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Papers regarding Mr Digby's accounts to be furnished

Agreed that the Papers necessary to Colonel Capper for enabling him to Audit Mr Digby's accounts, be furnished.

Minute on Mr Binny's Claim

The Board approve Colonel Cappers recommendation respecting the propriety of considering in future a Copy of the order of the Chief & Council, or Commanding Officer of the District, to be the only regular Voucher for a Charge of full Batta to a Surgeons.

Ensign Getty's Claim admitted

Agreed that Ensign Getty's Bills for House Rent be admitted, as the Charge appears to have been sanctioned by Sir Archibald Campbell.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr

Governor in Council at Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From the Resident at Tanjore
Nanarow escapes to the Palace
The Rajah refuses to submit his accounts to public Examination
Submits the propriety of removing Serfojee from the Palace
encloses Copy of a Letter written by him to the Rajah, requesting the Com Cap

On thursday the 1st I received the Orders of the Honble Board under date 28th Ultimo, and immediately prepared to put them into Execution. It appearing to me that it would be most expedient to put Shevarow under restraint before I communicated the orders relative to Serfojee, I determined to put the Question home at the Palace, and in case of a Refusal to produce their accounts, to put Shevarow under Restraint that Evening. at first it occurred to me that it might be sufficient to place Sentinels and a Guard at his House; and my Guard having been diminished upwards of one third since the march of the Troops to Tritchinopoly, I was induced to apply to the Commanding Officer for 12 additional Sepoys; for which I take blame to myself, as I am now convinced it some how or other gave alarm to Shevarow, and prevented what I much wished to effect.— My application was made in person about one o Clock —

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from Shevarow's discourse, who was rejoicing with an acquaintance on his Escape, that he had received some intimation of the design: he even mentioning that the Communication between the Forts had been kept open. — there now appeared little Chance of effecting Shevarow's restraint; however I planted the Sepoys that Night as before, to as little purpose.

On Saturday I demanded an audience, intending to deliver your Honor's Letter relative to Serfojee, and to push the Point by every Argument in my Power; but tho' the Rajah consented to the Audience in the morning, he sent a Message in the Evening desiring that it might be put off on account of his having a violent Cholic and Flatulencies — Mr. Swartz not caring to officiate as Interpreter on Sunday, I put it off to this day, when I received the same excuse; and this will be the case until he despairs of receiving an account from Madras of his arrears being paid. — Upon this last excuse I wrote him the enclosed Letter, deferring to send him that from the Honble President relative to Serfojee till I can do it with the greatest Effect: the Success of it being a point of the utmost importance; as in the general opinion it would not only relieve Serfojee from his ignominious Confinement; but likewise dissolve the Charm which now enslaves the Rajah to the Councils of Shevarow: but I fear unless some very strong measure be taken it will not be effected. and tho' it would be a satisfaction to Serfojee to be placed in the House which properly belongs to him, and which is contiguous to that of his Mother by adoption, yet I am told the Rajah could not well admit of Company's Sepoys in that part of the Palace; I therefore submit to your Honor's &c.a Consideration whether it might not be as well to remove Serfojee, provided it be agreeable to him,

entirely

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will occasion no further delay than your health absolutely requires.

I have the honor to be your Excellency's
faithful Friend & well wisher
(signed) G. Ram Reid.

Tanjour 5th October 1789.

A true Copy (signed) G. Ram Reid.

To lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the Table for further Consideration

Read the following Letter from the Committee for Investigating the Accounts of the King's Troops serving in India.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Committee for Investigating the Accounts of the King's Troops serving in India—stating that an account of the Subsistence paid to His Majesty's Troops up to April 1786, was sent into Government the 13th April last, and that they are now preparing the account from that period (April 1786) to the present day.

We have the honor to enclose our last Week's report of the progress towards investigating the King's Accounts.

We have likewise the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr Secretary Chamier's Letter of 29th Ultimo, covering an Extract of a Letter from Bengal to this Government, by which the Supreme Board express their anxiety to receive from us a seperate Account of the Subsistence paid to his Majesty's Troops, without waiting for the Completion of the other Charges on their account, which comes under our Investigation.

As an account of this kind was sent in to Government 13th April last, specifying the Subsistence paid to his Majesty's Regiments up to April 1786 (when the King's & Company's Pay Offices were seperated) exclusive only of that Charge on Account of the Hanoverian Regiments, We are led to suppose

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Diary

10th. Received the following Letter and Enclosure from Colonel Musgrave.

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

Hon.ble Sir

From Colonel Musgrave — enclosing a Return, stating forth the present state of the Native Cavalry.

I have the honor to enclose a present state of the Native Cavalry, taken from the latest returns, which will afford the information required in your Secretary's Letter of the 2nd. Instant.

I have the honor to be
Yr. Yr. Yr.
(signed) Tho.s Musgrave

Head Quarters
Fort St. George 9th. October 1789 —

Return

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No. 10

Company's Native Cavalry on the Coast on 30th Sept. 1789

Present — Natives — Jemidars	Havildars	Naigues	Trumpeters	Privates	Horses	Sick absent — Europeans — Lieutenants	Cornets	Assistant Surgeons	On Command — Europeans — Lieutenants	Cornets	Serjeants	Havildars	Naigues	Horses	— on Leave — Europeans — Majors	Captain-Lieutenants	Lieutenants	Cornets	Adjutant	Quarter Master	Assistant Surgeon	Natives — Jemidars	Havildars	Naigues	Horses	Total — including Officers	Total Horses	Wanting to Complete — Natives — Serjeants	Jemidars	Havildars	Naigues	Horses	Supernumeraries — Europeans — Captain	Captain Lieutenants	Lieutenants	Cornet	Adjutant	Solicitor	Jemidars	Havildars	Naigues	Trumpeter	Horses
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Troop of Native Cavalry, and one Company of Native Infantry of the same strength as ordered for the Native of a Regiment of Cavalry was directed to continue to do duty with the Body Guard ——— Native Cavalry were reduced to 60; but the Officer Commanding the Body Guard was in[illegible] mod at the same time it has therefore continued as before, and from the same Authority 1 Trumpeter, 1 Havildar, and 1 Naigue

General Orders, and the subsequent alterations authorized by the Governor, as reported by Lieutenant Grant, the Adjutant General was directed to place 1 Havildar in the Body Guard which occasion a supernumerary of that Rank = Allaries have continued with the Guard ever since the Guns attached to it were withdrawn. ——— in the Guard ——— ctinues to officiate in the same Capacity; but having been directed only to do Duty with the Guard, is ——— The two Horses returned as Supernumerary in the Body Guard are required for Cornet

Horses ———

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(signed) Thomas Musgrave

Colonel Commanding

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10th of 300 Men / belonging to Chief Naig / in the Village of Cura-
-mungalum, distant from the Cavalry Cantonment at
Arnatoore about 5 miles, and on the high road leading to
Vellore. — They burnt one house; cut several of the Inhabitants &
the People belonging to Major Darley; took one horse of the
5th Regiment, and plundered the Villages of Pallipet, Cura-
-mungalum & Bellum.

They were very anxious to take the native Com-
-missioned Officer, who narrowly escaped, whilst they had set
fire to the House he was in.

I am informed there were several Peons belong-
-ing to His Highness the Nabob in the Villages, but too few to
protect them.

I have the honor to remain
Sir &c. &c. &c.

Cavalry Lines near Arcot
October 9th 1789. —

(signed) William Younge.
Major Commanding Cavalry Cantonments

Minute thereon

Ordered that such a Force be detached from Arnee
as may effectually repel Chief Naigue's People from the
Nabob's Country, and, if possible, make Prisoners the
Plunderers.

From the Paymaster at Tanjore.

Received the undermentioned Letter from the
Paymaster of Tanjore, (as entered in No. 13, No. 61.) enclosing
a Return of the Grain issued Monthly to the Troops; —
stating the Difference between the Company's and Bazar
prices.

Sent the following Letters.

To

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To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G. &c. &c. &c.
10th

Governor General in Council
at Fort William

My Lord —

"To Bengal — advising of the application made to General Conway for his interception with Tippoo for the release of the English Prisoners now in Mysore; and of the General's reply. —"

Our President a few days ago recommended to us the propriety of addressing General Conway Governor of Pondicherry, who was on the point of leaving the Coast, and of reminding him that many of the Prisoners Captured by Monsieur de Suffrein, who were delivered to the Custody of Hyder ally, have not yet been restored — stating that as it was possible that Tippoo Sultaun might think himself more bound in honor to restore the Prisoners to the French Nation from whom they were received, than on a Requisition immediately from the English Government; it would be an act of humanity & attention to those brave Officers and Men who were Captured in the Service of their Country, to use every means consistent with the Credit of this Government, to obtain their Liberation.

A Letter to the foregoing Effect was accordingly addressed to General Conway, who immediately replied to it, and forwarded a transcript of the Letter he had in Consequence written to Tippoo. Of these Papers We beg leave to enclose Copies for the information of your Lordship.

We have the honor to be

My Lord &c. &c. &c. (signed) In. Holland

&c. Council

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12th harmony now happily existing between our respective Nations.

I have the honor to be
Gr. Gr. Gr.
(signed) Jno Holland

Fort St George
12th October 1789

To Messrs Roebuck and Marten.

Committee for Investigating the accounts of the Kings Troops serving in India.

Gentlemen.

To the Committee for Investigating the accounts of the Kings Troops — their Investigation not to extend beyond April 1786; and their Allowances to cease on 30th November, as it is expected the business entrusted will be finished before that time.

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 6th Instant, and to inform you that they do not consider it necessary for you to extend your Investigation beyond April 1786. as the accounts from that period have been regularly drawn out by the Paymaster of his Majesty's Troops, and delivered at the office of the Military Paymaster General.

A Complete account Current should however be formed to the latest period of the whole issue of Money on account of the King's Troops, Hanoverian Regiments, and of its Disbursements under the respective Heads of Expenditure, which must comprise all disbursements of victualling and Military Stores: and this last article which is not entered in the accounts of the Paymaster to the King's Troops, may be obtained from the Books of the Military Storekeeper.

I am further instructed to remind you of the hopes which you expressed in your letter of the 3rd August "That the service entrusted to you will be finished in this Month".

In this hope Government trust there will not be any disappointment, and they have in consequence resolved that your allowances shall cease on the 30th Novr.

I am &c &c &c (signed) Jno Chamier Secy

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Minute thereon

12th. Ordered, that Copy of Tippoo's Letter, with Copy of the Rajah of Travancore's last Letter be transmitted to Bengal, with the following Letter.

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

My Lord.

To Bengal – inclosing Copies of Tippoo and the Rajah of Travancore's last Letters – communicate thereon.

Our last letter to your Lordship on the subject of the proceedings of the Rajah of Travancore with the Dutch was dated the 3rd Ult. since when We have been honored with the receipt of the Letter from your Lordship and the Council of Fort William under date the 9th Ult. forwarded by Express.

We immediately acquainted Mr. Powney with the Instructions contained in it, and directed him to call upon the Rajah of Travancore to restore Cranganore &c. to the Dutch. Since the transmission of our orders to Mr. Powney, our President has received a long Letter from the Rajah in justification of the Measures he had adopted; and he has also just received a Letter from Tippoo Sultaun on the same Subject.

Your Lordship will perceive upon perusing these Papers, of which We inclose Copies, that Tippoo Sultaun asserts what is positively denied by the Rajah of Travancore – It remains only for us to carry into Execution your Instructions for obliging the Rajah to give back to the Dutch the places he has lately purchased from them.

We have the honor to be
My Lord,
Your Lordship's most obedient Servants

Fort St. George
12th. October 1789

(signed) Jn.o Holland
&c. Council

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To which the President returned the following Answer.

The Governor's reply to Compte Bylandt — the Government of Madras will conform strictly in all points to the Terms of the late Treaty at the Hague.

M.r Hollond presents his Compliments to the Compte van Bylandt — he has had the honor of the Comptes Card this Evening, and begs leave to inform him on the part of this Government, that it is their intention to conform strictly in all points to the Terms of the late Treaty at the Hague between his Britannick Majesty, and their High Mightinesss the States General; but as the Treaty makes no provision for any Offensive or Defensive alliance in the Event of Hostilities between either of the contracting Parties and any of the Native Powers of India, this Government do not think it necessary and are not authorized to enter at present on any negociation on that Subject. — If the Compte van Bylandt has any thing further to propose, the Governor will be happy to see him in the Fort on Monday morning at Eleven o'clock, or at any other other hour that may be more convenient to the Compte.

Fort St. George
10th. October 1789.

Read the following Letters from Colonel Musgrave.

To the Honble John Hollond Esq.r
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From Colonel Musgrave — representing the frequent Desertion of the Native Troops — recommending that His Highness the Nabob be desired to give peremptory orders to his amildars &c.a not to give protection to any Deserters.

In consequence of various representations which have lately arrived from Officers Commanding Battalions of

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To which the President returned the following Answer.

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experienced by some of the Battalions, the applications of the Commanding Officer being totally disregarded by the aumildar, who also refused to give any Assistance whatever towards apprehending the Deserters

I have the honor to be

Madras 10th October 1789. &c. &c. &c. (signed) Thomas Musgrave.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Colonel Musgrave — Captain Lieutenant Cameron succeeds to the Captain of Company, vacant by the Death of Captain Eagle

In consequence of the Resolution which Government has taken, of granting to Captain Lieutenant Hall a further leave of absence of 6 months, I am to acquaint you that Captain Lieutenant Robert Cameron, is next in Seniority to succeed to the Company vacant by the Death of Captain Eagle.

I have the honor to be

Madras 11th October 1789. &c. &c. &c. (signed) Thomas Musgrave

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council. —

Honble Sir

From Colonel Musgrave — reports the Death of Captain Thomas Smith, and recommends Captain Thomas Moore to succeed him in the Command of the 6th Revenue Battalion.

I am sorry to report to you the death of Captain Thomas Smith commanding the 6th Revenue Battalion; and beg leave to recommend Captain Thomas Moore (on the Invalid List) as a Deserving Officer, whose length of Service, and sufferings from Wounds, give him the fullest pretensions

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also includes the Smiths Work belonging to Doors Windows &c., it will readily occur to the Honble Board that, with attentive usage, many of these Articles could not have been now wanting to Buildings so recently finished; and I, with all deference, submit to your Consideration the propriety of establishing some regulation that will prevent the like inconvenience hereafter.

The Buildings at Walaujahbad were executed so much in haste as to render it impossible to procure flat and Pan Tiles fast enough to cover them with both; many of them were therefore necessarily covered with Pan Tiles only, which on the least accident admit Water thro' the Roof, and in the Land Wind Season make the quarters very uncomfortable, by the flying Dust that from between them finds it's way every where. I would therefore recommend when a more thorough repair takes place than can at present be attempted on account of the near approach of the Monsoon, that the Pan Tiles now in use should be entirely shifted, and relaid with Flat Tiles under them: as affording this comfort will not be attended with any great Expence. And whilst this is doing that all the Palmiras and Bamboos forming the Roof be done over with Coal Tar, which will be one of the best Tryals that can be made of rendering the common Country Materials durable by that means, nearly one half of the Palmiras of the first erected Buildings having been cut in the neighbourhood of the Place.

As the number of People in the Gun Sheds are encreased to 600, the Cook rooms and Necessaries allotted for those formerly there, are no longer sufficient for their Convenience: It is therefore proposed to enlarge & remove them

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General Abstract Expence of Buildings required at Walaujahbad

		Bricklayers Work	Carpenters Work	Total
Picket Guard Shed	124 Feet long	204.5.20	194	398.5.20
Cookroom for the Gun Shed	60 Ditto	78.29.20	39.21	118.8.20
Repairs for Ditto	40 Ditto	27.3.40	11	38.3.40
			Pagodas	554.17

(signed) Patrick Ross
Lieutenant Colonel & Chief Engineer

Minute thereon

Lieutenant Colonel Ross having represented that a Picket Guard Shed, a Cook Room, and Necessary for the Gun Shed at Walaujahbad are necessary, it is Agreed that they be erected agreeably to the Estimate, amounting to Pagodas 554.17.—

Read the following Letter from the Officer in command at Tanjore.

To John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary—

Sir

I have the honor of enclosing you two Letters I this day received from Captain Trapaud, which let me request you will be pleased to lay before the Honble the Governor in Council.—

I have the honor to be
Sr. Yr. Mst. Obt. Hble Servt
Chas. Glendoning
Captain 72nd Regiment

Tanjore 8th October 1789—

Note: Officer in command at Tanjore enclosing two Letters from the Engineer respecting Repairs to Captain Brown's & to the Engineer's Quarters.

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immediately repaired. — It is 95 feet long and 2½ feet thick, and 15 feet high; such a ponderous weight would crush anumber of Houses — I have ordered it to be Shored up until the order comes; and I hope my precaution will be efficacious: but the Bricks are so very rotten and loose that it is doubtful.

As there will be no necessity for rebuilding it so very high, nor so thick, I think 10 feet in height and 2 in thickness will be sufficient, and reduce the Expence; the estimate of it will therefore be —

A Wall 95 feet long, 2 feet thick, and 10 feet high — 1900 Cubic feet, in brick and Mud, at 2 fan.s ½ Cubit foot } Pag.s 90.20 —

I have the honor to be
Yr. a Yr. a Yr.

Tanjore 8th Oct.r 1789 —

(signed) Elisha Trapaud
Capt. & Sub D.r Engr.

Minute thereon

Agreed to desire that an Estimate be sent of the proposed Repairs to the Engineers Quarters, with an account of the particulars of the additions requested by Captain Trapaud.

Agreed also, that the uses of the Wall which is recommended to be rebuilt, shall be stated before it be undertaken, as proposed by Captain Trapaud.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Capper

To

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Fort St. George 13th October 1789.

Letters from Ganjam of the 23d September taken into consideration.

The Board now take into Consideration the Letter from Ganjam of the 23d Ultimo, with it's several Enclosures, and the following Letter is in consequence Drafted & approved.

To Morgan Williams Esqr.
Chief & Council at Ganjam

Gentlemen.

To Ganjam — Guzzepatty Doo is not to be employed at a distance from his Zemindary — the Bourasinghie Zemindary is not to be conferred upon Guzzepatty Doo, unless he delivers up the person of Sanadeo — a Answer prepared on account of the Escape of Bapoo Gundoit Martah.

Having taken into further Consideration your Letters of the 23d Ult. We now think it necessary to transmit to you our Sentiments thereon.

We are of opinion that it is not expedient to employ Guzzepatty Doo nor his Sons at a distance from his Zemindary, nor do We approve commencing hostilities against any of the Zemindars, unless there is positive proof of delinquency in assisting the Insurgents in opposition to the Company's authority.

Upon your representation that the Rajah of Bourasinghie's Conduct deserves punishment, We approve of your depriving him of his Zemindary; but it should not be conferred upon Guzzepatty Doo, unless he obtains possession and delivers up to you the Person of Sanadeo.

We think it necessary to desire you will transmit to us immediate Intelligence of the operations in your District. We are induced to require this from observing that Lieutenant Lee's Letter to your Board is dated the 14th August, and was first Communicated to us in your address of the 23d Ultimo.

We cannot close this Letter without expressing our disapprobation of the negligence and want of caution from which Bapoo Gundoit Martah, a Murderer, has found means to effect his Escape — We desire that a particular Enquiry may forthwith be made, and a Report sent to us, that We may judge to whom this Shameful negligence is attributable, and take the necessary measures for enforcing a due attention in future.

You will be pleased to inform us in what manner, & in what place the prisoner was confined, with every particular relative to the manner of his Escape.

We are &c. &c. &c. (Signed) John Holland
&c. Council

Fort St. George
13th October 1789

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Diary

14th Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. Nos 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70.)

Colonel Musgrave

To Colonel Musgrave — the President has been desired to request of the Nabob to issue peremptory orders to his Amildars and Renters, forbidding them to give any Harbour to Deserters from the Native Corps, and Commanding them to assist the Parties in pursuit of them. — Lieutenant Colonel Hughes of the Invalids appointed to command at Cuddalore; and Captain Moore to the Command of the 6th Revenue Battalion — with the monthly Returns of the army laid before the Board, there must be a return of Guards in the different Garrisons and Cantonments on the Coast.

Commandant at Tiagar

To the Commandant at Tiagar — The small Guard Stationed by him at Calcourchy may remain there until further Orders.

Commandant at Tanjore

To the Commandant at Tanjore — The particular Repairs wanting to the Engineer's Quarters are to be sent to the Presidency together with an Estimate of the Expence that will attend them — With respect to the Wall which the Engineer recommends to be rebuilt, the uses thereof, and whether there is any necessity for rebuilding it, must be stated. —

To the Chief Engineer — The Board permit the execution of a Picket Guard Shed, a Cook Room and Necessary for the Shed at Walaujabad, the Expence of which is stated Pagodas 554. 17. —

Major Younge

To the Officer Commanding the Cavalry Cantonment near Arcot — as 80 Horses are expected from Bombay it is not

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16th. ausmt of the Detachment in the Travancore Country, which I request the favor of you to lay, before them — the particulars of the Expenditures are exhibited in my Accounts with the Military Paymaster General; which have been transmitted for the month of August.

Agreeably to your Intimation respecting the charge for Secret Intelligence I shall do myself the honor of addressing the Honble Governor on the subject.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
George Powney
Assistant & Paymaster

Fort St. George 4th Oct. 1789

An Account of the Detachment in the Travancore Country

1789		Pagodas	Fs.	Cs.	Rs.
February 25th	To Expences of 2 Battalions &c.				
	Stores &c. Country &c. a detachment	689	32	58	
	&c. Artillery, Gun & Carriage Lascars				
	&c. &c. for Journey				
March 31st	To Ditto — Ditto for month	6534	—	11	
April 30th	To Ditto — Ditto for ditto	5810	17	75	35 40
May 31st	To Ditto — Ditto for ditto	1875	35	40	
June 30th	To Ditto — Ditto for ditto	3561	15	12	
July 31st	To Ditto — Ditto for ditto	3133	34	4	
August 31st	To Ditto — Ditto for ditto	4986	14	24	
	Pagodas	33858	15	78	

		Pagodas	Fs.	Cs.	Rs.
1789					
January 25th	By Cash rec'd from Capt. Welsh's Detachment	26	72	—	—
April 15th	By Ditto — Ditto	2773	32	40	
May 31st	By Ditto — Ditto	11876	50	40	
June 30th	By Ditto — Ditto	4856	—	—	
July 31st	By Ditto — Ditto	4892	—	—	
August 31st	By Ditto — Ditto	4735	—	—	
		31804	28	—	
	By Postages of Letters made from March to August	1631	11	40	
	Pagodas	33436	39	40	

George Powney
Paymaster.

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16th the asistant Engineer is to sit at the Committee of Stores during the temporary absence of the Engineer.

17th Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. Nos. 80, 81, 82, 83, 84.)

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of new Platform Carriages, and 20 Iron Chain Traces for Tumbrils, which We examined, and finding them made of good Materials and well finished, We ordered them to be received on the Company's Books.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

J. Capper
Wm Lind
Thomas Giels
Geo: Maule
J. Moorhouse

Fort St George 7th Oct. 1789 (signed)

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor &c. Council

Honble Sir and Sirs

We have the honor to inform you that at our last meeting Colonel Musgrave took his Seat as Pres. of our Committee agreeably to your Instructions contained in Mr Secretary Chamier's letter of the 30th ult. at the same time that Lieutt. Colonel Giels's letter of the 9th October We have likewise received, enclosing an Indent for Stores for the use of the Garrison & District of Tanjore which We have delivered to the Commissary General of Stores, for him to report upon.

Lieutenant Colonel Giels observed at our last Meeting that the Military Storekeeper's name was inserted before those of the Lieutenant Colonels; and that as a Member of the Committee of Stores, he conceived he cannot without an authority from the Honble Board, and the Commander in Chief

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the Government of Madras come to any resolution. — Copies of the proceedings relating to the cause and execution of the late Expedition to be transmitted

two Brothers of the name of Murdoo, who were Managers of the Shevagunga Country, in the Southern Parts of His Highness's Dominions; and the Resolutions of your Board upon that subject have appeared to us to be deserving of our Serious consideration.

As the principal part of the Military Force of the Carnatic is now in the hands of the Honble Company; and as a certain portion of the Nabob's Revenue is allotted by Treaty, for defraying part of the Expence of its support, there can be no doubt of His Highness having a right to expect that the Government of Fort St. George will, when not inconsistent with the political Safety of both parties, readily employ such part of that Force, as may at any time be necessary for supporting his lawful authority over his own Subjects or Tributaries, as well as for protecting his Territories against foreign Enemies.

Unacquainted, as We are, with the nature of the agreements that were made between the Nabob and the two Murdoos, and with the grounds on which he founded his Charge against them for a fail[illegible] their Engagements, We are not enabled to decide [illegible] own Judgement, nor is it our Design at present to examine, whether the Determination of His Highness to proceed to Measures of such extreme violence against them was reconcileable to the principles of Moderation or Justice: but We conclude that, unless You had seen good reason to coincide in opinion with the Nabob, respecting the flagrant delinquency of the two Brothers, You would not have consented to punish above of the Company's [illegible] give them our [illegible] of the Country which was [illegible] ever.

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number and Quality of the Troops, comes under the description of a considerable army, and of a magnitude by far too great to have, with propriety, been permitted to engage in offensive operations without a previous concert with the Supreme Government.

We have also observed with the greatest concern, from that part of the correspondence that has been laid before us, which consists of Extracts of the Letters that passed between Brigadier General Horne and Colonel Stuart, respecting the operations of the Troops that were put under Colonel Stuart's Command, that, notwithstanding the deliberation with which the Plan of this Expedition seems to have been adopted, no effectual precautions had been taken by your Board to secure sufficient supplies of Money and Provisions for the Troops that were to be employed; But, that from the 12th. of April, the first day on which Colonel Stuart took the command of the Detachment, to the conclusion of the operations, his Complaints to General Horne of the want of Money are frequent and earnest; and, it attracted our particular notice, that he was at an early period after the Commencement of his March, reduced to such a for Provisions, as to be obliged to apply for assistance to every People [illegible] he was then under orders to attack.

[illegible] disappointments, no doubt, appear to have been occasioned by the Nabob having failed in making judicious Arrangements for performing his promise to furnish the Necessary Supplies for the Troops, or by the misconduct or negligence of the Aumils or Managers whom he entrusted by him with the execution of his orders; whatever the blame may with Justice be imputed to, it was pernicious to the public [illegible]

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without applying for and obtaining the previous Sanction of this Government, unless such Subjects or Tributaries should become actual Aggressors, and render it unavoidably necessary before an Answer could be received from hence to send a stronger Body of Troops against them.

We likewise direct that you shall consider it, in future, as an Established Rule to place no further dependence upon the Nabob, or his Managers, for furnishing the requisite Supplies of Money or Provisions to such parts of the Company's Troops as may at any time be employed at His Highness's requisition or on his Service, than may be unavoidably necessary, But that in all Cases, as far as may be practicable, the Measures for this purpose shall be taken by Your Government; and that such proportion of the Expence as may appear reasonable, conformable to agreement, shall be afterwards charged to His Highness's account.

It is our further direction that, in Cases where it is found to be impracticable to procure Money or Provisions without the Assistance of the Nabob and his Managers you shall obtain, previous to the movement of the Troops, satisfactory Assurance, by due inquiry and examination, that ample supplies are ready for the purposes, and likewise that measures are taken for future expectation, which are sufficient as probable in their operations as the circumstances will admit.

In addition to the [illegible] are of a political nature, [illegible]

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may be deeply implicated, We direct that you shall, in future, report to the Supreme Board the particulars of every case which may occasion a requisition from the Nabob, for the assistance of one Battalion, or upwards, of the Company's Troops to enforce obedience to his orders—whether it may have been thought proper by your Board to withhold or grant the aid that His Highness may have required.— And We further direct that You communicate to us Copies of all Your proceedings relating to the cause and Execution of the late Expedition.

We have the honor to be

Honble Sir

Your most obedient humble Servants

(signed) { Cornwallis
" J Shore

25th September 1789.

The Secretary informs the Board that the Consultations of this Government in the Military and Political Department have been forwarded to Bengal, to the 30th June last.

Resolved that, in reply to the above, the following Letter be written to the Governor General & Council

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

My Lord

We have been honored with the receipt of the Letter from Your Lordship in Council, dated the 25th instant, and shall pay every attention to it's Contents.

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To Bengal in answer to the forgoing

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notwithstanding which, We were not wanting in our Endeavour to ascertain the truth of such Statements, altho' the means in our power could not be adequate to the obtaining full conviction of the propriety of the measure to which We were urged to give assistance with the Company's Troops.— We could hear but little more than one side of the question stated by a prince unaccustomed to an Explanation much less to a justification of Steps he wished to take with his Vassals and Subjects; and here let us be permitted to ask whether it is expected when such cases occur, that We should summon the Vassal, or the Renter of the Nabob to the Presidency & examine him and his Witnesses to the points urged against him? — or is it thought necessary that We should desire the Nabob to produce Proofs that his Claims are founded injustice, or that they do not militate against the Rights and Privileges of the Subject, who, according to the principles of their Government, are entirely dependant on his authority? It seems impossible to exact this; and yet without such mode the Enquiry must be incompleat.

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and Ruinous to the Revenues of the Southern Districts of His Highness the Nabob.

We have reason to be greatly satisfied at so happy a termination of such dangerous and daring Commotions.— At that time there did not appear to us any apprehensions of an Invasion from Tippoo Sultaun, who was much engaged in reducing the Chiefs & Dependants of his own Circar, Which We conceived afforded rather a favorable juncture to grant the assistance claimed by His Highness, conformable to the Treaty.

Shevigunga is situated in the Murrawa Countries about 24 miles from Madura, which have been long subject to His Highness the Nabob.— In the Year 1772, a Force was sent under the Command of General Joseph Smith, and at different times under other Officers to reduce the Poligars and Colleries of those Districts to a State of subjection, who were always considered as a turbulent race of People, as will appear from the following Extract of the Records of that Period. —— "Towards the close of the War with Hyder Ally "when he entered the Baramahal, and detached Meer "Phazel Ulla Cawn into the Maduran and Tinnevelly "Countries, the Poligars then to a man threw off the Mask, "ravaged the country, and joined the Enemy with all "their Forces, and as We received Constant advices of their "defection & of the Enemy's success, We may venture to affirm "that if the War had continued another month, the Nabob "would not have had a single foot of Ground remaining "in those Countries, except the Forts of Madura and "Palamcotah."

