Letter from the Committee of Stores at that Subordinate — with Copy of the List of Stores, & of the Proof of Gunpowder received by the Snow Hope.

From Masulipatam

From the Paymaster and Storekeeper at Tanjore — In exculpation of his Conduct in having Issued Grain from the Company's Stores without the previous Sanction of Government.

From the Storekeeper at Tanjore

From

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From Colonel Stuart 11th. From Colonel Stuart — enclosing a Duplicate of the Return of Draught and Carriage Bullocks attached to the Detachment under his command in the Sheivigungah + District, specifying the manner in which they were employed.

At a Consultation Present

The Honble **John Holland** Esqr

Governor, President.

Friday 11th September 1789. **James Henry Casamajor**

and

Edward John Holland Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation read and Approved.

The President lays before the Board Copy of a Paper which he presented to the Nabob, on the subject of the Company's orders relative to a new Arrangement with his Highness.

+ Paper presented by the President to his Highness the Nabob, on the subject of the Company's orders visiting a new arrangement for his Payments.

The Governor wishes His Highness the Nabob to consider more maturely the terms proposed by the Honble the Court of Directors, for forming a new Arrangement by which his immediate Payments will be greatly diminished, and the difficulties under which he labours in providing for his

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stipulated Visits will consequently be removed. The Honble the Court of Directors from a friendly desire of attending to the Dignity of His Highness the Nabob, and enabling him to consult the ease and happiness of his Ryotts, and the prosperity of his Country, have proposed an Arrangement by which they consent to diminish their own Resources, at a period when the Company's Affairs are still under great difficulties. It is their desire to avoid any further discussions relative to the Tanjore Country, and His Highness's Claims of Sovereignty, which it cannot materially concern His Highness the Nabob to review at this Juncture; without entering therefore on a Subject which it is unnecessary at present to mention, the Governor will proceed to state the advantages of the new Arrangement proposed.

By the present existing Treaty the contribution of His Highness the Nabob for Debt and Subsidy amounts to the aggregate Sum of Twenty one Lacks of Pagodas, of which amount the Sum of Two Lacks and twenty thousand Pagodas, being transferred to the Rajah of Tanjore, are paid by him; but if the arrangement now proposed takes Effect, there will be no difference in the amount of the Payments made at this moment on account of Pishcash by the Rajah of Tanjore, and the annual Payments to be made by his Highness the Nabob for the ensuing two Years would be reduced to 9 Lacs Subsidy, and that portion of 12 Lacks which Sum is due to his private Revenues of the new Consolidated Fund and Cavalry Loan, as by

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Agreement dated 28th June 1785; and in lieu of the proportion of the above 12 Lacs due to the Company on account of the Debt incurred for the Expences of the late War, the Company would receive the Tanjore Peishcush and arrears, and after the expiration of two Years the Subsidy will stand at 11 Lacks of Pagodas. It is however to be considered that if Payments are punctually made, the Carnatic Loan Debts will be extinguished during the course of the next year, when the aggregate Payments from his Highness the Nabob will of course be proportionably reduced.

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30. July 1789

Received the following Letter from the Nabob (vide C.C. Nos 80. 81.)

From the Nabob Walaujah To the Honble Jnr Holland Esqr.

18th of Zehudge 1203 — or the 9th of Septr. 1789
Received 11th September 1789 ——

The Nabobs reply to the foregoing.

My Government and my Country may be compared to a Person greatly distressed in mind, who cannot possibly recover his health until that Distress is first removed, but whose Physician being himself unwell, has it not in his power to attend to his disorder, and those who compound the Medicines, in consequence of the Indisposition of the Physician, pay no attention to the Patient. I have it not in my ability to act according to the Treaty made with

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with Sir Archibald Campbell, under which I had the fullest confidence of reconvening Tanjore, nor can I comply with the present Treaty which I am required by my Friends to act in conformity to. I am in a most peculiar situation, such, as is beyond the bounds of credibility — the remedy is in the hands of my Friends, and those deputed by them — at first the Current Expence was two Lacs of Pagodas: after-wards, at the Commencement of Mr Palk's Government, it was encreased to three Lacks — after which according to the Treaty between me and Mr Hastings the Governor General, I agreed for 12 Lacs of Pagodas, both for my Debts and the current Expences — in consequence of the mistaken Idea of my Friends in Europe, an agreement was made for 12 Lacs of Pagodas, independant of the Current Expences — subsequent thereto when a Treaty was made with Mr Davidson, I agreed to pay 16 Lacs of Pagodas on account of every thing — at the time that my Servants and Friends looked upon this Sum as much more than the State of my Country could bear, in the time of Sir Archibald Campbell, in full confidence of obtaining my right, viz. Tanjore / I agreed to pay 21 Lacs of Pagodas, but since /to this time/ Tanjore has not been delivered up to me, it is proper that the Sum required of me should be in conformity to the agreement made with Mr Davidson, and not, that I should be thus constantly pressed to the Payment of 21 Lacs of Pagodas, notwithstanding whatever may happen to me or any Country either from the want

of

of Rain and the distress consequent upon troubles, and notwithstanding the difficulties I may Experience, and the weight of high Interest. I have borrowed Money & for one Year have paid this Sum in the hope that I should have justice done me from England — even now I do not wish to lessen it, but from the distressed Situation of the Country I cannot comply with the requisition of the Governor and Council in paying by Kists the Sum of twenty one Lacks. If you my Friends, who are the representatives of my best Friends, will but consider this matter fully, and receive the Kists agreeably to the Engagement made with Mr Davidson, 'tis well; if not, I have both verbally and by Letter set forth my right — do you yourself be the Judge — In order to pay an Interest of Six ₰ Cent ₰ annum, which thro' the means of the Company I pay to my private Creditors, adverting to the requisition of the Governor and Council for the immediate payment of it, it would be absolutely necessary that I should borrow the Money for that Payment, at an Interest of four times more than I should pay them; under such Circumstances how is it possible that this Country should be able to bear the weight of such heavy Engagements?

What can I write more? —

To lie for further consideration

Ordered to lie for further consideration

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores (with Enclosures entered in C.B. Nos. 53, 54.)

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To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Govr. in Council

&c. &c. &c.

Hon.ble Sir and Sirs

We have the honor to inform you that We have received a Letter from the Committee of Stores at Tritchinopoly, with a General Statement of the Ordnance, Carriages, Limbers, Tumbrils, &c.a in that Garrison; and as by it We perceive that Several of the Gun Carriages want Repairs, We have ordered them to be made as soon as possible, it being of the utmost importance that the Guns of every description at Tritchinopoly should be in readiness for immediate Service. The Committee of Stores at Tritchinopoly have likewise transmitted us a report of a Survey made by them of the Ordnance & Stores recd. from Colonel Stuart's Detachment, by which it appears a few Repairs are necessary to the Carriages and Tumbrils: We have ordered them to be executed immediately, and are very happy in expressing our satisfaction at their returning in such good order.

We.

from the Committee of Stores recommending that the Gun Carriages at Tritchinopoly be immediately repaired - expressing their satisfaction at the Good order in which the Ordnance & Stores lately employed by Colonel Stuart were returned - proposing that a Commissary of Stores be appointed at Tritchinopoly - Powers of Government thereon.

The Board approve of repairing the Gun Carriages at Tritchinopoly of which an Estimate is to be furnished

Approved

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We herewith annex No. 1, a Copy of a minute laid before us at our last meeting by Brigadier General Horne, and as the proposal therein stated is no more than carrying into execution the plan long since adopted by Government and inserted in the Book of Regulations, of appointing a Commissary of Stores at each of the principal Stations of the army, we therefore with all due defe- rence readily concur in recommending that a Commissary of Stores be appointed at Tritchinopoly, and as Captain Bell has long served in the Stores, and during the late Expedition very particularly distinguished himself as an Active and diligent Officer in that Department, We take this occasion of making his Merits known to your Honble Board, and of recommending him to fill the Station of Commissary of Stores at Tritchinopoly - and to have a Seat at the Committee of Stores there, and also at each of the other Southern Garrisons whenever present on Service, which We conceive he ought to be at least once a Year, in order to assist in examining into the State and Condition of the Stores at each place, previous to their transmitting their annual Indents to the Presidency.

The Board are of opinion that the Establishment at Trichinopoly of a Deputy Commissary of Stores may remain for the present in its actual state; and they disapprove of any recommendation of Gentlemen to fill appointments.

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Approved:

The Commissary General of Stores laid before us last Tuesday a list of Stores received from the Military Store Keeper last month, we have the honor to Enclose a Copy thereof No. 2. and to inform you that We examined and Approved of the Musters.

We have the honor to be
Sir Sir Sir
Fort St. George
(Signed) Mathew Horne
I. Capper
Jr. Lind
Patrick Ross
I. Moorhouse

Read the following Letter from Colonel Stuart (with Enclosures entered in MB No. 55.)

John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary

Sir

from Colonel Stuart — enclosing an Estimate of the Expence of Repairs wanting to the Granary.

Mr. Strange the Store Keeper Sr. of this Garrison having laid your Letter to him of the 2d. Instant before me, directing an Estimate of Repairs necessary to be made on the Granary at this place before the setting in of the Monsoon. I

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I accordingly directed the Engineer at present stationed here, to examine the Granary, and report the repairs necessary to be made — His report with the Estimate I have the honor herewith to transmit for the information of Government.

I have the honor to be

Yr. Hble. Servt.

(signed) J. Stuart

Col. Commanding

Agreed that the Repairs to the Granary at Tanjore be executed agreeably to the Estimate, amounting to Pagodas 78.34.60, and to the Regulations of the 26th Septbr. 1786.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Kelly

John Shamier Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir

From Colonel Kelly on the Subject of storing Grain at once — the Nabob's orders not attended to.

In obedience to the orders of the Hon.ble Board contained in your letter of the 4th Instant, I immediately forwarded it's Enclosure, from the Nabob to his Amildar Rajah Ramchunder, said to contain "His Highness's Order for storing Grain at once immediately."

The Amildar's answer to my Letter, Copy of which I have the honor to enclose with it seems to indicate but too plainly the Predicament he is said to stand in, which

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which as it may eventually affect the state of the Granaries at Arnee, and thereby occasion irreparable loss to the Honble Company. I should subject myself to blame if I did not mention — It is reported that the Rents of the Arcot Province are already anticipated, that the Sumildar has borrowed Money for that purpose, and consequently been obliged to mortgage not only the present but future Crops for the Loan raised.

I have also to acknowledge Sir, the re-ceipt of your Letter of the 6th Instant, accompanying a similar order on the Renter of Gingee for Grain, "in case the Sumildar of Arcot should be unable." this clause, Sir, has occasioned the suspension of mea-sures I should otherwise have adopted in consequence of the first order, which commands me "to see it en-forced, and the Grain delivered into the charge of the Storekeeper."

The moment I received the evasive Answer from Arcot, I dispatched the order to Gingee, enclosed in a Letter to the Renter of that Talook, expressed in the same terms as my Letter to the Sumildar of Arcot; when the answer arrives it shall also be forwarded.

In the mean time, Sir, permit me to suggest that the surest and speediest mode of storing Grain at Arnee, as matters are circumstanced, is to order some of the Company's Servants to collect and bring it in.

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in from the Country, without prejudice to the Inhabi-
-tants: that is, to take the Circar's share of the Crop,
now almost ready to cut, without touching a Grain
of the Farmer's share, but such as they may be will-
-ing to dispose of.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c. &c. &c.
(signed) Robert Kelly

Arnee
9th September 1789

Read the following Letter from Brigadier
General Horne.

To the Hon.ble John Hollond Esq.r
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

Brigadier General Horne — reports the death of Major Wragg — promotions in consequence.

I have the honor to inform the Board that Major Wragg of the 3d. Battalion of European Infantry died on the 9th. Instant at Vellore — Captain Burr, of the same Regiment being the senior Captain stands first for the promotion of Major, in the room of Major Wragg, and Captain Lieutenant Jackson succeeds to a Captain of a Company vice Burr.

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

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Minute thereon.

Resolved that the Promotions above recom-
-mended, in consequence of Major Wragg's death, do
take place.

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore.

To John Chamier Esqr
Military Secretary

Sir

From the Resident at Tanjore - reputing the Rajah's payment - His Excellency thinks it will be necessary to send Shevarow to the Presidency - on the subject of the adopted boy of the late Rajahs

You will be pleased to acquaint the Honble President & Council that I had on Monday Evening an Interview with His Excellency the Rajah on the subject of the Honble President's Letter of the 21st ultimo - To the first Paragraph he replied, that he would in 10 days from that time pay (part at the Presidency, and part at Tanjore for the Expences of this Garrison as should be agreed upon) the Sum of Seventy thousand (70,000) Star Pagodas, which according to his account would make up the Sum of four Lacs and a half (4,50,000) of Pagodas from November 88, to next November 1789; more than which, he was not in any Shape able to pay.

Secondly that having agreed to pay this Sum, he was of opinion that the sending his Minister, Shevarow, to the Presidency, could be of no service, but rather on the contrary, as it would essentially impede the Collections and management of the Country, which could not be properly carried on during Shevarow's absence.

With respect to producing the accounts to me, this was what had been before required of him, but had never

never been insisted upon; His Excellency was not averse from informing me of the Gross amount of the Revenues at any particular period, but could not consent to submit the Detail to my inspection. That if the Honble the Presi-dent and Council took rigorous measures by way of punish-ing him for his nonacquiescence in this point, he must submit to what it might be their pleasure to order, but could never Consent to give up what he esteemed his right.

His Excellency appeared to be much moved with what I said respecting the Treatment due to the adopted Son of the late Rajah, which he considered as an Inter-ference in his Domestic Arrangements. He affirmed that the Boy had proper Cloaths, Food, and Medical Assistance when he wanted it, and was better treated by his Excellency, than he himself had been treated by his Brother the late Rajah: nevertheless that the English had not interfered with the late Rajah to alleviate his Confine-ment. That the boy had a Schoolmaster, but was of an obstinate Disposition, and disinclined to learn: and here he produced a Man whom he called a School-master, who confirmed his account; but as this was in presence of the Rajah and Shevarow, no great dependance can be placed in his Report.

I should have sent the result of this Conferance sooner, but was willing to adjust a difference between the accounts of this Office, and that of the Palace, which has

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taken up more time than I expected, for which reason I must defer the explanation of it to another opportunity.

I am
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

Tanjour
3rd September 1789

(signed) C Ram

Agreed that the consideration of the above be deferred.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Capper.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

From Colonel Capper – with Copy of a Letter from Major Stephenson in reply to the Remarks on his Accounts as Barrack Master in the Southern Division.

I beg leave to lay before you Copy of a Letter I have received from Major James Stephenson in reply to the remarks on his accounts as Barrack master in the Southern Division, and to submit to your consideration his explanation of the several Charges objected to.

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

Fort St. George
the
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To Colonel James Capper

Comptroller General of Army Accounts

Sir

I am honord with your Letter and Remarks on my accounts as Barrack master for the Southern Divi-sion for the month of march 1788. and beg leave to assure you that I have only charged for those Servants absolutely necessary to distribute the various articles to the Troops — That the Candles were supplied to the Main Guard, agreeable to the ancient Custom — That the Sweep-ers and Tobies were paid agreeable to my Charge & the usual Pay of the Country — as I held the Office but one month, I had not time to enquire into what was proper to be paid, or to render the Charges of my predecessor to the rates ordered by the regulations. My Charges for Store Rooms is not equal to my Expences, and that it became absolutely necessary in consequence of the various articles being removed from a Garrison Storeroom, by order of the Commanding Officer. In respect to the other over-charges, they must have occured by the temporary deamp of those articles, and must submit to the orefund.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
[signed] J. Stephenson

Camp at Cumetur
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Read also a Letter from Colonel Capper. (entered in M.B. No. 56.) stating his supposition that Mr Lucas is equally entitled to House Rent with other Surgeons

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Surgeons, and that the only irregularity in his Bills, is, their not being drawn at the prescribed time.

Agreed to inform Colonel Capper, in answer to the above Letters, that he should report what particular Sums are objectionable in Major Stephenson's Accounts as Barrack Master, of which Sums a repund should be made according to the Regulations — and that with respect to Mr. Lucas's Bills they should be counter-signed, provided the monthly Charge is the same as enjoyed by other Surgeons of similar Rank.

Minute on the two foregoing Letters

Read a Letter from Mr. Hugh Vaughan, (entered in C.B. No. 57) desiring money to discharge the Bill for Field Hospital Charges, and requesting to know from whence he is to receive money to discharge the above and such other ~~Demands~~ as may occur.

From Mr. Hugh Vaughan

Agreed to desire Mr. Vaughan will indent for such Sums as are necessary to compleat his Payments, stating what has been received and disbursed according to the form of the Indent sent to him; and that he be further directed to forward immediately to the Presidency one months accounts, which, it is conceived, ought to be compleated at this time.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letters (entered in C.B. No. 58 & 59.)

From Messrs. Roebuck and Martin, requesting to be allowed another Writer at Pagodas 10 per month, for the purpose of assisting in their Investigation of the Accounts of the King's Troops.

From Messrs. Roebuck & Martin

Agreed

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Minute thereon

Agreed to desire they will state what Esta-
-blishment of Writers is at present employed in the
business under their Management

Form Colonel De Wangenheim

From Colonel De Wangenheim - enclosing a
Letter from Ensign Engellmann of the 14th Regiment of Hano-
-verians, who has obtained the King's leave to resign the
Service, and requests to be allowed Pay until his Embarka-
-tion for Europe.

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Colonel De Wangheim that
the Board cannot comply with the above request.

Substance of a letter from Tippoo Sultaun

The President lays before the Board a Letter from
Tippoo Sultaun (entered in CC No. 82) dated 22nd ultimo -
received this day - containing declarations of friendship,
& stating that there have been some disturbances in the
Canool Country - requesting that the President will
order the Talookdar of Guntoor to put an end to the trou-
-bles in the Canool District.

Intelligence

The President communicates to the Board
intelligence received from Hydrabad & the Mysore Country

Orders prohibiting Europeans from going to the Durbar, to be repeated

The President proposes that the notification
made the 31st October last, prohibiting Europeans
from visiting at the Durbar, and announcing the Compa-
-ny's orders thereon, be repeated in the Courier.

Ordered accordingly.

Ex.

Geo. Ashl. Martenz Jr

John Holland

Chas. Jn. Holland

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Diary

11th Sent the following Letters.

To George Anson Byron Esqr.

Commander of His Majesty's Frigate

the Phœnix

Sir

To Captain Byron of his Majesty's Ship Phœnix — informing him that no foreign Ships are permitted to sail into the inner Bay at Trincomallee, without previous communication with the Shore.

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to inform you, that the Government of Columbo some time ago addressed a letter to this Board, requesting that the Commanders of all English Ships destined for Trincomallee may be apprized of a regulation now inforce, "that no foreign Ships be permitted to sail into the inner Bay, without a previous "communication with the Shore"

The Board have thought it necessary to give you this Information, in the Event of your proceeding with his Majesty's Ships to Trincomallee.

I have the honor to be

Sir

your most obedient Servant

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9th September 1789

(signed) J. Charnier
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To

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To Anthony Sadleir Esqr.

Chief &c. Council

at

Masulipatam

Gentlemen

To Masulipatam the recommendations respecting this not permitting the same Person to hold Lands under the Soubah's and under the Company's Government approved and to be carried into Execution as far as practicable

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 31st. ultimo, and to inform you that they approve your recommendations respecting the not permitting the same Person to hold Lands under the Soubah's and under the Company's Government.

This is therefore to be carried into Effect as far as practicable; and it is supposed to be so in general as regards Renters who may be restrained in the manner recommended; but it is conceived that it is not practicable, with those Zemindars who hold hereditary possessions under both Governments, to carry the above recommendations into execution.

as much

The Board desire you will avail yourselves of the approaching period, when the Zemindars will be assembled, for a new Settlement.

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

(Signed) J. Chamier Secry

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11 Dispatched the undermentioned Letters (entered in MB Nos. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70.

To Nagore. To Nagore — Mr. Harry Taylor permitted to visit the Presidency.

To Colonel Capper. To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts — the Board approve his Recommendation for discontinuing the Barrack Allowances to the Officers at Sanjam-ing the Barrack Allowances to the Officers at Sanjam-

To the Chief Engineer. To the Chief Engineer — to order an Engineer to make an Estimate of the Repairs Stables to be necessary to the Granaries at Chinglepet.

To the Paymaster at Chinglepet. To the Paymaster at Chinglepet — informing him of the above orders sent to the Chief Engineer.

To the Committee of Works. To the Committee of Works — to direct the Execution of the Repairs requisite to the Sheds and Enclosures in use by the Garrison Storekeeper.

To the Committee of Stores 12th. To the Committee of Stores — Enclosing Copy of a Report from the Committee of Stores at Masulipatam.

To Colonel de Wangenheim. To Colonel de Wangenheim — the Board are obliged to decline complying with the Request of Ensign Engellman.

To Colonel Capper. To Colonel Capper — to report what particular Sums are objectionable in Major Stephenson's accounts as Barrack Master, of which a refund is to be made, agreeable to the Regulations for the Barrack Department.

To countersign Mr. Lucas's Bills for House Rent, provid-ed the monthly Charge is the same as enjoyed by

other

12th. other Surgeons of a similar Rank with Mr. Lucas.

To the Committee for investigating the Accounts of the King's Troops — to State what Establishment of Writers is at present employed in the business under their Management.

To the committee for investigating the accounts of the King's troops.

To Mr Vaughan — To Mr. Vaughan late Paymaster to the Sheve-gungah Detachment — to Indent for the sums wanting to compleat his Payments, stating what he has received and Distrused, according to the form of the Indent furnished him by the Military Paymaster General — to send immediately one Month's Accounts.

To the Commandant at Tanjore — To the Commandant at Tanjore — the Repairs to the Granary are to be carried into Execution, agreeably to the Engineer's Estimate, amounting to Pagodas 78.34.60

13th. Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. Nos. 71.72.73.74.75.)

From Masulipatam — From Masulipatam — with Invoice and Bill of Lading of 945 Barrels of Musquets & Carbines shipped for the Presidency per Ketch Alert.

From Nallah Chitty — From Nallah Chitty, Agent for the Inhabitants of the Tellenagrum Tyraum of the Nagore and Negapatam Districts — enclosing an Account of Grain supplied the Honble Company during the late War, and requesting Payment of the Balance amounting

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13th. amounting to Pagodas 457. 33. 26.

From Colonel Kelly – stating, that but

From the Commandant at Arnee

little dependance can be placed on the Nabob's orders to his aumildars, regarding the supply of Grain for the Public Service, as the Circar's Share of the Crop is always mortgaged long before the Grain is gathered in.

From Lieutenant Colonel Bruce

From the Commandant at Tritchinopoly – Orders more pointed and positive than those lately sent by the Nabob, to his Aumildar, will be necessary in order to secure a sufficient proportion of Grain (the present Crop) for a Garrison Stock.

From Mr. John Clerk – Collector in the Jaghire – enclosing an Indent of Maps which he shall have occasion for in the management of his Employ.

From Mr. John Clerk – Collector in the Jaghire.

14th. Received the following Letters.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council.

Hon.ble Sir

From the Agents for some of the Nabob's unconsolidated Creditors – requesting Copy of the Court's late Orders respecting the Claims of their Constituents.

As We understand that the Houghton Indiaman has brought out directions to place the Claims on his Highness the Nabob, of the Persons We represent on the same Footing in every respect, with those of Messrs. Cosby, Campbell, Jourdan & Co.ª We request you will be pleased to order us to be furnished

..with

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14th with a Copy of the Directions the Honble Company have sent out respecting the same.

We have the honor to be

Sir &c. &c. &c.

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signed
Benj.n Roebuck — for William Petrie Executor to the Estate of John Ashad
J Sulloh — for the Admrs. of Captain Dellamaister Decd and Major Burrows
W.m Duffin — for Major Davidsons Estate
Nath.l Kindersley — for Colonel Martinz
Jos: Dupré Porcher — Attorney to Major Kipplemon

To John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary —

Sir

from Captain Byron returns thanks for the communication of the Board respecting the regulations in force at Trincomallee.

I am to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter in consequence of Directions from the Hble the President in Council respecting the Regulation now inforce at Trincomallee "that no foreign Ships are "permitted to sail into the Bay without previous "Communication with the Shore" — and am much obliged to the Board for the Information.

I am Sir
your most obedient Servant
(signed) George Anson Byron.

Phanix
in Madras Roads
12th September 1789 —

To

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To the Hon.ble John Hollond Esq.r
14th
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From Colonel Stuart — acknowledges the receipt of the orders for assembling the Troops at the Cantonments of Warriore & Tritchinopoly — a considerable part of the Troops must be put under Canvas.

I have been honored with the orders of Government of the 6th Instant thro' the Adjutant General, directing me to assemble at the Cantonment of Warriore and Tritchinopoly all the Troops that can be spared from the Force of the Southern Garrisons; and I have accordingly issued orders for this purpose, and shall fulfill it with as little delay as possible.

The orders of the Board seem to imply that the Troops to be assembled are to be Cantoned at the above mentioned Station, but I am apprehensive there will be a want of Quarters to cover the whole, and that it will be necessary to put a considerable part of them under Canvas; a circumstance that may perhaps have escaped the observation of Government.

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

Tanjore
16th September 1789.

J. Stuart
Col Commanding

At a Consultation Present
The Hon.ble John Hollond Esq.r
Governor President
James Henry Casamaijor
and
Edward John Hollond
Esq.rs

Tuesday
15th Septem.r 1789

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved.

Read

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Read the following Letters from Brigadier General Horne.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr

Governor in Council.

Honble Sir

From Brigadier General Horne — enclosing letter from Walajabad respecting the quarters in that Cantonment — Ensign Jarvis applies for leave to go to England — Lieutenant Colonel Durand to come upon the Effective list, and to command the 5th Brigade.