Having expelled the Poligars His Highness the Nabob was put in peaceable possession of the Country, continuing

minute Proofs of the propriety of employing a Military Force, it will be absolutely impossible for him to make the Payments expected from him to the Company. This would involve us in Embarrassment, for, in the event of the Nabob's failing to make his regular payments, We must suffer inconvenience, as We in a great measure depend upon the Receipts from him for the Monthly Payments.

With regard to the want of Money & Provisions which was experienced in the Detachment employed in the Shevigunga Country, We have to observe that, the Assurances of the Nabob were so strong, and the object of such importance to his Highness, that We were led to place a Confidence in them. We believe that the Nabob took all the precautions in his power, but the embarrassed state of his affairs in that part of the Country, probably occasioned his disappointments. What prevented also our scrutinizing strictly into his resources, was our expectation that the Service would be completed much sooner than was the case.

Orders having been early obtained from him were sent to his Aumildars to assist in providing Provisions: there was a large Store of Grain laid up at Tanjore & Tritchinopoly which might have been supplied on an emergency; and the Paymaster had a discretional authority to draw on the Presidency for Money. — His Highness the Nabob, on occasions where any Troops are employed, has usually been charged with a certain portion of the Extraordinary Expences incurred; which will be observed on the present occasion.

We shall pay the strictest attention to the Instructions your Lordships has been pleased to transmit to us, as well

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Read the following Letter from Cuddalore (with Enclosures entered in M.B. No. 86.87.)

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Cuddalore with Copy of a Letter to the Chief from Captain McLean, and of the Reply thereto, respecting the removal of that Officer from the Command of Cuddalore.

We have the honor of enclosing Copy of a Letter addressed to the Chief from Captain McLean, together with his Answer thereto.

The Chief informing us that the charge of the Garrison has since been delivered over to Captain Thomas Moore; and being unacquainted with any orders of Government respecting the removal of Captain McLean from the Command, We request your Honor &c. will be pleased to favor us with your directions on the subject.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c. (signed) H. A. Craig
R. Cashwood

Cuddalore
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Read a Letter from Mr. Binny Head Surgeon at Masulipatam, acquainting them of the Decease of Mr. Laird Medical Storekeeper to the General Hospital, who died the 14th Inst.

The Hospital Board recommend Mr. Bell to be Storekeeper to the General Hospital at Masulipatam; and Mr. Baird appointed to the Residency at Negapatam in his Room.

approved

signed { Jas. Anderson Physician General
Colley Lucas C.S.
William Duffin Head Surgeon.

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council

Hönble Sir

From the Military Board — Colonel Musgrave and Lieutenant Colonel Piels take their Seats — the latter contends a Right of Precedence of Lieutenant Colonel Malcolm.

We have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letters of the 8th and 15th, and, in conformity to your Commands on the 30th Ultimo, Colonel Musgrave has taken his Seat as President at our Board; also Lieutenant Colonel Piels as Senior Officer of Artillery.

Lieutenant Colonel Piels having on this occasion contended a Right of precedence of Lieutenant Colonel Malcolm from his Official Rank as Adjutant General; and deeming ourselves

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no time &c. — Should Major Young approve of my Plan, and think proper to comply with my requisition, he will send me two Troops of Dragoons mounted, and one hundred dismounted Troopers. But it is to be regretted that I could not have seized the Instant of alarm, to push a Detachment in the Enemy's rear to cut off their retreat with the Booty, and another to have attacked them in front: Even now had I any authority over the Poligars in the Trinomally Country, and were the Sepoys at Changama and in the neighbouring Districts under my Command, I could post them so as greatly to facilitate our operations against this artful Plunderer.

Be pleased to acquaint the Honble the Governor in Council that I have written, at a venture, to His Highness the Nabob's aumildar of Trinomally, and to Kistnama Rajah, (the Mordoor Poligar) who he has employed to protect this Country, to assemble their Foras here immediately in the privatest manner possible, to assist in scowering the Hills and Jungles. Should this measure meet the approbation of the Honble Board, the Nabob's Sanction to it should be dispatched to me by return of Tappal, that I may not be disappointed in their co-operation.

Be pleased also, Sir, to acquaint the Honorable Board that the late groundless reports of an Enemy's being on the Frontiers, having been industriously magnified (probably by some of Chief Naig's People) they were beginning to affect the Country People on the Borders; — I therefore thought it might have a good effect, if I made a Trip to the Pass in question with a small Escort, having only the appearance of a Party of pleasure, and at the same time to satisfy myself, particularly, as to

Chief

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expressed in your Letter of the 10th Instant.

Had the Troops in my Neighbourhood been under my orders, I could easily have formed the Detachment at an hours warning, without waiting the co-operation of those at Major Younge's Cantonment, which is 20 Miles from hence, and still further from the scene of action; But, as matters stand, I must wait the further Instructions of the Honble the Governor in Council. In the meantime, what rests with me have been in readiness since the first, and shall remain so until further orders.

I have the honor to be

Arnee 14th October 1789. Yr. a. Yr. a. Yr. a. (signed) Robert Kelly

Colonel Kelly

My Dear Colonel

I am favored with yours of yesterday, and shall be very ready to give you every support agreeable to the Orders of the Honble Board.

Not having heard of Chief Naig's People since they stole a Horse belonging to the 5th Regiment near Polypett, I am quite at a loss to know what part of the Country they are in. I think it will be necessary for our Guidance that a responsible Man belonging to his Highness the Nabob, should be sent to explain the nature of the business, and

to

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Having stationed People near the Hills to bring me Intelligence, I shall give the Honble Board the earliest notice should they appear again, and endeavor to intercept them.

I have the honor to remain

Sir

your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) Wm Younge

Major Commanding Cavalry Cantont.

Cavalry Cantonment near Arcot

14th October 1789.

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Colonel Kelly and Major Younge, that Chief Naig having retired it is not judged necessary to pursue him. — If he should again appear they must transmit such particulars as may enable the Board to decide what steps should be taken.

Read the following Letters from the Resident at Tanjore.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr

Governor in Council at Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From the Resident at Tanjore — Substances of his conferences with the Rajah respecting the dismission of Shevarow, the release of Sorjee, and the delivery of the Cavr Corps.

In my last of the 5th Instant I enclosed a short Letter which I addressed to his Excellency in order to procure an audience as soon as possible. He in consequence appointed the evening of the 8th — I found Shevarow present as usual. I began by setting forth the strong appearances of Embezzlement of the Revenues on the part of Shevarow, recommending in the most earnest terms his Dismission from

of Shevarow as acting by his orders — affirmed that he often consulted Baupana, who being the Accountant, was more necessary to him even than Shevarow — With regard to Serfojee, he acknowledged his promise to Mr. Petrie, — affirmed that it had been his Design to find out a suitable match for Serfojee, that he might be married at the same time with His Excellency's Son in Law, after which he allowed the present restraint would be improper, but was now agreeable to their Customs. That the mother of the boy (by adoption) has herself objected to a match proposed by him, on the plea that the parties were too Young, which has prevented his carrying his Intentions into Effect as he had proposed to Mr. Petrie — That however in Six months more, he would without fail accomplish them — That in the mean time, it would be highly repugnant to their Customs for a Youth of Serfojee's age to visit the apartment of the Widows of the late Rajah — That if I doubted any part of what he now affirmed I might, if I thought proper, have any opportunity of conversing with the Widows of the late Rajah, she being concealed from my sight. To this I replied that I could never conceive it agreeable to their Custom to confine their Children in a place where they could not have the free benefits of Light and Air; that therefore it was highly necessary that Serfojee should be placed in the house mentioned in the Honble Governor's Letter, which I understood had been built by the late Rajah purposely for his accommodation — That if Serfojee's visiting the

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and dismal place of his confinement, to which the Rajah
assented, but declined being more particular, repeating
his assurances, that he was certain We should be satisfied
with his conduct in regard to Serfojee — With respect to
Shevarow, he affirmed he had been calumniated to me:
He could not conceive that his Conduct had been so bad as
I had stated it, and he hoped Shevarow would be able to
clear himself to my satisfaction — As to the Delivery of
the Carr-Crop to me — if my People interfered in the
Collection of it, it would lower him exceedingly in the
Eyes of his People; but that if I did not within 7 or 8 days
at farthest, hear from the Presidency, that he had paid his
Balance to the satisfaction of the Honble President, he
would then be satisfied that I should take any steps I
pleased for the Security of the Company's Kists — I must
here observe that the mode I proposed to his Excellency of
sending his Orders to the Paligadars would, as far as I can
discover, have entirely prevented the degradation he
seems to be alarmed at. — I had given a short memoran-
-dum to Mr. Swartz of the points I wished to be satisfied
on; one of which was, that I had been informed that on
the 30th ultimo, the Rajah has given to his Son in Law, as
a Jaghire, a District named Tamille, valued at 40,000
Chuckrums pannum, besides 20,000 Chuckrums pannum
Salary: on the impropriety of which, at a time that he
could not pay his Kists to the Company, I desired Mr.
Swartz to remark — The Rajah's answer was, that it was
true he has granted an Allowance of 1000 Chuckrums

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likewise in case any such Steps should be thought neces-
-sary, that Colonel Stuart might, for the time, resume
the command, whose firmness of Character and long residence
at this place has given him a considerable influence over the
Rajah.

I have the honor to be
Tanjore 11th October 1789 — Sir &c. &c. &c. (signed) G. Ram Resident

P.S. I have sent to the Palace in the most positive Terms
to put a stop to the further Collection on account of the
Carr-Crop, till your Honor &c. further orders arrive.
Should it once fall into their hands it will be effectu-
-ally lost to the Company. — I propose addressing
your Honor &c. tomorrow on the Subject of Accounts,
having at length brought those of the Palace, Mr.
Petrie and Mr. Woolf to coincide.

(signed) G. Ram Resident

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

Honble Sir

In reply to Mr. Woolf the Deputy Accountant's
Letter of the 15th Ultimo, enclosed to me by Mr. Charnier the 2nd
Instant, I have to observe that Mr. Woolf begins his Yearly
Accounts by the Month of May; but if no very particular Reason
exists for so doing, I would humbly propose that the Tanjore Accounts
should Commence on the 1st November, and close on the 31st October
following: For October being the only Month in which no Rent

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from the Resident at Tanjore —
recommending that the
Tanjore accounts should com-
mence on the 1st of November,
and close on the 31st October
following — his reason for
such recommendation —
Enclosing Statements of the
Rajah's account with this
Government — stating that
there are some Bricks and
other materials belonging
to the Company in the Tanjore
Army — which he recommends
should be inspected and
applied to the Company's use —
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corrected as above, that Mr. Wolf may see wherein the difference lay: neither of us have given the Rajah Credit for the 70000 which Mr. Petrie promised should be abated, as stated in my Letter of the 12th last — on this subject I humbly apprehend it will be necessary to have your Honor &c. orders.

I take the liberty of mentioning to your honor &c. that there are in the Taupe Bray at the north Gate of this Fort a quantity of Bricks and other Materials belonging to the company, which were laid up there by Captain Byers in the Year 1786, and originally valued at Pagodas 500 — they still continue there uncovered, and without so much as a Centry over them — they have of course suffered considerably from the Weather as well as from other causes: there are however a quantity still remaining which appear to be good in their kind — I humbly request the Honble President &c. orders on this Subject; whether after they may have been surveyed by a committee of Inspection, they may be applied to the company's use or sold on their account; which had better be done, if possible, before the Rains set in — neither the Paymaster or Engineer profess to know anything concerning them.

In my Letter of Yesterday, I forgot to mention that the Inhabitants of the Soubah of Mannargoody have fled the Country, being terrified by some improper People whom Shevarow sent to collect on account of the Carr-Crop — He has sent them a Cowle, but whether they will come back on it is extremely uncertain: I expect to hear in a day or two — This I mentioned to the Rajah in the Conference of the 8th amongst other Charges against Shevarow

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) J. Ram Resident

Tanjour 12th Oct. 1789

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To Colonel Musgrave
Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.

Sir

The Officers and Soldiers Barracks in this Cantonment are in so bad a state that the Rain comes through in almost every part of the Roof, and renders it almost impossible for the Men to live in them: but particularly the Low Sheds: in the late Rains it beat thro' in every part; and am now under the necessity of putting up the Walls of Tents on the Weather side to keep the Wind and Rain out. Should the Monsoon set in before they are repaired, it would be much better for the Men to lie in Tents; and I request you will be pleased to give me your Directions, If I may be permitted to pitch Tents for them.

The Hospital is in much the same Situation; and not sufficient to contain the number sick of his Majesty's 36th and 52nd Regiments.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) J. Cuppage
Major Commanding

Walajahbad
18th October 1789.

Agreed that the Chief Engineer be directed to make the Barracks at Walajahbad Water Proof before the Monsoon; also the Hanoverian Barracks at Madras.

The Barracks at Walajahbad, and the Hanoverian Barracks at Madras to be made Water Proof before the Monsoon.

The President informs the Board, that Colonel Musgrave has recommended that the 72nd Regiment, now encamped upon Trichinopoly Plain, be ordered to return to Tanjore before the Rains set in. In this recommendation, the

The 72nd Regiment encamped on Trichinopoly Plain to return to Tanjore

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for completing it, or whether our business will or will not be concluded by the end of November; but beg leave to assure your honor in Council, that however great an object was the Salary annexed to our Employ, it bears no proportion to the anxiety of our Wishes for having the Investigation finished; which cannot possibly be hurried more than has hitherto been the case—and which We will continue to expedite with every possible exertion.

We have the honor to be
Gt. Gt. Gt. (signed) Benj.n Roebuck
Geo. Sul. Marten

Fort St. George
11th. October 1789.—

Minute thereon

As the Account of Issues of Stores for the use of the King's Troops may be extracted by the Military Storekeeper from his Books, it is Agreed that the Committee be informed that the Board have resolved to direct Mr. Lind to execute this service.—

Read the undermentioned Letters (entered in Mss. Nos. 88. 89. 90 91. 92. 93.)

From the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts.

Minute thereon

From the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts.

States, that he has uniformly objected to the Apistant Surgeons, doing duty with the Native Cavalry, drawing Pay as Cornets of Cavalry; and that the latest period known to him, to which Messrs. Ramsay and Inglis have drawn their Pay & Allowances is December 1788.

As it appears from the Report of the Hospital Board on the above Subject, that, notwithstanding Colonel Capper's objections, the Paymasters have issued the Pay of Cornets of Cavalry to Apistant Surgeons (particularly Messrs. Ramsay and Inglis) it is Agreed that the Comptroller General be directed to call upon the Paymasters to refund such Sums as have been overpaid since his Communications to them on the Subject.

from

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Minute thereon

Agreed, that the Repairs be executed; & that Lieutenant Brunton be directed to state the Expence attending the Execution.

From the Commandant at Tiagar

From the Commandant at Tiagar — represents, that there are only in that place 8 Garce and 766 Marcalls of very bad Paddy, & that there are not any Buildings fit to deposit any kind of Stores.

Minute thereon

Agreed, that an Extract of the above Letter be sent to Mr. Cockburn, and that he be directed to report upon the quantity and quality of the Grain in Store at Tiagar.

Intelligence

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

Ex. Proceedings Mr. Stevenson

Fort St. George. October 1789.

21st. the public Buildings may be executed — to transmit an account shewing the particulars of what has been done, and the Expence attending the execution.

To Ganjam — To Ganjam — the Repairs wanting to the House occupied by Mr. George Wynch may be executed, with the Exception of a new flooring to the upper part, which the Board conceive to be unnecessary.

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — to report upon the quantity and quality of the Grain in Store at Tiagar.

To Colonel Capper — To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts. to call upon the Paymasters to refund such Sums as have been over paid to the Assistant Surgeons attached to the Native Cavalry, from the period of his Communications to the Paymasters on the subject. —

To the Storekeeper at Vellore — To the Storekeeper at Vellore — In the occasional absence of the Engineer of Vellore, it is not necessary that the Assistant should sit as a Member of the Committee of Stores.

To the Hospital Board — To the Hospital Board — Mr. Bell to be Medical Storekeeper at Masulipatam, vice Mr. Laird Deceased; & Mr. Baird to succeed Mr. Bell at Negapatam.

To Colonel Kelly — To Colonel Kelly at Arnee — Chief Naig having retired, it is unnecessary to make any pursuit — if hereafter he should appear, such particulars are to be transmitted to the Board, as may enable them to decide what Steps should be taken.

To Major Younge — The same to Major Younge.

To the Military Board — To the Military Board — the different Members of that Board are to sit agreeably to the dates of their Commissions — of course Lieutenant Colonel Malcolm has precedence of Lieutenant Colonel Giels.

To the Committee of Stores — To the Committee of Stores — the Military Storekeeper being a Senior Merchant, has precedence over all the Lieutenant Colonels

sitting

We the means of delaying or preventing it until We can have the honor of your Lordship's Decision on this Subject. of the Letter to Tippoo We have the honor to enclose a Copy.

We have within these few days received a Letter from the Dutch Government at Pulicat, announcing that Count Byland, Second in Council at that Settlement was deputed by them to communicate with us on Special affairs — he accordingly waited upon our President, and requested to know whether We expected a Rupture with Tippoo: and, in that Event, whether We would succour the Dutch Settlements if they should be attacked by him. Count Byland wished to have a satisfactory Answer to this, being aware that the 6th. article of the Treaty concluded at the Hague does not specify a pistance to be given by the English against the Native Princes of India who might attack the Dutch.

We desired our President to furnish Count Byland with a Copy of the Letter which We addressed to the Dutch Government at Columbo, as explanatory of our Disposition towards the Dutch; but this not being satisfactory to the Count, our President informed him that it was our Intention to adhere strictly to the Treaty of the Hague; which making no provision for any offensive or defensive Alliance in the Event of Hostilities between either of the Contracting Parties & any of the Native Powers of India, We did not think it necessary, nor were we authorized to enter at present on any negotiation on that Subject —

The Count has since returned to Pulicat

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

(signed) Jn.o Holland

&c. Council

Fort St. George
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Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Beale.

John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir

I have the honor to forward to you a Letter from Kameer ul Mulck, His Highness the Nizam's Nephew, who has the superintendance of all the Zemindaries situated in the southern parts of Golcondah.

I had requested his influence in putting a stop to the Depredations I have already written about.— The enclosed Letter in answer to the application informs me of his intention to punish the Zemindar of Chintrapallium by dispossessing him, and requesting I would give him assistance for that purpose.—

I think it my Duty therefore to forward the enclosed for the Information of the Honble the Governor in Council, as I cannot, consistent with propriety, enter into any Correspondence of this Nature, without his authority.

I have the Honor to be.

Sir Your most obedient & very humble Servant

(sign'd) Ant: Beale

Lt. Commanding

Vizry Cottah
11th October 1789

From Kummeer ul mulk — to Captain Beale.

dated 18 Mohumm 1204—
or 8th October 1789—
Received 20th October 1789—

Your inestimable letter replete with friendship gave me great pleasure, and I understood the whole of it's contents.— There is no doubt that Varsingrow, the Chittul

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Agreed to inform Lieutenant Beale that it is not thought necessary he should correspond with the Nizam's Ministers: if they have occasion they must address themselves thro' their own Court to the President, and Lieutenant Beale must forward the Letters to Madras.

Substance of a Letter from the Nabob

The President lays before the Board a Letter from the Nabob (entered in C.C. No. 96.) enclosing Copy of one which was forwarded from His Highness to Lord Cornwallis a few days ago. This Letter chiefly contains expressions of Regard & Confidence in the Governor General, with the intention of attending to his Advice and recommendation.

Read the following Letters, (entered in M.B. Nos. 112. 113. 114.)

From Colonel Musgrave

From Colonel Musgrave – enclosing a Return of the Army, and a return of Quarters.

From the Paymaster at Palamcotah

From Mr. Torin, Paymaster at Palamcotah – advising of his having drawn Bills on the Presidency – one Set for Pagodas 2,685, and the other for Pagodas 3,018, 18.54 – being for the use of the Garrison, the Phousdar not being able to supply Cash.

From Ensign Leith

From Ensign Leith – reporting that he has been examined in the Persian Language, & expressing his hope that an order may be passed for the payment of the usual Allowance to him.

Ordered to Lie on the Table.

Lie on the Table

Read

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Diary

23rd Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. No. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120. 121. 122.)

To the Commandant at Timricottah — the Board do not think it necessary to authorize his entering into a Correspondence with Kummeer ul mulk, whose Letters must be addressed to the Governor whenever he may have occasion to write on the business of His Highness the Nizam. —

To the Commandant at Timricottah

To the Chief Engineer — to report whether the situation of Tripasore makes it necessary that an Hospital built there should have an upper Floor — if it be not necessary, he is to send in a Plan and Estimate of an Hospital upon a Ground Floor.

To the Chief Engineer

To Lieutenant Hopestuart, Commanding at Changama Pass. — His Claim for Reimbursement on account of Secret Service, must be addressed to the Governor, to whom he is to explain the particulars of the Sums expended. —

To the Officer Commanding at the Pass at Changama

To the Rental General — with a Petition from the Hog Hill Inhabitants — to report whether the Claimants for Remission of Quit Rent are persons to whom Government is indebted on account of the Buildings removed from Hog Hill; and if so, the arrears of Quit Rent may be reported.

To Mr. Mitchell Rental General

24th To the Military Paymaster General — with Copy of a Letter from Captain Dixon — the Claims therein mentioned are to be added to the List in his Office, and discharged in the usual manner.

To the Military Paymaster General for prison Battly

25th To Colonel Musgrave — requesting his acceptance of the appointment of vice President of the Male orphan Asylum. —

To Colonel Musgrave

To

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From the Barrack Master to the Centre Division

26th From the Barrack Master in the Centre Division — enclosing a Return of Deficiencies in the Barracks at the Cantonment of Walajahbad — The Barracks have not yet been delivered over to him by the Chief Engineer.

From the Agent for the Jaggernaut Pooram Prize Money

From the Agent for the Jaggernaut Pooram Prize Money — has forwarded to Lieutenant Shippey a paper unsigned, purporting to be a Return of the Detachment belonging to the 6th Circar Battalion at the reduction of Jaggernaut Pooram under the Command of Captain Philip Mayne.

At a Consultation

Present

The Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor. President.

Tuesday 27th October 1789 —

James Henry Casamajor } Esqrs.
and
Edward John Hollond }

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved.

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor &c. &c. Council.

From the Committee of Stores — requesting to know what Treasurer receives from Bengal in consequence of the application for Cadenhieum.

Honble Sir and Sirs.

We have the honor to inform you that the Military Storekeeper has represented that he

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Serjeant William Price being an old Bombardier of a good Character who has served under Lieutenant Blakemore, We have no doubt of his being worthy of the station.

At the same time We forward a Letter from the Committee of Stores, recommending an Address from Lieutenant Blakemore the Inspector of Stores of this Garrison.

It is but doing that Officer strict justice to inform you that he is diligent in the discharge of his Duty; and that We believe his memorial to be well founded, and to contain a true state of his present situation; We therefore recommend his case to your honor in Council's consideration and favorable decision.

We are, Honble Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servants

Vizagapatam
16th October 1789.

(signed) { Alex.r Davidson
Fr.k W. Drake

Agreed that Serjeant Price be appointed Garrison Store Serjeant at Vizagapatam; and that Lieutenant Blakemore be permitted to draw Batta, while Superintending the drying of Powder, conformably to the recommendation of the Chief & Council.

The President proposes that Mr. Harry Taylor be appointed Paymaster at Ellore, in the room of Mr. Graham deceased. and, that Mr. Burlton be appointed Master Master for the Southern Division of the Army, in the room of Mr. Taylor.

Approved, and Ordered accordingly.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Musgrave.

To

Died.

Harry Taylor appointed Master at Ellore - vice Mr. Graham deceased - and Mr. Burlton to be Master Master of the Southern Division, vice Taylor.

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less than a thousand: but judged to be only half that number by People who saw them retiring to the Hills with their plunder, which must be considerable of the Inhabitants one was killed and four badly wounded;— At the request of the Renter the Guard at Calcoonchy has been strengthened to a Jemidar and twenty four Sepoys— every Village is deserted, and the poor People in the utmost distress — The Plunderers called themselves Chief Naig's Men — I have not Hircarrahs to watch their motions; and the few Sepoys at Tiagar can give little or no protection to Villages at a distance.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

(signed) Wm. Flint

Captain Commanding Tiagar

Tiagar 19th October 1789.

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing be sent to Colonel Kelly; and that he be desired to be as attentive as possible to the protection of the Country from the Plunderers that have lately infested it.

insite thereon

Agreed also, that the Officer in Command of the Cavalry at Connatoor be ordered to furnish Troops upon the written Requisition of Colonel Kelly.

Agreed that the above Resolutions be communicated to Colonel Musgrave.

Read the following Letter from Masulipatam (with Enclosures entered in M.B. Nos. 130. 134.)

To

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allowance due to the 30th April last; and omitting, as he has lately done, to specify the Balance in his hands, when he sent his Monthly Indents. He applied to us on the 6th August, which was a short time before his application to proceed to the Presidency, for 7,000 Madras Pagodas, on account of Temporary Allowance; which Sum, if it had been sent, might have prevented the immediate discovery of the deficiency, by having sufficient for the payment of the august Disbursements; for it does not appear that any such Sum was due on account of arrears of temporary allowance, at the time he applied for it.

We are satisfied that Mr. Malcolm will omit nothing that depends on him, for the security of the Balance; and as he has for many years been an Assistant at this Subordinacy, during a considerable part of which period, he has acted under the Paymaster and Storekeeper, and constantly shewn the strictest diligence and attention to that as well as whatever other Duty he has been occasionally employed in, We take the liberty of recommending him to your favorable notice; and as it is his desire to be appointed Mr. Graham's Successor in the Office of Paymaster at Ellore, we wish much it might be agreeable to your Honor &c. to appoint him thereto, as the station of an Assistant at this place does not admit of any adequate Compensation being made to Mr. Malcolm as a recompence for his past Services; and We are well convinced that by a strict and regular attention to his Duty in future, he will continue to merit the good opinion We have expressed.

We have the honor to be

Your Honor &c. &c. &c. (signed) Auth. Sadleir
James Hodges
W. Dobbyn

Masulipatam
20th October 1779.

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the King and Company, according to our Idea of the act of Parliament / a business but of a few Weeks / which will be the final Completion of our Office, the Writers from which will then be discharged, and all expences cease, should We not receive Contrary directions from Your Honor in Council.

We have the honor to be
&c &c &c
Benj.n Roebuck
signed { Geo.ge Jul.s Marten

Fort St. George
26th. October 1789

Ordered that the Accounts accompanying the above, be forwarded in seperate parcels to Bengal.

Agreed that the Committee be desired to prepare and lay before the Board a General Abstract containing, in the form of an Account Current, the whole of their Investigations.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore.

To the Honble John Holland Esq.r
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

I have to acquaint your honor &c. that I have complied with your orders relative to Serfojee, as expressed in the letter of Mr. Secretary Chamier of the 28th. Ultimo, and in the Letter to his Excellency of the 2nd. Instant (Copy of which was enclosed in the above Letter) conceiving that this would fully answer the intention of the Board, as signified in their

Letter

conjuring me not to disgrace him so much in the Eyes of his People. I endeavored to make his Excellency comprehend, that the Step I was taking was for his own Reputation, which suffered by the Treatment hitherto observed towards Serfojee. It would be needless to repeat all that paſsed during a couple of Hours. The Rajah at length finding me resolved, either to take Serfojee out of the Palace, or to place him under the protection of the Company's Sepoys within, after affirming that the proper house could not be cleaned out for him under seven, then three, and at last by the next day, most solemnly promised that it should be done; upon which I retired, leaving Serfojee under the protection of Mr. Swartz: near to whom it was settled he should sleep for that night. The next morning, he, for the first time since his Confinement, saw the Sun! Between Eight and nine I returned to the Palace, and about Eleven We were joined by Colonel Stuart. About one, having notice that the House was nearly cleared out, and Serfojee's furniture removed there, with the Rajah's consent, who did not appear, I conducted Serfojee to it, and placed a Guard of 12 Sepoys of the 23d. over him. I have ordered a proper person, recommended by Mr. Swartz, a Mahratta Brahminy named Dadaroo, to attend to his Education, which has been entirely neglected, he not being acquainted even with the Alphabet. The Person beforementioned has likewise being instructed to prevent such discourse being held in Serfojee's presence as might tend to put ambitious thoughts into his head upon his present Enlargement. Serfojee expresed his Gratitude to Your Honor &c. for the favors shewn him, and was desired by me to send his acknowledgements to the Rajah for his ready Compliance with your honor &c. orders. The admitting Sepoys to this

part

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Serfojee is prevented from making his obeisance to his Mothers by adoption — as no further intercourse can be allowed by the Customs of the Country, I make no doubt but his Excellency upon the application of your honor &c.a will remove this obstruction, by which the Son and Mother are deprived of the mutual Satisfaction they would enjoy in seeing each other. —

I have great hopes that the Enlargement of Serfojee being thus effected, will remove the improper influence which Shevarow has obtained over the Rajah by persuading him that whilst his Excellency adhered to his Councils, the Release of Serfojee would never be effected.

I hope the Honble Board will excuse the length of this intrusion in their time: but I thought a Circumstantial account would be most acceptable.

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a
(signed) J. Ram
" "
Resident

Tanjore 23d October 1789.

Minute thereon

The Board approve the measures taken respecting Serfojee, and the manner in which Mr. Ram has Established him in his new Dwelling.

With respect to the Sum which should be allowed for the monthly Expences of Serfojee's Establishment, Government are of opinion that it should be fixed and paid by the Rajah, who is the best Judge of what is proper on such occasions.

Agreed that the Resident be desired to speak to His Excellency on the subject, and use his Endeavors to have the

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Officer of the Troops to order the Judge Advocate to furnish your Board with an attested Copy of the proceedings of the abovementioned General Court Martial.

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

The President at the same time lays before the Board the Court Martial upon Lieutenant Parley, which was furnished him by Colonel Musgrave.

Although the Board might with great propriety inflict the punishment upon Ensign Butler which he has merited by Disobedience of the General Order of the 17th July 1786, prohibiting Officers from having any dealings in Trade &c.a with Zemindars, Renters or others — yet, in consideration of it's being being the first instance brought before them since the publication of the General Orders abovementioned, it is Agreed to overlook it — at the same time it is resolved to repeat the General Orders, and to warn the Army that any Disobedience of them in future will not be treated with the same lenity.

Read a Letter from the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions (entered in the Miscellany Book No 132.) reporting that the Grain at Sagar is in bad Condition, having been laid in in the year 1787.

from

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Diary

28th Sent the following Letter to Bengal.

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

My Lord

To Bengal — reminding of the application made on the 5th of May last for 300 Candies of Sulphur — Enclosing a copy of a letter from the Committee for Investigating the Accounts of the Kings Troops —

Our Committee of Stores having represented the great want of Sulphur, We beg leave to remind Your Lordship of our application for 300 Candies under date the 5th May last, and to request you will be pleased to send us an early supply of the abovementioned Article.

We have the honor to send Copy of a Letter from the Committee appointed to investigate the Accounts of the Kings Troops — The papers which accompanied it being bulky, will be sent under seperate Covers addressed to Mr Secretary Hay.

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

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Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in Mr B. Nos 133, 134. 135. 136. 137. 138. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143. 144. 145. 146. 147. 148 149.)

To

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28th. according to the Forms prescribed by the established Rules of his Cast. — The Rajah must fix the Sum to be paid for the Monthly Expences of Serfojee's Establishment: but the Resident must use his endeavors to have the matter settled on a permanent and regular Footing.

To Vizagapatam — Serjeant Price appointed Garrison Storekeeper at that Factory — Lieutenant Blakemore to draw Batta during the time of Superintending the drying of Powder, in the same manner as was formerly allowed.

To the Chief Engineer — enclosing the Barrack Masters Return of Deficiencies in the Officers and Mens Barracks at Walajahbad — To state whether the Articles now deficient were ever supplied — and to report why the Barracks &c. have not been delivered over to the Barrack Master, agreeably to the Regulations.

To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts — Lieutenant Blakemore at Vizagapatam permitted to draw Batta during the time he is employed in drying Gunpowder.

To Colonel Kelly — advising of the plunder of the Village of Calecourchy by Chief Saigi's People; and desiring he will be attentive in the protection of the Country from the Plunderers. Major Stephenson at Connatoor has been ordered to furnish Troops upon his (Colonel Kelly's) requisition.

To the Commanding Officer at Connatoor — to furnish from his Cantonment, on a written requisition from Colonel Kelly, such force as he may judge necessary to apply for.

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At a Consultation ——————

Present

The Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor President

Friday 30th. October 1789 James Henry Casamaijor }
and } Esqrs
Edward John Hollond }

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved.

Read the following Letters from the Chief Engineer.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council at Fort St. George

Honble Sir

I have the pleasure to acquaint you, the Officers Quarters and Sepoy Barracks the Honble Board has been pleased to order at Tiagar are compleated and delivered over to Captain Flint; but I understand some Ground remains still to be removed to bring the Parade to a proper Level, and to give the Waters that come from the Hill in the rainy Season a Direction that will prevent their injuring the new Buildings. The Expence attending the removal of the Ground is annexed.

I have the honor to be
Hr. Hr. Hr. (signed) Patrick Ross
Lieutenant Colonel & Chief Engr.

Fort St. George
27th. October 1789. ——

Chief Engineer — the
Officers Quarters & Sepoy Barracks
at Tiagar are Compleated and
delivered over to Commandant
Abras Expence
attending the removal of Ground
at Tiagar ——

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minute thereon.

As the Season is far advanced, it is Agreed to defer the levelling of the Ground &c. as proposed for Tiagar.

Agreed that the Chief Engineer be requested to lay before the Board a Plan and Estimate of an Hospital at Tripassore upon a Ground Floor.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Popham.

To The Honble John Hollond Esqr.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Mr. Stephen Popham offers to sell the Company for 1200 Pagodas, A Store room at Walaujahbad, which may be converted into an Hospital.

Understanding that Government are in want of an Hospital at Walaujahbad, I beg leave to offer for that purpose a public Store which I built last year, and of which I have not any further occasion.

It cost me near 2,000 Pagodas; however, I shall be satisfied to receive from Your honor in Council 1200 Pagodas as the purchase Money.

I have the honor to be
Honble Sir &c. &c. &c.
(signed) S. Popham

Madras October 26th 1789—

Agreed that Lieutenant Colonel Ross be desired to report upon the building offered by Mr. Popham, and to affix a Valuation upon it.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Stuart.

To

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To Lieutenant Colonel Stuart

Commanding at Tanjore.

Sir

Agreeably to your orders I have been to Vellum, to examine into the state of the quarters in that Garrison, and I have now the honor of enclosing an Estimate of the immediate Repairs which should absolutely be made before the Monsoon, as they are not at present habitable, and being mostly Mud Walls, the Houses will most undoubtedly be absolutely destroyed, the Thatch of every one of them being decayed — I beg leave to observe that it is now upwards of 13 Months since any repairs have been made there; and by preserving them in time much Expence will be saved — I have also the honor of sending you the Estimate you ordered me to make up of the actual Repairs which are wanting before the Monsoon to the Officers quarters in Tanjore; they have all been repaired agreeably to Captain Ogg's Estimate made the 12th January last; but as there has been none made since, much subsequent decay has taken place in these temporary Buildings; and some trifling repairs will now make them habitable for the present.

I also take the liberty of sending you an Estimate of the Repairs wanted in the Engineer's Quarters; and I shall beg leave to observe that since Captain Byres's death, they have never been regularly inhabited, and

no

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Minute thereon

As Colonel Stuart represents the Repairs, of which he transmits the Engineer's Estimates, amounting to Pagodas 1264. 13. 58, to be absolutely necessary it is Agreed that they be executed according to the existing Regulations.

Read the following Letter from the Sheriff.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Sheriff — applies to Government for assistance in Executing a Warrant of Arrest upon Mr Drummond Surgeon of the 52d Regiment

The difficulties I have to encounter in the Execution of my Duty compel me again to apply to Government for Assistance — Mr Patrick Drummond Surgeon of the 52nd Regiment, whom the Board was pleased to order to Madras, in consequence of my former representation, during his Stay here, secreted himself so as to put it out of my power to execute the Warrant of Arrest against him; and the Bailiffs not daring to go to Walajahabad from the apprehension of molestation, I hope Government will take such measures as will effectually prevent in future the Officers of the Sheriff from being insulted or opposed by the Military in the Execution of their Duty.

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c
(signed) William Jones
Sheriff

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29th October 1789.

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"suing them in Court, and pursuing every rigour of Law for "the recovery of the Quit Rent", as the only Bills I have sued for are dated in 1774 and 1776, a period antecedent to the removal of their Houses; and, except in the instance of Mr Lewcock, whose premises I did not know had been situated on Hog Hill, as he never returned an Answer to my repeated applications, I declare not one Hog Hill Inhabitant has been ever called upon for the payment of any arrears of Quit Rent due for Houses that were afterwards removed by order of Government; and, agreeable to the directions of the Honble Board, the demand shall continue to be postponed.

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26th October 1789.

I am respectfully
&c &c &c Henry Chichley Michell
Rental Jmore

Read the following Letters (entered in the Miscellany Book Nos 152. 153.)

from the 52d Regt

A Hughes

From Lieutenant A Hughes — stating the distressed Situation of his Nephew, who was appointed a Volunteer in the 52nd Regiment, and who is at Calcutta unable to join his Corps from want of Money — desiring the Board to procure for him a Commission in the King's or Company's Service &c &c &c

Minute thereon

The Board are concerned that it is not in their power to comply with the Request of Lieutenant Hughes.

Petition from the Madras Lascars

Read also a Petition from the Madras Lascars, who assisted in the Capture of Pulicat — desiring the Interference

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Diary

1st. Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in the Miscellany Book for the month of November Nos. 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9.)

To the Commandant at Walaujahbad

To the Commandant at Walaujahbad — the Warrant of Arrest against the Surgeon of the 52nd. Regiment not having been executed, it is ordered that, in case the Sheriff's Officers proceed to Walaujahbad, Protection be afforded them from any Violence on the part of the Soldiery in the Cantonment.

To the Sheriff

To the Sheriff — informing him of the above.

To Lieutenant A. Hughes

To Lieutenant A. Hughes — It is not in the Board's power to comply with the request contained in his Letter of the 27th. Ultimo.

To the Commandant at Walaujahbad

To the Commandant at Walaujahbad — with permission to visit the Presidency.

To the King's Deputy Paymaster General

To the Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops — to pay Subsistence Money to Lieutenant Collier of the 77th. Regiment, until an opportunity offers for his proceeding to join his Regiment at Bombay — A Certificate of the Paymaster's Payments must be transmitted to that Presidency.

To the Chief Engineer

To the Chief Engineer — The Season being far advanced, it is judged necessary to postpone the levelling the Parade &c. at Tiagar — to furnish a Plan & Estimate of an Hospital at Tripassore upon a Ground Floor — the Repairs to the Barracks & Gun Shed at the Mount to be executed — to report upon the

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2nd result from their Servants, whether Civil or Military, engaging in Loans and pecuniary transactions with Zemindars, Renters &c. &c. — In order to prevent such acts, We published, in the Year 1786, a General order, in which We announced that any Officer who should be found to have engaged in such transactions would be dismissed the service.

According to what appears in Evidence at the Court Martial upon Lieutenant Parley, We might have proceeded with rigor against Ensign Butler; but, as it was the first Instance that has come before us since the publication of the abovementioned General Order, We have, from motives of lenity, overlooked it.

We take the liberty to enclose a Copy of the General Order to which We allude, together with a Copy of the one which We published to the Army a few days ago, enforcing obedience to the former.

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

Fort St. George
2nd November 1789.

Received the following Letter & Enclosures.

To John Chanier Esqr.
Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir

I am directed by the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the accompanying Copy of a Letter from the Military Auditor General, with a Copy of the Memorandum mentioned in it.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Kemball
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From Bengal — with Copy of a Letter from the Military Auditor General; and Form of Register of Letters giving Communication of those short Drafts allowed on Receipt

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Form of Register of Letters giving Communication of Sums short Drawn or allowed on Re-audit.

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Expences of the official year	Date of the Letter	Officers to whom addressed.	Disbursements of what Paymaster	Sum allowed on Re-audit	Sum Allowed short-drawn
1787/8	20th January 1787.	Captain H. Stafford commanding the Supernumeraries at Monghyre	W. F. Cheap	St Rupees 492.—	
Ditto	Ditto	Colonel C Clecker late Commandant of the Chittagong Regiment	Ditto	104.10.5	
1788/89.	6th January 1787	Captain Wilkinson Artillery, [illegible]liam	W. H. Farquharson	120.—	
Ditto	Ditto	Captain Rickard, Scott's [illegible]	Ditto	305.4.—	
Ditto	Ditto	Captain T. Scott, Chunargher	Ditto	10012.8.—	
Ditto	Ditto	Captain Preston Brigade, Major Berhampore	Ditto	64.8.2	
Ditto	Ditto	Lieutenant Grand Artillery, Dum Dum	Ditto	150.—	
Ditto	Ditto	Lieutenant Jo. P. Pigot, formerly 2nd European Regiment, now 13th Battalion Cawnpore	Ditto	116.7.9	
Ditto	Ditto	Lieutenant Wm. Horne, Tutty Ghur	Ditto	184.—	
Ditto	Ditto	Ensign Middleditch formerly 2nd Europ. Regiment Cawnpore	Ditto	87.—	
Ditto	16th February 1787	Sir Charles Blunt, agent for Victualling	Ditto	100.25.1.9	

N.B. The particulars of these Sums will appear in the Accounts of Disbursements, Retrenchments, and Re-audits.

A true Copy (signed) Stombelly Jr. Secy

To John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary

From the Accountant General — States his reasons for having postponed making out the annual Revenue Statement for the Year ending April last.

Sir. In reply to your Letter of the 28th Instant, desiring that the Statement required in your Letter of the 2nd ultimo should

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From Colonel Kelly — From Colonel Kelly — states the steps he has taken for the protection of the Country; and encloses Copy of his Instructions to Cornet Forbes, and Copies of his Correspondence with the Officers Commanding at Changama, Rauet Nellore, & Tiagar.

From the Commandant at Rauet Nellore — From the Commandant at Rauet Nellore — gives a particular account of the Destruction of the Village of Calcaunchy by Chief Naig's People.

From the Judge Advocate North of the Kistna — From the Judge Advocate North of the Kistna — private Information having been received by the Officers carrying on the Prosecution against Captain Mayne, that he has with-drawn the Prize Rolls from the Agent necessary to substantiate their Charges, and has substituted others in their Room, it is requested that the Agent may be instructed to furnish attested Copies of the same.

From the Commandant at Walaujahbad — From the Commandant at Walaujahbad — will give every protection in his power to the Sheriff's Officers, who may be sent to execute the Warrant of Arrest against the Surgeon of the 52d Regt.

From Lieutenant Colonel Elphinstone — From Lieutenant Colonel Elphinstone — will reply to the Petition of the Lascars for Prize Money due to them for the Capture of Pulicat, as soon as he has examined the Documents in the hands of the Agent.

3d. Received the following Letter from Colonel De Fresne, Commanding at Pondicherry.

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

From Colonel De Fresne requests that a Corporal & four Sepoys may be permitted to proceed to Pulicat to receive Charge of a Coffree Deserter —

Sir

I have the honor to inform your Excellency, that having received accounts from Pulicat, that a Coffree belonging

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obviating any objections on the part of His Highness, I shall have the pleasure, if agreeable to you, to order a party to Pulicat for the purpose of receiving charge of this Deserter, who shall be conducted to the French Bounds under Charge of the Honorable Company's Troops.

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7th November 1789

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

Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in MB. Nos. 16. 17. 18. 19.)

To the Commandants at Tagar Ravet Nellore & Changamah

To the Commandants at Ravet Nellore, Tiagar, and Changamah —— to comply with any written Requisition for Troops which may be made to them by Colonel Kelly, for the purpose of protecting the Country against the Plunderers that have lately infested it.

To Colonel Kelly ——

To Colonel Kelly — informing him of the above.

To Colonel Musgrave

To Colonel Musgrave — advising of the orders sent to the Commandants of Ravet Nellore, Tiagar, & Changamah.

To the Agent for the Jaggernaut poram Prize Money

To the Agent for the Jaggernaut poram Prize Money — with Letter from the Judge Advocate North of the Kistna — to comply with the request contained therein.

5th Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in MB. Nos. 20. 21.)

From the Agent for the Jaggernaut poram Prize Money

From the Agent for the Jaggernaut poram Prize Money — States that he has not as yet had any application from Captain Mayne to return him the Prize Rolls received on

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6th Instructions to me on these Subjects, and has transmitted it to the Rajah — he is in daily expectation of receiving the Rajah's reply, which I shall not fail to communicate to you immediately on its arrival.

Tippoo's Vakeel still remains at Cochin, and is now endeavoring to prevail on the Dutch, thro' the Rajah of Cochin, to demand back from the Rajah of Travancore the places he purchased from them, and has offered the Dutch for Jacottah and Cranganore Six Lacs of Rupees, which is double the amount the Rajah gave for them. — This circumstance, the Minister acquainted me, was communicated to him by the Governor of Cochin. —

Tippoo still remains at Coimbetour, in considerable force; the most prevalent Reports in his Camp now, are, that he was going against Tellicherry: likewise, against the Corga Rajah, who had cut off two of his Roputahs about two Months ago. the above Rajah's Country is situated to the N. West of Seringapatam.

I have the honor to enclose an Extract of a letter which I have this instant received from Major Dow at Tellicherry.

I have the honor to be

Parour 20th October 1789. — &c. &c. &c. (signed) Geo. Powney. Resident

Extract of a letter from Major Dow to Mr. Powney dated Tellicherry 14th October 1789. —

"The Rajah still continues to preserve the same
"extraordinary conduct towards this Settlement, indeed
"he

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To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Resident at Travancore — Tippoo's whole Army at Palighatcherry — this Movement rather alarming.

Accounts have this instant come in, that Tippoo's whole Army is at Palighatcherry, and that he is within a few Miles of the place himself; that the Reports in his Camp continue to prevail, that his intention is to proceed against Tellicherry. — This movement is rather alarming: the Rajah of Travancore is collecting his whole Force. —

I have just been informed that Tippoo's Vackeel, who was with the Rajah of Cochin, left him Yesterday in consequence of orders from Tippoo, who had written to the Rajah of Cochin to repair to Palighatcherry, or to send one of his Brothers there, and in the event of this requisition not being complied with, the Vackeel was directed to leave the Rajah immediately.

I have the honor to be

Parour 24th October 1789.

&c. &c. &c.

(signed) Geo. Powney

Resident —

7th Sent Letter to the Judge Advocate North of the Kistnah, (as entered in MB. Nº 22.) enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Agent for the Jaggernaut for an Prize money. —

To the Judge Advocate North of the Kistna.

8th Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in MB Nº 23. 24. 25. 26.)

From Colonel Musgrave — encloses an attested Copy of the Proceedings of the General Court Martial lately held at Tellicherry for the trial of Lieutenant Parley. —

From Colonel Musgrave

From

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9th from whence he was lately removed.

As Captain Rutledge is a gallant Officer, who has long served the English East India Company, I trust You will interest yourself in his favor, and be so good, to request the Nabob of Mysore to liberate him without delay.

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George
9th November 1789 — &c. &c. &c.
(signed) John Holland

At a Consultation

Present

The Honble John Holland Esqr
Governor - President -

Tuesday
November 10th 1789.

James Henry Casamaijor
and
Edward John Holland } Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation read and Approved.

Read the following Letter from Bengal.

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

Honble Sir

From Bengal — recommending the Regulations contained in their Letter from them of the 15th May for simplifying the Accounts, be adopted. —

We have recieved Your Letter of the 1st September, which enclosed a Copy of that addressed to you by the Committee, which you appointed to give their sentiments on the mode of carrying into Execution the several regulations recommended to You in our Letter of the 18th of May.

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Our Military Paymaster General has been directed to furnish us with the Forms &c. of the Books in his Department, which are mentioned in the Enclosure No. 50 in Colonel Murray's Letter; and We have directed our Secretary to forward them as soon as they are sent to him — The Heads of your own Departments will be the most competent to state to you the Establishment of Assistants or Clerks that may be really necessary for carrying on, properly, the simplified Business of their respective Offices, at the rates of Pay usual at Your Presidency.

We have the honor to be

Sir &c. &c. &c.

(signed) { "Cornwallis
" J. Shore

Fort William
2nd. October 1789 —

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Regulations proposed by the Bengal Government, in their Letter of the 18th. May, be adopted; and that the Committee, to whom they were sent, be directed to inform the Board whether any, and what Establishments, may be necessary for some of the Offices, in consequence of the adoption of the New Regulations.

Read the following Letter from the Committee for Investigating the Nabob's Debts —

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

From the Committee for Investigating the Nabob's Debts — with a Statement of Claims referred to in the Company's General Letter of the 3d. April 1789 — & Observations thereon &c.

Honble Sir

We have the honor to enclose you a List of the Bonds which have been furnished us by the Holders and

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transmitted to us, has also directed that the Accounts of the present Claimants should be brought up to the same Date of 1784: this has been done with such of the Bonds as are prior in Date to that period; but some of these Claims, tho' the Accounts originated many years before this period, and are connected with the Cavalry Loan, had not Bonds granted for them till the end of 1786; nor were they under reference to the Honble Court of Directors until the beginning of 1787. these Bonds therefore could only be certified on the day of their respective Dates. As the Committee, with submission, are of opinion that the order to make them up to the end of 1784, was under the impression that your Honor in Council might entertain that the Bonds of all these Claimants were of prior Date, and that the whole of His Highness's Funded Debts may appear at one period, and the seperate Clases be closed at the same time.

We have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Edward Garron
Wm. Webb
James Landon

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Statement of Claims referred to in the Honble Company's General Letter of the 8th. April 1789

Nº.		Names of Creditors	Principal Sum for which each Bond is granted	Date of each Bond or period when granted	Rate of Interest	amount of each Bond brought up to 31st. December 1784
1	1	Colonel Burrowes	5704.27.40	1st. August 1780	12 pCent	8728.5.10
2	1	Major Davidson	10000.–	1 June 1782	6 pCent	11550.–
3	2	Ditto	2282.27.65	Ditto	6 pCent	2636.14.65
4	3	Ditto	2000.–	Ditto	6 pCent	2310.–
5	4	Ditto	3000.–	Ditto	6 pCent	3465.–
6	5	Ditto	8000.–	Ditto	6 pCent	9240.–
7	6	Ditto	6000.–	Ditto	6 pCent	6930.–
8	7	Ditto	4000.–	Ditto	6 pCent	4620.–
9	1	Major Stephenson	3362.23.68	15th. August 1781	12 pCent	7334.1.50
10	1	Captain Macalister	6000.–	15th. August 1781	12 pCent	8430.–
11	2	Ditto	5004.27.32	Ditto	12 pCent	7034.22.39
12	3	Ditto	6000.–	Ditto	12 pCent	8430.–
13	1	Mr. Redhead	20000.–	12th. October 1786	6 pCent	27466.25.–
14	2	Ditto	55440.–	26th. November 1786	12 pCent	85440.–
15	3	Ditto	13823.26.66	Ditto	12 pCent	13825.26.66
16	1	Colonel Martinz	10000.–	1 January 1786	12 pCent	10000.–
17	2	Ditto	10000.–	Ditto	12 pCent	10000.–
18	3	Ditto	10000.–	Ditto	12 pCent	10000.–
19	4	Ditto	4000.–	Ditto	12 pCent	4000.–
20	5	Ditto	4000.–	Ditto	12 pCent	4000.–
					Pagodas	215638.0.32

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Errors Excepted (signed) Edwd. Garron
Wm. Webb
James Landon

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Distribution of Star Pagodas 11,860.2.28, at 46 fanams p.r Star Pagoda — making fanams 5,45,562.28 — among the Commanding officers of the respective Garrisons and Cantonments, being the profit arising from the Arrack Agency from 1st May 1788, to 30th April 1789 — to be paid at the respective Stations

Stations	Officers Commanding	Period of Commanding	Amount to be paid at each Station to the respective officers fanams cash	Total fanams cash
			29,571.79	29,571.79
Mount	Colonel Sydenham	from 1st May 1788 to 30th April 1789	13,342.74	13342.74
Chingleput	The Honble Capt. Monson	from 1st May 1788 to 30th April 1789	20,839.58	20,839.58
Sriveillemore	Colonel Royse	from 1st May 1788 to 30 April 1789	4,129.78	
Cavalry Lines Arcot	Major Fraser	from 1st May 1788 to 28th June 1788		
	Major Young	from 29th June 1788 to 31st August 1788	16,487.56	
		from 1st October 1788 to 31st December 1788		
		from 1st February 1788 to 30th April 1789		
	Major Stephenson	from 1st September 1788 to 30th September 1788	1905.68	
	Major Darley	from 1st January 1789 to 31st January 1789	2105.35	
			24628.77	24628.77
Permanalle	The Honble Col. Knox	from 1st May 1788 to 18th June 1788	10,107.77	
	Lieutenant Madden	from 19th June 1788 to 14th July 1788	3,374.71	
	Captain Gage	from 15th July 1788 to 3rd October 1788	7041.72	
	Colonel Alphinstone	from 4th October 1788 to 30th April 1789	37741.15	
			58265.75	58265.75
Vellore	Colonel Nixon	from 1st May 1788 to 30th April 1789	40,898.78	40,898.78
Walajahbad	Colonel Kelly	from 1st May 1788 to 12th June 1788	9,670.34	
	The Honble Col. Knox	from 13th June 1788 to 18th November 1788	54,243.53	
	Colonel Stirling	from 19th November 1788 to 29th March 1789	40,704.27	
	Major Cuppage	from 30th March 1789 to 30th April 1789	9,704.77	
			114,328.31	114,328.31
Permacoil	Lieutenant Graham	from 1st May 1788 to 25th July 1788	290.24	
	Lieutenant Brunton	from 26th July 1788 to 30th April 1789	992.34	
			1283.58	1283.58
Arnee	Lieutenant Carey	from 1st May 1788 to 15th June 1788	1028.22	
	Colonel Kelly	from 16th June 1788 to 30th April 1789	21422.49	
			22450.71	22450.71
Tritchinopoly	General Horne	from 1st May 1788 to 18th February 1789	14280.74	
	Lieutenant Col. Bruce	from 19th February 1789 to 30th April 1789	17145.27	
			31426.21	31426.21
Vellore	Captain Fraser	from 1st May 1788 to 30th April 1789	20440.45	20440.45
Tanjore	Colonel Stuart	from 1st May 1788 to 30th April 1789	45587.61	45587.61
Negapatam	Lt. Wm. Hammond	from 1st May 1788 to 30th April 1789	1828.77	1828.77
Masulipatam	Lt. Colonel Russel	from 1st May 1788 to 19th November 1788	25551.8	
	Major Banks	from 20th November 1788 to 30th April 1789	17579.44	
			43130.52	43130.52
Vizagapatam	Captain O'Brian	from 1st May 1788 to 31st May 1788	1020.24	
	Lt. James Molloy	from 1st June 1788 to 30th June 1788	1002.1	
	Captain Bridges	from 1st July 1788 to 31st January 1789	7212.50	
	Lieut. John Kennett	from 1st February 1789 to 31st March 1789	1906.77	
	Captain G. P. Ogg	from 1st April 1789 to 30th April 1789	935.5	
			12078.7	12078.7
Ankx	Captain Eagle	from 1st May 1788 to 30 April 1789	4757.39	4757.39
Barrampore	Captain John Taylor	from 1st April 1789 to 30th April 1789	698.57	698.57
			5,45,560.	
		Lastly Fractions	2.28	
		Total fanams	5,45,562.28	

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signed Basil Cochrane

Agent for Spirituous Liquors

Agreed

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Regulations, directing them in the month of April to Indent for an annual supply of Stores, instead of which they have lately sent two Indents, one dated in August, and the other in September, which We cannot comply with at this Season of the Year; We therefore request they may be desired for the future to abide by the regulations, except in cases of urgent necessity. We resolved at our last Committee to comply with Indents for Stores wanted at Pitchinapoly and Tanjam, agreeably to the remarks made thereon by the Commissary General of Stores, as soon as the Seasons will admit.

We have the honor to enclose you Copy of a Petition from a Chickledar, praying that he may be continued on his former Allowance of P.s 2–21 6 month; We beg leave to recommend the prayer of this petition to your favorable attention and as the Petitioner has been employed above 30 Years in the Company's Service, on this particular Allowance, We hope you will admit of it's being continued to him as an Indulgence, and not as a precedent for others.

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

Approved.

Fort S.t George 29.th October 1789 — (signed)

Tho.s Musgrave
J. Capper
Trs Lind
Patrick Ross
Thomas Hele
J Moorhouse

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Minute thereon

Agreed that Extracts from the foregoing lie sent to the Committee of Stores, that they may report thereon, and that a Letter lie drafted to the Chief and Council, enclosing the Extracts from the late Letter from the Committee, and desiring that they will pay attention to them.

Read the following Letter from the Nabob's Consolidated Creditors.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqre

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Nabob's Consolidated Creditors – requesting that a Dividend may be declared

It is with much concern that Weare under the necessity of representing to you, in our Individual Capacities, the Inconveniencies and hardships We have long labored under in consequence of our property having so long been withheld from us. We enter not into particulars, as you must be sensible yourself of the many inconveniencies that must attend a want of regular Dividends to the numerous body of Creditors who are directly or indirectly interested in this Fund.

We take leave to mention that the period has long elapsed since the whole of our Dividends, for this Year, ought (according to the arrangement made with his Highness the Nabob) to have been made to us; yet We have not yet received any part of it, tho' it is publicly reported that the Nabob has made good his March

and

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Geo. Maule
G. Aubrey
James Campbell — For himself and as Attorney to Archd. Montgomery Campbell

Edward Raphael
Miguel Johannes
Porcher Redhead & Company — For ourselves and as Attornies to Samuel Johnson Esqr. Edward Stracey Esqr. James Sibbald Esqr. & others

Chase and Parry — For Colonel Sydenham — Colonel Nixon — Mr Dobbyn and others —

James Taylor — For self & Constituents —

signed ← Balfour Spalding & Colt — For ourselves — For Charles Oakely } Esqrs.
J. G. Hippesley — }
Thomas Lewin }
and others —

Roebuck and Abbot — acting Attornies to Paul Benfield — Mr. Bromley — Mr. Jaynt

Benjamin Roebuck — for Colonel Giels
Ja. Call
Ja. Taylor
Geo. Moubray
Jos. Dupre Porcher } — Executors to the Estate of George Savage Esqr.
Tho. Cockburn

John Wynch — Attorney to the Executors of the Estate of J. Wynch.

Joseph Garrow — For self and Constituents

Annah Sawmy

J. Balfour — Attorney

Nath. C. Kindersley — Administrator

David Haliburton — Atty. to Alex. Brunel Esqr.

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Mr Casamajor's Minute

Mr Casamajor's opinion upon the demands of the Nabob's Creditors.—

I am of opinion, the demand of the Nabob's Creditors to a Dividend claims the immediate consideration of Government, and that such relief as can be given, from the State of the Treasury, and expectations of Revenue, should be offered the Creditors without delay; because it is evident, that the receipts, on account of the March Kist, from the Nabob, have been applied to the unavoidable Expenditures of this Government: in the time of Peace, and when no extraordinary Expence occurred. Viewing therefore the Claims of the Nabob's Creditors as a Demand which presses on the justice of Government to liquidate, I beg leave to propose to discharge the Dividend due to the Nabob's Creditors in the following manner:

To pay in ready Money from the Treasury Two Lacks of Pagodas, which is the utmost which can be issued from the Balance of Cash remaining; and in order to pay the Balance, which will remain due to the Creditors on account of the Dividend, to make them an offer of Bills in this Treasury bearing Interest at 8 p Cent p annum, payable in six Months, and redeemable by Government before the expiration of 6 months: or to offer the Creditors Bills of Exchange on the Northern Settlements, bearing Interest at 8 p Cent p Annum, payable in 6 months, and redeemable by Government before the expiration of 6 Months: or to make a tender to the Creditors of Company's Bonds on the Established Terms.