At the desire of Major Cuppage (Commanding the Cantonment of Walajabad) I have the honor to lay before the Board a letter from the Barrack Master of the Centre Division.

Ensign Jarvis of the 19th Battalion of Sepoys requests the Honble Board's permission to proceed to England on account of bad health, and his private Affairs.

Lieutenant Colonel Hughes being placed on the Invalid List, Lieutenant Colonel Durand supplies his place on the Effective List, and the Command of the 5th Brigade of Native Infantry.

Certificates for Promotion in the Native Corps are enclosed for the Board's approbation.

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

Fort St. George
September 12th 1789.

Brigadier General Horne

Commander in Chief &c^a &c^a

Sir

Herewith I have the honor to transmit you the Copy of a Report I received this Morning from Lieutenant Capper Barrack Master at this Cantonment,

and

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and beg leave to observe to you that the Roof of the officers and Soldiers Barracks are much out of Repair, and admit the Rain in every part.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) J. Cuppage
Major Commanding

Walajahbad
15th September 1789

To Major Cuppage

Commanding Walajahbad -

Sir

Upon an Examination of the Quarters in the Cantonment of Walajahbad, I find them stand in need of immediate Repairs — Many of the Officers Quarters are unprovided with Locks and Bolts: but as they have never been delivered over to me by the Engineer, as the order of Government directs when Completed, I have consequently not considered myself as authorized to send in an Official Report.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Fr. Capper
Barrack Master in the Centre Division

Madras
Septr 16th 1789

A true Copy (signed) J. Cuppage
Major Commanding

To the Hon.ble John Holland Esq.r

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir.

Captain Moore finding his constitution considerably impaired by Wounds and a long Imprisonment

from Brigadier Genl. Horne a Captain Moore applies to be placed on the Invalid list - promotion in consequence - Ensign Crosdill to be removed to the artillery - a certificate from

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From Lieutenant Fenwicke shewing necessity of his proceeding to Europe.

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Imprisonment with Hyder Ally, during the late War, which renders him incapable of the active Duties of the Field, requests the Honble Board's permission to be transferred to the Invalided List.

Senior Captain Lieutenant Forbes, being the first for Promotion, succeeds Captain Moore as Captain of a Company.

I beg leave to recommend to the Honble Board the removal of Ensign Crosdill (lately arrived) to the Corps of Artillery, being at his particular request, and that Corps being very deficient of their Establishment of Officers.

Lieutenant Fenwick's Certificate from the Medical Board recommending his proceeding to England for the recovery of his Health, I have the honor to enclose for the Board's Consideration.

A Certificate for Promotion in the 14th Battalion of Native Infantry is herewith enclosed.

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

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Certificate.

These are to Certify that Lieutant William Fenwick of this Establishment, having ever since his return from Prison been affected with Pulmonary Complaints, which have encreased to such a state as

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as to threaten Phthisis, Weare of opinion he should proceed to Sea, in hopes the motion of the Ship, & a purer Air may counteract his Complaint, and that he may be at liberty to go to Europe and his Native Air.

Fort St. George
September 15th 1789 (Signed) Ja.s Anderson
Physician General.
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Wm. Duffin Head Surgeon

To the Honorable
John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

I have the honor to lay before the Board an Extract of a Letter received from Colonel Stuart: Commanding the Southern Army, as the arrangement he proposes appears to me very Judicious, and most certainly includes as many Troops as can be drawn from the several Garrisons in those Provinces.

The Colonels recommendation of the Company of Artillery, belonging to the 2nd Battalion, with the Lascars attached to it, which is now at, Walaujahbad, being ordered to join their Corps at Warriore, being undoubtedly much wanted to the Southward, not only at present but at all times, and are

To Brigadier General Horne
Enclosing Extract of a letter to him from the Officer commanding the Troops South of the Coleroon stating an arrangement of the Troops to the Southward in consequence of the late orders, and recommending that the Company of Artillery now at Walaujahbad belonging to the 2nd Battalion be ordered to join their Corps at Warriore – General Horne refers to his letter of the 9th April last respecting the reinforcing the Southern Division of the Army.

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of little Service at their present Station — I therefore beg leave to suggest to the Honble Board the propriety of ordering that Company to join their Battalion, and should on any occasion, any of the Artillery be wanted at Walaujabad, either for manning the Field pieces on particular occasions, such as manual review by the Commander in Chief, or occasional Detachments, Men may on all such occasions be very properly supplied from the Mount, and return back to their own Station, when the Service they are ordered on is executed.

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The Final orders from Europe of this Season being now arrived, I beg leave to recommend to the hon.ble Board's further consideration the address I had the honor to lay before Government under date the 9th April, respecting the reinforcing the Southern Division of the army at as early a period as shall be deem-ed convenient to do so.

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

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Extract of a Letter from Colonel Stuart Comman-ding the Troops South of the Coleroon, to Brigadier General Horne, dated the 10th September 1789 -

"In consequence of the orders of Government under date the 6th received yesterday, I have issued the

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"the necessary orders for assembling with as little delay as
"possible as many Troops at Tritchinopoly and Warriore
"as can be spared from the different Garrisons. The number
"directed to assemble at Warriore and Tritchinopoly by these
"orders consist as follows: 8 Companys of the 72d Regt
"compleated to their Establishment, or 600 Rank & File, ex-
"clusive of Serjeants and Drummers the 1st. 16th and Flank
"Companies of the 19th and 20th Battalions, so soon as
"the Flank Companies of the 19th reaches Tritchinopoly.
"I propose that 5 Companies of the 23rd Battalion should
"march to Tanjore, and relieve the 6 Battalion Companies
"of the 20th who will then join their Flank Companies
"at Warriore; the other 3 Companies of the 23rd Battn
"with the two flank Companies of the 19th I propose to
"station in the Garrison of Tritchinopoly, which will
"enable us to take the Field, should it be necessary,
"with 4 Compleat Battalions of Sepoys. The Garrisons
"in that case, I mean shall consist as follows – Tanjore
"of 2 Companies of the 72nd about 140 Men, in which
Flank Cos of the 23d & 1st & 2d Revenue Battalions
"will be included all the sick of the Regiment – Tritch-
"inopoly of 50 Men fit for Duty of your Regiment with
"all your sick, which are at present numerous, &
"will no doubt be recovering daily — 2 flank Companies
"of the 19th — 3 Companies of the 23rd and the 6th Revenue
"Battalions. — Madura of the 22d and 8th Revenue Battali-
"-ons; and Palamcotah of 6 Companies of the 19th, with
"the 3 Establishes Battalions of the Nabob's native Infantry,
"commanded by European Officers."

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"By the above Arrangement We shall be able
"to take the Field with the following Troops - viz.t
"the 2.nd Regiment of Native Cavalry; 112 European
"Artillery Men, which is all they have fit for Duty
"at Warriore; 600 of his Majesty's 72.nd Regiment;
"250 of the Hon.ble Company's 1.st Regiment; with
"the 1.st 7.th 16.th and 20.th Battalions of Native Infantry.
"This arrangement, Sir, I submit to your better judge-
"=ment, whatever alterations You may think ne-
"=cessary to make in it, shall be immediately com-
"=plied with, but should it fortunately meet with
"your approbation, no time shall be lost in carry-
"=ing it into Effect."

"I have taken no notice of this Arrangement
"to the Hon.ble Board, but if you approve of it, and
"deem it proper, I request you will have so good as to
"lay it before them."

"The present weakly state of the 2.nd Battalion
"of Artillery, points out the necessity for the Company
"with the Lascars, now stationed at Walaygabad, being
"sent to Warriore without delay, which I took the
"liberty of remarking to you in a former Letter."

"The orders of Government of the 6.th inst.
"the Troops that can be spared from the Garrisons to be
"marched into Cantonments at Poiletchinopaly & Warriore.
"It would appear that the Hon.ble Board are but
"indifferently informed of the State of the Canton-
"=ments

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"Cantonments at those places, there not being cover-
"-ing for half of the Troops now under orders of march,
"the 72nd and one half of the Sepoys must lie under
"Canvas, and were the whole of the Troops that can
"be spared from the Garrisons in that situation, I think
"it would be better than having them scattered about,
"as they must necessarily be, in complying with
"the above mentioned order; it would at least have
"more the appearance of preparation, and they
"would get all their little wants compleated, which
"generally requires a few days before it can be done
"after Troops encamp."

(signed) "J. Stuart"

To the Hon.ble John Hollond Esq.r

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

Colonel Brathwaite, Commanding the Northern Division of the army, having transmitted the accompanying Crimes against Captain Mayne and Lieutenant Shawe, and represented the necessity of assembling a General Court Martial for the trial of these two Officers, I am to desire the Hon.ble Board will make the necessary application to Colonel Musgrave for a General Court Martial being convened at Masulipatam on Monday the 28th Instant.

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

From General Horne desires that Colonel Musgrave be instructed to issue a Warrant for a General Court Martial to assemble at Masulipatam for the trial of Captain Philip Mayne & Lieutt. Shawe.

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Crimes against Captain Philip Mayne
Commanding the 26th Battalion of Native Infantry.

Charge 1st. For a series of irregular & ungentle-
manlike Conduct for some time past.

2nd. For Practices highly prejudicial to the
Service, tending to subvert good order &
discipline in the Corps.

Masulipatam
August 27th 1789.

(Signed) { Roger Warne Lieutenant
Chas Alison Lieutenant
Thos Gurnell Ensign.

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Charge against Lieutenant Shaw.

Lieutenant Shaw of the 2nd Battalion of
European Infantry, ordered in Arrest by
me on the 25th August 1789, on complaint
of Ensign Prescott of the same Battalion,
for having grossly abused him, and behav-
ed in a manner unbecoming the
character of an Officer and a Gentleman,
on the Evening of the 25th August 1789.

Ellore 25th August
1789.

signed J. C. Montgomery
Major Commanding 2nd
Battalion European Infantry.

The Board approve the several Promotions
& Appointments recommended in the foregoing
Letters, and it is in consequence Agreed that they
be

The promotions & Appointments
recommended by the General
Approved

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be published in General Orders.

The Troops which cannot be quartered to the Southward must be put under Tents

Agreed to inform General Horne that the Troops to be collected by Colonel Stuart that cannot be quartered at Pritchinopoly, must be put under Tents, but they are, notwithstanding, to be considered in Cantonment

The Company of Artillery belonging to the 2nd Batt.n not to move from Walaujahbad.

With respect to the recommendation of General Horne, & Colonel Stuart, that the Company of Artillery, from the 2nd Battalion now stationed at Walaujahbad, should be ordered to join their Battalion at Warriore, the Board are of opinion that the Arrangement as recommended and established by the late Commander in Chief Sir Archibald Campbell should stand as at present.

Mr. Casamajor is of opinion that the recommendation of the present Commanding officer of the Troops should be followed up as far as relates to the Company of Artillery of Walaujahbad, which he thinks should be ordered to join their Corps at Warriore.

Mr. Casamajor is of opinion that the Company of Artillery should be ordered to join their Corps at Warriore.

Before the Board come to any decisive Resolution upon the latter part of General Horne's Letter of the 11th Instant, wherein he alludes to his address of 9th April, in which he recommended the sending a Regiment of Europeans to the Southward, it is Agreed to desire General Horne will give his Sentiments as to the means of quartering an additional Regiment at Pritchinopoly.

General Horne to give his sentiments as to the means of quartering an additional Regiment at Pritchinopoly.

Mr.

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Mr. Casamajor thinks from the present situation of affairs, that an additional Regiment should be made to the Southern Cantonment without loss of time.

Mr. Casamajor is of opinion with the Commanding Officer of the Troops, that the addition of a Regiment of Europeans should be made to the Southern Cantonment without loss of time. he is confirmed in this opinion from the present situation of Affairs.

Application to be made to Colonel Musgrave for a Warrant to assemble a Court Martial at Masulipatam.

Ordered that an application be made to Colonel Musgrave for the warrant desired by General Horne for the assembling a General Court Martial at Masulipatam.

The Barrack Master in the Centre division to make a report of any deficiency in Locks, Bolts &c.

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an Engineer to report upon the state of the Quarters at Walaujahbad.

Ordered that a Letter be drafted to Major Cuppage, directing him to order the Barrack Master at Walaujahbad to make a report of any Deficiency of Locks Bolts &c.; and further to direct an Engineer to examine and report upon the State of the Offices and Soldiers Barracks, which Major Cuppage has represented to be in want of Repairs.

Read the following Letter from Cuddalore (with Enclosures entered in M. B. No. 76.)

To the Hon.ble John Holland Esq.r

Governor in Council —

Hon.ble Sir

From the Chief & Council at Cuddalore — with a State of the Barracks & Guard Houses &c. and an Estimate of the Expence attending the Repairs — Indents for Military Stores enclosed.

On the 26th. of last month, having received a Letter from Captain M.c Leod, representing to us the State of the Barracks and Guard Houses &c. we

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were such as to require immediate Repairs for the preservation of the Troops now in Garrison, & their Accoutrements, We thought it proper to direct the Store Keeper to make out an Estimate of the Repairs pointed out by the Commanding Officer, which We herewith transmit; and sensible as We are that those repairs are indispensably necessary, We hope for your permission to have them executed Dams of the intime for securing the Military against the approaching Monsoone.

We likewise forward Copy of a letter from Captain McLean, accompanied with Indents of Military Stores for the use of this Garrison, which We request Your honor &c. will be pleased to order to be complied with, in the whole, or such parts as you may deem needful.

We have the honor to be

Your &c. &c. &c.

Cuddalore
9th September 1789—

Signed { H. P. Craig
R. Andrews
R. Dashwood.

Minutes thereon

Agreed that the Indents for Military Stores be referred to the Committee of Stores for their consideration.

Agreed that the Consideration of the proposed Repairs be postponed.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore.

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To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

& Governor in Council.

Honorable Sir

From the Resident at Tanjore on the subject of the Rajah's accounts with the Company — a Bill on Madras for 50,000 Rupees as expected to arrive soon in a few days, and 30,000 to be delivered to the use of the Garrison.

The difference in the Accounts of the Palace with those of this Office, hinted at in my Letter to Mr. Secretary Chamier of the 3rd Instant, arises from the insertion of Sums in the latter agreed to be paid at Fort St. George, which however have not been always paid agreeable to those Agreements.

The impropriety of placing any Sums to the Credit of the Rajah, before notice of the actual receipt of them at Madras has been before observed in my Letter of the 30th July to Mr. Secretary Chamier, and likewise by Mr. Woolf in his Letter to the Resident under date 9th November 1789, and will from henceforth be discontinued.

In order to the right understanding the Accounts of this Office and the Palace, some recapitulation may be necessary.

In the Treaty made with Sir Archibald Campbell, the Rajah Agrees to pay 4 Lacs Pannum subsidy to the Company, and three Lacs more on the following Accounts

Arrears of Peishcush due to the Nabob	105.715	—
Annual Peishcush — ditto	114.285	—
To Private Creditors of the Rajah	80,000	—
L.P.	300000	—

making

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making in all 7 Lacs p annum to be paid in the follow-
-ing Kists.

	on account of the Company	On account of the Nabob-Creditors &c.	Total
In November	20,000	10,000	30,000
December	50000	10000	60,000
January	50,000	10,000	60,000
February	90,000	10,000	100,000
March	90000	10,000	100,000
April	100,000		100,000
May		* 60,000	* 60000
June		60,000	60,000
July		50,000	50,000
August		40,000	40000
September		* 40,000	* 40,000
Total	400,000	300,000	700,000

This arrangement was afterwards altered by Sir A. Campbell in his Letter to the Rajah dated Tanjore 10th April 1787, relieving the Rajah from the Payment of 30,000 Pr out of the Creditors Fund, and the Kists were then Established as follows.

	on account of the Company	On account of the Nabob-Creditors &c.	Total
In November	20,000	10,000	30,000
December	50,000	10,000	60000
January	50000	10,000	60,000
February	90,000	10000	100000
March	90000	10000	100000
April	100,000		100,000
May		45000	45,000
June		60,000	60000
July		50000	50,000
August		40,000	40000
Septemr		25,000	25,000
Total	400,000	270,000	670,000

* According to the arrangement Mr. Petrie's Account dated 23rd November 1788, transmitted to the Board

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Board the latter End of that month) is drawn out, making the Balance to the End of November 1788, amount to Star Pagodas 118,993.21.69. to which the People at the Palace object, that Mr. Petrie consented to excuse the Rajah, for that time, the odd 70,000 above the 6 Lacs: and this likewise appears by a Memorandum made by Ensign Blackburne, who acted as Interpreter, that it was at a Conference held the 22nd November 1788, at the Palace; but as there are no official Letters either to or from Mr. Petrie in the Office at this Place, I request I may receive the orders of the honble Board on this point.

The People of the Palace have likewise repeatedly objected to the following articles inserted in Mr. Petrie's Account, Viz.t

	S.t Pags. F. C.
Cash paid to Mr. Pohle	300 — —
Do. Do. — Mr. Swantze	— 59. 35. 64
Ditto for a Bill granted by the Company in favor of Monsieur Monneron	9810 — —
S.t Pagodas	10,169. 35. 64

For the propriety of these Charges I beg leave to refer the Honble Board to the Letter from Mr. Wooly D.A.: to Sir Archibald Campbell dated 3.d December 1788. Copy of which is enclosed: but it does not appear that any Minute of Consultation passed thereon at that time — I therefore humbly request the orders of the Board thereon, and that his Excellency may be made acquainted with your honor & S.rs determi-

determination thereon.— The objections made by the Rajah to these Charges are as follows, That his Excellency and the late Rajah having bound themselves by Treaty to pay a certain specific Subsidy to the Company, did not conceive they were liable to be called upon on any other account.

With these Exceptions the Balance of Pags. Pagodas 118,993.35.64. stated in Mr. Petrie's Account, is allowed to be correct.

I have the honor to enclose an Abstract of the Accounts Current with the Rajah from that time, viz.t November 1788, to the present, in which the Sums respectively paid in Tanjore and Madras are specified, which I hope will be found exact.— The Rajah is therein debited the whole of Mr. Petrie's Balance without deducting the 70,000 before mentioned.

His Excellency however persisting that he is unable to pay on the whole, more than Star Pagodas 450,000 p annum, Subsidy to the Honble Company, and notwithstanding my repeated Representations, that such an Innovation cannot possibly be allowed him without the express orders of the Company, having entreated me to lay before the hon.ble Board, a copy of this Account, agreeable to his own way of stating it, I have enclosed Abstract of such Account.

I received the letter from Mr. Secretary Chamier, of the 2.nd Inst.t relative to Paddy, last to the Rajah, who was

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was done at his earnest representation that the tempo-
-rary scarcity at this place, which was of a very serious
nature, was occasioned solely by the Extraordinary swell-
-ing ..... of the Rivers, and should be replaced im-
-mediately on their subsiding — the remarkable cir-
-cumstance of their having risen four several times, an
occurrence not within the memory of the oldest
Inhabitants, has prevented it's being returned: 7,000
Cullums only have been issued, which I expect
will be replaced within a Week or ten days at
farthest. I shall be careful in future to conform
to the orders of the Honble Board, in not suffering any
Grain to be issued without their express direction.

His Excellency has expressed his readiness
to pay S.Pagodas 80,000: viz. 50,000 at Madras,
& 30,000 for the Current Expences of this Garrison to
the end of November next; I accordingly expect to
send a Bill for 50,000 Pag.s in a few days.

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a
(Signed) G. Ram
Resident

Tanjore
9th. September 1789 —

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Abstracts of Tanjore
Accounts be sent to the Accountant General, and that
he be desired to report whether they agree with
the Statements in his Office.

Agreed also to inform him that
the

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the Items contained in his Letter of the 31.st July 1787, must be continued to the Debit of the Rajah of Tanjore, as the Board do not see any reason to remit the Charges alluded to in the Items above-mentioned, which were carried to his Debit in the late Government.

Read the following Letter from Captain Dawes at Innacondah (with Enclosure entered in the B.B. No. 77.)

To the Hon.ble John Hollond Esq.r

Governor in Council.

From the Commanding Officer at Innacondah with an Estimate account of the Buildings necessary in that Garrison

Honorable Sir

Herewith I have the honor to transmit, agreeable to the orders of your Hon.ble Board an Estimated account of the buildings necessary to Shelter the Officers, Sepoys & Stores in this Garrison: a Plan for your clearer Information accompanies it.

It is necessary to observe, that the retaining Wall of the Rampart, is so totally uneven, and in some places so much out of Repair, that it would be impossible to make it answer for the rear Wall, for either the Gunsheds or place of Arms.

The Officer's Quarter is meant for the Officer of the Day, on duty only; This can with ease be extended (on the Plan I proposed of 4 Rooms & a Hall, for all the Officers to retire to in case of necessity.) at a little expence, when Opportunity offers.

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The Quarters for the Serjeants of Seapoys, & Invalid artillery, can also be extended; if requi-=ed, by a similar Range of proute, which has been a reason with me for enclosing the whole in the manner Described.

The Bricks must be made at about 2 miles distance from the Pettah; and as, from the nature of the Soil, they will be rather soft, I submit to your honor &c. the propriety of rough Churaming the whole; and for your Information, have subjoined to the Estimate the additional Expence that will attend the doing it.

This place is destitute of artificers, & Carriage for materials.

I hope what I have done may meet your approbation.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Nath.l Dawes
Captain Commanding

Innicondah
September 1789

To lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the Table

Read the following Letter from Colonel Capper.

To the Hon.ble John Hollond Esq.r
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

In obedience to your Commands of the 13th

From Colonel Capper - stating the sums objected to in Major Stephenson's accounts as Barrack Master - desires to know if Mr Lewis is to draw 25 P.c p.r mensum, house Rent.

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12th. I beg leave to inform you that the undermentioned sums have been objected to in the Accounts of Major Stephenson, Barrack Master to the Southern Division of the army in March 1788.

At Tritchinopoly

Overcharges in Oil, thread & Sweepers	4. 17. 53
Servants Wages & Candles not allowed	13. — —
Repairs of a Store Room not authorized by Government	15. — —

At Tanjore & Vellum.

Overcharges in Oil, Dotties & Thread	5. 26. 51
Servants Wages not allowed	8. 21. —
Total Pagodas	46. 23. 24

You are pleased to order me to countersign Mr. Lucas's Bills for House Rent, provided the Monthly Charge is the same as is enjoyed by other Surgeons of similar Rank with Mr. Lucas; but there being no Surgeon of similar Rank with Mr Lucas who is Chief Surgeon, I must request to be informed if he is to be allowed 25 Pagodas pr month, the same as is paid to the Physician General & Head Surgeon.

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

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Signed J. Capper
C. P. & A.

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Colonel Capper that the Refund from Major Stephenson must be enforced,

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if the Articles charged were not authoriezed by the Regula-
-tions for the Barrack Departments.

With respect to Mr. Lucas's House Rent, it is to be allowed at the rate of 25 Pag.s p.r month, (the same as drawn by his Junior Mr. Duffin) for the period of time for which House Rent has been raised to the above sum.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Nixon.

(with Enclosure entered in MB No. 78.)

To the Hon.ble John Holland Esq.r
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From Colonel Nixon regarding the repairs wanted to the Officer's Quarters at Vellore.

I take the liberty of enclosing you two Esti-
-mates for the repairs of the Officers Quarters here, which when Letter will explain the Estimates were given into me by Mr. Norris the Engineer; and alth.o I disapprove of any but substantial and Permanent Re-
-pairs, yet the necessity of doing something before the Rains fall is so apparent, that I cannot longer delay re-
-presenting to you the ill condition of some of the Officers Quarters, which are almost uninhabitable; it may at the same time be proper to acquaint the Board that there are several Quarters in such good repair, as to require little or nothing at all to be done to them: A list whereof with the names of the Officers who at present occupy them I have the honor to endose, and to be

&c.a &c.a &c.a (signed) Eccles. Nixon

Vellore
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Minute thereon

Agreed that the Execution of the repairs to the Officers Quarters at Vellore, conformably to the existing Regulations, and to Mr. Norris's Estimates be admitted; & that the proposed execution & repairs of outhouses be for the present deferred.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Travancore.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

from the Resident at Travancore — states the Situation of the British Possessions on the Coast of Malabar, in so much as they regard Tippoo. the Chief of Mayore has no reason to complain of the Purchase of Tyacottah and the Fort of Cranganore, since they are altogether independant of him.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr Secretary Chamier's Letters of the 17th and 19 ult^o

My residence here at this Juncture being rendered necessary in order to obtain the earliest Intelligence of Tippoo's operations for the information of the Honble Board; and the Rajah being at present above 100 miles from hence, obliged me to communicate to his minister the substance of your orders on the subject of the purchases he has lately made from the Dutch, and to desire an immediate transmission of them to the Rajah — Your Letter for him sent to me in Mr. Chamier's Letter of the 19th has likewise been forwarded to him.

Upon my explaining to the minister the orders of the Honble Board, he told me that he

spoke

spoke the sentiments of his master, when he said that the Rajah would not upon any account engage himself in Transactions which could give the least colour or pretext for Tippoo to commence hostilities against him — that in making the purchases of Cranganore and Jacottah, the Rajah had well ascertained the undoubted and unequivocal right the Dutch had to dispose of them; and that when you were acquainted with the actual situation of those Possessions, you would not consider this act as giving the appearance of a Collusive transaction.

I am concerned that misinformation on the subject of the connection between the Dutch & the Rajah of Cochin should have been laid before the hon.ble Board, as it must have made you judge it necessary to write to the Travancore Rajah, that he would not be supported by your Government in contests he might engage himself in beyond the limits of his own Possessions, for should such an Idea be entertained by Tippoo at this juncture, I fear it might be attended with serious consequences.

The following Account, which I have bestowed much Attention in collecting, will explain to the Honble Board the situation of the Dutch Possessions on this Coast, and that they have been held independant of the Cochin Rajah.