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Appd — that Mr. Boisuell a pistant Surgeon, be appointed an Hospital Mate — a Vacancy having happened by the death of Mr Laird.

Appd — The Hospital Board, at the instance of Mr. Duffin Head Surgeon, recommend that Francis Lupton Apothecary at the General Hospital Madras, from being much debilitated by long Services, be permitted to retire on 10 Pagodas p month; and that David Tomasfield be appointed Apothecary in his room.

(Signd) Jas. Anderson Physician General
Colley Lucas C.S.
William Duffin Head Surgeon

Doctor James Anderson
Physician General & President
&c &c Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen

The General Orders published by Government under date the 12th of September having directed that Mr. Gahagan do rank on the List of Surgeons next below Mr. Duffin; agreeable to the orders of the Honble the Court of Directors received by the Houghton, I was not a little astonished at the intimation, and feeling myself particularly aggrieved by this order, must beg leave to appeal to you, as my immediate Superiors, to procure redress.

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this address, with our report upon the correctness of the Statement of facts now laid before you, and such other observations upon the subject of our respective pretensions as you may deem it expedient to offer to the Honble the President in Council, who upon mature deliberation, will I hope be pleased to afford redress to me and to the service, against an act, which, all circumstances considered, it is but fair to conclude, could only have been procured by misrepresentation. – Should it become necessary to make this appear more evident, I must further request you will be so good as to favor me with a copy of the correspondence between Mr. Klein and Mr. Gahagan, with the proceedings of your Board thereon, and a Statement of the Rank of all Surgeons upon this Establishment, as made out by the Hospital Board, and Approved of by Government – and in case any application may have been made immediately thro' Government, or any Paragraph inserted in their General Letter upon this subject, I submit to you how far it is reasonable that I should be furnished with such information, that I may confirm a Claim which may surely boast of the most unequivocal marks of impartiality and Justice, in having ever been sanctioned by the most disinterested, best informed, and most respectable Authority.

In a matter that so nearly concerns me, permit me to conclude with requesting you will have the kindness, as soon as you conveniently can, to favor me with a reply, and to inform me of the result of this application.

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a (signed) George Binny

Masulipatam
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this address, with our report upon the correctness of the Statement of facts we have laid before you, and such other observations upon the subject of our respective pretensions as you may deem it expedient to offer to the Honble the Resident in Council, who upon mature deliberation, will I hope be pleased to afford redress to me and to the service, against an act, which, all circumstances considered, it is but fair to conclude, could only have been procured by misrepresentation. - Should it become necessary to make this appear more evident, I must further request you will be so good as to favor me with a copy of the correspondence between Mr. Stein and Mr. Gahagan, with the proceedings of your Board thereon, and a Statement of the Rank of all Surgeons upon this Establishment, as made out by the Hospital Board, and Approved of by Government. - and in case any application may have been made immediately thro' Government, or any Paragraph inserted in their General Letter upon this Subject, I submit to you how far it is reasonable that I should be furnished with such information, that I may confirm a claim which may surely boast of the most unequivocal marks of impartiality and Justice, in having ever been sanctioned by the most disinterested, best informed, and most respectable Authority.

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

Masulipatam
3rd. October 1789

the Service, conferred an incontestible right to the Rank of Brigadier, I deemed myself from that instant fully and permanently entitled to every advantage annexed thereto; and I presume to say that the orders of the Court of Directors, in fair and liberal construction, can only be supposed in force, during my subordinate situation, and consequently that they became finally abrogated, whenever, by incidental circumstances, I rose to the chief Command.— Thus, incontrovertibly grounded in my Claim to the Allowances of Brigadier, I rely your Honble Board will find no difficulty in fulfilling the recommendation of the Governor General in Council; and that I shall be no sufferer in point of pecuniary advantage, from having waived the exercise of my Rank on the 29th. of September.— Standing on so firm a Basis, I do not apprehend my cause will require the aid of Precedents; but as some have occurred in point, I take leave to state them, remarking that my length of Service greatly surpasses that of any hereafter mentioned. Brigadier General Caillaud served nearly a year with that Rank under Major General Laurence, and drew an Allowance of £750. p annum; 10 Pagodas p Diem Batta, and was furnished by the Company, when in the Field, with 30 or 40 Coolies.— The same Allowances were granted to Brigadier General Smith, with an Addition of 11 Shares of the Gratuity Fund, at that time Established by the Company. General Stuart was appointed a Brigadier General, by the Government of Madras, on the resignation of Sir Robert Fletcher; and altho' the Court of Directors superceded him in

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Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Colonel Horne that the Board do not think themselves authorized to permit his drawing Brigadier's Allowances of Gratuity Pay and Batta, without the express Sanction of the Court of Directors, to whom they will refer his Claim, if he wishes them to do so.

Ditto

The Board on the receipt of the Letter from the Government General informed them, that their favorable intentions towards Colonel Horne would not operate to his advantage, as he was never in the receipt of Brigadier's Allowances.

Read the following Letter from Lieut: Colonel Ross.

To the Honble John Holland Esqre
Governor in Council

Hble Sir

From the Chief Engineer states his reasons for not having delivered over the Barracks at Walajahbad to the Barrack Master - and accounts for the Deficiencies.

Agreeably to your orders of the 27th ultimo, I have the honor to acquaint you that the Barracks at Walajahbad were completed in all respects as originally intended.

The accompanying Letter from Lieutenant Flemming the Engineer who was stationed there while they were rendered so, will, I hope, prove Satisfactory to your Honor; as it likewise assigns the reasons why the Quarters were not delivered over to the Barrack Master, agreeably to the Regulations.

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c (Signed) Patrick Ross
Lieutenant Colonel & Chief Engineer

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In order to remedy the Inconveniencies which have been occasioned from the not delivering over regularly the Barracks and Quarters, the President proposes that the following additional regulations be published in the General orders, and inserted in the Book of Regulations.

Additional Regulations for the Barrack Department to be published in G.O. and inserted in future Editions of the Book of Regulations.

The Barrack Masters at the different Divisions of the Army immediately to give the Engineers at the several Stations a receipt for the quarters, Guard Rooms, Store-Houses &c. in their present State, particularizing their Deficiencies; and when any quarter shall hereafter be put in repair, that Receipt to be returned, and a new one granted.

When any alteration hereafter applied for, or any material repair is required to a Quarter, it is to be examined into by the Committee of Works at such Station, and with an Estimate of the Expence, reported by them to the Governor in Council for approbation, previous to it's being made; and when such alteration or Repair is approved, the Quarter is to be vacated, if the nature of the Repairs renders it necessary, and given in Charge to the Engineer, who must receive the proper Receipt for it before it be again delivered to the Barrack Master.

The Barrack Masters will deliver to the commanding Officers of Stations a Monthly Return of Quarters &c. stating the Alterations or Deficiencies that may

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I shall furnish Colonel Martinz with Ammunition &c.a should he have occasion to apply for it.

I have the honor to be

Trichinopoly November 5th. 1789. &c.a &c.a &c.a Mather Horne

Extract of a Letter from Colonel Martinz to Colonel Horne – dated, Caliacoil, October 29th. 1789.–

"I am sorry to acquaint you that Chinna "Murrah has entered this country by the Tripavanum "Province, and with his Mob, and about 150 Horse, has "over-run the province of Patnellore, which lies on the "South side of the River – A party of 50 Sepoys and some "Peons, which were with the Patnellore Aumildar, are "Cut off and the Aumildar taken".

"I have sent a Party from hence, which is "to join another at Shevigungah, the whole to be comman- "-ded by Captain Dupre, and to march upon them to en- "-deavor if possible to stop their progress and drive them "away – the party is to join to day at Shevigungah."

"I shall do myself the honor to acquaint "you with what may happen – We are very badly pre- "-pared for War in this province: not one thing is in order, "but particularly Ammunition – Colonel Stuart was "good enough to leave 30 Barrels here, which is about "18000 Cartridges, which will only Compleat a thousand Men. "There were 8000 Cartridges at Shevigunga: the most "part of it damaged – which way I turn myself, I see nothing

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a sense of Duty to address your Honble Board upon this subject, so long ago as the 27th. and 30th. of August last, flattering myself my public Spirit would be applauded, and assurance given me of countenance, and protection, in the execution of so arduous a task as I proposed engaging in. Unsure these expectations I prepared the Specific Articles upon which I meantimed to ground my general Charges to Government.

I lament they have not been considered worthy of an Enquiry, although stated to be direct Breaches of the Statute Laws; and what the Honble Board profess to be the wish of the Company to check, by repeated Advertizements in the Courier published here.

I have to request that Copies of my Letters may be transmitted to Bengal; and that they may make a number in your first Dispatch home; with this remark, that, altho' I could have proved by Direct and positive Evidence, the existence of my Charges, at the time I addressed the Honble Board; yet, as the proof of some of my Articles rested upon viva voce Evidence, I may not be able to substantiate them at a distant period.

I have the honor to be

Madras November 3rd. 1789. &c. &c. &c. (signed) George Anderson

Minute thereon

The Board remark that, neither in the above, nor in the Letters of the 27th. and 30th. August last, there is nothing specifick brought forward — when there is, they will of course take proper notice of it.

Read

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I have the honor to be

Madras November 3rd. 1789. &c. &c. &c. (4 pieces) George Anderson

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Mr. Ramsay, Assistant to the 3d Regiment of Cavalry, having returned to his Duty the Hospital Board recommend that Mr. Ponton repair to his Station at the General Hospital.

approved

(signed) James Anderson Physician Genl.
Colley Lucas C.S.
William Duffin Head Surgeon

From Mr. Job Bulman

Read a Letter (entered in M.B. No. 29) from Mr. Job. Bulman, desiring leave to resign his Post of Apothecary and Medical Storekeeper at the Presidency; and requesting that his Successor may be required to take the Stores in hand at a reasonable appraisement.

From Mr. Raine — and from Mr. Gordon —

Read Letters (entered in M.B. Nos. 30. 31.) from Messrs. Raine and Gordon applying for the above Appointment.

The President recommends Mr. Ruddiman to be the Successor of Mr. Bulman.

Mr. Ruddiman appointed to succeed Mr. Bulman.

Approved and ordered accordingly.

Agreed also that Mr. Ruddiman be desired to take the Medical Stores in hand at an equitable Valuation.

Read the following Letter from Bengal.

To

Fort St. George 10th. November 1789.—

satisfy them that an Interference, which has not been usual, by excluding a certain Description of Persons from being their under-renters, is not meant to prejudice their Rights, and has no Object but to prevent Complaints which must be in some degree troublesome to themselves, from the Investigations that must fall on them, and still more to Government itself.

With respect to the Zemindars who have hereditary Districts under the Soubah as well as the Company, We agree with you that the remedy is not so clear; but We think it might be made an Injunction to those Zemindars not to give protection in the Company's Territories to their under-renters in the Zemindaries which are under the Nizam, upon pain of your displeasure, which will be signified by a positive Requisition that any of their under-renters who take Shelter from the Nizam's Dominions in those of the Company, shall be given up, on Complaint from his Highness, and that, if necessary, the Authority of your Government will be effectually exercised to enforce obedience to it's orders.—

We shall transmit to the Resident at Hydrabad a Copy of your Letter of the 17th. ultimo, and desire him to explain to the Nizam and his Minister the Directions which you have given to the Chief & Council at Masulipatam.

We have the Honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) { Cornwallis
J. Shore

Fort William
9th. October 1789.—

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but were detained at that place on Account of the Enemy's Horse, We beg leave to re-commend that an order be sent to remove them to Tanjore.

ordered that a letter be written to Colonel Stone desiring him to have the Horses at Pulley-cotah removed to Tanjore.

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

Fort S.t George 4.th November 1789. (signed) S.t Cappes
Tr.s Lind
Patrick Ross
Thomas Gisborne
J.s Moorhouse

The President lays before the Board, a Letter from the Nabob (entered in C.C. N.o 98) containing Copies of the Letters which have late passed between His Highness, General Conway, and Colonel de Fresne, on the subject of General Conway's departure for the Mauritius, and leaving the charge of the Settlement at Pondicherry under Colonel de Fresne.

Substance of a Letter from His Highness the Nabob.

Read the following Letters from Colonel Musgrave

To the Honble John Holland Esq.re
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

I have the honor to enclose a Letter this day received from Major Wynch Commanding in the Guntoor Circar, which I beg leave to lay before the Board, for the purpose of

From Colonel Musgrave enclosing Letter to him from Major Wynch Communicating some Intelligence, and requesting that the Officers in the Guntoor Circar may confirm with

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I think it my duty as Commanding Officer of this District to represent to you a state of the different Garrisons: the East Gate way of Innicondah was opened by the Engineers upon our taking possession, but no Gate made for it: the whole entirely open; this in the Event of War must be filled up — The two Breaches of the Parapet Wall of the upper Fort remain unrepaired — there are no Gates to the Pettah Wall that can be shut, and the Wall down in many places, which might make it adviseable to remove the stores from the large Mosque in the Pettah, upon the Hill, But there is no place to deposit them — The Six Pounders are on the new Work on the East Gate Way, and the nine Pounders in the Middle Fort — the Guns have not been got up the Hill, for, altho' there are no places at present to mount them on, it might be necessary to have them there in readiness — The Commanding Officer of Innicondah advised Government some time before my arrival in the District, of the impracticability of getting the Guns up the Hill without proper Ropes, Blocks and Gin, but no answer was received — The Fortifications of Bellumcondah are in every dismantled State, and a breach in the N.E. face about 30 feet wide, renders it essentially necessary that it should be repaired, more particularly, as there are no Guns for its defence — I must now beg leave, Sir, to observe to you the state of the Cantonment of Guntoor — The Fort is an entire Ruin — the whole of the Force five Companies of the 12th Battalion of Native

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of 30 Miles for Materials — We request you will be pleased to forward our representation to the Commander in Chief, in hopes We may be reimbursed for the Expences We have been at, or be allowed House Rent the same as at other Stations where no regular Quarters are found —

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

Guntoor 25th October 1789.— (signed) Lach.e Mackinnon Captain
P. Fraser Lieutenant & Adjutant
Wm Bearley Lieutenant
Walter Colvill Ensign
R. Barclay Ensign
Wm Norman Assistant Surgeon

To the Honble John Hollond Esq.re
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

Thom.s Musgrave with Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Piels, stating that the Gun Lascars are deprived of a considerable part of their pay — from Lieutenant Colonel Floyd, requesting that the Balance due to him for the purchase of Horses may be discharged. —

At the request of Lieutenant Colonel Piels, Commanding the 1.st Battalion of Artillery, I have the honor to lay before the Board the accompanying Letter, together with it's Enclosures.

A Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Floyd, with his account of Horses lately purchased for the 19.th Dragoons, I have now also the honor to transmit, and request the Board will be pleased to favor me with their Decision, on the Balance there stated as due to Lieutenant Colonel Floyd —

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a (signed) Thomas. Musgrave

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to believe I have no view in the present representation distinct from the good of the Service, and justice to the Corps they have been pleased to honor me with the Command of, which I should have had the honor of stating before, but that I did not think myself regularly appointed to the Command of one 'till the 1st. of last month, and in all events, I would rather subject to the Honble Board's Censure, for suffering this matter to lay over so long, or having it repeated to me that other Corps are silent under such stoppages, than omit any longer submitting myself and the Grievance in question to the Justice of the Honble Board's decision.

That I do not wish to innovate on the former usage of the service, will, I flatter myself, appear to the Honble Board by an article of the old regulations, which they leave to transcribe —

"Sepoy Returns and Payments"

"Article 1st — "That the Paymaster may have no trouble in
"exchanging the Pay of Sepoys into fanams, he shall, in
"presence of the Subidar and Conicoply, calculate so as
"to pay a number together in even Money in Pagodas,
"which he shall deliver to such person as the Sepoys
"themselves shall point out; and if any Person is found
"defrauding the Sepoy of one Cash, he shall be most
severely punished."

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Thomas Dick
Lt. Colonel Artillery —

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be desired to deliver them over to the Barrack Master, for the use of the Troops, who by remaining under Canvas during the severity of the present season, are subject to a variety of Inconveniencies, which are considerably increased by the Tents being very much out of Repair.

Madras 8th November 1789 — I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Thomas Musgrave

To the Honble John Holland Esqr
Governor in Council —

Hon'ble Sir

Form of Lieut Musgrave — Cornet Falconer applies for leave to resign the Service — Ensign John Maclean proposed to fill up the Vacancy in the Cavalry — reports the Death of Ensign Thomas Horner of the Infantry.

I have the honor to acquaint you that Cornet Alexander Falconer of the 1st Regiment of Cavalry, has applied for permission to resign the Service on account of a bad state of health which renders him incapable of performing his Duty — Should your Honble Board think proper to comply with his request there will be a vacant Cornetcy in the Cavalry, and as Ensign John Maclean, of the Infantry, is now serving with that Corps, I beg leave to recommend that he be removed to the Cavalry with his Rank to supply the place of Cornet Falconer —

I have the honor to report that Ensign Thomas Horner of the 7th Battalion of Native Infantry died at Tritchinopoly on the 22nd of last month.

Head Quarters
8th November 1789 —

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

to the existing Regulations.—

That an order be sent through the proper Officer for the admission of the Cavalry at Coimatoore into such portions of the Barracks &c.a as are finished at that Station.

That the account of purchases of Horses sent in by Lieutenant Colonel Floyd be returned to him, and that he be desired to make it out without the Discount of 10 p.Cent. which the Bengal Government have directed should be discontinued.

That Cornet Falconer be permitted to resign the service, & that Ensign Macleane be removed to the Cavalry, to rank from this Day.

That the resignation of the Native Officer of the 1.st Regiment of Cavalry be admitted, and that he be disqualified from serving the Company hereafter.

Ordered that the above Resolutions be notified to Colonel Musgrave.

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.

To the Honble John Hollond Esq.re

Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

We have the honor to enclose our proceedings under date the 23.rd ultimo, and experiencing a Want of

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from the Military Board—requesting to steal the attention of Government to the several points submitted to them, in their Letter under date the 25.th July last

a Channel which may be depended upon — "Tippoo
"Sultaun's Army is Encamped at and in the Neighbourhood
"of Palighat cherry — his own Tents are pitched at Vaniloor,
"and his Standard is hoisted there — he has not left Chun-
"-dacapattoor on the 18th. Instant, but was expected at
"Vemloor daily — the universal report here is, that Tippoo
"has determined to go against Tellicherry; that after he
"has taken that place, he intends to proceed against the
"Southern Country /Travancore/ — that he is apprehensive
"the army in the Southern Country will march against
"him when he attacks Tellicherry; he has therefore ordered
"that all the Forts between Tellicherry and the Southern
"Country should be well supplied with ammunition &
"Provisions — Agreeably to this order, they are now sending
"Stores and Ammunition to every Fort, and are collecting
"provisions in this Country — that in obedience to his Order
"Syed Ismail, and Shaick Imaum had left Palighat cherry
"with two Tuckadys each consisting of 4000 Men and had
"arrived at the River near Vencata cottah — that Lally
"with his army is encamped between Venaracaudoo, and
"Angaudy pooram — there are about one hundred Parnaticks
"and Mapplemars at Chouagaut — about 400 Coolies laden
"with Ammunition have arrived there from Calicut —
"It is said provisions &c. are now on the Road from Patty-
"-caut and Coonamcular Karry for Chetwas — it is likewise
"said

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Substance of a Letter from the Rajah of Travancore

The President lays before the Board a Letter from the Rajah of Travancore (entered in C. C. Nº 99.) expressing at large the regret he feels that his late purchases from the Dutch are not approved — that he made them at the recommendation of Governor Sir Archibald Campbell — that, he has tried the inclination of the Dutch, as to the taking them back, to which they do not Consent — that, the Security of the Country depends upon his retaining Possession; and that he hopes to have liberty to do so &c. &c.

Copy of the Rajah's Letter to be sent to Bengal.

Ordered that Copy of the foregoing be transmitted to Bengal; & that any further proceeding in this matter be deferred until Instructions are received from thence, in consequence of the Letters lately written.

Read the following Letters from Colonel Capper.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council

Hon'ble Sir

From Colonel Capper — states the Balance due to the late Military Storekeeper —

Agreeable to your Commands of the 29th ultimo, I have the honor to inform you that the late Mr. Savage's Accounts, as Military Storekeeper, have been carefully examined and are very correct.

The Balance stated by Mr. Lind the present Military Storekeeper, in his Letter to the Executors of Mr. Savage's Estate is Pagodas 38,956.26.55

To be Transferred

Civil Storekeeper's Bill	16,12,27.25	
ditto — Ditto for Gun Carriage Contractor	28,99.32.10	
	45,12,23.35	
Import Warehousekeeper's Bill	855.—	5367.23.35
Neat Balance due —	Pgs	33,589.3.20

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frequently amount to 12 fanams and more pr man; but in all cases where Provisions are found instead of Money, as is often the case to Commanders of Country Vessels, this extra Expence must necessarily be incurred; for the precise number of Days the Ship will be on the voyage cannot be ascertained, and it is prudent to allow for a few days too much, rather than risk the Men being distressed for want of Provisions — For these reasons, with your permission, I propose passing these Charges, to which a strict adherence to the Regulations, obliged me to object — The Total amount of them is very inconsiderable; as will appear by the accompanying Accounts Nos. 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. and 6. —

Messrs. Corbet and Boyd have been applied to for the payment of a Balance due from them to the Honble Company for Rice, which they engaged to deliver at this Presidency — The amount of that Balance is Pags. 11013.2.45 — This Rice ought to have been delivered in the course of the Year 1786; but those Gentlemen say that a great part of the Cargo, sent down from Bengal by their Agents in the Year 1786, was rejected on it's arrival here, for being of a very inferior quality; and that, before their Agents could purchase and send to this place a quantity sufficient to make good the Deficiency occasioned by the Rice that was rejected, an Embargo was laid upon the Exportation of Grain from Bengal, which has continued until very lately; but now that it is taken off, they have instructed their Agents to send down the Rice that is due, by the Ships of the approaching Season — As advances of Money had been made

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Resolved that the Victualling Charges in the Garrison Storekeeper's Accounts be passed, for the reasons given by the Comptroller of Accounts.

Messrs. Corbett & Boyd to pay in Grain the Balance due by them.

Agreed that the offer of Messrs. Corbett and Boyd, to pay in Grain the amount of their Balance, be accepted; but that they be informed that the Board expect punctuality in return for this indulgence.

The President lays before the Board the following Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore (entered also in C.C. No. 100.)

Translation of a Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore

to The Honble John Holland Esqr. &c. &c.

From the Rajah of Tanjore in justification of his conduct on account of his having fallen into arrears urges the necessity of postponing the demand of the Balance against him; and requests that a new Treaty may be speedily concluded upon the principles of the Company's Instructions.

I have often represented to your Excellency the many difficulties which I have suffered in adhering to the stipulations of the Treaty executed by Sir A. Campbell, but I am grieved that hitherto you should not have been pleased to favor me with any answer. I fairly declare that the Revenues of my Country are unequal to the discharge of the Kists as settled by the abovementioned Treaty, but besides as the Company have thought the weight of that Treaty was too burthensome for my resources, they have been pleased to send Instructions for a Remission.

It has always been my wish to fulfill my engagements with the Company; no opening is therefore left for lessening my character by imputing to me any

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known to your Excellency that instead of suffering my Territories to recover from the Ruin in which they had been involved by Hyder's War, the Balance which had accumulated during that war, was added to my other Kist, and my burthens rendered insupportable. If you will reflect upon these Circumstances, you must be convinced that beyond the produce of my Country I had no resource; but as this assertion was proved beyond a doubt at the death of my Brother, who is in heaven, to insist upon it further would be superfluous... As Sir A. Campbell without paying attention to these facts, concluded a new Treaty with me, my distresses became insupportable. As I relied on Sir A.C.s justice and equity, I suffered that Treaty to pass into Execution without any public objection; but I trust that your impartiality will acknowledge my Revenues to have been insufficient to the performance of that Engagement - besides, as the Company, with their never-varying regard to justice and mercy, have deemed the burthens heaped upon me too heavy for my Strength, any further argument would be useless.

I have clearly proved to your Excellency that I could posess no resource apart from the Revenues of my Country - When M.r Petrie, without suffering the Tale of my distress to make any impression on him, rigorously demanded the full payment of the whole Balance, my helpless situation obliged me to borrow at the then coming Crop - not that sum only, which I bor-

rowed

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Petrie, I was left without resource, when Your Excellency's called upon me for payment of the Company's Money: hence my failure, and hence the Balance which now appears against me in the Account of last year.— As the Soucars are firmly persuaded that my Revenues are unequal to the annual payment of Seven Lacs Pagodas, my Credit is destroyed; if therefore the above Balance be demanded, I have no means of discharging it but by the Grain now on the ground.— If I am reduced to this dilemma, the Money which I shall be obliged to borrow for Payment of the Balance will, with its Interest, engross nine tenths of my Revenue.— Thus I shall be able to appropriate one tenth only of the next year's Crop, to the discharge of the next year's Kist.— Therefore see no prospect of escaping the impending ruin but through the interposition of your Mercy.— As the Company have thought it just and equitable that a remission in my payments should be made, they cannot wish to confine it to I-know-not-what Conditions.— The enmity which the Nabob has ever cherished against me, would, if other reasons were wanting, instigate him to interrupt my Welfare; the Company therefore could not wish to make my prosperity dependant on the capricious will of the Nabob.— It is evident from the Company's Letter, that they think relief necessary to me.— From my frequent representations and from your own personal observations, the necessity of such relief must be clear to your Excellency.— The Company already,

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completed the Payment of 3½ Lacks Pagodas to them: on account of the Nabob's Peishcush I paid 30,000 Pagodas; and I have paid about 30,000 Pagodas on account of the Creditors; which leaves some small Balance against me.— I have then to request that from your favor towards me, your Excellency will make an Arrangement according to the Instructions from Europe, and that you will hasten the conclusion of a Treaty upon the principles of the Company's letter, in order that my difficulties may be dissipated, that the Soucars Confidence may be restored to me, and that your own fame and reputation may encrease.

I have written to my Vackeel upon the subject of procuring from my Soucars a Seep for whatever Balance of the last year's 4½ Lacks Pagodas may appear against me; I have therefore to request that you will be pleased to settle the Account, and duly to receive the Seep.— I rely upon the Company in all respects: I have no resource but in them: as you are their representative, I confide in you for carrying into execution those just and equitable orders, which, in their favor towards me, they have been pleased to transmit.— If therefore, from a conviction of my burthens being insupportable, your Excellency will be pleased to acknowledge my Claim to a remission, I am ready to pay my Kist according to the Company's instructions.— I have also to request that you will favor me with a Copy of the Company's orders; that I, intent upon their benevolent kindness, may daily perform the rites of Gratitude.

Besides

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If I am obliged to make good the above Sum, I have no possible means, but by the assistance of the Sowcars.. If the Company continue to heap such weights upon me, I am afraid that a failure in my payments for 1790 must ensue. It is my prayer and wish that I may avoid all deviation, and that I may perform my Engagements.

If, when my Friends the Honble Company have evinced their favor towards me by making a remission in my Kists, I should neglect punctuality, how much will my Government be lessened in the Eyes of my Friends?.. I fly from this claim to your Excellency's protection, as you must be fully acquainted with the difficulty and disgrace which I have undergone in my endeavors to fulfill my Engagements with Sir A. Campbell — I entreat that, in consideration of my distresses, you will be pleased so far to favor me, as to postpone demanding the Balance which is due from me according to that Treaty, until the pleasure of the Honble Court of Directors shall be received. I shall address the Company upon this subject; and have every confidence that they will relieve me.. If, after this Explanation of my Situation, it should not please Your Excellency to postpone the demand for the Balance of 1788, and if you should urge the payment of it, I have no resource but on Your Excellency. if you insist upon immediate payment, my situation is helpless; In this case I have directed my Vackeel to exert himself in procuring a Sleep from the Sowcar, and to give your Excellency satisfaction.

I humbly request that you will be pleased to fix my Kists for the Year 1790 at regular monthly Installments to the amount lately directed by the Honble Company

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Diary

11th Received a Letter from his Highness the Nabob, dated the 7th Instant (as entered in C. C., at No. 101.) stating that the Europeans quartered in the Pagoda of Jumba-Kistna in the District of Tritchinopoly, have demolished one of the Hindoo Idols, which has been the cause of great distress to the Inhabitants of that Sect, who have expressed their Intention of quitting their present habitations & of seeking a Provision in some other Country. — His Highness desires the President to take some effectual Step, in order to prevent the Inhabitants from quitting the Country; and recommends that the Pagoda be Evacuated by the Troops, and a Compensation made by the Person who broke the Image. — The Nabob then gives an account of the Losses sustained by the predatory Incursions of Chiel Naig to the Westward, and of Chinna Murdah to the Southward; and the further Mischief likely to ensue, if a Detachment be not sent to repel them, and restore confidence to the Inhabitants. —

Substance of a Letter from the Highness the Nabob

Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in N. B., Nos. 34. 35.) —

From the Officer commanding at the Pass of Changama —

From the Officer commanding at the Pass of Changamah.

states that, on the night of the 5th Instant, a party of about 40 Banditti belonging to Chiel Naig, plundered five Villages: two of which they burnt, & carried off some of the Inhabitants

From

11th Letter, with the Information it contained, should have been written by Tippoo to the Governor; and the Minister imagines that the Letter to the Rajah of Travancore is much to the same purport.

Tippoo with his Army continues at, and in the vicinity of Palighatcherry — the Roads towards this Country are so strictly guarded, that it is very difficult for Hircarrahs to come in with Intelligence.