The Portuguese when they first

came

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came to India, amongst their other conquests, made that of the Country belonging to the ancient Rajah's of Cochin, and built Fortresses to secure themselves along the sea Coast — Cochin was their Capital, Cranganore, Chetwa, Cananore, Quilon &c Jacottah were Dependencies, and the Rajahs of Cochin were for many years reduced to be Tributaries to them. In the Year 1654. the Rajah who at that time reigned, came to the Resolution to endeavor to throw off the Yoke from the Portugueze, and to relieve the Country from the oppressions it suffered under them — He with his minister accordingly embarked on a Vessel for Batavia to solicit the Assistance of the Dutch, who were at that time at War with Portugal / to expel the Portugueze from their Possessions here: and, I am informed, actually signed an Instrument giving up to them his right to whatever they might conquer. The Dutch accordingly formed a considerable Force, and set out on this Expedition, and reduced Cochin the Capital: the Dependencies soon fell to them, and the Portugueze were obliged to quit this part of the Coast. — The Dutch retained the Forts which were on the Sea Coast, and a large tract of land from Chetwa to Cranganore, which has since been taken by Hyder, and the Rajah of Cochin was reinstated in his Possessions in the other parts of the Country.

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I will appear from this account, that the Dutch hold no Lands under the Rajah of Cochin, and what they Possess here were theirs by conquest: indeed, I have been informed that they consider the Cochin Rajah to be dependant on them, and they have the right of erecting Forts in any part of the Cochin Country they choose — I have been endeavoring to procure the Treaty of alliance between the Dutch and the Cochin Rajah, which I hope I shall be able to accomplish; this Instrument would ascertain the connection they have with each other.

The Rajah of Cochin has only for 12 years past been a Tributary to the Mysore Chiefs, & only considers himself as such for those Possessions for which he pays about, and they are out of the Travancore Lines. — When Hyder reduced the Zamorin, which was at the aforementioned Period, the Cochin Rajah being apprehensive he would extend his Conquests to his Possessions, which are situated to the north of the Travancore Lines, he voluntarily offered to pay him tribute for them.

The importance of Cranganore & Jacottah to the Rajah is very considerable, and the safety of his Country depends upon their not being in the hands of an Enemy, and this only could have actuated him in the purchase of them, for he derives no revenue from these acquisitions, which can

nearly

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nearly equal the Expence that must attend the possessing them. — I hope I shall be forgiven in saying that I trust, Hon.ble Sir, you have that confidence in me, that if this Transaction could, in any point of view with Justice, have afforded a pretext for Tippoo to commence hostilities against the Rajah, I should have done every thing in my power to have restrained him from engaging in it.

The incessant and heavy Rains which have prevailed here of late, have prevented communication with Tippoo's Camp: by the last accounts from Coimbetour, he was still there in force. — His Vackeel sent to the Rajah of Cochin still continues with him. I have the honor to be

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

George Powney

Resident

Parour
1.st September 1789.

(signed)

Read the following Letter from Colonel Musgrave.

To the Hon.ble John Hollond Esq.r

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

In compliance with the orders of Government signified to me thro' Mr. Secretary Chamier on the 1.st Instant, I have the honor to enclose a Letter

received

from Colonel Musgrave enclosing Letter to him from Colonel Stuart in support of the Claims of his Majesty's late Officers for difference of Pay.

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received from Colonel Stuart, stating in behalf of himself and the rest of his Majesty's Field Officers so similarly situated, the nature of their Claim to certain Arrears of Pay, in consequence of a decision given in their favor, by the Right Hon.ble the Governor General.— The decision here alluded to having left the future arrangement of this business to the Officers of Controul under this Presidency, I take the liberty of submitting to your consideration, whether (as this claim is already so clearly ascertained and unquestionably admitted by Earl Cornwallis) it is necessary to trouble his Lordship with any further reference respecting it.

Should you be pleased to favor the re-quest of his Majesty's Field Officers with a re-consideration, I doubt not it will appear evident that this Government are sufficiently warranted by the authority of the Right hon.ble the Governor General already in their Possession, finally to terminate this business by ordering the Claims to be discharged

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

Madras
13th September 1789.

(signed) Thos. Musgrave

To

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To Colonel Musgrave

Commanding his Majesty's Forces
on the coast of Coromandel.

Sir

I have been honored with your letter of the 4th enclosing copy of Mr. Secretary Chamier's Official letter of the 5th in answer to your application to Government on the subject of certain arrears of Pay due to several of his Majesty's Field Officers on this Establishment; in which Letter a statement is required of the nature of the arrears those Field Officers conceive themselves still entitled to, notwithstanding the late determination of the Right Honble the Governor General respecting Gratuity and other claims, in order that those too might be referred to the Right Honble the Governor General for his final Decision.

As one of the Field officers concerned in this matter, I have the honor to represent to you, for the Information of the Board, that our present claim which you did us the honor to lay before Government, viz.t for an arrear of difference of Pay from the Commencement of our services in India till 25th October 1788, is in nowise set aside by the Right Honble the Governor General's late Decision on the subject of Gratuity &c.a &c.a, but is on the contrary by his Lordship, expressly reserved to be examined & Determined upon

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upon by the Offices of Controul at this Pres
clearly appears from the following Paragraph w
I take the Liberty to transcribe from his Lordshi
to the Government of Madras under date 2nd Febru
last "Without entering into an examination
"the Statement of the Difference of full Pay forn
"Officers of both Services as set forth in the Stat
"No. 3. and which will properly belong to th
"Offices of Controul at your Presidency, I am o
"-on, that if such difference is found actually
"have existed, the Arrears should certainly be
"good to his Majesty's Officers for the Period of their
"-spective Services in India"

The same Paragraph I apprehend clea
proves his Lordship's opinion to be favorable to ou
Claims of the Arrears, when he asserts We have an
to them for the whole period of our Services in India
provided the difference of Pay is actually found to
existed.

Now, that this difference existed for that en
period, is as clear as that it now exists: The whole p
and arrears of a Lieutenant Colonel in his Majesty
Service, amounts only to Star Pagodas 721 pannum
The full Pay of a Lieutenant Colonel in the Hon
Company's Service, amounts to Star Pagodas 912.
pannum, which makes a difference of Star Pagodas 19
pannum, or Star Pagodas 15.29.60 pmonth in
of the Company's Lieutenant Colonels; and this dif
is allowed, and I have regularly drawn it from De
-ber last agreeably to the Right Honble the Governor &

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regulations and orders of 2nd February, which did not in the least alter, but only mark & ascertain the pay of the respective Services.

It was without doubt at all times meant, that the King's Field Officers should be as nearly as possible on the same footing as to Emolument as the Company's; and the difference that lately has place, was in consequence of a sort of Bargain, by which the King's Field Officers agreed to take, under the name of Gratuity, an allowance they conceived as equivalent to the Revenue Money of the Company's Field Officers: this Bargain proved very unfavorable to them, the Revenue Money turning out much greater than the Gratuity: but as the loss arose from a sort of Agreement, it was submitted to; and when the late orders put the King's Field Officers on the Revenue Money in common with the Company's, no retrospect to that loss was allowed.

On the other hand, the loss by difference of Pay arose from omission on the part of the King's Officers, or from Ignorance of the state of the case; neither of which can surely bar their Right to recover what is due, when the right & fact are ascertained.

If this is not admitted, it will be difficult to reconcile to any principle of consistency the rule by which his Majesty's Field Officers are now, and have been, paid. By their becoming sharers lately of the Revenue Money, they draw considerably more than the amount of the former Gratuity, and at the same time they are permitted to draw their difference of Pay; whereas before they not only

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only lost by their Equivalent for the Revenue Money, but their Difference of Pay also, if their Arrear is now refused them — a double and most unreasonable disadvantage!.

But I persuade myself, that the matter only needs to be fairly considered to be decided in our favor, & it is certain that his Majesty's Field Officers would neither have troubled the Right Hon.ble the Governor General, the Honorable Board, nor you, Sir, with their Claim, had they not been satisfied it was just & undeniable.—In this belief We hope that a fresh representation from you will induce the Board to admit the Claims without further reference than to the Offic to which it was before referred by Lord Cornwallis; though We are so far from having reason to decline his Lordship's Tribunal on the subject, that We will have recourse to it, should the Decision of that Offic or of the Hon.ble Board be unfavorable to us.

I have the honor to be

Tanjore 9th September 1789 &c. &c. &c.

(Signed) J. Stuart

Lt. Colonel Commanding 72nd Regt.

Minute thereon

Resolved that the Claim contained in the foregoing Papers, for Difference of Pay to the King's Field Officers, be again submitted to the Consideration of the Governor General in Council, and that a Letter be drafted according, containing the substance of what has been said upon the subject by the parties concerned, & by the Comptroller General; forwarding also Copies of the Papers.

by

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Agreed that this Resolution be communicated to Colonel Musgrave.

Draft upon Bengal for 2000 Pagodas to be made to Colonel Floyd, for the purchase of Horses for the 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons.

The President recommends to the Board that an advance of Pagodas 2,000, by Drafts on Bengal, may be made to Colonel Floyd, for the purpose of purchasing Horses for the 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons — observing at the same time, the Information contained in the Letter of the 22nd April last, from the Secretary to the Bengal Government, on the subject of the Discount.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Porter, enclosing one from Mr. Digby in London.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From Mr. Porter with Letter & Enclosures from Mr. Digby regarding his Claims upon the Company.

I take the liberty of laying before you a Letter from my Constituent Mr. Kebelm Digby, with the several Documents therein mentioned in support of his Claim, which I entreat may engage your early attention. From you, Hon.ble Sir, I dare venture to hope Mr. Digby will receive that equitable Relief, which he has for these three years past been in the pursuit of — I trust it will appear to you, as it seems to have done to the Committee of Correspondence, that my Constituent has labored under very peculiar hardships, in a great degree if not wholly owing to the misfortune of having lost or mislaid certain Vouchers of material consequence — to supply this he lays before you a Letter

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Letter from Colonel Fullarton who commanded the Southern Army, and his own Affidavit, which I cannot doubt you will in such a case allow to be sufficient to support the Charges in question.

Fort St. George
12th. September 1789.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Jos. du Pre Porcher
Attorney to K. Digby Esqr.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor — &c. Council
of Fort St. George —

Hon.ble Sir and Sirs

From Mr. Digby — respecting his claims —

A variety of circumstances at this time concurring to prevent my return to my station under your Presidency, I take the liberty of addressing you through the hands of my Agent Mr. Du pre Porcher who will do me the favor to deliver this, and is empowered to transact every business for me in my absence.

When I last had the honor of addressing your Hon.ble Board, I obtained Permission to proceed to England, principally to lay before the hon.ble Court of Directors my situation and Claims, touching the Accounts of the Southern Army under your Presidency, to which I had been Paymaster during the late War.

There appearing in my case many peculiarities, which your Government did not care to decide

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decide upon, recommended me favorably to the Court of Directors, from whom I met a Candid hearing, & minute Investigation of my claims, as you will perceive in the accompanying report, which admits of some, rejects others, and leaves to your Board to ascertain the truths and fairness of my Statements of the residue, to release them also.

In order to bring before you every Clue whereby you may discover misrepresentation and error, or be convinced of the Justness and certainty of what I have advanced regarding these transactions, I have taken the liberty of inserting Marginal Notes to the annexed Copy of the Report, and flatter myself you will find it a more perspicuous and satisfactory mode than an elaborate discussion of each point, in form of a seperate address.

It will immediately occur, that the Court of Directors have by their Report defined the Duty of a Paymaster to his Commanding Officer to be coincident with the line I adopted — and also, that except the first and last article of my appeal, amounting together to Pagodas 2237 „ 30. 40, and the fourth to Pagodas 1213.21. (about which they were led into an Error that I have since rectified) they have pointed out the conditions upon which the rest are to be released — such further Evidence therefore, as is required, I have endeavored to supply, or offer such hints as may lead you to it, presuming I shall have credit for what is not disproved. The

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The Special and definitive Letter from the Commanding Officer dated the 12th Inst. on the 5th and 8th Articles, where he alone could give the Doubts which have induced the Court of Directors to suspend these Sums until further Information could be obtained, would I dare venture to affirm, have been decisive with them, had they not considered the report as finally transferring every thing to your Board, with whatever subsequent Documents or proof might still be adduced in support of them.

The accompanying Affidavit which more regularly applies (agreeably to the Resolutions of the Madras Government in Dember 1784) to the imperfect Vouchers for Secret Service Disbursements: I have however, extended to the whole Narrative of facts, in the hopes it may find in your opinions & Judgement an equal Weight, as such an Instrument would legally challenge in case of my decease before your final determination should take place.

During the whole of this long & arduous pursuit of redress, it has been my invariable study to promote the minutest Scrutiny into my accounts, as well as general tenor of my Conduct; conscious, that although I may at times have been held censurable for an imprudent Zeal for the Service I was Embarked in, my integrity in the trust with which I was vested, would appear uniform & unshaken.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) K. Digby
Paymaster of the late Army

London
14th March 1789.

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Minute thereon

Ordered that the above Papers be sent in Circulation for the consideration of the Members of Government.

Read the following Letters Entered in M.B.

Nos. 79. 80. 81.