I have the honor to be

Parrour 2nd November 1789 — &c. &c. &c. (Signed) Geo. Ponney
Resident

Translation of a Letter from Tippoo Sultaun to the Rajah of Cochin — dated 17th Oct. 1789

I have received your Letter and understand the contents of it — You inform me that my Renter at Palighatchery collects Duties on all Goods carried into your Country; you also say that he seizes upon Tobacco and other Commodities at Tertamungutum, which is in your Country. I desire you will send your Minister Tiruvapaduch or one of your Confidential Servants to me, in order that I may settle this Business; likewise to adjust some other matters which I have to propose. — The Balance of Tribute which you are indebted to me, you will forthwith discharge. — You will send it at the time that my Vackeel Abdul Cauder leaves you, and you will not fail to let him be accompanied by one of your

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11th "

Minute thereon

Ordered that a Letter be written to the Commanding Officer at Tripassore, directing him in future to desist from interposing his authority in any matter relating to the District.—

To the Honble John Holland Esqre

Governor in Council

at Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From Colonel De Fresne will repeat the demand to Tippoo for the release of the English Prisoners, and will make particular mention of Captain Rutledge.

I have received the Letter you did me the honor to write me on the 1th Instant.— I have expresse ordres to persevere in the Demand which the Compte De Conway has made to Tippoo Sultaun for the restitution of the Prisoners of your Nation, who are still detained in his Territories, and I shall fulfill this Duty with all possible zeal.— Monsieur the Compte de Conway has acquainted you by his Letter of the 27th of September (No 7.) that he had written to Tippoo Sultaun to offer him a sort of an Exchange for these Prisoners: that Prince has not yet given an Answer to that proposal— I will profitby the occasion you offer of requesting me to demand particularly the liberty of Captain Rutledge, in order to renew Compte de Conway's application to Tippoo Sultaun.— nothing, Sir, would flatter me more than having it in my power to announce to you that the steps that General & myself have taken are attended with Succes.

I have the honor to be

Pondicherry 8th November 1789

Fr Fr Fr (signed) De Fresne

A true Translation (signed) J. Chase 1st

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11th Idol — Measures have been taken to repel the Five-Rooters, Chinna Murdah, and Chief Naig, and protect the Country from their Depredations — His Highness's Account of Kist Bundy since the late Treaty, is preparing, and will be sent to him without delay — requesting he will discharge the Arrears due on account of his July Kist.

Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B., Nos. 36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-45-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57.)

To Colonel Horne — To Colonel Horne — the Board do not think themselves authorized to permit his drawing Brigadier's allowances of Gratuity, Pay, and Batta, without the express Sanction of the Court of Directors, to whom it will be referred, if it be his Wish — Government depend upon his adopting such measures as he may judge expedient for the protection of the Southern Provinces; and if it be necessary, he is authorized to send back the Battalion lately returned from the Shevigunga District — To give Orders for the removal to Tanjore of the Shott and Shells at Pattycotah — and to enquire into the offence given to the Hindoos by the Company's Troops quartered in the Pagoda of Tumba-Kistnah, and cause such reparation to be made as may be practicable.

To the Chief Engineer — To the Chief Engineer — to order Lieutenant Norris to deliver over to Major Stephenson immediately such portion of the Barracks as are already finished — The Couches, Chairs

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11th Inst. — Measures have been taken to repel the Free-Booters, Chinnamurdah, and Chief Naig, and protect the Country from their Depredations — His Highness's Account of Kist Cundy since the late Treaty is preparing, and will be sent to him without delay — requesting he will discharge the Arrears due on account of his July Kist.

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12th who take Shelter from the Nizam's Dominions, in those of the Company, shall be given up, on Complaint from His Highness; and that, if necessary, the authority of Government will be effectually exercised to enforce obedience to these orders.

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

Fort St. George
11th November 1789.

To Colonel James Capper
John Turing Esq.
Mr. George Moubray
Mr. Thomas Cockburn
Committee for reporting on the Regulations from Bengal.

Gentlemen

To the Committee for reporting on the regulations from Bengal directing them to proceed to the adoption of the same with Letter & Inclosure from the Military auditor General to report whether any and what new Establishments will be necessary in consequence of the regulations recommended by the Government General —

I am directed by the Board to desire you will now proceed to the adoption of the several Regulations recommended by the Bengal Government under date the 18th May.—

I enclose Copy of a Letter from the Military auditor General, accompanied by a form: both of which are recommended to your attention.

You will be pleased to report whether any, and what, new Establishments are necessary for the different Offices in consequence of the Regulations recommended from Bengal. I am &c. &c. &c.
(signed) J. Chamier Secry

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12th former Discount of 10 p Cent, but as the Bengal Govern-
-ment do not think proper it shall be continued, Colonel
Floyd must be desired to make out his Account with-
-out it. I return the Account with an Extract of the
Letter from Bengal on the Subject.

The Board approve your recommendations
respecting Cornet Falconer and Ensign Macleane, and
the Native Officer of the 1st Regiment of Cavalry; and
will publish a General Order on the subject of the
European Officers.

I am, Sir, your most obedient Servant

Fort St. George
11th November 1789

(signed) J. Chamier
Secy

To George Andrew Ram Esqr
Resident at Tanjore

Sir

To Mr Ram — to suspend the execution of the Board's Orders contained in the letter of the 20th September — but to prosecute his Endeavours towards ascertaining the alienations of Revenue —

The Board desire you will suspend the Execu-
-tion of their orders contained in the letter addressed to
you of 28th of September —

You are however to prosecute your endeavors
towards ascertaining the alienations of Revenue, agreeably
to the Board's Instructions founded upon the Honble Company's
Orders — Government approve what has been done res-
-pecting Serfojee —

Fort St. George
11th November 1789

I am, Sir,
Yr. &c. &c. &c.

J. Chamier
Secy

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whether one Serjeant Hartus, late of His Majesty's 100th but now of the 77th Regiment, who arrived at Madras from imprisonment with Tippoo on the 4th May 1784, was paid Batta by your Government for the period of his Captivity.—

We have the honor to be

Fr. Fr. Fr. Wm. Medows

Bombay Castle 20th October 1789— (sigd) D. Carnegie

Geo. Green

Minute thereon. Agreed that the Military Paymaster General be desired immediately to furnish the information required, that the same may be sent to Bombay.

Read the following Letter from Nagore

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Resident at Nagore— reports the death of Mr. Bell, assistant Surgeon. It is with concern I am to acquaint your Honor of the death of Mr. George Bell assistant Surgeon at this Factory, which happened suddenly this morning.

I have the honor to be

Nagore 9th November 1789— Fr. Fr. (sigd) E. W. Fallofield

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I remain most respectfully
Honble Sir,
Your most obedient and
most humble Servant
Signed Patrick Ross
Lieut. Col. & Chief Engineer

Fort St. George
13th. November 1789.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Chief Engineer be desired to report whether the Building at Walaujahbad offered by Mr. Popham is in such a state as not to require Repairs, and what number of Men it can accommodate.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Musgrave.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Colonel Musgrave — communicates that Jemidar Shaick Mustoom be dismissed the service —

I am sorry to be under the necessity of laying before the Board the proceedings of a Regimental Court of Enquiry, transmitted to me by Colonel Rome, which was held for the purpose of Investigating the Conduct of Jemidar Shaick Mustome, of the 2nd. Regiment of Native Cavalry, Cantoned at Warriore.

The opinion of the Court is, that sufficient grounds appear for bringing the Jemidar to trial before a Court Martial; but as I conceive that Crimes of a Nature so odious, are by no means fit subjects for the

Investigation.

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Zemindar of Chintalpallum, have long been the occasion of much interruption to the Collections of his aumil Moonsur Jung, in consequence of which different measures have been taken and were still devising to secure the Zemindar's person, who, tho' nominally under the aumil's authority, encouraged by the Woods and fastnesses which he has to fly to for Shelter, refuses to obey his orders or attend to any thing that is said to him.— His Highness added that the representation I had just made would be a fresh inducement to him to take every method in his power to get hold of his Person, and that orders should be sent to Moonsurjung accordingly.

I am, Sir,

your most obedient humble Servant

Hydrabad 30th. October 1789. (signed) John Kennaway

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Elphinstone.

To John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir

I am to acknowledge your Letter of the 30th. Ultimo, informing me that the Board had directed me to furnish the Agent for the Pulicat Prize Money with materials to pay Prize Money to a certain number of Lascars, who it seems had petitioned Government for this purpose.

I

From Lieutenant Colonel Elphinstone — in reply to the petition presented to the Board by the Lascars who were present at the capture of Pulicat.

had received their Prize Money, Consequently no alteration in the Distribution could take place.—

Under these circumstances, I see no mode of satisfying the Claims of the Lascars, but by a Refund, from the Troops already paid (which is impracticable) unless it shall please Government to issue to the Agent the amount of Guns and Military Stores taken at Pulicat, Estimated by Colonel Moorhouse at Pagodas 1607.5.47, the value of which, it appears to be the intention of the Honble the Court of Directors, should be paid to the Captors; and from which Fund all past Demands of the Lascars shall be discharged.

I am, Sir, Your most obedient Servant

Poonamallee 10th. November 1789 — (signed) John Clphinston
Lieutenant Colonel

Petition from the Nabob's Body Guard.

Read also a Petition (entered in M.B. No. 58.) from the Nabob's Body Guard, claiming Prize Money for having done duty at the Capture of Pulicat.

Minute thereon

Ordered that Copy of the foregoing be referred to Lieut.t Colonel Clphinston.

Read the following Letter from Bengal.—

To the Honble John Holland Esq.r
Governor in Council

From Bengal — respecting the payments to be made to the Nizam.—

Honble Sir

In our Letter of the 30th. Ultimo, We advised you of the period when by the Treaty between the Nabob Nizam

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Reas the following Letter from Colonel De Fresne Commandant at Pondicherry.—

Sir

I have at last received the answer of Tippoo Sultaun to Compte De Conway's letter to him of the 25th. Septemr. regarding the restoration of the Prisoners of your Nation who are still detained in his Territories: the answer is not satisfactory: that Prince declares there are none of those Prisoners in the whole Extent of his Dominions; he adds he delivered up all those who were there at the last Peace, and that he got a receipt for them.— Tippoo Sultaun to give a more convincing proof that he has none of them at his Disposal, adds, that fifty or Sixty French, English, or Portuguese, are in his service, and have been so for fifteen Years; and he offers to send them to Pondicherry, if the French General desires it: this is the Substance of Tippoo's letter: the following is my reply.

from Colonel De Fresne reporting Tippoo's answer to General Conway's Demand of the English Prisoners now in Confinement in the Mysore Country.

I observed to him that the Demand of Compte Conway concerning the release of the English Prisoners detained in his Territories since the last War, was founded on the express orders of the French King, who is strongly interested in it, and upon the knowledge he has obtained of the names of the said prisoners I sent him the list of them, as I found it annexed to your letter to the compte de conway, dated Fort St. George 21. September last; I added simply the name of Captain Rutledge, of whom I made a particular Demand, in consequence of the letter with which you honored me on the 4th. Inst.— I concluded by

3rd Fort St. George November 1789.

Diary

11th Received three Letters from His Highness the Nizam as entered in C.C. Nos. 103. 104. 105.) requesting that the second payment on account of the arrears of Peishcush falling due on 31st December 1789 - may be discharged from the Treasury at Masulipatam instead of Madras; and also that the future annual Peishcush of Seven Lacks may be paid at the same place. - Desiring the Governor's acceptance of an Head Dress set with Jewels. -

Substance of 3 Letters from the Nizam -

Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. Nos. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65.)

From Colonel Kelly. - From Colonel Kelly - Inclosing Letter to him from the Nabob's Eldest Son, and of the reply - Should Chief Naig really have designs upon Arcot, as the Conduit's letter states, measures will be taken to render his Escape Impracticable. -

From the Military Paymaster General - From the Military Paymaster General - no accounts have as yet been received from the Paymaster to the Shevigungah Detachment - as soon as they are received the Account of the Extra Expences will be laid before the Board. -

From Captain Walter Anderson - From Captain Walter Anderson - requests a Respite of a few days, when he hopes to be able to furnish the accounts so often required of him. -

From Mr. Cockburne - From the Register of the Nabob's Debts - requests to know in what Class of Creditors, he is to consider the Bond-holders named in the Statement lately transmitted to him. -

From

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16th. To the Committee of Stores — 500 Maunds of Sulphur will be sent from Bengal by the first opportunity.

To the Committee of Stores

17th. To the Resident at Travancore — enclosing for his information Copy of the undermentioned Letter addressed to the Rajah.

To the Resident at Travancore.

Substance of a Letter to the Rajah of Travancore. C.C.

Sent Letter to the Rajah of Travancore (as entered in C.C. No. 106) stating that, as his arrangements with the Dutch were entered upon without the concurrence & Sanction of the British Government, he must submit to the inconvenience that may eventually be incurred, in consequence of former orders for restoring the Forts of Cranganore and Iyacottah to the Dutch; and recommending him to ascertain & fix a proportionate stipulated Sum to be paid monthly to the Company's Troops in his Service. —

At a Consultation

Present

The Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor President

Tuesday 17th November 1789 — James Henry Casamayor and Edward John Holland } Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation Read & Approved

President lays before the Board Letters and present from the Highness the Nizam.

The President lays before the Board three Letters (vide C.C. Nos. 103. 104. 105.) received from the Nizam, by the means of Meer Mahabi Caun — He also delivers into Council a small

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assured me I should certainly hear that his Agents at Madras had given full satisfaction to the Honble Board for his Balance due to the Company. — Tho' I can but consider this as trifling to gain time, yet having received no explicit orders on that head in the Letters from Mr Chamier of the 25th and 27th Ultimo, I consented to wait until I should again hear from the Presidency; but being nearly the Harvest, there is no time to be lost. — Sibendies will be required to assist in the Collection: indeed I have been already applied to by the Rajah for Sibendies; but in the present weak state of the Garrison, in respect to Sepoys, am in doubt whether they can be spared by the Commanding Officer.

I have sent the account for October to the Deputy Accountant, and for September and October to the Military Paymaster. —

I have the honor to be

Tanjour 11th November 1789 — &c. &c. &c. (signed) L. Ram Resident

Minute thereon

As there is a Bill delivered in by the Rajah's Vackeel for a considerable Sum, towards the discharge of His Excellency's Engagements, the Board do not judge it necessary to send at present any further Directions to the Resident at Tanjore. —

Mr Casamaijor thinks the original Instructions to Mr Ram should be repeated — and why: —

Mr Casamaijor is of opinion that the original Instructions to Mr Ram should be repeated, as the Bill above-mentioned only goes to the liquidation of a very inconsiderable portion of the Rajah's Arrears. —

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I have just received from Major Dow at Tellicherry - it is dated the 30th Ultimo - "I this day received Informatio "that 9000 of the Nabob's Troops had arrived at Callicut; an "that he was following with the whole Army - The quantit "of Rain that has lately fallen must I think greatly "impede his progress; so that if he should have really any "serious thoughts of coming against Tellicherry, I hope, "before he can get this length, We shall be pretty well "prepared for his reception, as orders were received the "day before yesterday from Bengal, thro' the Government "of Bombay, to compleat a new interior line which was "begun at my recommendation last month, but suddenly "discontinued by an order from the Bombay Board".

I have received accounts to day that Tippoo with his army continues near Palighatcherry; and that the Report in his Camp is still prevalent that he means to proceed towards Tellicherry - The Letter from Tippoo to the Rajah of Travancore has not yet been delivered - The Chubdar remains at Cochin until he has the Rajah's permission to proceed through the Country, which I am informed will reach him to day -

I have the honor to be
Sir &c. &c. &c.
(signed) George Powney
Resident

Parrour 6th November 1789 -

Read the following Letter from Captain Parker of the Cavalry -

To -

3009 St. George 5th November 1789

The particulars of the accumulation of my present demand on the Bircar, having, previous to the attainment of the Bond on that account, as reported by the beforementioned Committee of Fort St. George, passed the closest Scrutiny; I do not need not be at this time Prolix, by an unnecessary reiteration or Explanation on that head; with a view, however, of rendering the subject more clear, I beg with permission to add, that the whole of the Debt in question became due solely on account of my Neat Pay during the trying period of the late War, which time I served unremittingly with the Grand Army, under the immediate orders of the Company's Commander in Chief Lieutenant General Sir Eyre Coote, a point which renders my situation particularly singular, and entitles me, I flatter myself, not less so to their Justice and support, no other Person I can safely aver, being similarly circumstanced on account of Arrears accumulated in the like manner — I am therefore tempted to hope (especially as I uniformly held the Command of the Commandant's Corps, the 1st Regiment of Cavalry in every movement and situation, from near the Commencement to the ending of Hostility, with the least extra advantage accruing from it; must consequently feel more sensibly, by possessing so expensive a charge, Independant of the least compensation in return, the deprivation of the smallest part of my usual allowances, agreeable to the Rank I had the honor to hold) that my Honble Employers will readily condescend to hear, and as willingly lean to the side of my present Claim, should a reconsideration point out equity for its origin, and declare it to be (what I flatter myself it cannot but be found) unquestionably just.

Submitting what I have here said to your accurate

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my absence; and the Garrison of Chundernagherry consisting of one Company of Sepoys under the Command of Captain Masey; has been as regularly paid, and the Accounts kept under my Directions, as if I had been on the spot. It was nevertheless my intention to have proceeded thither before this time, had I not been informed by Captain Masey that there were no quarters at Chundernagherry, but what were occupied by himself and the Subaltern Officers with him, nor could I be suited, he adds, with any, unless they were built from the Ground. This circumstance, added to the impossibility of my remaining in a tent, at this inclement season of the Year, more particularly as Chandernagherry is known to be a very unhealthy place at all times, but more so during the rains; besides the circumstance of there being no Surgeon stationed there, will I doubt not operate sufficiently with your Honor to allow me to remain at the Presidency until the middle of next month, when the Weather will be sufficiently settled to admit of my residing in a tent. But if it be still your Honor's determination that I should, under all the aforegoing Circumstances, proceed to Chandernagherry immediately, I request you will honor me with your Commands, that I may lose no time in obeying them, it being at all times my wish to preserve the duty and obedience I owe to my Superiors. —

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George 15th November 1789 &c. &c. &c.

(signed) David Haliburton

Fort St George 17th November 1785

you a Letter from Captain Edward White of the
Battalion of Native Infantry with his Bills for
Rent, and Garrison Charges for Commanding Cal
for the months of July, August, and 15 days in
last; the House Rent at the rate of 10 Pagodas p m
and 18 Pagodas p month for Garrison Charges...

The allowance of House Rent at Ou
is fixed by General Orders at 5 Pagodas a month to each
Officer. Garrison Charges have been abolished, and
Full Batta substituted to the Commanding Officers
at out Garrisons, by the orders of your Honble Board
in May last. Consequently it was not in my pow
to authorize the admission of either of these Charges,
inconsiderable as they are, and therefore I take the
liberty of referring them to you.--

When Captain White arrived at Calacoil,
and found there were no quarters, he should in my
opinion, in the first instance, have reported his si-
-tuation to the Commanding Officer of the Southern
Division of the Army; and likewise desired permission
to employ Servants for which he now draws under the
head of Garrison Charges.-- This representation would
of course have been reported thro' the Commander in
Chief to Government; and House Rent, & Servants, would,
if found necessary, have been allowed; but it now
remains with your honor to determine, whether any
plea offered by Captain White in his Letter, entitles
him to any particular Indulgence, either for Garrison

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ō Clock - about two (as I have since learnt) Shevarow moved into the Palace, and his necessaries were soon moved after him. between 7 and 8. / the usual time / I went to the Palace and observed to them that, now having failed in all their promises of sending Money or Bills to the Presidency, they must lay their Accounts before me, that I might judge by what the Deficiency was occasioned - They were very earnest in requesting me to postpone my Demand for three or four Days; when they assured me I should hear of Money being paid by them at the Presidency - considering this as trifling, I still persisted in my Demand of Accounts &c., to which I received a pointed Refusal, on the Plea that the Rajah's predecessor had never complied with it. - I now returned home; and having reflected how difficult it would be to prevent Shevarow's Escape out of his own House, on account of the number of Doors and Windows; and still more on the difficulty of preventing an Intercourse between his House and the Palace, I resolved to stop him in the Street, and send him to the Great Pagoda in the little Fort, where, as a Bramminy, he would not suffer any Degradation of Cast - I accordingly posted Sepoys in three Streets thro' which he might pass from the Palace to his own House, and should have infallibly taken him, but for the apprehension he had taken, which has kept him in the Palace ever since - at the same time, that is between nine & ten ō Clock, I sent word to the Commanding Officer to keep open the Communication Gate between the Forts all night, which was accordingly done.

The next morning I received a message from the Palace, relative to Sibendy Sepoys - I took advantage of this to send my Dubash into the Palace, who easily perceived from

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entirely out of the Palace, to a House, known by the name of Mr. Burke's House, every way suitable to his Rank, and where he may receive the visits of his adopted Mother with the greatest freedom. The moment I have an Interview with the Rajah, I shall not fail of communicating the Result immediately.

Tanjour 5th October 1789 — I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c. (signed) G. Ram Resident

P.S. I shall consider the order, relative to the restraint of Shevarro, as in full force 'till it is Countermanded from the Presidency; and if he ventures out of the Palace, think he will not escape me a second time. His Restraint would be a step towards the release of Serfojee, & probably effect the production of the Accounts.

(signed) G. Ram Resident

From Mr. Ram to the Rajah of Tanjore.

May it please your Excellency

Government having directed me to take possession of the Barr-Crops as a Deposit to be disposed of on your Excellency's Account, as well towards the liquidation of arrears, as for payment of the growing Kists. I request your Excellency's orders to the Paticours for that purpose.

I am informed that your Excellency has already begun to collect an Account of the Barr-Crops, I must therefore insist on your Excellency's sending me an Account of what has been so collected; and to give the necessary order to the Paticours that it may be delivered to me according to the positive Orders of Government.

I have likewise some orders from Government of importance to communicate, therefore request your Excellency will

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suppose that it is the wish of the supreme Board, that our Investigation shall extend beyond that period, and up to the present day; agreeable to which Idea We are first selecting the charges on account of subsistence to the latest date, as We shall afterwards continue to do those, paid to His Majesty's Regiments under every other Head, except We receive Government's Orders to the Contrary.

Fort St. George
5th October 1789 — We have the honor to be &c. &c. &c. | signed { Benjr. Roebuck / Geo. Jel. Masten

Agreed that the Committee be informed that the Board do not consider it necessary for them to extend their Investigation beyond April 1786 the accounts from that period having been regularly drawn out by the Paymaster of His Majesty's Troops, and delivered at the Office of the Military Paymaster General. But it will be proper that a Complete Account Current be formed to the latest period, of the whole issue of Money on account of the King's Troops, Hanoverian Regiments, and of its Disbursements under the respective Heads of Expenditure, which must comprise all Disbursements of Victualling and Military Stores.

Minute thereon

Agreed also, that the Allowances to the Committee shall cease on the 30th of November, as the Board expect that the Service Entrusted to them will be finished before that time.

Bills

John Hollond

Edwd Jn. Hollond

Edd Geo. Jel. Masten Esqr

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10th Return of the Present State of the Honble

Head Quarters Fort St. George 7th. October 1789

Corps	Present for Duty — Europeans — Majors	Captains	Captain Lieutenants	Lieutenants	Cornets	Adjutants	Quarter Masters	Assistant Surgeons	Sergeants	Musicians	Smiths	Saddlers	Taylors	Farriers	Black Smiths	Armourers	Privates	— Natives — Jemadars	Duffadars	Trumpeters	Privates	Sick Europeans — Lieutenants	Sergeants
The Honorable the Governor's Body Guard	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	1	1	3	6	4	2	1	.	1	58	86	.	.		
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3rd. Regiment	1	.	1	3	2	1	1	.	3	5	15	24	22	6	4	1	6	292	427	.	1		
4th Regiment	1	.	1	4	2	1	.	.	4	5	17	22	21	6	6	1	6	345	439	.	.		
5th. Regiment	1	.	1	3	4	1	1	1	3	4	17	22	24	6	6	1	6	334	427	.	3		
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N.B. The Honble the Governor's Body Guard was established in General Orders 10th July 1786, to consist of one Corps of Cavalry and Infantry on the Establishment: and Cornet Leslie who is returned on the strength By the General orders of the 23rd October 1787, when the 5th Regiment was raised, the Privates in a Troop by the then Governor, that this reduction was not meant to affect the Establishment of the Body Guard, were added to the Establishment ordered in July 1786.

The present State of the Body Guard is therefore now Returned according to the Establishment fixed by this is the Officer Commanding the Guard.

There are 4 Mares not included above returned as supernumeraries in the Body Guard — the Cornet Leslie having acted as Adjutant to the Body Guard previous to the orders of 10th July 1786 is not included in the present State or the Returns than as a Cornet on the strength of a Regiment doing duty with the Guard.

(signed) Henry Malcolm
Adjutant General of the Army.

Abstract of
Present fit for Duty ....
Sick and Lame .....
On Commands .....
Wanting Establishment

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10th Received the following Letter from Colonel De Fresne Provisional Commandant of the French Settlements in India

To His Excellency the Honble John Hollond Esqr Governor of Madras.

Sir.

From Colonel De Fresne— announces the Departure of the Compte De Conway for the Isle of France— Assumes the Command of the French Settlements in India during the Compte's absence.

I have the honor to inform your Excellency that the Compte De Conway having left this place for the Isle of France, he ordered me to Command in his absence the French Settlements in India — Be convinced, Sir, I shall never neglect any thing that can contribute to maintain the harmony which happily subsists between our respective Nations, and I shall embrace all occasions of giving your Excellency proofs of the high consideration and Respect with which I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c. (signed) De Fresne

Pondicherry 9th October 1789.

A true Translation (signed) J. Chase, French Translator

Received the following Letter from the Officer Commanding the Cavalry Cantonment near Arcot.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr Governor in Council

Sir

From Major Youngs— Chief Naig's People attack a party sent from the Cavalry Cantonments to Cut Bamboos in the Jungles— Several Villages also plundered—

I have the honor in acquainting you, that Major Darley having occasion to send some People under Charge of a Native Commissioned Officer, to cut Bamboos in the Jungles for Repairing the Stables of the 5th. Regiment of Cavalry, they were last night at 10 o'clock attacked by an armed Party

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To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at Fort William

My Lord.

To Bengal — an account of subsistence to His Majesty's British Troops from the 25th June 1781, to the 24th April 1786, was forwarded to the Governor General in Council on the 17th April last; as was also on the 30th July last an Abstract Account of the Issues to Mr. Burke from the 25th April 1786, to the 24th February 1789 —

We have been honored with the Receipt of your Letter under date the 2nd ultimo, and beg leave to observe that an account was forwarded to your Lordship in Council, under date the 17th April last, of Subsistence to His Majesty's Troops, exclusive of the Hanoverian Regiments, from 25th June 1781, to 24th October 1783; & from 25th October 1783, to 24th April 1786. the accounts are also preparing of His Majesty's Hanoverian Regiments, and of the Company's Allowances & Extra Charges for the above period to the British Troops.

We have further to mention that in our Letter of the 30th July last, an Abstract Account was forwarded from the Office of the Military Paymaster General of the Issues to Mr. Burke, the Paymaster of His Majesty's Troops from 25th April 1786, to 24th February 1789, together with his account of Disbursements for the like period, which comprised the Company's Allowances and Extra Charges.

The Committee having reported to us that the Accounts referred to their investigation would shortly be finished, We are in hopes they will be prepared in time to be forwarded to Europe by the Ships of the season.

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George
10th October 1789 —

Yr. Mo. Yr. Mo. Yr. Mo. (prime) Jno. Holland
& Council

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To the Honble Nicholas Jadama Esqr

Superintendant of the Possessions of their High Mightinesses the States General on the Coast of Coromandal; and to the Council at Pulicat

Gentlemen

To the Chief & Council at Pulicat — regarding the Compte Van Byland's Commission

We have been honored with the receipt of your Letter by the hands of the Honble William Hendricke Compte Van Byland, and our President has conversed with that Gentleman upon the objects of his Mission. Compte Van Byland will of course impart to you the particulars of what has passed, so that it is not necessary to mention them in this Letter.

We have the honor to be

Gentlemen &c &c &c

Fort St George
9th October 1789

(signed) Jno Holland
&c Council

To Colonel De Fresne

12th

Knight of the Royal Military order of St Louis, Commandant of the French Settlements in India &c &c at Pondicherry

Sir

To Colonel De Fresne — with congratulations on his having been nominated to the Command of the French Settlements in India, during the absence of the Compte De Conway

I have been honored with the receipt of your Letter of the 7th Instant, advising of your nomination to the Command of the French Settlements in India in the absence of General Conway — I congratulate you, Sir, on your appointment to this Distinguished Station, & beg leave to assure you of my sincere disposition to co-operate with you in securing a continuance of the

harmony

2798 — Fort St. George, October 1789 —

12th Sent the undermentioned Letters, (entered in MB No. 55.56. 57.58.59.60.61.)

To Ganjam — To Ganjam — the appointment of Lieutenant Alexander Denton to the Department of Field adjutant approved — the Indent for Military Stores has been referred to the Committee of Stores at the Presidency.

To the Committee of Stores — To the Committee of Stores — to report their opinion upon an Indent for Military Stores for the use of the Garrison and District of Ganjam

To the Resident at Travancore — To the Resident at Travancore — The Instructions contained in the Letter to him of the 1st. Instant, are to be his Guide with respect to the points upon which he has desired to be informed. —

To Colonel Kelly — To Colonel Kelly — desiring he will, in conjunction with Major Younge, detach such a Force as may effectually expel Chief Naig's People from the Nabob's Country, and, if possible, make prisoners the plunderers.

To Major Younge — To Major Younge — with Similar orders.

To Colonel Musgrave. — To Colonel Musgrave — advising of the orders sent to Colonel Kelly and Major Younge.

To Colonel Capper — To the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army Accounts — Papers relating to Mr. Digby's Accounts will be furnished him. — His recommendations respecting what ought to be considered as a regular Voucher for Batta Charges for a Surgeon, Approved — Ensign Getty's Bill for House Rent, having been sanctioned by Sir A. Campbell, is to be admitted.

Substance of a Letter from Tippoo — Received a Letter from Tippoo Sultaun (as entered in C.C. No. 92) with assurances of his adherence to the Treaty existing between his Circar and the English — Complains of the Rajah of Travancore, in having purchased from the Dutch the Fort of Cranganore, which paid a Tribute to his Circar; and requests the President will call upon the Rajah to give back the Place to the Dutch.

Ordered

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At a Consultation

Present

The Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor – President

Tuesday 13th October 1789

James Henry Casamaijor
and
Edward John Hollond } Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation read & approved

The President lays before the Board a Card which he received from Count Byland, in consequence of the communication made to him of the address of this Government to the of Ceylon.

Card from Count Byland – requests the Governor will name an hour when the Count may wait upon him for the purpose of obtaining a satisfactory answer in regard to a pistance from the English, in case of a War with Tippoo

Count Byland presents his respects to Governor Hollond, with many excuses for not having the honor to partake of his Dinner on Monday; but he requests his Excellency will appoint an hour on which he can anew have the honor of paying his respects to his Excellency for the purpose of having a satisfactory answer relative to his Mission, and his last note concerning a pistance in case of a War with Tippoo Sultaun yes! or no; – not imagining, that the merely sending a copy of what your Excellency and your Council have replied to the Government of Ceylon is an answer to the Count's Demand as in no sense it has any connexion with it.

10th October 1789. A true Translation /signed/ J. Chase
French Translator

of Native Infantry, stating the Detriment which their Corps receive by the unusual spirit of Desertion that has found it's way among the Seapoys, I think it my Duty to call the serious attention of Government to this Object: convinced you will see the necessity of taking such measures as may check a practice so prejudicial to the service.

The Attachment of the Natives to the place of their birth is so strong, that there can be but little doubt, they take the first opportunity of returning thither; It is therefore evident, that Desertion cannot be so effectually prevented as by hindering the delinquents from finding an asylum in the Districts or Villages where their Relations are Resident.

I am sorry however to Remark, that the Aumildars of His Highness the Nabob are by no means disposed to give their assistance in apprehending Native Deserters, on the contrary, there is reason to believe, they are protected and employed by them; and their numbers will undoubtedly encrease, when it is perceived, that they can be guilty with impunity.

I have therefore earnestly to request that Government would be pleased to use it's influence with His Highness the Nabob in procuring peremptory orders to be sent to all his Aumildars and Renters, directing that they shall give every aid in their power to parties sent in quest of Deserters, and otherways as much as possible prevent the harbouring People of that Description within the limits of their Respective Districts. without such orders are issued and obedience to them enforced, all attempts to recover Native Deserters must prove fruitless; and this has been already experienced

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pretensions to succeed to the vacant Corps.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
Madras 12th October 1789. (signed) Thomas Musgrave

minute respecting the desertion of the station Troops

Agreed to desire the the President will request the Nabob to issue Positive orders to all his Aumildars & Renters, directing that they shall give every aid in their power to parties sent in quest of Deserters, and prevent as much as possible the harbouring People of that description.

Captain Lieutenant Cameron promoted to Captain of a Company & Captain Moore to the Command of the 6th Revenue Battalion.

Agreed that Captain Lieutenant Cameron be promoted to a Company, vice Eagle deceased — and that Captain Moore be appointed to the Command of the 6th Battalion of Revenue Troops, vice Smith deceased — conformably to Colonel Musgrave's recommendation.

Lieutenant Colonel Hughes to Command in the Garrison of Cuddalore.

Lieutenant Colonel Hughes is now appointed to Command in the Garrison of Cuddalore.

Read the following Letter from the Chief Engineer.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Chief Engineer — with Estimate of the Expence that will attend the Repairs required to the officers Quarters & Soldiers Barracks at Walaujahbad.

Agreeably to your directions by Mr. Secretary Chamier, I have the honor to lay before you the Estimate of Expence that will attend the repairs required to the Officers Quarters and Soldiers Barracks at Walaujahbad.

On perusing the Head of Carpenters Work, which also

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them to a greater distance from the Officers Quarters, to which they are become so offensive as to indiuce the Commandant to permit Necessary Tents to be pitched for the use of People stationed there.

At the request of Major Cuppage, to save Tents, I have likewise Estimated the Expence of a Picket Guard for one Subaltern, Twenty nine Europeans, and Forty seven Native Troops, which the Major thinks must become one of the standing Guards of the Cantonment for the support of Gods order.

I have the honor to be
Yr. Obt. Hble. Servt.
(signed) Patrick Ross
Lieutenant Colonel & Chief Engineer

Walaujahbad
10th. October 1789.

General Abstract Expence of Repairs at Walaujahbad, 10th. Oct. 1789

	Length	Brick layers Work	Carpenters Work	Total
Private European Barracks	1750 feet	73.21.40	35	108.21.
Ditto Offices	200	8.20	6	14.20
Officers Quarters West Range	718.	36.29.32	37.4.40	73.33.
Ditto Offices	718.	46.19.20	13	59.19
Officers Quarters East Range	718.	33.19.	25.39.	59.
Ditto Offices	718.	68.24.	21	89.
Officers Quarters Right Range	359.	8.34.56	14.27.	23.
Ditto Offices	359.	20.10.	8.24.	28.
Artillery Barracks	250.	10.24.40	1.31.40	
Ditto Offices	29.	2.4.		
Main Guard	113.	14.34.60	21.10.	
Gun Sheds	226.	23.21.		
Ditto Offices	60	9.36		
Horpital	200.	12.23	6.	
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E. E. (signed) Patrick Ross
Lieut. Colo. & Chief Engineer

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To Captain Charles Rendoning.
Commanding Officer at Tanjore

Sir.

I shall be much obliged to you if you will do me favor of representing to the Honble the Governor in Council that the Engineer's Quarters are very much in want of repairs and some alterations, which I humbly request may allowed to make.

I have the honor to be
Sr. Yr. Mo. Ob. Hble Servt.
(signed) Elisha Trapaud
Capt. & Sub Dr. Engr.

Tanjore 8th. October 1789.

To Captain Charles Rendoning
Commanding Offiar at Tanjore.

Sir

In the Estimate for Repairing the Quarter of Capte Brown in the large Fort, which has been approved Government, and which I have now in hand, no note been taken of a very old Wall about 16 feet high whi forms one side of it, which is now in a very alarmin State of ruin, as it's fall would endanger the lives of people who live opposite to it in a very narrow Lan foundation and 6 feet upwards is entirely decayed is seperated at Top from the adjoining Walls — the Rains have considerably impaired it; and I am a -prehensive that it will fall, that I request you will -out loss of time report it to Government, & beg the the Honble the Governor & Council to allow it to be immedi -ately

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Colonel Capper - repeating the Pay of the Assistant Surgeons attached to the Native Cavalry.

In obedience to your Commands signified to me Secretary Chamier on the 6th Instant, I have the ho to inform you that many of the Assistant Surgeons attached to the Native Cavalry have drawn the Pa of Cornets of Cavalry ever since the publication of the Medical Regulations of the 8th of July 1786; by which the Regimental Surgeons are limited to the Pay and Emoluments of a Captain of Infantry, the Hospital Mate to those of a Lieutenant of Infantry, and a -mental Mate to those of an Ensign of Infantry and consequently I have always regularly objected their receiving any other Pay or Allowances; and as objections have not been confined to the Assistant -geons of Cavalry only, but have necessarily been -ed to those of the Artillery and Native Infantry

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George
16th October 1789.

(signed) J. Capper
C.S.

Minute thereon

The above not being Explanatory of the points on which Information was desired agreed to repeat the purport of the Secretary of the 6th Instant.

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14th judged necessary to purchase at present more than 10[illegible] the means of his Agency. — Four thousand Pagodas in for[illegible]-ny's Bonds will be issued to him for that purpose, which are to be applied in such manner that the purchases may not be more expensive than those made by Major Dugald Campbell.

To Colonel Capper — To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts — to state to what period Messrs. Ramsay & Inglis, Assistant Surgeons doing Duty with the Native Cavalry, had drawn the Pay of Cornets of Cavalry when he objected to their Bills.

To the Resident at Tanjore — 16th To the Resident at Tanjore — The Board approve his de-commendation of removing Serfojee to the House called M[illegible] Bunkee's, and desire that the same may be carried into Execution.

To Colonel Capper — To the Comptroller General of Army accounts — There are not any orders of the Select Committee respecting Mr. Digby's Accounts, under the Dates he has particularized — Enclosing Mr. Commissioner Jackson's Audits.

Received the following Letter and Enclosure from the Resident at Tanjore.

To John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary

Sir

Resident at Tanjore — with an Abstract Account of the Receipts & Disbursements on Account of the Establishment &c.

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 19th Ultimo, informing me that the Board approved & Confirmed the Establishment I had proposed for Servants for the Office of Resident.

In obedience to the Board's Directions, I herewith transmit a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements on Account

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16th Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B.

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From Pulicat — From Pulicat — Complaining that new Duties are
on Goods passing to Pulicat.

From the Resident at Nagore — From the Resident at Nagore — the Stores shipped at [illegible]
Presidency on the Snow Hope, are safely landed at Nago[illegible]

From the Commanding Officer at Tomericottah — From Lieutenant Beale Commanding at Tomericottah
Has received information that some Robbers meditate
Incursion into the Palmaud District as soon as the
subsides — Two Companies of Sepoys inadequate to
Defence & Protection of the Country.

From Ganjam — From the Chief & Council at Ganjam — enclosing the
-ings in the Military Department from the 1st Jan
the 30th August.

From Major Young — From the Officer Commanding the Cavalry Cant
near Arcot — will execute the orders he has rece
to Shiel Naig's People, in Conjunction with Col

From Major Stevenson — From the Officer commanding the Cavalry Canton
Cunnalore — stating, that by Intelligence fr
Country, Shiel Naig is in Confinem[illegible] Kistn
by order of Sirsjee, in Consequence of his [illegible] Depred

From Lieutenant Shippey — From Lieutenant Shippey — Deputy Judge Ad
north of the Kistna — requesting that the Agent f
Jaggernaut for a Prize Money might be instruc
furnish him with the Prize Rolls, or attested Copies
delivered in by Captain Mayne in the Months of A
and September 1788.

From the Storekeeper at Vellore — From [illegible] Storekeeper at Vellore — requesting to h

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At a Consultation

Present

The Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor President

Tuesday 20th October 1739 James Henry Casamaijor and Edward John Hollond } Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation Read & Appd

Read the following Letters from the Committee of Stores (with Enclosure entered in M.B. No. 85)

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor, &c. Council

Honble Sir and Sirs

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Chamier's letter of the 30th ult. and to acquaint you that indisposition prevented Colonel Musgrave from taking his Seat as a member of our Committee at our last meeting; but that Lieutenant Colonel Gells took his Seat agreeably to your Instructions.

We enclose herewith Copy of a list of Stores received last month from the Military Storekeeper, Musters of Peons &c. We examined and approved. We likewise received from the Contractors [illegible] of the Corps complete with Tents & Camp Equipage & Field Carriages

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Chief in India, waive the Rank his Commission from his Majesty's and the Honble Company's Service have given him. We beg leave to submit this matter to the Consideration of your Honble Board, not conceiving ourselves competent to decide thereon.

The Commissary General of Stores laid before us Indents for Stores for Ongole and Palamcotah, which we resolved to comply with agreeably to the Remarks therein by Lieutenant Colonel Moorhouse.

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

Fort St. George 14th October 1789 (signed)

Thos. Musgrave
J. Capper
Wm. Lind
Patrick Ross
Thomas Teils
J. Moorhouse

Read the following Letter from Bengal.

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

Honble Sir

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e Expedition to Tanjore –
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the expediency of
ne Government –
applications from
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uable force to be
Bengal before the

The Governor General has laid before us [illegible]
of a correspondence between him, in his capacity of Commander in
Chief in India, and Brigadier General Horne, Commanding
the Troops at your Presidency, relative to the operations of a
Body of Troops that has been employed by your orders, at
the requisition of the Nabob of the Carnatic, to dispossess the

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The Spirit of Cruelty and oppression, which almost universally actuates the Mupelman Princes in the Management of their respective Countries, is no less lamentable than it is notorious; But, tho' it is difficult, and perhaps often impossible, for us to restrain even those princes with whom We are closely connected from exercising their power in the most arbitrary and unjustifiable manner, upon their own Subjects, yet it is of peculiar importance, from motives of humanity as well as from a due Regard to our National Character, that We should take the utmost care, in all Cases whatever, not to suffer ourselves to be made use of as Instruments to commit acts which are shocking in themselves, and totally repugnant to our own principles; therefore direct, that the Governor shall, on all occasions when the Nabob shall apply for the Assistance of Company's Troops to support his authority, or to enforce a compliance with his Demands upon any of his Subjects or Tributaries, request that His Highness will communicate to him the particulars of the Grounds on which his Complaints or Demands are founded; and should those Complaints or Demands, after making every other enquiry in Your Power, appear to the Board to be unjust or unreasonable, We desire that the Governor will, in the first instance, interpose his Mediation to compromise the differences by prevailing upon the Nabob to act with more moderation, and to desist from improper exactions, but should those endeavors prove unsuccessful, You are to [illegible] compliance with His Highness's requisition.

In order likewise that We may be perfectly informed of [illegible] intimation [illegible] points in which

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As Your Lordship declares that you do not entertain any Doubt of the Nabob's right to expect that the Government will readily employ such part of its Military force as may at any time be necessary for supporting His Highness's lawful authority over his own Subjects & Tributaries as well as for protecting his Territories against foreign Enemies it is unnecessary to dwell upon this part of the subject contained in your Lordship's Letter to which We now reply.

Having acknowledged the right of the Nabob to claim the assistance of the Company's Troops when [illegible] support of his authority may require it, your Lordship [illegible] pleased to direct that His Highness be requested [illegible] shall make such Claim to communicate the [illegible] on which his Complaints or Demands may be [illegible] should those Complaints or Demands, after making [illegible] -ry in our power, appear unjust or unreasonable, [illegible] -rection of your Lordship that Our President shall, in the first instance, interpose his Mediation to compromise the differences by prevailing upon the Nabob to act with more moderation, and in the Event of those Endeavors being unsuccessful, We are to decline complying with His Highness's requisition.

With all due deference to the Sentiments expressed by your Lordships and the Supreme Council, We beg leave to give our opinion, that such Enquiry, to the extent recommended, must in most cases be impracticable. In the Instances which have occurred since the Nabob's army has been disbanded, he has [illegible] in he applied for the use of the Company's Troops, agreeably to the 14th Article of the Treaty, assigned the purposes for which they were wanted, and his Statement of the Case has been thought sufficient to justify a Compliance with his requisition, notwithstanding

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occur to us, of specially representing to Your Lordship [illegible] the application from His Highness the Nabob for assistance to enable him to preserve his own immediate Territories in peace and quiet.

Upon a reference to the Records on the occasion of a recent application from His Highness the Nabob, during the Administration of Sir Archibald Campbell, when he was assisted with a considerable Force to quell a refractory disposition in the Rajah of Calastry. We do not find that any reference was made from this Government to your Lordships information in this instance, in which the Rights of a Tributary were concerned, who was supposed to be possessed of Hereditary Claims, which is by no means the case respecting the Managers of the Shevigunga Country.

We have mentioned this (the only material one that has lately occurred) to shew that the delays which are occasioned by minute Enquiries into the cause, fruitless as to obtaining the proofs required.

For the information required on the subject of application from His Highness the Nabob respecting the Disturbances in the Shevigangah Countries, We beg leave to refer your Lordships to his Letter under date the 10th inst.

In that Letter, His Highness has fully detailed the disaffection and Rebellion of the two Murdoos, and the Depredations committed by them in the Districts & Villages of Shevigungah, Madura, and Ramnaud proper. It was evident from the [illegible]formations received by His Highness & Communicated [illegible] to our President, as well as [illegible] private accounts [illegible]ts of the State of those Districts some immediate [illegible]sures were necessary to check the progress of Rebellious Depredations, dangerous in

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continuing in the quiet management, and drawing a Revenue from it till the breaking out of the late War — At this time the Country of Shevigunga or the little Marrawar was entirely under the Control and management of His Highness the Nabob, and the Rents were Collected under His Highness's authority, thro' the medium of Amildars or of Renters of his own appointing, and immediately dependant on his Will and pleasure.

The two Mursoos are represented to have been Servants of the Poligars, when they were in a state of Rebellion and prior to their being expelled on the invasion of Hyder ally these men were selected by him & put in the Management of the Shevigunga Districts; and during the course of the War the Revenues of the Carnatic being assigned over to the Company they came under Engagements to pay a Stipulated Rent for these Districts, and were afterwards continued by His Highness the Nabob, when his Country was restored to him but having, from successful intrigue, made themselves very strong, it appears from the representations of His Highness the Nabob, that they refused obedience to his orders, and setting his authority at Defiance, were acting in a state of open rebellion, committing Depredations and pillaging the Districts and Villages of Madurah, Ramnad and Tondiman, to the great scandal of Government ment of the Revenues, and Injury of the Inhabitants were kept in continual alarms and danger of their lives and property.

These Men evidently possessed no Independent Rights: they were mere Renters, and their resistance the strong Party fitted out against them at the Commanding Officer, and rendered strong orders from Colonel Stuart, approved by the Board

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reason to think him of a Mild Character and deserving of great Confidence, We have not deemed it necessary to depart from the line of Conduct that has hitherto been observed towards him, by making him minutely accountable to us for the internal transactions of his Government, and with respect to the Troops employed in his Service they were under the immediate Command of our own Officer, and We are convinced acted with the utmost attention to humanity.

After having given the most attentive consideration to the Subject, We are clearly of opinion that, in all cases wherein the Nabob requests the assistance of a Military Force, a great Dependance must be placed on him, with respect to the Justice of the Cause, and to the Effects that may follow. He is a Prince of great Sagacity, and in a political point of view, will be very cautious not to engage us to measures which may involve us in a War with the Native Princes around us. He well knows that, in the Event of such Calamity, he would be seriously involved; and he has felt the Effects of War too severely not to be effectually deterred from such measures as might produce Hostilities and Invasion.

Having mentioned our opinion as to the Nabob's political Capacity, We shall add that, We entertain a favorable Idea as to the Mildness of His Highness's Government; and it is likewise to be mentioned that indeed it is apparent to the Tributaries and Renters of the Carnatic, that the Sovereign can have, if necessary, the support of the Company's Troops, without the humiliating Circumstance of being obliged to bring legal or

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well with regard to the Force, which may be furnished in future, for the support of the Nabob's authority, as to the mode of securing Supplies of Cash and Provisions when employed. — We shall also in future advise your Lordship in Council regularly of such applications as his Highness may make to us; and in conformity to your Instructions on this head, We have now the honor to enclose Copy of a Letter addressed to our President by the Nabob, requesting a Military Force to be furnished for the purpose of aiding his Collections in the Tinnevelly Country.

Our President has not yet replied to this Letter, being anxious, if possible, to prevail upon the Nabob to waive the request contained therein: if he does not, We shall obtain further particulars, and transmit them to your Lordship for your Decision thereon.

It will not, We trust, be thought [illegible] the subject of this address to enclose an Extract [illegible] the Court of Directors dated 21st December 1765; and also the Extract of a Letter from the Court of Directors to His Highness the Nabob dated 4th March 1767, which strongly urges the policy of reducing the Poligars, and opening the Roads into their Countries when seasonable opportunities occur.

Having lately transmitted to your Lordship in Council our Consultations to the 30th June last, You are in possession of all that is upon record relative to the Sheviganga Expedition; this renders it unnecessary to send Copies of the Papers agreeably to your Desire; but We shall annex to this address a memorandum shewing the dates of the different Letters and Resolutions, that a reference may easily be made to them.

We have the honor to be
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20th October 1789
&c. &c. &c. (signed) Jno. Holland
&c. Council

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As Lieutenant Colonel Hughes has lately been appointed to command in the Garrison of Cuddalore, it is unnecessary to pass any particular resolution upon the foregoing Letter.

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board.

Hospital Board 12th October 1

From the Hospital Board expressive of Concern at having incurred the displeasure of Government on account of the animadversions of their Board on the appointment of Mr. Conolly to be their Secretary.

Read a Letter from Mr. Secretary Chamier expressive of the disapprobation of Government touching animadversions of the Hospital Board on the appointment of Mr. Conolly to be their Secretary.

The Hospital Board are truly concerned to incur the displeasure of Government on any account, but especially for what they have ever deemed to be incumbent on them as a duty to the service, and the respect they owe themselves, from the orders of the Honble the Court of Directors at the institution of their Board [viz.]

"That when a vacancy happens the Hospital Board "will recommend to the Governor in Council for "the succession".

Approved

Read a Letter from Mr. Gordon requesting Copies of the Minutes of the Hospital Board respecting himself since his return from the Guntoor Expedition, which they have directed their Secretary to comply with.

Read

ourselves incompetent to any cognizance of such points, We beg leave to refer your honor to our Proceedings for the arguments respectively adduced on this Subject, in order to have your Judgement and decision thereon.

We are very respectfully
&c. &c. &c.

Tho.s Musgrave
J. Capper
Patrick Ross
Henry Malcolm
James Campbell
J.s Moorhouse

Fort St. George
17th. October 1789.

(Signed)

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Agreed to inform the Military Board the Members of it are to sit according to the Dates of their Commissions from this Government.

Read the following Letters from Colonel Kelly and Major Younge:

John Chamier Esq.r
Military Secretary.

Sir

From Colonel Kelly — respecting the Depredations of Chief Naig, and the measures taken thereon in consequence.

I am honored with your Letter of the 10th. Instant. with it's Enclosure, respecting the late Depredations of Chief Naig, and have written to Major Younge on the subject, acquainting him with my Opinion relative to the force necessary, the mode of attack, and the necessity of losing

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Chiel Naig's arrival on the Frontiers, his Force, Destination, &c. From Changama I came round by Trinomally, and arrived this morning just intime to receive your Letter; and from every thing I could collect in my Tour, Chiel Naig's Force is not by any means so considerable as it was made out by report; nor are his appointments from Tippoo any thing more than the customary Taxes which all of the Countries Poligars impose on the Inhabitants they are appointed to Command.

His Cauvil, I am informed, extends from Vaniambady to Darempoody, down the Valley, and from Changama Hills to Kistnagherry across it: So that he has the entire Command of all the Highlands between our Borders and the Valley, which are very extensive.

When I have arranged matters with Major Young, I shall do myself the honor of communicating the result to the Honble Board.

I have the honor to be

Arnee 13th. October 1789. &c. &c. &c. (signed) Robert Kelly

To John Chamier Esq.
Military Secretary

Sir

From Colonel Kelly - enclosing copy of Major Young's Answer to his Requisition for Troops.

I have the honor of transmitting for the Information of the Honble Board, Copy of Major Young's Answer to my requisition for Troops, as specified in my last, to assist me in the Formation of a Detachment for the purpose expressed

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to describe the Boundaries of the Nabob's Countaries, as our exceeding them might bring on us anery heavy responsibility.

With regard to the Detachment you have mentioned, it is entirely out of my power to detach any Men dismounted without a positive order for so doing; and it is my humble opinion that were dismounted Cavalry employed, they could not act with half the Effect of Light Infantry.

I have just received intelligence that Chief Naig's people have retired into Tippoo's Country to a place called Tripatore, where he resides, nevertheless I shall be ready to detach two or more Squadrons if necessary, should I hear of their Return to the Carnatic, having people stationed near the Hills to bring me Intelligence.

I am Dear Colonel

very sincerely yours.

(signed) Wm Younge

Cavalry Lines near Arcot
15th October 1789.

To John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary

Sir

From Major Younge – Chief Naig's People retire into Tippoo's Country – Should they return to the Carnatic, will endeavor to intercept them.

I do myself the honor to acquaint you that I am just informed Chief Naig's People have retired into Tippoo's Country, to a place called Tripatore, where Chief Naig resides.

Having

from the confidence of the Rajah and from the post of Sirdar, which, having been, at the recommendation of Mr. Petrie, and with the consent of the Rajah, equally confided to the care of Baupana & Gunnesetty Soobiah, Shevarow had usurped to himself, having procured the disgrace of Baupana merely for offering advice which it was his Station and Duty to do. That Shevarow by his Dissipation of the Revenue, had rendered a compliance with the Treaty made by Sir A. Campbell almost impossible, and thereby reduced the Rajah to a Situation from which it was scarcely possible for him to be extricated without at the same time being lowered in the sight of his Subjects. — That moreover I was informed it was by his Council that Serfojee was continued in confinement, notwithstanding the repeated Admonitions of Government, and the positive promise of His Excellency to Mr. Petrie that Serfojee should be released in Eight Months. That I now came to deliver a more explicit order upon that head from your honor &c. a Compliance with which, I must earnestly recommend to his Excellency, not only as the Mandate of this Presidency, but as the earnest wish of the English in general, for that Sir A. Campbell having set aside the adoption of Serfojee in favor of his Excellency's better Title to the Musnud of his late Brother, the English must in consequence consider themselves as in honor bound to protect Serfojee from every Degree of oppression. — I afterwards spoke in relation to the Carr-Crop. — His Excellency declines giving an explicit answer to any point — defended the conduct

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the Widows of the late Rajah was repugnant to their customs, I could not suppose those Ladies would suffer it, & without their permission it would be impossible for Serfojee to see them. — The Conference running to a great length, the Rajah requested I would excuse him for the present, but allow M.r Swartz to come to the Palace the next day, by which time having considered what I had said to him, he would communicate his Sentiments to M.r Swartz. — To this I readily consented, imagining that a less embarrassed communication of Sentiments, which would take place when M.r Swartz only was present, would be more likely to prevail on the Rajah to comply with the Sentiments of the Hon.ble President, and placing the utmost confidence in M.r Swartz's discretion and zeal for the Service. The next evening the Rajah again deferred the Conference, with M.r Swartz, on the plea of the Cholic, but on Yesterday even it took place. — The following is M.r Swartz's Communication of it to me immediately after his return from the Palace. — The Rajah began of his own accord on the subject of Serfojee, and had given M.r Swartz the strongest assurances, that in a very short time (I regret that no particular time was specified) would so act in respect to Serfojee as to give entire satisfaction to the Hon.ble President, to M.r Swartz and to me. That M.r Swartz and I being on the spot, would be witnesses and Judges of it. — M.r Swartz then observed that it must be by releasing him from the present dark

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pmonth to his Son inlaw: That a like Sum had been granted to the Son inlaw of the late Rajah, which had been considered as necessary to his Rank and the Relation in which he stood to the late Rajah, and that having experienced how liable his Excellency was to be in want of ready money, he had assigned over the said Country out of the Revenues of which the Salary aforesaid was to be accounted the Residue to be paid into the Treasury, and positively denied that any further Sum was granted to his Son inlaw -- On this head I must get further information; in the mean time expect your Honor &c.a. orders on the propriety of this Donation in any Shape -- Notwithstanding that M.r Swartz appeared to place some Confidence in the above Assurances of the Rajah, I must own they appear to me Rather evasive and calculated to gain time; but of that the Honble Board will be more capable of judging, especially as to his Excellency's assertion that he has accounted for his Balance at the Presidency. That Bauprand has been afraid to open his lips, since the check he received, I am well assured; and that Sheranow has the sole Confidence of the Rajah -- Should it appear expedient to the Board to take any decisive Steps to effect the Resolutions mentioned in their Letter of the 28.th Ultimo, I hope they will avert to the Humble State of the Garrison of this extensive Fort, at present consisting only of 5 Companies of regular Sepoys and 2 Battalions of Sibendies -- I could wish

likewise

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The Inhabitants of the Taluk of Mannarcoody have quitted the Country in consequence of the oppression of Shevarow

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is due at Madras, the Accounts of the Resident and of the Ba
will at the End of that month generally coincide, which t
scarcely do, in any other Month.

Mr. Wolf's Balance to the end of April 1789 i
Pagodas 280,480. 18. 58. - But by Mr. Petrie's Account i
be Star Pagodas 280,483, 18. 22, which agreeing with the
account, and the difference not being in favor of the Rajah
most likely to be right - another difference between
Wolf's account and those of Mr. Petrie and the Palace is
account of Grain received 1788, which Mr. Wolf states at
Pagodas 15,000 but Mr. Petrie and the Palace at S. P. 15,38
33 - which being more particular than Mr. Wolf's Entry
Itake to be right - I have not been able to find Mr. M'Le
account of this Grain, from which Mr. Petrie made his
try. - These Errors being corrected, and a mistake in
Abstract sent by me the 12th. of last Month viz.t

May / June } Paid at Tanjore ——— Star Pagodas 10,260-
Which ought to have been ——— 10,200 o

which error in the Abstract was derived from another
the Resident's Accounts for May and June, as follows.
June 12th. Cash received from the Rajah in part of his Subsidy 2,8
in lieu of ——— 28

These Errors being corrected, and both accounts brought down
to the end of September, our Balances will be found to agree;
and Being thus once adjusted may be kept on together with
out trouble. Our Balance is against the Rajah 3,72,993.10. -

I enclose Mr. Wolf's account, and my Abstract
corrected

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Minute on M.r Ram's first Letter

Agreed, that M.r Ram be informed that the B approve his Proceedings in the several conferences he has ha with the Rajah.

Ditto on 2d. ditto

Ordered, that the Resident's Statements of the Raj Account with this Government be sent to the Deputy Accou -ant, that the necessary Adjustments may be made; and no alteration be permitted in the General Books, respe the period for closing the Tanjore Accounts.

Ditto

Agreed, that the Bricks and other Materials belonging to the Company in the Fauset.y may be insp and delivered over to the Paymaster to be applied to pub uses.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Musgrave.

To the Honble John Hollond Esq.r

Governor in Council.

Honble Sir

From Colonel Musgrave stating forth the necessity of some immediate Repairs to the Barracks at Walaujahbad.

Accompanying this I have the honor to forward to you a Letter from Major Cuppage Com.ding the Cantonment of Walaujahbad.