From Colonel De Wangenheim

From Colonel De Wangenheim respecting the request contained in his Letter entered in last consultation, in favor of Ensign Engelman, & desiring that the Pay & Allowances of that Officer may be continued, as has been allowed to others.

Minute thereon

As it appears that the Indulgence solicited has been granted to others, it is Agreed to extend it to Mr. Engelman; observing at the same time to Colonel De Wangenheim, that it must cease after the first opportunity which shall offer for Mr. Engelman's Embarkation for Europe.

From the Committee for Investigating the Accounts of the King's Troops -

From the Committee for Investigating the Accounts of the King's Troops stating the number of Writers &c. employed by them.

Agreed to inform the Committee, that the Board, from the foregoing Statement, think it unnecessary to allow the additional Writer requested.

Minute thereon

From Mr. W. C. Jackson

From Mr. William Collins Jackson, Agent for the Executors of Mr. Tyson, late of the Corps of Engineers, requesting Payment of two Bills for stores used by the Engineer at the Siege of Darapooram.

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Minute thereon — As the above Bills are not countersigned by the proper Officers, they are deemed inadmissible.

Substance of a letter from the Nabob — From the Nabob (entered in C.C. No. 83) stating that it will be very difficult to collect Cattle &c. as desired in the President's Letter of the 7th Inst. but that notwithstanding this difficulty, he has enclosed orders to his Aumildars to do whatever can be done.

Minute thereon — Ordered that the Letters enclosed by the Nabob, addressed to his Aumildars, be forwarded to the different Commanding Officers.

Read the following Report from the Hospital Board.

Hospital Board.

From the Hospital Board — stating the want of accommodation for the Sick at Arnee — respecting their hope that a fixed Salary will be granted to Mr. Gordon — orders of Government thereon

Read a Letter from Mr. Thompson Surgeon to the 4th Regiment at Arnee; representing the want of accommodation for the Sick, & pointing out the necessity of having repairs made to the Choultries within the Pagoda, & Tiled Verandas added to shelter them from the Inclemencies of Weather. — Mr. Thompson has represented the matter to Colonel Kelly, and the Hospital Board recommend an immediate attention be paid to it on account of the approaching season.

Government have already directed Colonel Kelly to order such of the sick as cannot be received in the Hospital at Arnee to be sent to the General Hospital at Vellore.

Read a Letter from Mr. Gordon, referring to the Hospital Board the difficulties he labours under from the stoppage of those allowances which he drew while on Service in the Guntoor Circar. The

An additional allowance has already been granted to Mr. Gordon, to which no further increase can be made.

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The Hospital Board feel themselves under the necessity of laying this matter before Government, in hopes a fixed Salary may be granted him in consideration of his late & long Services.

Jas. Anderson
Physician General
Colley Lucas C.S.
Wm. Duffin Head Surgeon

John Holland

Chas. Jn. Holland

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Edwd. Jno. Holland

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16th the Presidency — the above to be actually employed before any Extra Carriage is entertained; and when it shall be found necessary to do so, attention must be paid to the G.O. of the 24th May 1788. — this to be made known to the Paymasters in the District, who are to have advances made them in their Capacity of Deputy Commissaries of Grain and Provisions, for the Payment of the Contractors Bills for Extra Carriage.

To Vizagapatam & Ganjam on the above Subject.

To Vizagapatam & Ganjam. —

To the Committee of Stores — enclosing, for their opinion, Indents of Military Stores for the use of the Garrison of Cuddalore.

To the Committee of Stores.

To Colonel De Wangenheim — Mr. Engelmann late of the 11th Regiment of Hanoverians, to draw his Pay & Allowances until his Embarkation for Europe — but to cease, if he do not embrace the first opportunity that shall offer of his Departure from the Country

To Colonel De Wangenheim

To Colonel Capper — the Refund from Major Stephenson must be enforced, if the Articles charged were not authorized by the Regulations for the Barrack Department — Mr. Lucas to be allowed 25 Pagodas pr mensem for House Rent, for the period for which House Rent has been raised to 25. Pagodas pr month.

To Colonel Capper

To Lieutenant Fenwicke, and to Ensign Jarvis with permission to proceed to Europe for the Re-establishment of their Health.

To Lieutenant Fenwicke & Ensign Jarvis

To

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To Colonel Musgrave 16.th

To Colonel Musgrave — the claim of the King's Field Officers to be referred once more to Lord Cornwallis.

To Brig.r General Horne

To Brigadier General Horne — the several Promotions & Appointments mentioned in his late Letters, approved — Orders will be sent to Major Cuppage, respecting the Barracks at Walaujahbad — Colonel Stuarts Arrangements for collecting a Force at Tritchinopoly, Approved. — the recommendations respecting the movement of the Company of Artillery from Walaujabad to Warriore not to have effect at present. — The Troops to the Southward that cannot be quartered at Tritchinopoly must be put under Tents — General Horne's Sentiments required as to the means of quartering an additional Regiment of Europeans at Tritchinopoly.

To the Commandants at Tritchinopoly
Gingee
Madura
Sautgur
& Palamcotah

To the Commandants at Tritchinopoly — Madura — Gingee — Sautgur — and Palamcotah — Enclosing orders from his Highness the Nabob to his Aumildars on the subject of providing Cattle for the Public Service.

To Colonel Nixon

To Colonel Nixon — the Board consent to the execution of the Repairs to the Officers Quarters; the Expence not to exceed the Engineer's Estimate — the other repairs mentioned in his Letter of the 10.th Instant, deferred.

To the Commandant at Walaujahbad —

To the Commandant at Walaujahbad — to order the Barrack Master to make a report of any Deficiency there may be of Locks & Bolts in the Barracks; and an Engineer to examine and report upon the State of the

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16th Officers & Soldiers Barracks represented to be in want of Repair.

To the Accountant General — to report whether the Abstract of Accounts Current sent by the Resident at Tanjore, agree with the Statements in his Office. The Items contained in the Accountants Letter of the 3rd of December 1788, must be be continued to the Debit of the Rajahs.

To the Accountant General

To the committee for investigating the amounts of the King's Troops — their request for an additional Writer refused.

To the committee for investigating the amounts of the King's Troops

To Colonel Stuart — To the Commanding Officer of the Southern Forces — Such of the Troops, to be collected by him, as cannot be quartered in Tritchinopoly, must be put under Can=vas; but they are still to be considered as in Canton=ment.

17th Sent the following Letter to Bengal.

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

My Lord

To Bengal - in reply to the letter from thence on the subject of giving up the Zemindars or Ayotts who may take shelter in the Company's Districts from the Talooks of Circar Kummum=ma &c. belonging to Seif ul Moulk & to send the Renewals from all Amals

In consequence of your Lordships Letter to this Government under date the 10th July last, We inform=ed the Chief & Council at Masulipatam that, if any Zemin=

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17th Zemindars or Ryotts from the Talooks of Circar Cummum &c. belonging to Seif ul Mulk, Son of the Nawaub Azum ul Omrah, should resort to the Company's Talooks for Shelter, they were not to be received, but given up to the Nawaub's People.

We find that the most positive orders have repeatedly been issued to all Zemindars &c. possessing Districts on the borders of the Soubah's Territories, not to assist, protect, or harbour any of his subjects, under any pretence whatsoever; and the same directions have often been sent to Mr. Kinchant the Resident at Rajapore, the complaints received being chiefly against the petty Tributaries belonging to the three Purgunnahs under his management. This is an Evil which it may be difficult entirely to prevent, being considerably encreased by several of the Petty Zemindars on the Borders of the Commamet Circar holding Lands in that District as well as from the Company, which affords them the means of removing from the one Country to the other, whenever it suits their convenience, or when pressed for their Revenues. It has often been suggested therefore, as the most likely means of preventing this inconvenience, that an Agreement might be entered into with the Soubah, and strictly adhered to, that the same Person should not be permitted to hold Lands under both Governments, and that the refractory Subjects of the one, when they took Shelter in the

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17th the Territories of the other, should be delivered upon ap-
-plication.

The plundering the small District of Singagary by a subject of the Nizam's in the Year 1782, and the entire loss of the Revenue from that time, was communicated to Mr Johnson when at Hydrabad in 1784, and redress obtained. This has since been referred to Captain Kennaway by Mr Sadleir, and is likely to be arranged thro' his mediation.

We are of opinion that the same person should not be permitted to hold or rent Lands at the same time under the Soubah's and the Company's Government; and to prevent the inconveniencies arising from this practice We have given orders to the Chief & Council at Masulipatam that no person whatever who holds or Rents Lands under the Soubah's authority shall hereafter be permitted to be a Renter within any of the Company's Districts. Such a Regulation may very easily be effected so far as respects our own Havelly Lands, but may be more difficult within the Districts of the Zemindars who have not hitherto been accustomed to be controlled or interrupted in the interior management of their own hereditary Lands, and who consequently may sometimes, unknown to Government, sublet them to persons inhabiting or renting contiguous Countries within the Soubah's territories — We have however given orders to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam to make known the intentions of Government on this point to the Zemindars who hold

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17. Countries bordering on the Southern; and have directed them to prevent the continuance of a practice that has given occasion for so much complaint. There is however one part of the Evil represented which cannot easily be obviated, arising, as We have already stated, from some of the Zemindars holding hereditary Possessions under both Governments; and all that can be done under this Predicament is, to mitigate the inconveniencies resulting from it by that fairness of conduct, which in all contested points, is reciprocally due, and which it is so much the common Interest to observe between Neighbouring and Friendly Powers.

We have the honor to be

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17th September 1789.

&c. &c. &c.

/signed/ John Holland
&c. Council

Received the following Letter & Enclosures from the Military Paymaster General.

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

Honble Sir

To the Military Paymaster General — with a Statement of advances & Disbursements of the King's Paymaster General up to 24th June 1789 — and two Statements of the Expenditure thereof, furnished by the King's Paymaster

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Secretary Mr. Chamier's letter of 31st July, desiring that the Statement of advances & the Disbursements of the King's Paymaster General might be sent in

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more detailed than the one sent in the 29th July; I have now the honor to send you a duplicate of that Account, and have con=tinued it to the Payment made him for the Distribution to the 24th June. — This Account is authenticated by the King's Deputy Paymaster and myself, and agrees with the two Statements of the Expenditure thereof furnished by the King's Paymaster Nos 1 and 2 enclosed, which specify the particular Sums paid to each of the Regiments, both on account of Subsistence and Company's Allowances.

I have the honor to be with the highest respect

Hon.ble Sir

Your most obedient and humble Servant

(signed) John Turing

Military Paym.r General

Pay Office
17th September 1789.

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Dr. { The Hon.ble Company in account with the Paymaster
25th. April 1786, to the 24th. February 17

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To Cash paid Subsistence to the old Regiments serving, or that had served in India under the Parliamentary agreement of 1781, from the 25th. April 1786, to the 24th. February 1789 } 390,339.33.34

To Cash paid Subsistence to the King's new Regiments, viz.t 74th. and 76th., and to the 16th. and 15th. Hanoverian Regiments, the Company's allowances, and all expenditures made on account of both Services excepting the preceding Item of subsistence paid to the Regiments serving, or that had served under the Parliamentary agreement of 1781, from 25th. April 86, to 24th. February 1789 - 699036.26.34

10.89.376.18.8

Surplusage received of the East India Company, in part of the Crown Balance, from 25th. April 1786. to 24th. February 1789 - } 89762.40.10

11,79,139.16.18

N.B. The above Sum for which the King's Paymaster General has debitted the Honble Company, agrees with the Amount of his Account of Disbursements which have been passed by the Comptroller General, & delivered into this Office.

(signed) J. Garrow Dy. Mr.

To Cash paid Subsistence to the old Regiments serving, or that had served, in India under the Parliamentary Agreement of 1781, from the 25th. February, to the 24th. June 1789 ——— 42,802.8.70

To Cash paid subsistence to the King's new Regiments, viz.t 74th. & 76th. to the 16th. and 15th. Hanoverians, the Company's Allowances and all Expenditures made on account of both Services, excepting the preceding Item of subsistence paid to the Regiments serving, or that had served under the Parliamentary Agreement of 1781, from the 25th. February, to the 24th. June 1789 —— 91730.2.4

134532.10.74

Surplusage received of the East India Company in part of the Crown Balance from the 25th. February, to the 24th. June 1789 — } 2692.23.6

137,224.34

Pagodas 13,16,364.8.18

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(signed) J. Turing. Mr. P. G.

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General to the King's Troops in the East Indies, from the 24th June 1789 } &c.
89. and to continue to the 24th June 1789 ——————— }

97 — By Cash received in seven Issues made to me as Remitter, or to my agents at Calcutta, the stipulated Value in Pagodas, being lyme to be remitted to Madras, and there under the order of that Govern= =ment the several sums remitted were to be respectively dis= =bursed to the purpose of the King's Pay Office at that place; the first of these Issues viz.t in February was to be applied to the uses of the period of May and June 1786, the Disbursements of which commenced the 24th of April — the respective Issues were made at Calcutta as follows —

1786. April	48780 7. 45	
May	36585. 15. 20	
June	47256. 5. —	
September	62589. —	
October	70033. —	
November	40005. 18. 47	
December	22583. 23. 33	327832 37 40

By Cash refunded in January 1787 being Chaplain Langstead's Pas= =sage Money charged in September 1786 ——— 162 21 —

By Cash issued to Robert Mitford Esq.r by the Presidency of Fort St. George in order to defray the Disbursements of his Office upon the Coast, from the 25th February 1787, to the 24th February 1789 ——— 851034. 38. 73

By Cash refunded in January 1789 by order of the Comptroller General ——— 109. 2. 40

N.B. The above Sum for which the King's Paym.r General has given Credit, agrees with the amount of advances made him from this Office.