The evident necessity he therein describes, of immediate repairs being necessary to the preservation of the Barracks themselves, as well as the health of the troops, is such, that I doubt not Government will be pleased to direct they shall be executed without loss of time, more especially as the approaching Rains may be productive of many bad consequences, unless these precautions are taken.

Madras 19th. October 1789 — I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. (signed) Tho.s Musgrave

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The President Concurs.—

Ordered accordingly

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

Honble Sir

From the Committee for Investigating the accounts of the King's Troops — cannot ascertain the period when their Investigation will be at an end, because they have not yet begun upon the Enquiry of ascertaining the Amount of all Military Stores issued to the King's Troops from their first arrival in India. the other objects of their Investigation will be compleated before the end of October.

We have been honored with your Commands thro' Mr. Secretary Chamier of the 9th. Instant, and shall use every exertion in our power to execute them to your satisfaction.

We take the liberty, in justice to ourselves; to state to your honor &c. that, at the time when We expressed our hopes of compleating the object of our appointment, in this month, that object extended no farther than to disentangle and Extract from the Company's Records, the Expences incurred by his Majesty's Troops on account of Subsistence, Batta, Extra Charges &c. &c. &c. from their arrival to April 1786. This We have again the pleasure to assure Government will be Compleated before the End of October.

But since the date of our Letter above alluded to, We have been favored with orders from your honor in Council under date 4th. August 1789. to ascertain the "Amount of all "Military Stores issued to the King's Regiments from their first "arrival in India", which We were directed to commence when the present object of our Investigation was Compleated. Not having therefore as yet begun upon that enquiry, it is impossible for us to say what time will be required for

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From Lieutenant John Forbes Senior of the 71st. Regiment.

From Lieutenant John Forbes Senior of the 71st. Regiment — reports that he has obtained leave of Colonel Musgrave to proceed to Europe for the recovery of his Health; and requests an Order for the payment of Passage Money.

Minute thereon

Ordered accordingly — but as it appears that the King's and Company's Officers are upon a different footing with respect to the Allowance of Passage Money, the latter being entirely precluded therefrom by the late orders from the Court of Directors, while the former still enjoy it, it is agreed to submit to the Court whether it would not be proper to make some Restrictions in future to the Allowance of Passage Money to the King's Officers. —

From Ganjam

From Ganjam — requesting the authority of the Board for the Execution of some Repairs wanting to the Company's House occupied by Mr. George Wynch

Minute thereon

Agreed that the sum of 169 Pagodas 55 Fanams 0 Cash be allowed for the repairs to Mr. Wynch's House — and that the Chief & Council be informed thereof: and also that the Board do not conceive it necessary to authorize the Expence which would be incurred by new flooring the upper part of the House. —

From the King's Deputy Adjutant General

From the King's Deputy Adjutant General — stating that Prison Batta is due to Eleven men of His Majesty's 73rd Regiment now at Bengal; and that the proper Certificates are ready produced in support of their Claims. —

Minute thereon

Ordered, that the Military Paymaster General be directed to add the abovementioned Claims for Prison Batta to the List in his Office, and discharge the same in the usual manner.

From the Commanding Officer at Permacoil

From the Commanding Officer at Permacoil — Stating that some repairs are immediately necessary to the Roofs of the Public Buildings in that Garrison.

Agreed

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Diary

21st Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. Nos. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108. 109. 110.)

To Colonel Musgrave

To Colonel Musgrave — the Chief Engineer has been instructed to make the Barracks at Walaujahad Water Proof before the Monsoon — the 72nd Regiment to return to Tanjore

To Cuddalore

To Cuddalore — Lieutenant Colonel Hughes of the Invalids appointed to the Command of the Garrison of Cuddalore.

To the Chief Engineer

To the Chief Engineer — immediately to make the Barracks at Walaujabad, & the Manonerian Barracks at Madras Water Proof.

To the Military Storekeeper

To the Military Storekeeper — to extract from the Books of his Employ the particulars and amount of all Military Stores issued to the King's Regiments from their arrival in India to the present time.

To the Committee for Investigating the accounts of the King's Troops —

To the Committee for Investigating the Accounts of the King's Troops — informing them of the above orders to the Military Storekeeper

To the Collector at Guntoor

To the Collector at Guntoor — to take care that no encouragement be given to the Head Man of Kernoul, if he should leave the Guntoor Circar: complaints having been preferred against him by Tippoo Sultaun.

To the Deputy accountant

To the Deputy accountant — with an Extract of a Letter from the Resident at Tanjore, together with Accounts Current transmitted by him.

To the Commandant at Permacoil

To the Commandant at Permacoil — the repairs to the Roofs of the

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25th sitting as Members of the Committee of Stores — Lieutenant Gl
Gils's Suggestions upon the occasion, have excited the
prize, & met with the disapprobation of Government.

To Mr Secretary Way — To Mr. Secretary Way — with a Letter from His Highn
the Nabob for the Right Honble the Governor General.

from the Officer Commanding at the Changamah Pass. — Received the undermentioned Letter (entered in Mr. B.
from the Officer Commanding at the Changamah Pass —
closing a Bill of Disbursements for Intelligence, for th
Governor's Signature.

Sent the following Letter to Bengal.

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

My Lord

to the Governor General in Council — desiring to know if it be his Lordship's Intention that Tippoo should be suffered to take possession of Dyacottah & Cranganore — Enclosing Copy of the last Letter to Tippoo — and stating the particulars of the Count De Boylan's Mission. —

We had the honor to address your Lordship
date the 13th Instant, and to enclose Copies of Letter
Tippoo Sultaun & the Rajah of Travancore re
to the late acquisitions of the Rajah from the Dut

We informed your Lordship of our Int
to carry into Execution your Instructions for ob
the Rajah to give back to the Dutch the places he
purchased from them. — We are now to request Your
Lordship will acquaint us, whether it is your Intent
tion that Tippoo should be suffered to take possess
of Cranganore & Dyacottah, if he should move with
a force for that purpose. — We trust however that he
will not adopt so strong a measure, and We think that
the letter, now written to him by our President will be
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At a Consultation

Present

The Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor. President

Friday 22nd October 1789. James Henry Casamaijor

and

Edward John Hollond Esqr

Minutes of last Consultation Read and approved. —

Read the following Letter from the Collector of Guntoor and the Guntoor Circar.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Collector at Guntoor — the Detachment sent to Allapaudoo &c. Villages, has been recalled.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Chamier's Letter of the 8th October, & shall proceed to Narra- when the arrival of Meer Mahommed Bauker at Pandala is notified to me.

I had the honor to inform Your Honble Board my Letter of the 28th August, that the Detachment to Allapa- doo &c. Villages had no hopes of succeys in driving Cumam Vincana, but that it was prudent to continue it longer some time longer to protect that part of the Country during the Season of Cultivation — on the 5th Instant Major Wynch was requested to order their recall as their services were no longer requisite.

Guntoor 15th October 1789. I have the honor to be &c &c &c (signed) Robt. Hughes Collector

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Chittub Pollam Mau having chosen to follow an improper and unjustifiable line of Conduct has and still continues to excite unavailing Disturbances, and has twice entered the Dupaud Country belonging to Sippoo, collected the Cattle, and publickly given protection to Shaick Mohaud deen who belongs to that Country. — I have also heard that he has again gone towards that Country at this present time, with an evil intention — if this should be true, it would be well to stop him on the road thither, and catch hold of him to put an End to these troubles; but if you do not, as it is my wish to punish this disturber, since I am now arrived at the point of repairing to the enlightened presence — after my arrival there, I shall make these circumstances known, & immediately on my return to this District again I will inform you of the time appointed for the undertaking this matter, that, your Troops from that quarter & the Troops of the Circar proceeding against him from this side, we may surround the habitation of that Criminal, who is worthy of Death. — There are some People of this Country who have taken refuge in your districts, respecting whom Meer Asteram ud Dowlah Bahaudr some time since wrote to M. Sadleir the Chief &c.a of Masulipatam and the Talookdar of Palnaud, desiring they might be driven out or seized and given up — The Talookdar aforesaid having been applied to — moved the letters were of no effect; but by God's favor on my return from the presence another letter will be sent to you from the Bahaudr abovementioned; you should therefore keep these people in your power. —

Continue to favor me with your friendly Letters.

What can I write more? —

Agreed —

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Petition from the late Inhabitants of Hog Hill.

Read a Petition from the Inhabitants who inhabit Hog Hill stating that Mr. Michell the Rental General has called upon them for Arrears of Quit Rent for Ground since taken by the Company, and not fully paid for requesting a payment in full that they may be enabled to discharge the present Demand &c. &c. &c.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Rental General be desired to report whether the Claimants for Remission are Persons to whom Government is indebted on account of the Buildings removed from Hog Hill; in which case, what is due from them, on account of Arrears of Quit Rent, may for the present be postponed.

Ex. Geo. Consultations

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he is in great want of Sulpher, and that none has as yet been received from Bengal in consequence of our application of the 30th April last. We therefore wish to be informed if your Hon'ble Board has received any reply to your letter on that subject.

No answer has been received; another application will therefore be made to Bengal. —

At our last Committee We examined the Books of the Director of the Laboratory, and the Conductors Books, all of which We found regularly brought up to the end of last Month.

Approved

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George
20th October 1789. —

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signed { Thos Musgrave
J. Capper
Wm Lind
Patrick Ross
Thos Giels
J. Moorhouse }

Read the following Letter from Vizagapatam with three Enclosures entered in P.C.C. Nos 127, 128.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

We have the honor of forwarding a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Prendergast, mileading one of the Inspector of Stores in Consequence of the death of Storesserjeant James Webster who died some time since this Garrison; This Station being a post of trust, and

From Vizagapatam recommending that Serjeant Wm Price be appointed Storeserjeant in the room of Serjeant Webster deceased; and that Lieutenant Blackmore be permitted to draw Batta while Superintending the drying of Powder.

Serjeant

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To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

from Colonel Musgrave — requests that a further supply of Cash may be advanced Colonel Floyd for the purchase of 29 Horses the present Deficiency in the 19th. Regiment of Light Dragoons.

Lieutenant Colonel Floyd Commanding His Majesty's 19th. Regiment of Light Dragoons, has this day Reported that according to the orders of Government he has completed the purchase of 22 Horses towards the Remount of his Corps, with the Money advanced him for that purpose. —

Since the former order of Government, an unlucky disease having carried off a number of Horses, the deficiency in the 19th. Regiment, at this period, amounts to 29. — I therefore to request Government will be pleased to direct a farther Supply of Cash to be issued to Colonel Floyd adequate to the purchase thereof, on the same terms he has hitherto done.

I have the honor to be

Madras 26th. October 1789. &c. &c. &c. (signed) Tho. Musgrave

Minute thereon

Agreed that a further Supply of Cash be made to Lieutenant Colonel Floyd in the usual manner for the purchase of 29 Horses for the 19th. Regiment of Light Dragoons.

Read the following Letter from Captain Flint

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

from Captain Flint — the Village of Calcoonchy has been plundered, and the greatest part of the Houses burnt by Plunderers who call themselves Chief Naig's People.

At two o'Clock this morning the town of Calc[oonchy] situated about 7 miles to the Westward of Tiagar, was plundered, and the greatest part of the Houses burnt by a Body of armed Men. — The Inhabitants say there

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor &c. Council

Honble Sir and Sirs

From Masulipatam — stating the deficiency of Cash in the Paymaster's Cash Chest at Ellore, and the Importation in consequence.

Mr. Robert Malcolm (who We have already informed you was with our approbation, left by Mr. Graham in Charge of his Employ as Paymaster at Ellore, on his departure for the Presidency) having acquainted us of a deficiency found by him in the Cash left by Mr. Graham, which fell short of the Balance appearing in his hands by account, in the Sum of M. Pagodas 6,100. — We think it necessary to transmit to your honor &c. Copies of Mr. Malcolm's letter and our answer on the Subject. We think it will appear that Mr. Malcolm took every precaution that Circumstances admitted of, and being in expectation of an answer to the letter written by him to Mr. Graham, respecting the deficiency, it was proper for him to wait a reasonable time for an explanation, more particularly as he had Mr. Graham's assurance that every thing would be found right. — Information being now however received of Mr. Graham's death further precaution becomes necessary, in order to prevent the Company from being liable, if possible, to any loss; and we have accordingly pointed out what appeared to us proper on the subject, in our answer to Mr. Malcolm, a copy of which is enclosed. —

It is seldom that any Paymaster in this Division has a Sum in his hands exceeding what is necessary for two months Disbursements; and it has happened in the present instance, owing to the applications We received from Mr. Graham for Money to discharge the arrears of Temporary allowance

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The Board approve the Instructions given by the Chief and Council to the acting Paymaster at Ellore; and it is Agreed, that Mr. Harry Taylor be directed to pay particular attention to them, and use every means to recover for the Honble Company, the amount of the deficiency of Cash at the time of J. Mr. Graham's Death.

Ordered that an application be made to the Executors or Administrators of Mr Graham, for the payment of the Sum due from his Estate to the Company.

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

Hon'ble Sir.

From the Committee for Investigating the accounts of the King's Troops — inclosing the result of their Investigations up to April 1786. —

In conformity to the promise held out in [illegible] of the 3rd. August 1789, we have now the honor to [illegible] the result of our Investigation, up to April 1786, [illegible] when the King's and Company's Pay Offices were seper[illegible]

And altho' much difficulty was experienced [illegible] from the loss of many material Vouchers, and the obscure [illegible] entanglement of the King's and Company's Accounts in the Military Paymaster's Books, we have every reason to think that those sent from us have been accurately extracted — We hope will meet with Government's approbation.

We shall now use our Endeavors to draw up an Account Current of the Regiments serving on the Coast [illegible] the

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Letter of the 16th. a strict compliance with which I forbore for the following Reasons, which I hope will be deemed Satisfactory; but in case they should not, as Serfojee is at present under the protection of a Guard of Company's Sepoys, there can occur no difficulty in putting the latter orders of the Honble Board fully into Execution.— Having made additional enquiries since my Letter of the 5th. how far a removal of Serfojee to the House of Mr. Burke might be agreeable to him or to his Relations, I found that the House was considered as peculiarly unlucky having been it seems, formerly, the Scene of some bloody Executions; on which Account it is reputed Haunted, and to that Degree that none but Europeans can with safety inhabit it, nor could the Widows of the late Rajah, on any account, be admitted to it: in which particular I had been misled in my Letter of the 5th.— Indeed I am now inclined to believe that their coming out of the Walls of the Palace to any House would be irregular.— I shall proceed to relate the Steps by which the situation of Serfojee has been so much altered for the better. The Letter of Mr. Chamier of the 16th. arrived about noon the 20th. I requested an Interview with his Excellency for the day following, which being granted I repaired to the Palace accompanied by Colonel St. [illegible] Mr. Swartz.— Having desired that Serfojee might be brought into our presence, which was with some difficulty complied with (the Rajah apprehending that Serfojee might charge him with neglect of his Education to his Face) I took Serfojee by the hand, and having declared your honor &c. as. orders that he should be removed from the Palace, I was proceeding to conduct him out; but was prevented by the violent agitation of the Rajah, who took hold of my other hand, and of my Cloath,

continuing

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part of the Palace was long disputed on the Evening of the 25th, the Rajah requesting that my Peons might be stationed in lieu of them; but this appearing to me as very insufficient Security for Serfojee, I persisted in my first position, and having sent for the Sepoys the next day, no farther objection was made. M. Swartz was of opinion that, after what had passed, Serfojee ought to have his Victuals furnished by the Rajah's Widows, to which His Excellency has made no kind of objection: indeed I understand that, having been taken under the protection of the Company, his Victuals may be provided by any one he chooses. — M. Swartz is likewise of opinion that a discontinuance of the Guard would be attended with some Risk to the Person of Serfojee.

It will I am informed be proper that an Establishment should be made for Serfojee; but if the Payment should depend entirely on the Rajah, it will be a constant cause of bickerings and dispute. I therefore submit for your Honor & Rs. Consideration whether it might not be expedient to let it be furnished by the Company as an addition to the Kists. — The Sum adequate to this should be, as I am informed, between 500 and 1000 Pagodas per mensem.

The House in which Serfojee now is has been somewhat incumbered by Buildings since the time of the late Rajah: it is however pleasantly situated, and has a small Garden adjoining. — It may be proper to observe that during the night of the 25th a door was bricked up unknown to me, seperating the house of Serfojee from the apartments of the late Rajah's Widows; by which means

Serfojee

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shall be settled on a permanent and regular footing.

Read the following Letter from Earl Cornwallis, Commander in Chief in India.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council at Fort St. George

Sir

From Earl Cornwallis with Comments and observations on the General Court Martial held at Trichinopoly for the Trial of Lieutenant Parley.

I have seen reason to apprehend, from the General tenor of the Proceedings of a General Court Martial, which was held at Trichinopoly for the trial of Lieutenant Parley of the Honble Company's Service, that it is a practice with officers on the Military Establishment to engage in Loans & in other pecuniary transactions with the natives of the Country, at places where they possess an influence by being employed upon public Duty.

It is unnecessary for me to point out the ruinous Consequences that must result to the public Interest from such practices being tolerated in Company's Servants of any description whatever; But as they are particularly objectionable with the Military Department of the Service, from their subjecting temptations to use the power in their hands to commit oppression rapacity and Extortion, and from their tending on all occasions to draw off their minds from a proper attention to the Duties of their profession, I have given directions to the Officer Commanding at your Presidency to take every means that may be in his power to put a stop to them amongst the Troops under his Command.

Likewise think it a duty incumbent upon me as Commander in Chief of the Forces in India to recommend this point to your serious consideration; and in order that you may be fully acquainted with the grounds upon which I have formed my opinion of the Existence of those transactions, I have directed the Commanding Officer

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from Cuddalore; and recommending that the
be deferred until the next Tumba Coop is gath

Ordered that the Exchange of the Gran
deferred as recommended by Mr. Cockburn.

Minute thereon

Intelligence

The President communicates to the Boa
Intelligence received from Canoor & Carwar.

John Holland

Ed. Fr. Holland

Ed Perfect Martens Esqr

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28th.

To the Master Master General — To Colonel Capper Muster Master General — Mr. John Philip Burlton appointed Muster Master to the Southern Division of the Army, vice Mr. Harry Taylor appointed to the Paymasterships of Ellore.

To the Resident at Nagore — To the Resident at Nagore — Mr. Harry Taylor removed from Nagore to the Paymasterships of Ellore.

To Mr. Harry Taylor — To Mr. Harry Taylor — appointed Paymaster and Storekeeper at Ellore, vice Mr. Graham deceased — to receive Charge from Mr. Malcolm, and continue to pursue such measures as he may have adopted, in order to recover for the Honble Company the Amount of the Deficiency in the Balance of Cash at the time of Mr. Graham's death.

To Mr. John Philip Burlton — To Mr. John Philip Burlton — to take Charge of his Office of Master Master to the Southern Division of the army as soon as possible.

To Masulipatam — To Masulipatam — approving their proceedings [illegible] of the Deficiency of Cash in the Paymaster's Cash [illegible] Mr. Harry Taylor appointed Paymaster & Storekeeper vice Mr. Graham deceased.

To the Accountant General — To the Accountant General — to desire he will furnish us as possible the Statements mentioned in the Secretary's Letter to him of the 2nd. Ultimo.

To the Resident at Tanjore — To the Resident at Tanjore — approving the Measures taken respecting Serfojee, and the manner in which he has caused him Established in his new Dwelling — Serfojee to be allowed to pay his respects to his adopted Mother, and his other relations according

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To Captain Rind at Tiagar — 28th. To the Commandant at Tiagar — advising of the Orders given to Colonel Kelly for the protection of the Country.

To Colonel Musgrave — To Colonel Musgrave — A further Advance will be made to Lieutenant Colonel Boyd, for the purchase of Horses in the usual manner — Stating the orders given to Colonel Kelly for the protection of the Country against the plunderers.

To the Committee for Investigating the accounts of the King's Troops — To the Committee for Investigating the accounts of the King's Troops — To lay before the Board a General Abstract containing in Form of an account Current, the whole of their Investiga[illegible]

To Captain Walter Anderson — To Captain Walter Anderson at Ellore — notifying the Disapprobation of the Board at his delaying the answer official Letters written to him, the last being dated the to the 15th. of next month given him for a full reply to written to him.

To the King's Deputy Paymaster General — To the Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops — To forward the Balance of Cash in his Distributions for King's Troops, conformably to what was written to Mr. on the 29th. September last.

30th. Received the undermentioned Letters (entered in [illegible] 150. 151.)

From Colonel Musgrave — From Colonel Musgrave — accepts the Appointment of vice President of the Male Orphan Asylum.

From the King's Deputy Adjutant General. — From the King's Deputy Adjutant General — Colonel [illegible] requests that an order may be issued for the payment Lieutenant Collier of his Subsistence, to the charges to Presidency of Bombay until another opportunity offers his proceeding to join his Regiment.

Ordered — Ordered accordingly.

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Estimate Expence of removing Ground, and Levelling the Para
lower Fort at Tiagar

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To Digging removing, and levelling 1834 Cubic Rods of Earth to a main distance of 500 feet	239	10

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Chief Engineer — states the Utility of an upper Floor to an Hospital at Tripassore

Having received directions to inform
Honble Board whether the Situation of Tripassore
it necessary that an Hospital built there should ha
Floor &c.

Permit me to state to your honor
the Fort of Tripassore being surrounded by a Ra
considerably higher than the interior of the Fort,
the Quarters for the Troops are erected, I conside
material advantage to find a situation for the
more exposed to a free Circulation of Air than th
Buildings could possibly be — and as in whatev
it was placed, considerable Store Rooms wo
I did not imagine any material Expence would be inc
by raising it, as the lower Apartments would supp
the place of Store Rooms that, otherwise, must elsewhere
built for its Convenience.

I have the honor to be
Hon. Sir &c. &c. &c.
(signed) Patrick Ross
Lieutenant Colonel & Chief Engineer

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To John Chamier Esqr.

Militay Secretary

From Lieutenant Colonel Stuart enclosing Estimate of Repairs wanting at Tanjore & Vellum prior to the setting in of the approaching Monsoons, and Letter from the Engineer on the Subject

Sir

I have been honored with your Letter dated the 11th., and have the honor herewith to Transmit a Letter from Captain Trapaud the Engineer of this Garrison to me, with an Estimate of the Repairs necessary to be made on the Engineer's Quarters here, and at Vellum, prior to the setting in of the approaching Monsoon, in which the Repairs necessary to be made on the Engineer's Quarters are included; and the necessity for Rebuilding the old wall is Explained — and an Estimate of the Expence attending which has already I understand been transmitted by Captain Flenooning.

As there is little time to lose, and all the Repairs included in the enclosed Estimate I consider absolutely necessary to be made, I request of you will do me the favor to take an early opportunity of laying the before the Honble Board for their approbation, that their pleasure may be signified to me thereupon with as little delay as possible.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

Tanjore 23rd. October 1789.

J. Stuart

Lt. Col. Commanding

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no care taken by those whose casual residence they were to keep them in repair - the tiled Walls are infested with white Ants, and the Roof so little Water Proof that in the late heavy rain, it even poured into my bed - the Windows are all broken, and the Out Houses in great Decay - I am besides this extremely distressed for room: I have no place to keep the Plans in or Mathematical Instruments (whenever I am furnished with) but a Godown; nor any place to draw in but the Hall or Bed Chamber - I shall be much obliged to you to represent these Circumstances to Government, and hope they will allow me to build 2 additional small Rooms, and put the quarter in a habitable State; which when once done, it will not want any repair for a long time.

The Wall which I recommended to be rebuilt in the great Fort, encloses a Captain's Quarter, which would else be entirely open, as it is an old Mortar [illegible] and the Hall has no Wall in front - I only recommended it to be Rebuilt 10 feet high, and it is now 16, and at all events it ought to be taken down, as it is a very dangerous situation for the Inhabitants at present.

I have the honor to be with respect

Sir

Your most obedient & very humble Servant

Tanjore 21st October 1789.

(Signed) Elisha Irapaud

Captain & Sub Dr. of Engineers

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Minute thereon

Agreed that a Letter lie written to Major Cuppage at Walaujahbad, directing him to protect the Sheriff's Officers from the Violence of the Soldiery, if an application be made to him for that purpose.

Read the following Letter from the Rental General.

To the Rental General — the Demands of Quit Rent from the Inhabitants of Hog Hill will be postponed.

Mr. Secretary Chamier

Sir

I have received your Letter of the 22nd. Instant, transmitting me by order of the Honble Board, a petition from the Hog Hill Inhabitants, and desiring I will report whether the Claimants for the remission of Quit Rent, are Persons to whom Government is indebted on account of Grist's being removed from Hog Hill, in which case formed, the demand for Payment of any Arrea[r] of Rent may, for the present, be postponed.

The names of the Claimants not be[ing] -lanized, I cannot ascertain whether Government is indebted to them for the removal of their Buildings, I beg leave to observe that when I arranged the Outstan[ding] Debts of 1774 and 1776, in order to take measures for [the] recovery, I laid aside all those Bills that appeared a[gainst] any of the Hog Hill Houses, being aware that if the [Ryot] was once seton foot, the Inhabitants would make [a] for troubling Government with a Renewal of their [Claim] to a Compensation for their Losses.

The Petitioners are premature in charging me with "involving them in further difficulty and distress by

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Interference of the Board to obtain for them a share of the Prize Money.

Minute therein

Agreed that Copy of their Petition be sent to Lieutenant Colonel Alphinstone; and that he be desired to furnish the Agent with Materials whereby he may be enabled to include the Lascars in the distribution of the Prize Money.

Intelligence

The President communicates to the Board Intelligence from Ryachore. —

John Holland

Edw. Jn. Holland.

Ed. Geo. Jul. Harter.

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1st condition of the building offered by Mr Popham for the purpose of an Hospital at Walajahbad.

To Lieutenant Colonel Clphinstone

To Lieutenant Colonel Clphinstone — with a Petition delivered to the Board, by the Lascars who were present at the capture of Pulicat — to furnish the Agent for the Captors with the letters als by which he may be enabled to make Proof for the Lascars in the Distribution of Prize Money.

To the Commandant at Tanjore

To the Commandant at Tanjore — the Board authorize the Repairs at Vellum & Tanjore, agreeable to the Estimate submitted in his Letter of the 23rd Ult., and to the existing

To the Managers of the Male Orphan Asylum

To the Managers of the Male Orphan Asylum — the Public Officers & Gentlemen mentioned in their Letter of 7th September have accepted the Appointments recommended therein.

2d. Sent the following Letter to Earl Cornwallis, Commander in Chief in India.

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis &c.
Lieutenant General, & Commander in Chief of the Kings and Company's Troops in India.

My Lord

To the Commander in Chief in India — advising of the Steps taken by this Government in consequence of His Lordship's observations upon the Trial of Lieutenant Parby — Copy of the General Orders issued thereupon is Enclosed.

We have been honored with the receipt of your Lordship's Letter under date the 5th Ultimo; and Colonel Musgrave has laid before us the proceedings of the General Court Martial to which it referred.

We are perfectly sensible that Consequences prejudicial to the Interests of the Honble Company may

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2nd

Earl Cornwallis K.G.

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

My Lord.

In the 42nd. and 47th. Paragraphs of my address to your Lordship of the 2nd. of April last, relative to the Controul of the Military Accounts, I mentioned the mode of intimating short drawings, or Re-audits of Retrenchments, to the Officers Concerned; and I annexed Forms (No. 29. and 32) of the Letters usually addressed on these respective occasions.

There are always many of these Letters prepared to be filled up; and, as they only differ in dates, Names of the Parties, and Sums, it is unnecessary to insert the Letters at large: A Register of them is therefore kept at the end of every Book of Common Letters, according to enclosed form, which I request your Lordship may be pleased to direct to be sent to the Presidencies of Fort St. George and Bombay.

I have the honor to be
Your Lordship's most obedient, and
most humble Servant.

Military Auditor General's
Office 3rd. October 1789

(Signed) John Murray
Colonel & Military auditor General

A true Copy
(signed) Bombelli
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From Colonel Musgrave 8th From Colonel Musgrave – with Letter to him from Major Wynch, requesting a Reimbursement for the Money expended by the Officers at Guntoor in making their quarters habitable – or to be allowed House Rent – & Inclosing Estimate of the Expence that will attend the repair of Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell's Quarters at Pondamallee. –

From Colonel Kelly 9th From Colonel Kelly – Has received Intelligence that a large Body of Chief Naig's People, not less than 2,000, are assembling on the hills for the purpose of plundering any part of the Country they may find unprotected

From Colonel Kelly From Colonel Kelly – has consented to permit the Squadron of Horse under the Command of Cornet Forbes, to remain at Palcaurchy till further Orders – the Horses of the Cavalry at Gunnatoor very sickly. –

To the Committee of Works Sent a Letter to the Committee of Works (as entered in M. B. No. 27) desiring them to order the Contractors to repair Lieut.t Colonel Maxwell's Quarters at Pondamallee.

Sent the following Letter to Pondicherry.

To Colonel DeFresne

Knight of the Royal and Military Order of St. Louis
Commandant of the French Settlements in India

&c.a &c.a &c.a at Pondicherry

To Colonel DeFresne – requesting he will apply to Tippoo to release from Confinement, and permit to return to the Carnatic, Captain Rutledge.

Sir

Since I had the honor to address General Conway respecting the British Subjects detained Prisoners in the Mysore Country, it has been represented to me that, there is certain information of the actual Confinement of Captain Rutledge in a Hill Fort, not far distant from Seringapatam,

from

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It was in Your prouence to determine whether the consideration of the arrangements proposed by our Military Auditor General should be suspended, at Your Presidency, on the expectation of your Accountant General that some observations would be received from the auditor of Indian Accounts relative to the Military accounts of Fort St. George; But We hope that, the Ships of the season being now all arrived, the arrangements, which We have recommended, will be brought before you, with a view to the adoption of them on the 1st of May 1790, (before which Time we did not conceive that they could regularly commence,) if You should not find Yourself precluded by the Company's Instructions from following those Rules in your Military Service that are in use in Bengal. Uniformity of System, as nearly as local Circumstances will admit, is the Object of the Court of Directors, and it cannot be expected that they will desert the principle on which they have desired that the Accounts may be simplified, and as close a conformity as possible, established in the Plan of conducting them at all the Presidencies. Indeed We have reason to believe that the auditor of Indian Accounts was instrumental in suggesting to the Honble Court of Directors the Instructions which they sent to this Government in their General Letter Dated the 28th of March 1788, and referred to in our former Letter to You upon this Subject. You will, however, of course, admit or reject the Arrangements as you think proper, but in rejecting them, you will be responsible to the Company while We shall have discharged our Duty in recommending them.