(signed) J. Garron Dy. M.r G.l

By Cash issued to Robert Mitford Esq.r by the Presidency of Fort St. George from the 25th February, to the 24th June 1789 ——— 137213. 7. 60

By Cash refunded in May 1789, by order of the Comptroller General ——— 11. 26. 20 ——— 137224. 34

the Accounts for which have not yet been passed by the Comp= =troller General, nor delivered into this office.

(signed) J. Garron Dy. M.r G.l

Pagodas 1316348. 18

excepted 1789 - E. E. (signed) R.t Mitford Dy. M.r G.l K.g.

(signed) J. Garron Dy. M.r G.l

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Account of Money paid to the King's Troops, under the Presidency of Madras, from 25th April 1786, to 24th February 1789

Corps	Subsistence	Company's allowances	Total
19th Regiment Light Dragoons	18,527.37.50	18,669.41.11	37197.37.11
36th Regiment Foot	21,853.17.40	8,929.30.37.30	783.6.77
52nd Regiment Foot	18,680.21.76	11,621.19.17.30	301.41.13
71st Regiment Foot	29,021.16.60.	22,168.16.52.51	189.33.32
72nd Regiment Foot	32017.29.40.11	43825.20.43	456.12.60
74th Regiment Hanoverians	28,717.9.67.	11,950.29.10	667.19.16
75th Regiment Hanoverians	28,774.3.5.	7954.14.42.36	728.17.47
98th Regiment Foot		133.—	133.—
100th Regiment Foot		367.20	367.20
Staff		1949.16.26	1949.16.26
Office Charges		804.—	804.—
Total Pagodas	177,592.10.18.95	986.17.24	27358.35.42

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Errors Excepted

Signed J. Robert. Mitford

Dep.t. Mil.t. Paym.r Gen.l. M.S.

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Account of Money paid to the King's Troops, under the Presidency of Madras, from 25th February 1787. to 24th June 1789.

Corps	King's Subsistence	Company's Allowances	Total
19th Regiment of Light Dragoons	52,418.18.30		84,019.28.79
36th Regiment of Foot	64,675.29.56		41,451.19.63
52nd Regiment of Foot	56,163.5.36.		36,995.1.1
71st Regiment of Foot	60,015.21.15		56,425.2.36
72nd Regiment of Foot	79,253.38.64		60,397.23.53
73rd Regiment of Foot	"	"	297.—
74th Regiment of Foot	10,391.—28.—		7686.29.39
75th Regiment of Foot	"	"	723.41.45
76th Regiment of Foot	11,371.3.50.		9757.21.12
77th Regiment of Foot	"	"	197.—
98th Regiment of Foot	240.26.20		
100th Regiment of Foot	273.31.30.		1006.28.—
1st Hanoverian Regiment	106936.17.25		68,556.40.63
15th Hanoverian Regiment	88,254.14.47.		45,688.22.15
Staff	"	"	14638.3.3
Office Charges	"	"	3374.—
Total Pagodas	529993.38.71.		420,215.9.69 95,209.6.60

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Errors Excepted

Signed P. Robert Mitford

Dy. M.G. P.F.G. K.T.

Ordered

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Minute thereon. W.K. Ordered that Copy of the foregoing Letter with the original Statements, be transmitted to the Right Honble. the Governor General in Council.

Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B., Nos. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105)

From the Commandants at Madura & Palamcotah. From the Commandants at Madura & Palamcotah — on the subject of Grain to be laid up in Store for the publick service.

From the Commandant at Tiagar. From the Commandant at Tiagar — in reply to the Complaint preferred against him by the Chief Engineer.

From Major Young. From Major Young — Commanding the Cavalry near Arcot — States the particulars of the Buildings required in the Cantonment.

From Lieut. Colonel Gels. From Lieutenant Colonel Gels — applies for a Copy of that part of the General Letter received for Houghton, relating relative to him.

At a Consultation Present

The Honble John Hollond Esqr. 15/8

Governor, President

Friday 18. Septem. 1789.

James Henry Casamajor

and

Edward John Hollond Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved.

Read the following Letter from Brigadier

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To the Hon.ble John Hollond

Esq.r Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir.

I have the honor to report to the Hon.ble Board the demise of Captain John Taylor, Commanding the 28.th Battalion of Native Infantry at Ganjam, on the 31.st Ultimo.

Senior captain Lieutenant Hector M.c Lean succeeds to be Captain of a Company vice Taylor.

I beg leave to recommend to the Honorable Board the nomination of Captain Lionel Westroppe to the Command of the 28.th Battalion of Native Infantry, in the room of Captain Taylor, being an Officer selected by the late Commander in Chief for the Command of a Native Corps at an early opportunity, and being in every respect well qualified to fill such a station.

At the desire of Lieutenant Colonel Giels Commanding the 2.nd Battalion of Artillery, I submit to the Hon.ble Board's consideration an address from Lieutenant and Adjutant Conan of that Corps; and as I am convinced the European Corps on this Establishment would derive considerable advantage by adopting the Plan proposed, I beg leave to recommend it to the honorable Board's attention.

Major Younge Commanding the 4.th Regiment of Cavalry, directed a Court of Enquiry to examine into the Conduct of Sellivaraw Cavan Nidar of the said Corps for various malpractices and unmilitary behaviour. The

from Brigadier General Norse — reports the death of Captain John Taylor Commotion in consequence — recommends Captain Westroppe for the vacant Battalion — Encloses Letter from Lieutenant Conan of the Artillery, pointing out the advantages to be obtained from his being sent home on the recruiting Service — recommends that a Subadar of the 4.th Regiment of Cavalry be dismissed the Service — and states some circumstances respecting Lieutenant Colonel Mordaunt.

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Proceedings of the Enquiry was transmitted to me for my Inspection; but as the Subidar had not been call upon to reply to the Charges exhibited against him, I thought fit to order that he should bring forward what he had to urge in his defence; which being accordingly done, & not being able to confute several of the Accusations preferred against him, I beg leave to recommend to the Hon.ble Board the dismission of Sellimun Caun Subidar from the Service.

Lieutenant Colonel Mordaunt having repaired to Bengal in 1774 as Aid de Camp to General Clavering, he ceased to have leave from the Coast on that Duty from the day on which that General died; this happened in 1775 or 1776; Lieutenant Colonel Mordaunt therefore applied for leave of absence at Bengal, on account of his private affairs, and obtained it.

In the year 1782, however, this Circumstance not having been adverted to, he was ordered to be struck off the List of the Army on the Coast.

In 1786 Lieutenant Colonel Mordaunt represented to this Government as an irregularity his having been struck off while he was authorized to be absent on leave; and in consequence thereof was readmitted in public orders with his Rank as Major on the 24th. September 1786; and received by Letter from the Military Secretary at the same time 3 years additional leave of absence from Government without pay, from the 20th. of that Month.

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It was afterwards resolved & published in orders in 1787, that Major (now Lieutenant Colonel) Mordaunt should be considered as a Supernumerary Major without pay until he returned to his Duty on the Coast. Lieutenant Colonel Mordaunt having thus been readmitted in the Service on the Coast, he was in July 1788, promoted in succession to be a Lieutenant Colonel; and was at the same time ordered to join on or before the 1st of May 1789.

On this occasion Lieutenant Colonel Mordaunt again applied to have his leave renewed, and his application was complied with by confirming the leave granted to him for three Years from the 20th September 1786.

As Lieutenant Colonel Mordaunts leave of absence expires on the 20th of the present month; as no information has been received from him; and as there is very little probability of his being present within the time limitted, after having been indulged in a manner so unexampled, I have thought it my duty to represent the above Circumstances to your Hon.ble Board, in order that he may be either struck off entirely, or accounted a Supernumerary Lieutenant Colonel from the 20th of the present month.

A Certificate for Promotion in the Hon.ble the President's Body Guard is herewith enclosed: as also one of the 25th Battalion.

I have the honor to be
Hon.ble Sirs &c. &c.
Mathew Horne

Fort St. George
18th September 1789

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To Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Picls

Commanding the 2nd. Battalion of Artillery

Sir

From a constant servitude of near 9 years with the Artillery. and most of that time in the post of Sergeant Major I have observed that many of the Recruits drafted for the Corps were unfit in every respect for Artillery Men, from being under size. and broken and debilitated Constitutions &c.a &c.a : and this Year it appears there will be a deficiency in the 2nd. Battalion of more than half a Company, exclusive of the Casualties that may happen before next season. From these circumstances, and with a sincere zeal for the utility and Credit of the Corps I have the honor to serve in, I take the liberty of offering myself to the Hon.ble Board to be sent home on the recruiting Service, on such an Allowance for my own support as may be deemed adequate (which as there is now a Supernumerary Lieutenant, would be little additional Expence) and I am convinced from my influence in the Country parts of Ireland, I could procure the service such Men as would be highly beneficial to it, and creditable to myself.

Since the year 1786, out of the Recruits arrived from Europe, there has not been less than 30 men Pensioned & recommended to be sent home from your Battalion. these Men have scarcely ever done One months duty. -

This I conceive to have proceeded from Enlisting Men in large Cities, the vices & Intemperance in which, had ruined

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ruined their constitutions .. Enlisting (as I propose) only the labouring Country People, would entirely obviate this evil to the Service, for they would not only be athletic Men, but of young Sound constitutions, and of better Morals than those got out of large Towns .. If the Honble Board thought proper, I would get an Officer to do my duty as Adjutant during my absence; or I would otherwise resign that Post, and hope the success I might meet with, would merit their Attention on my return. If my proposals are approved of, I could wish to be allowed two or three Non Commissioned Officers from this Country, who would prove serviceable in looking after the Men, and informing the Country People what is a real Fact, that no Soldiers in the World live so well, or so happy as the Artillery Men in India. On these conditions, Sir, I have not a doubt of succeeding. and therefore request you will forward this Letter to the Commander in Chief for his approbation, which I hope he will be pleased to lay before the Honble the Governor in Council.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
signed W. N. Conan
Lieutenant & Adjutant
of the
2nd Battalion of Artillery

Warriore 1st August 1789.

Agreed to inform General Horne that, the Recruiting Service being entirely under the management of the Court of Directors at home, this Government cannot interfere in it, and must therefore decline acquiescing in the proposition of Adjutant Conan.

Government cannot interfere in the Recruiting Service.

The

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Promotion of Captain Lieutenant M.Lean, & the dismission of the Subidar of the 8th Regt. of Native Cavalry approved.

The Promotion of Captain Lieutenant M.Lean in consequence of the Death of Captain John Taylor; & The Dismission of Subidar Sellimaw Cawn of the 8th Regiment of Native Cavalry, are Agreed to.

Lieutenant Colonel Mordaunt to repair to the Presidency within five months, or to be struck off the list of the Army entirely.

Resolved that Lieutenant Colonel Mordaunt be ordered to repair to the Presidency within 5 months, and that he be accounted a Supernumerary Lieutenant Colonel during that period: to be struck off entirely, if he does not comply with the order.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council at Fort St. George

Honorable Sir

From the Resident at Tanjore — the Rajah promises to pay 80,000 Pagodas in four or five days — submits the expediency of laying in a Store of the Co Crop, to be replaced by the Sumboo & Perhanum — orders to the Deputy Accountant to the Rajah's account current for the months of July & August.

The time in which the Palace had engaged to pay Eighty Thousand (80,000) Pagodas having elapsed, I waited on the Rajah yesterday evening. His Excellency excused his non performance on the Plea, that the Rumour of a War, had given rise to some difficulties; but assured me that in four or five days at farthest he would make good his former promise.

As the Carr Crop will be off the Ground in the space of Six Weeks or two Months, I humbly submit it to the consideration of your Honor in Council, whether it might not be expedient to lay up as much of it as possible in this Garrison, in case of emergencies; and though it is said not to keep well, it may be sold and replaced by the Sumboo & Perhanum when they are ripe. The Carr Crop last

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Season amounted to 30 Lack of Cullums. the Produce is expected to be more considerable this year: the price is estimated at between 3 and 4 Gold Fanams p Cullum. I intimated this to his Excellency, who appeared to have no objection to it.

I have enclosed the Rajah's Account Current for the months of July and August, to Mr. Woolf the Deputy Accountant. the Balance 3,178.23.19 brought over from June is erroneous, but may be corrected by the Account which I had the honor to lay before your honor in Council, enclosed in my Letter of the 9th Instant, for your honor &c.as Consideration. I wait your orders thereon to correct the Books of this Office.

I have likewise enclosed the Honble Company's Cash Accounts, for the same months, to the Civil Paymaster.

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a
(signed) G. Ram Resident

Tanjour
12th September 1789.

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Mr. Ram, that if the Rajah has replaced the Grain borrowed some time ago, which the Board judge has taken place, it is unnecessary to lay in a Store of the Carr Crop, as he recommends.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Travancore.

To the Hon.ble John Holland Esq.r
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

The Instructions which I had the honor to receive from Your Hon.ble Board, you direct me to suggest

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from the Resident at Travancore stating the Establishment of Servants necessary for his office: and requesting

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he may be allowed to employ People for the purpose of gaining Intelligence.

such Establishment of Servants as might be necessary for the support of my Appointment as Resident — The following is a list of them; and which I have found necessary, independant of those allowed as Paymaster, as the Offices are totally distinct: and in general I shall be under the necessity of residing at a distance from the place where I must keep my Establishment of Servants for the Pay Office, as you have directed me to fix my residence near that of the Rajah.

Establishment of Servants for the Resident's Department.

	Pags.
1 Mooneky	10 — —
1 Writer	10 — —
2 Chubdars	4 — —
4 Hircarrahs	8 — —
Total No. Pags.	32 — —

I trust the above will meet with your approval; if it should, I take the liberty to request you will give directions that this monthly charge may be passed in my accounts with the Military Paymaster General. Since I have been here, I have paid 20 Pagodas for Intelligence, which I have charged in my accounts, and I hope will meet with your concurrence. As I cannot always depend upon the Minister's vigilance and cautions to procure Intelligence of Tippoo's movements, and operations, I request I may be allowed to employ People for obtaining it, when I may see occasion.

I have the honor to be

Sir &c. &c. &c. (signed) George Sonney

Resident

Parour

7th September 1789 —

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Minute thereon

The Board confirm the Establishment of Servants which Mr. Powney has stated to be necessary to him in his Capacity of Resident; and it is Agreed that they be passed in his Accounts with the Military Paymaster General in the manner he has desired.

Ditto.

Agreed that Mr. Powney be desired to forward to the Board an account of the Expences of the two Battalions, and the Sums he has received from the Rajah on that Account.

Read the following Letter from Ganjam (with Enclosures entered in M.B. No. 106)

To the Hon.ble John Hollond Esq.r

Governor, &c.a Council

at Fort St. George

Hon.ble Sir and Sirs

from Ganjam—with Indent for Military Stores

I Herewith me have the honor to transmit to you an Indent for Military Stores for this Garrison, District: with which We request your Compliance.

I We have also the honor to forward to you the Return of Stores in this Garrison, and a General Return of Troops doing Duty in the Itchapour District, for the Month of August.

I We have the honor to be

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

(signed) J. Morgan Williams
Rt. Dr. Munro
Geo: Wynch.

Ganjam
6th. September 1789

Ordered

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Minute thereon

Ordered that the Indent from Tanjaur be referred to the Committee of Stores.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Stuart (with Enclosures entered in M.B. No. 107.)

To John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary &c. &c. &c.

Sir

From Colonel Stuart Enclosing the Estimate of the Expence which will be occasioned by the Repairs to the Counterscarp of the Ditch — the Revd. Mr. Swartze accepts the offer of 300 Pagodas for the Church at Vellum.

I am honored with your Letter of the 8th Instt. and agreeably thereto have ordered the Engineer to prepare an Estimate of the Expence which will be occasioned by the proposed repairs on the Counterscarp of the Ditch: which I herewith transmitt.

I request you will be pleased to inform the Honble Board, that the Revd. Mr. Swartze agrees to accept of 300 Pagodas, as the purchase Money for the Church of Vellum, in full of all Demands.

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

Tanjour
14th September 1789

Ordered that the Paymaster at Tanjore

Minute thereon

be directed to pay 300 Pagodas to the Reverend Mr. Swartze, as purchase Money for the Church at Vellum.

Read the following Letter from the Agents of some of the Nabob's Unconsolidated Creditors.

To

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Fort St George 28th August 1789.

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Substance of Intelligence communicated by the Rajah of Cochin's Vakeel, just arrived with Tippoo Sultaun's Vakeel from Coimbatoor, transmitted by the Cochin Rajah to the Rajah of Travancore.

Tippoo has sent for all his Cavalry from Seringapatam, and has stationed them about Coimbatoor, & the army at this time at Coimbetoor consists of 1000 Cavalry, 5000 Regular Infantry & about 2000 Matchlockmen &c. He has sent orders for Provisions and Stores to be brought from the northward, Vizt 100 Bullocks. He is likewise now preparing Stores & Ammunition at Coimbetoor. — No one knows what his intentions are, or what place he is going against — he sent some time ago one of his Surdars to Ammaghiny on hearing some French were there, but not meeting with them he returned. — Tippoo sent some time ago a letter to Pondicherry by four of his Vincarrahs, they brought an answer to him that when the Weather would permit they would either go to Mangalore, or proceed to Seringapatam to visit him — at the same time arrived near 200 French Artificers at his Camp — the Nizam's Vackeel was in Camp for the purpose of receiving from Tippoo 11 Lacks of Rupees in conformity to an agreement that has passed between them; and the Vackeel arrived from Tippoo, during the time he was there 600 Rupees p month for his Expences

a true translation
(signed) Geo: Ponney
Resident

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Translation of a Letter from the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun to the Rajah of Cochin. Received 11th August 1789.

I send A Man of consequence to you called Abdul Kader, with your Vackeel Ishingah, and they will acquaint you personally whatever is fitting to be done. — You will agreeably to this requisition send the Young Prince, or your confidential Minister Teerovapaudoo to me, and I will not detain them more than one Day after their arrival. You must place every confidence in me; you and your Predecessors have always conducted yourselves with great propriety — By the Blessing of God, and by attending to what is proposed to you by my Vackeel, your prosperity and greatness will encrease; and that you should be great and prosperous is my desire.

A true Translation

(signed) Geo: Ponney
Resident

Substance of a Letter from the Rajah of Travancore

The Bengal Government to be informed of the above.

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The President lays before the Board a letter from the Rajah of Travancore to him (entered in C. C. No. 74) containing matter to the same purport as those from Mr. Ponny.

The Board judging it proper that a communication should be made to the Bengal Government, of what has lately been notified to them of the consent of the Rajah of Travancore

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council &c. &c.

From the Resident at Travancore — stating that the Negociation between the Rajah and the Dutch, by which Jyacottah and the Port of Cranganore, are ceded to the former, has taken place; and enclosing Letter from the Rajah detailing the particulars of the Negociation, and applying for a Company of Artillery.

Honorable Sir

On the 4th Instant I had the honor of inform-ing you that the Rajah was upon the point of con-cluding a Negociation which he had entered into with the Dutch. for the purchase of Cranganore & Jacottah. the accompanying Letter which I have the honor to transmit you from the Rajah, is to acquaint you that this transaction has taken place, and the above places have been accordingly delivered over to his People. His Letter also contains an application for a Company of Artillery. the Rajah has requested (thro' his Minister) that I would set forth to you how much he was in need of them. If the prepa-rations which Tippoo is making are intended to be directed against this Country. Artillery Men will certainly be much required. for the few the Rajah has are sta-tioned, and appear to be very little acquainted with their Duty.

I have the honor to be
Honble Sir
Your most faithful and obedient
humble servant
Geo: Powney Resident

(signed)

Parrur
8th August 1789—

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Resident at Travancore
Enclosing Translation of
a Treaty between the
Rajah of Travancore &
the Dutch East India
Company, concluded in the
Year 1753 — also Copy of
a Letter from Tippoo to the
Rajah of Cochin, and one
from the Rajah of Cochin
to the Rajah of Travancore

I have the honor herewith to transmit you a Translation of the Treaty between the Rajah of Travancore, and the Dutch East India Company — it is taken from a Copy only of the Malabar part of it: the original was not sent there; I therefore am not certain with respect to the name of the Person who concluded it on behalf of the Dutch; I understand he was the second in Council at Cochin — the rest of the Translation I believe to be correct. Since this Treaty took effect the Dutch have lost the greatest part of the Country they then possessed. Hyder took from them from Chougaut to within a few Hundred Yards of Cranganore, and having now disposed of that place and Jacottah, no-thing now remains to them on this part of the Coast but Cochin.

A Vackeel from Tippoo Sultaun arrived a few days ago at Cochin, with a Letter to the Cochin Rajah; his Minister, who has been for some time past in Tippoo's Camp accompanied him. Having obtained a sight of Tippoo's letter to the Cochin Rajah, I have the honor to send you a Translation of it; likewise the Translation of a Letter from the Cochin Rajah to the Raja of Travancore, with the substance of Intelligence communicated by the

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Cochin Minister or Vackeel — These were sent to the Travancore Minister by the Rajah of Travancore and the contents of them this Instant communicated to me by him. He informs me that the Rajah of Travancore does not intend to take any part in this Business, in which resolution I have strenuously recommended him to adhere. Tippoo's Vackeel still remains at Cochin. I intend to proceed to morrow in hopes of procuring more Intelligence.

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

Parroor
16th August 1789

(signed) Geo: Powney
Resident

Translation of the Treaty between the Rajah of Travancore and the Dutch East India Company.

Article 1st The King of Tripapoo maniopam Tree Palpanapa dausa Vanchy Balla Martanda varma Caulashakara paroomallayer, for himself and his Successors, has entered into a Treaty with Meynheer Peter Konits on behalf of the Dutch East India Company to the following Effect.

2nd It is Agreed from this period that an everlasting Alliance shall subsist between the abovementioned parties.

3rd That whatever is expressed in this Treaty shall be equally binding to both Parties.

4th That the King of Travancore shall afford no protection to the subjects of the Dutch East India Company, and such Subjects being in his Country, shall on requisition be immediately delivered up.

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Article 5th That the King of Travancore and the Honble English East India Company having for many years a Treaty of Commerce and Friendship subsisting between them, the Dutch Company shall on no occasion cause any interruption to it

6th That in the Event of the King of Travancore being attacked by any Enemy, the Dutch Company are to assist him with Money and Troops to repel such Enemy.

7th That in like manner if the Dutch in this Country should be attacked by an Enemy, the King of Travancore shall render them every Assistance, with regard to Troops, that lies in his Power.

8th That the King of Travancore shall annually supply the Dutch Company with 3000 Candies of Pepper at the rate of 500 Lt ℔ Candy, the King of Travancore receiving Value for the same.

9th That the Dutch Company shall pay for the Pepper the price which has heretofore been settled, and the King of Travancore shall pay the Dutch for such Ammunition and Stores as he may be supplied with by the Dutch Company, agreeably to the former Settlement.

10th That the Duty on Pepper shall be paid agreeably to the former rate.

11th That the Dutch Company shall afford no Assistance or Protection to the Enemies of the King of Travancore, and they shall not be allowed to remain within their Territories.

12th That if any ship belonging to the Dutch should be Wrecked on any part of the Coast belonging to the King of Travancore, he is to render every Assistance, and to cause to be restored to the Dutch all the Effects of such Wreck.

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Article 13th That all Expences attending the Charge and delivery of such Effects shall be defrayed by the Dutch.

14th That if any Servant or Subjects of the Dutch Company shall molest a Brahmin, or commit any outrage on a Woman, or kill a Cow, or enter into any religious place of Worship in the Travancore Possessions, he or they shall receive such punishment from the Dutch as would be adjudged to them if they had been Subjects of the King of Travancore.

15th That in Consideration of the King of Travancore having settled a fixed price for the Pepper, and never to be subject to alteration, the Dutch shall make an annual present to the King of Travancore

16th That the King of Travancore shall have no interference whatever in the Possessions of the Dutch Company from Cochin to Chougant, the Revenues of which shall be appropriated entirely to the Dutch Company.

17th The King of Travancore for himself and his Successors, and Mynheer Peter Vonitz, on behalf of the Dutch East India Company, bind themselves most faithfully to adhere to the above Articles.

Signed at the Fort of Mavalicarah, in the Malabar Year 929, on the 3rd of Chinga Mussom, or Dutch Year 1753, on the 15 August. "
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Translation of a Letter from the Rajah of Cochin to the Rajah of Travancor

On the 29th of Ady Mapseum, or 10th of August my Vaikeel, with a Vaikeel of Tippoo arrived here. on the 11th of August I received his visit, and he delivered me his letter from Tippoo Sultaun. I asked him the reason of his coming. I am come, he replied, to carry with me some of your People to Tippoo; also, he wants to purchase the Fort of Cochin, which he hopes to accomplish thro' your means, and he will give any price for it; to effect these I am come, and they must be done in the most private manner. — I told him I has never heard of this transaction before, and it was my opinion the Dutch would never sell the place; but I would try whether they would or not, and that he might confide in me; I would do my best to accomplish whatever would give Tippoo pleasure. In this manner I spoke to his Vaikeel.

You will perceive by this that Tippoo is beginning to trouble me, and that he proposes to me things which are impracticable, in order to bring on me the Enmity of all my friends: I hope therefore you will give me your advice how I am to act in this business.

A true Translation

(signed) Geo: Powney.

Resident