Our

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and upon which We have made up the Accounts, and Certified the Sums due to Colonel Burrowes, the Lat. Captain Macalister, Major Stephenson, the late Mr. Redhead, the late Major Davidson, and Major Martinz, agreeable to the orders transmitted to us by Mr. Secretary Chamier, with the Extracts of the General Letter of 8th April 1789.—

The Claims as well as the Bonds of Sir Henry Cosby, and of the other Officers which are referred to in the above Orders of the 8th April last, were prior in Date to 31st December 1784; and the accounts of the three Classes of Debts had been made up by your Committee under the original orders of the Honble Court to that period.—

In consequence of Subsequent orders from the Court of Directors of the 12th April 1786, directing that the Claims of Sir Henry Cosby, Campbell, Jourdan & Dott, should be ranked in the same Class as the Creditors in the Cavalry Loan, the Committee received Extracts from the General Letter, with Directions from Government of the 24th November 1786, that the Accounts on their Claims should be made up to 31st December 1784; and Government ordered that the Dividends which had been paid to the three Classes, previous to the receipt of the last orders, should be paid up to these Creditors, to place them on the same Footing with the Creditors in the Cavalry Loan.

The Committee go thus far back on account of the late Decision of the Court of Directors in favor of the present Claims, as stated in the 94th Paragraph of the General Letter of 8th April last, and for the following Reasons.—

Your Honor in Council, with the several Extracts

transmitted

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Minute thereon

Ordered that the Statement enclosed in the foregoing Lisent to the Register of the Nabob's Debts, and that he be desired to lay before the Board a Statement shewing what would be due in the event of his Claim being admitted to each Bond holder from the Dividents already made to the Consolidated Creditors.

Read the following Letter from the Agent for Spirituous Liquors.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Agent for Spirituous Liquors — with a Distribution of the Profits of Arrack from the 1st May 1788. to the 30th April 1789.

Agreeable to the General Orders issued by the Honble the Governor in Council of the 29th January 1789, I applied to the Adjutant General for an Abstract of the Troops serving at the Stations where Spirits were sold, and for the periods of Command of the different Officers; and having, in Conformity thereto drawn up the enclosed Distribution of the profits of Arrack from the 1st May 1788, to the 30th April 1789, which I beg leave to present to your honor in Council, and request You will be pleased to issue the General Orders that it may be carried into Execution.

I have the honor to be
Yr. a. Yr. a. Yr.

Fort St. George
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(signed) Basil Cochrane
Agt. for Spirituous Liquors

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Agreed that a General Order be issued announcing that a Distribution of the Profits upon the Sale of Arrack will be made out of the future monthly receipts at the different Stations.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores, (with an Enclosure entered in Mill. Cons. 28.)

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor &c. &c. Council

Honble Sir & Sirs

From the Committee of Stores with remarks upon the proceedings of the Committee of Stores at Ganjam Enclosing a Petition from a Chicklar, praying to be continued on his former allowances

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letter of the 20th Instant, with it's Enclosure.

We have received a Letter from the Committee of Stores at Ganjam, underscoring their proceedings from 15th April 1788, to the 1st Instant; and as We perceive therein that they have at that Garrison several sorts of unserviceable & Condemned Stores, We have desired the Committee to dispose of them all at Public Outcry, except 3 Brass Field pieces, which We have requested them to report to us the particular defects of, that, if they are repairable they may be sent to the Presidency for that purpose: We beg leave here to observe that the Committee at Ganjam do not attend to the 12th Article of the Ordnance Regulations

Ordered that this Paragraph be extracted & sent to the Chief and Council at Ganjam

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Read the following Letter from Ganjam

To the Honble John Holland Esqre.

Govr. & Counce at Fort St. George

Honble Sir and Sirs

From Ganjam - recommending that the condemned Cotton & Leathern articles in store be put up at Outcry - and requesting Orders for the disposal of 3 condemned Brass field Pieces. —

Herewith we have the honor to transmit to you an Indent for Tents for the Service of this District, with which We request Your early compliance.

Our Committee of Stores having represented that the Store Houses are incumbered with a variety of Condemned Cotton and Leathern Articles, that, by harbouring Vermin prejudice better Stores, We have ordered them to be exposed to public Sale, and in the Event of there being no Bidders for them, that they be destroyed, except the Brass furniture attached to them, which will in all Events be brought to Account.

We have to request Your Orders however for the disposal of 3 Condemned Brass Field Pieces, which our Committee of Stores recommend should be sold here; but We have taken upon ourselves to order that a number of Condemned Iron Guns should be posted at the Fort Gates, or otherwise so disposed of, as may be found best for the Clearance or Convenience of the Garrison.

We have the honor to be

Yr. Hble. Servts.

Ganjam 18th. October 1789. (signed) { Morgan Williams
D. Dr. Munro
Geo. Wynch

Agreed -

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and paid part of his July List

We have therefore to request of your Honble Board, that you will be pleased to order a Dividend of the Monies already received on our Account; and We trust that the steps warranted by the arrangement haive been taken to secure to us any Balance which His Highness the Nabob may on this account be in arrear.

The reviving of Publick Credit, and restoring a ruined Settlement to a state of prosperity was one of the avowed causes which occasioned the interference of the British Legislature in our favor; and We trust that the Miseries and Inconveniencies many of us labor under, & the total Ruin of the Credit of our fund, from the Arrangement not having been adhered to, will plead our Excuse for troubling your honor at this period.

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

Fort St. George
30th October 1789.

Pelling & DeFries — For ourselves & Moses DeCastro, and as Attornies for the Trustees of J. M. Stone Esq. Mr Peter Reakes, and for Mr. B Wimberly Salmon —

Pelling & DeFries & Co.

(signed) Antonio De Souza. For myself & Constituents

Geo. Moubray For himself, & as Attorney to Charles Floyer Esq. & Quintin Crawford Esq.

Fras. Lautour

R. Gomonde

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} Natives Names, written in Gentoo Characters

John Turing — For the Honble E. Monckton
John Chamier — Attorney
Bulloh — For his Constituents Major Burrowes & Major Bonneaux
Benjamin Sulivan — Attorney to Colonel Gordon Forbes
Signed. Charles Binny
Nagapah Chitty
Bommoo Chitty
_____ Gentoo Characters
Vencata Royloo
Andrew Ross — Attorney
Chockapah
Sawmey
P. Swamy

Minute thereon

The Board record upon the foregoing Letter, that it is their Intention to pay in Cash, the Dividend to the Nabob's Creditors, as soon as the state of the Treasury will possibly admit, on which there is a considerable Demand to complete the Military Payments for November, exclusive of the amount of the Bills from Bengal for Peishcush and arrears in favor of the Nizam.

Mr. Casamajor begs leave to enter the following Minute.

Mr.

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I can suggest no other means of discharging the demands of the Nabob's Creditors already due, than by the application of the Company's growing Revenues, by Notes on the Treasury, or by Bills of Exchange as before proposed; or by granting Bonds - We foresee, I conceive, no other resource, for the future receipts from the Nabob on account of the July Kist must the greater part, be applied to the Discharge of the second Dividend to the Creditors, and the rest will be absorbed, as it is received, in payment of the Current Expences at the Presidency; and, from the dispositions uniformly displayed by the Rajah of Tanjore, payments from that quarter are very precarious.

10th November 1789. (signed) Ja. H. Casamaijor

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board.

Hospital Board 2nd November 1789

From the Hospital Board - with a letter from Mr Binny complaining of his being aggrieved by the advanced Rank lately given to Mr Gahagan - Mr Boiswell assistant Surgeon, proposed to be Hospital Mate - and Francis Dupton Apothecary, to be pensioned on Ten Pagodas p Month; and David Tonnerfield, to fill up the Vacancy - & c & c thereon -

Read a Letter from Mr Binny, Head Surgeon at the General Hospital Masulipatam, a Copy of which the Hospital Board have the honor to lay before Government.

Their proceedings relative to Mr Gahagan's Rank being already before the Honble Board, they think it unnecessary to say any thing further on that head.

Agreed that Mr Binny's letter be noticed in the next dispatch to the Court of Directors

The Hospital Board recommend that

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It is a matter well known to you Gentlemen, and the records of Government will shew, that Mr. Gahagan has invariably ranked not only below me, but below several others under me on the List of Surgeons on this Establishment. I was appointed a Surgeon in the year 1773; Mr. Gahagan was not appointed a Surgeon till 1778, five Years afterwards. This arrangement has been repeatedly deliberated upon, when change of System, or other Circumstances led to it, and as often sanctioned by the opinions of the late Mr. Pasley, the present Physician General, and Mr. Lucas: Gentlemen who have been at the head of their Profession on the Coast for these 18 or 20 Years past; and upon every other occasion confirmed by the Authority of Government — and ever since the institution of the Hospital Board, so late I believe as the beginning of last Year, I understand Mr. Gahagan's pretensions were reconsidered by you, upon his claiming the succession to the General Hospital at Fritchinopoly, in preference to Mr. Mein, who is also my junior; and they were then rejected.

It is a sensible gratification to me, that in appealing for justice, I do but solicit the confirmation of opinions you have long supported, which, independantly of their respectability, must carry much conviction along with them on whichever side they lean, from being obviously free from that partial representation to be apprehended from interested individuals — I have only therefore most respectfully to entreat, Gentlemen, you will be so kind as forward this

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It is a matter well known to you Gentlemen, and the records of Government will shew, that Mr. Gahagan has invariably ranked not only below me, but below several others under me on the List of Surgeons on this Establishment. I was appointed a Surgeon in the year 1773; Mr. Gahagan was not appointed a Surgeon till 1778, five Years afterwards. This arrangement has been repeatedly deliberated upon, when change of System, or other Circumstances led to it; and as often sanctioned by the opinions of the late Mr. Pasley, the present Physician General, and Mr. Lucas: Gentlemen who have been at the head of their Profession on the Coast for these 18 or 20 Years past; and upon every other occasion confirmed by the Authority of Government — and ever since the institution of the Hospital Board, so late I believe as the beginning of last Year, I understand Mr. Gahagan's pretensions were reconsidered by you, upon his claiming the succession to the General Hospital at Sadras, in preference to Mr. Mein, who is also my junior; and they were then rejected.

It is a sensible gratification to me, that in appealing for justice, I do but solicit the confirmation of opinions you have long supported, which, independantly of their respectability, must carry much conviction along with them on whichever side they lean, from being obviously free from that partial representation to be apprehended from interested individuals. — I have only therefore most respectfully to entreat, Gentlemen, you will be so kind as forward this

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Read the following Letter from Colonel Horne.

To the Honble John Hollond Esq.re

Governor in Council.

Honble Sir

The Right Honble the Governor General in Council by their Letter of the 5th September to Your honble Board having recommended that the usual Allowances of a Brigadier General should be continued to me, after the 29th of September, when I ceased to exercise that Rk I beg leave to request Your Determination on that point before I draw any further Allowance from the Honble Co.s Treasury.

As objections may be urged against confirming to me the Indulgence manifestly designed by the Governor General, from the orders of the Court of Directors, of fixing that my nomination as Brigadier General should occasion any additional Expence to the Company, I presume to offer some observations which I trust will obviate every difficulty, by evincing the dissimilarity of my situation, at the time the orders were framed, to that, in which by the contingencies of the Service, I have since found myself. At that period there was a superior Officer in the Company's Service on this Coast; and afterwards, an Officer specially appointed from England, was in the Chief Command of the Army. During that time, the operation of the order alluded to, altho' severe, I considered as efficient; but, when my accession to the Command, by the resignation of Sir Archibald Campbell, has, by the prescriptive usage of the

Col. Horne requesting, in Conformity to the recommendation from England, that he be allowed Brigadier's allowances from the 29th of September last.

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in the Command of the army by the Appointed of Sir Hector Munro, yet Brigadier General Stuart was continued by Government in the Allowance of £750 pannum, 10 Pagodas ffdiem Batta, and 11 Shares of the Gratuity Fund, as appears by the Company's Books in the Paymaster's and Accountants' Office; and, that notwithstanding he was for a considerable period, only the third Officer in the Army, both Generals Coote and Munro being present with it in the Field.

I have only further to Observe that, altho' your Honble Board thought fit to deviate from those allowances, when mine were fixed in February last, I nevertheless had cause to be satisfied; and I do not introduce those Statements to contrast them with such as were granted to me, but merely as explanatory of the Situation of Officers, holding the Rank of a Brigadier under a Commander in Chief; and to obviate such difficulties as may occur when your honble Board shall be pleased to determine the Footing on which I shall be placed in consequence of the Recommendation of the Governor General in Council.

I have the honor to be with respect

Honorable Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) Mathew Horne

Fritchinopoly
3rd November 1789

Agreed

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Lieutenant Colonel Ross.

Sir

In answer to your Enquiries for the Information of Government, respecting the Barracks &c.a at Walaujahbad, I have the pleasure to acquaint you, that before my appointment to do duty at that Cantonment, the Honble Company's Officers were ordered into the first range of Quarters before they were compleated, on account of the Monsoon - during the time they were thus occupied, they were compleated, except the out Houses, and delivered over, with the Privates Barracks compleat, to the Quarter-master of his Majesty's 71.st Regiment, on their arrival at the Cantonment, no Barrack Master being present: the out houses were afterwards compleated also - These Quarters being occupied by the Officers of that Regiment, the Honble Company's Officers were now in Tents, and ordered by Colonel Elphinstone into the second Range, before they were finished: they were compleated a short time after my arrival in the Cantonment; as were also the eight Range Quarters, and the reason given by the Barrack Master, Captain Campbell, for not receiving them, was, that the others has not been delivered over - By this time some of the Locks, Keys, &c.a were missing, and the quarters therefore deemed by him incomplete.

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

J Himming
1.st Engineer & Lieutenant

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may occur, together with the circumstances attending them, that they may be immediately enquired into, and reported to Government for their orders to remedy the inconveniencies that may arise.

By order &c &c

(signed) J. Chamier Secy.

Approved and Ordered accordingly

Read the following Letter from Colonel Horne

To the Honble John Holland Esqre

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Colonel Horne states the orders given to the Poligars for the Expulsion of Chinna Murdah, who has been committing Depredations in the Tulub's Country and encloses Extract of a Letter to him from Colonel Martin on the Subject

I have the honor to lay before the Board an Extract of a Letter from Colonel Martin Commanding the Garrison of Caliacoil, under date the 29th ultimo.

As it appears to me that the Poligars in the vicinity of Madura, and the lesser Marawar Country are conniving at Chinna Murdah's Depredations, I have directed that Orders (thro' the Channel of the Circar) should be immediately forwarded to the several Poligars, requiring of them to attack Chinna Murdah, with their Force, so as to apprehend him, or oblige him to leave the Country.

This I conceive to be a more eligible Plan in obliging Chinna Murdah to quit the Country, than by sending a regular Force against him, and more favorable in every respect, for forcing him to make a rapid retreat.

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"nothing but distress; and in my opinion, it will be
"impossible to keep the province in subjection without a
"Detachment of the Honble Company's Troops, or the Mus-
"-dahs go off from it: neither can be expected by those
"who are acquainted with this Country."

(signed) "M. Martinz."

A true Extract
signed R. Chase
Secy

Minute thereon

The Board approve the steps taken by Col. Hon
Horne in consequence of Colonel Martinz's Letter, and
depend upon his adopting such further measures as he
may judge expedient for the protection of the Southern
Provinces; for which purpose it is Agreed to authorize
his sending back the Battalion lately returned from the
Shevigungah District. — It may however at the same
time be mentioned to him that, as there is a Battalion
at Madura, it may perhaps be sufficient for the protect-
-on of the Shevigungah Country, without detaching one
from Trichinopoly.

Read the following Letter from Mr. George
Anderson.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqre
Governor in Council

Honble Sir.

From Mr. George Anderson — laments that the Subject on which he addressed the Board in August last, has not been thought deserving of Enquiry — requests that Copies of his Letter may be sent to Bengal and to England —

Conscious of being in possession of such important
information as related to the honour, Interest, and
Welfare of the Company, I became animated from a

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Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Boa

Hospital Board 9th Nov. 18

from the Hospital Board — recommending Mr Addenton to succeed Mr Bulman as Apothecary at the Presidency. That Nicholas Mc Farlane be appointed a sub assistant, & sent to Tritchinopoly — proposing certain removals — orders thereon —

Read a letter No 1 from Mr Bulman, Apoth- cary, intimating that he has this day sent in his resignation to Government.

The Hospital Board, considering the Station of Apothecary as immediately under their orders and inspection, conceive that no time should be lost in filling up a post of such responsibility; they therefore beg leave to re- commend Mr Addenton, Surgeon to the first Battalion of Artillery, to succeed to that Station.

Mr Klein having represented to the Board the great Want of Assistant Surgeons at the Hospital Tritchinopoly; and the Hospital Board not having it in their power to comply with his request of appointing any assistant, recommend that Nicholas Mac Farlane be appointed a Sub — Assistant and sent thither.

Approved

They likewise recommend that Mr Galloway, from having fallen into a very ill state of health, and not being able to join his Battalion, be appointed to Hospital here, until further orders — and that Mr Spicer be appointed to the 14th Battalion as Assistant Surgeon, Malanjah has in his room.

Approved

Mr

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

from Bengal - approving the orders given to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam, respecting the Zemindars holding hereditary Districts under the Company's and the Soubah's Territories - and suggesting a further necessary order on the subject.

Honble Sir

We have been favored with your Letter of the 17th. September.

We concur entirely with You in the opinion You have expressed, that the same person should not be permitted to hold or rent Lands under the Soubah's & the Company's Government at the same time, and are happy to observe, that in order to prevent the inconvenience that would arise from such a circumstance, Your Directions had been signified to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam, that no Person renting or holding Lands under the Subah's Authority should hereafter be permitted to be Renters in any of the Company's Districts.

We are sensible that difficulties may occur in the Execution of this Order, as far as it respects the Zemindars who have hereditary Lands; and not having hitherto been controuled or interrupted in the interior Management of them, may sometimes underrent parts of them to Persons who inhabit or farm contiguous Countries within the Dominions of Nizam ally Khan; but We should hope that the orders you have sent to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam, if properly explained to the Zemindars, will discourage them from continuing the practice, and satisfy

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Minute thereon.

Agreed that the Substance of the foregoing be Extracted, and sent to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam, desiring them to pay proper attention to the Instructions therein Contained.

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores (with Enclosures entered in M.B. No. 32.)

To the Honble John Hollond Esqre.

Governor in Council —

Honble Sir

From the Committee of Stores — with a list of Stores received and entered on the Company's Books — recommending that the Shot and Shells at Pattypotah be sent to Tanjore — orders thereon —

Enclosed We have the honor to transmit you Copy of a list of Stores received from the Military Storekeeper last month, Musters of which We examined and approved.

We likewise examined 2 field Carriages with Limbers for 12 Pdrs., one Garrison Carriage 32 Pdr. with a Platform of the New Construction Six three Pdr. Field Carriages of the new Construction, four trail Carriages 8 Pdrs. and twenty Iron Chain Traces for Limbrils, which We found to be made of good Materials, and well finished, and therefore ordered them to be received on the Company's Books.

Approved

As We have been informed that there are a number of Shot and Shells at Pattypotah, which during the late War were sent from hence for the use of the Garrison of Tanjore,

Approved

but

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with Quarters by this Company, be allowed a Sum of Money for quartering themselves, or House Rent.

of receiving their Commands thereon. —

I have the honor to be

Madras 2nd " November 1789 — Fr.a Fr.a Fr.a (signed) Tho.s Musgrave

Colonel Musgrave

Commanding the army on the Coast

Sir.

I have the honor to acquaint you that I have just received the following Intelligence from Sibcaut.

Mutab ud Deen Khan had arrived at Ga=zalapilly nine days ago, that he brought one lac of Rupees and 2,000 linen Jackets for his Troops; that he had charge of a present from Tippoo for the Nizam of 12 Horses and 4 Elephants, the latter laden with Treasure, Jewels, and rich Cloths; 500 Horse and 500 Foot escorted it — Orders have been sent to all the Forts to sell all the provision Stores, and replace them with new immediately; also to make every prepa=ration for War — Tippoo is erecting a new Pettah at Coimbetoor — 6,000 Horse, with the same numb of Infantry marched for Bangalore from his camp the other day, but it is not known on what Service they are going upon.

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Native Infantry, with a Brigade of 6 pounders, but without
out either Artillery Men or Gun Lascars attached —
The Fort of Condavere is in a state of Ruin — In consequence
of a Representation from the Commanding Officer of Pa-
-niconsah, that the Grand and Espence Magazines have
receive considerable damage from the white Ants,
I have directed him to get them repaired: I have
more readily been induced to give these orders, as the
Expence of Repairs will not be great, and, compared with
the loss that must be sustained from an Omission, extre-
-mely trifling — I report these Circumstances for your Inform-
-tion agreeably to orders, that the Board may be inform
through you of the expediency thereof.

I have the honor to be

Guntoor 27th. October 1789. — &c.a &c.a &c.a (Signed) A. Wynch.
Major Commanding

Major Alexander Wynch

Commanding the Troops in Guntoor

Sir

The Officers of the 12th. Battalion beg leave
represent to you that, on our arrival at Guntoor
in May last, the Houses allotted to us as Quarters
Mr. Hughes the Collector, were much in want of Re-
and since made habitable by the Officers at a co-
-able expence & trouble, having to send to the dist-

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To the Honble John Hollond Esq.re

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

The Gun Lascars under my Command being deprived of a considerable portion of the Monthly Subsistence under the name of difference of Exchange, I have to request the Honble Board will be pleased to say, if I have the sanction of Government for drawing the Lascars Pay without deduction, further than what remains in the Paymaster Generals hands on account of Cloathing, or if I am to permit the Pay to be issued to them as heretofore to their certain loss, in the proportion that the real value of a Star Pagoda in the Buzar in fanams bears to it's nominal value of 42, ascertained by the Regulations, and issued from the Honble Company's Treasury.

I take the liberty of enclosing two setts of Pay Rolls for the use of the Honble Board, in one sett of which the fanams are brought to account at 42, the rate the Lascars Pay is issued by the Honble Company, and the other at the Buzar Rate of Exchange, viz.t 45, 30, by which there appears a difference or eventual loss to the Men in the October Payment of 57 Pags. 7 fan.s 50 Cash, which is in the proportion of 8 Cent to the 204 Pagodas 7 fan.s 10, the total amount of that months abstract.

I request the Honble Board will do me the justice to

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Colonel Musgrave

Commanding the Army on the Coast

Sir

I have the honor to enclose you my account of 22 Horses, purchased for His Majesty's 19th Regiment of light Dragoons — It is stated in the usual manner.

I beg you will be pleased to lay it before Government; and I request, if it be found correct, as I trust it will, that the Balance may be paid to my Agent Mr. Wm. Balfour —

I have the honor to be

Yr. Yr. Yr.

(signed) J Floyd Lieutenant Colonel

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November 1. 1789

To the Honble John Hollond Esqre

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Colonel Musgrave — recommending that the cavalry stationed at Cunnatoore be permitted to occupy the Barracks already finished

On account of the heavy rains which have of late fallen, and are still expected to continue, Major Stephenson Commanding the Cavalry stationed at Cunnatoore has requested permission to occupy that portion of the Barracks now erecting there, which is already finished, being ——————— 12 Officers Barracks
11 Troop Barracks +
8 Troop Stables (nearly complete.

I beg leave therefore to recommend that Government would be pleased to approve of Major Stephenson's request, and that the Contractor may be

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To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Colonel Musgrave recommending that a Native officer of the 1st. Regiment of Cavalry, be permitted to resign the Service, and rendered disqualified from serving the Company again.

I have the honor to enclose a Report from the first Regiment of Native Cavalry, regarding a Native officer who desires to resign his Commission. I beg leave to recommend that he may be permitted to resign, and, for the reasons assigned in the report, that he may be disqualified from serving the Honble Company in any capacity whatever.

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a
(signed) Tho.s Musgrave

Head Quarters
Fort St. George
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The following Resolutions are passed upon the foregoing Letters.

Resolutions upon the foregoing Letters from Colonel Musgrave.

That the Chief Engineer be directed to suggest the best mode of securing the Stores &c.a at Innicondah from the Effects of any sudden Invasion into the Guntoor Circar and that the several Documents before the Board be sent to him for the purpose.

That the Officers at Guntoor who have not been provided with Tents or quarters be allowed House Rent

That the Gun Lascars attached to Lieutenant Colonel Gils's Battalion of Artillery be paid according to

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business for our attention, We take the libaty to reiterate to your notice the several points submitted in our addrs of 31st. July last.

We are, very respectfully

&c. &c. &c.

(signd) Tho. Musgrave
J. Capper
Patrick Ross
Henry Malcolm
Thomas Geils
J. Moorhouse

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3rd. November 1789

Minute thereon

As the recommendations referred to in the above letter were not adopted at the institution of the Military Board, and Government during the Administration of Sir Archibald Campbell did not think proper to carry them into Execution, no alteration in the System is at present thought necessary.

Read the following Letters from the Resident at Travancore.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqre
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

from the Resident at Travancore communicates Intelligence of Tippoo's operations - thinks his first design is against Travancore. —

The following is a translation of Intelligence which has this Instant been received by the Minister - it is from Palighatcherry - and it comes, he informs me, from

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"said, that an order has been sent there, that provisions
"should be kept in readiness for his Army in that part
"of the Country".—

I have dispatched an Express Patimar with the above Intelligence to Major Dow.— Tippoo's next movement will shew whether his Designs are against this Country or not — his late operations certainly indicate immediate Hostilities, and I cannot but be of opinion that this Country will be his first object.

I have the honor to be

Parour 28th October 1789.— &c. &c. &c. (signed) Geo. Ponney Resident

To the Honble John Holland Esqre.

Governor in Council

Honble Sr.

From the Resident at Travancore — with Letter from the Rajah — reports prevail of Tippoo's having gone against Tellicherry.—

I have the honor to transmit you the accompanying Letter from the Rajah of Travancore; it is in reply to my having urged the measure of Cranganore and Jacottah being restored again to the Dutch.

No further Accounts, on which I can depend, have come in from Paligh atcherry since I did myself the honor of addressing you last — the report here, is that Tippoo has moved with his army towards Tellicherry.—

I have the honor to be

Parour 30th October 1789.— &c. &c. &c. (signed) Geo. Ponney Resident

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I have the honor to be with great respect

Honble Sir

Your most obedient humble servant

Fort St. George
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(signed) S. Capper Colo.

From Colonel Capper — reports his audit of the Accounts of the Garrison Storekeeper; and states a Balance due by Messrs. Corbett & Boyde for Rice.

The Board have already, in Consult. the 29th. September, resolved, that the Transfers recommended, be made —

To the Honble John Holland Esqre.

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

The Changes that have taken place in the Office of Garrison Storekeeper during these three Years past, has prevented my receiving Answers to my Remarks on the Accounts of that Department, so far back as from the 1st. of July 1787; but they are now examined to the 30th. of March 1789, to which period I have lately received from the present Storekeeper Mr. Twining — These Accounts I have found in general very correct; but there are particular parts, on which I think it incumbent upon me to report to your Honble Board —

By the Regulations, the Transport of Troops from one part of India to another, is fixed at the rate of 6 fanams p. day for each Soldier; but when the Men are Victualled by the Garrison Storekeeper, as they sometimes are upon Indents from the Town Major, thus the Provisions frequently

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made to Messrs. Corbett & Boyd for the purchase of Grain, when the notice for the Embargo was published, those Gentlemen should have made good the Deficiency of Rice from some other place, to the full amount of those Advances; or if they found any difficulty in procuring Grain, they should at least have made a tender to Government, of the Balance of Money in hand. — In this light the matter appears to me as an Officer of Control, not possessing any discretionary power; but it remains with Your honor to determine whether any and what indulgence shall be shewn to those Gentlemen, in consequence of the disappointments they have met with, and the Losses they have sustained thro' the negligence of their Agents at Bengal, and the unexpected Embargo that was laid upon Grain.

In the Garrison Storekeeper's Accounts, particularly in that from March to November 1789 (No. 2), and several others, you will find a very heavy charge for Loss sustained in the Sale of Rice; which, the Storekeeper says, arises from the Articles not selling for so much as they appeared to have cost. — It would be going beyond the bounds of my Province, as Comptroller, to point out any Regulations for this Department; but I cannot refrain from observing that the loss (I should imagine) might be somewhat diminished, if proper care was taken in the purchase and the delivery of it, and likewise proper precautions used for the disposal of it, whilst it remains in a saleable Condition, and Grain continues to bear a tolerable price at the Presidency.

I have the honor to be

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Yr. a. & Yr. & Yr. (Sign) J. Cappser C.

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thought of opposing the Company's Welfare, or any wish of acting in opposition to my Engagements with them, as from the first I have made every arrangement in my own affairs, and every exertion to discharge my Kist. Your Excellency can have no room for ascribing any fail in my payments either to my own profusion, or to the Embezzlement of my Minister — My distresses were arrived at such a height, that in order to fulfill my Engagements as well as to dissipate every appearance of neglect towards the affairs of the Company, whose displeasure I look up as the greatest of Misfortunes — I was compelled to forestall the Revenues of my Country, and to with-hold from the Ryots those Advances so necessary to the Cultivation: Thus my difficulties encreased in every respect.

If your Excellency will be pleased to consider that a new arrangement was to be formed, that advances were to be made the Inhabitants, and that my Country had been desolated through the space of three Years by unceasing Ravages of the Enemy, you will easily become acquainted with my Embarrassment — You are never informed of the Exertions which I made during the War, to assist the Company's affairs — Granting, for Argument's sake, that the yearly Revenues of Sanjore should be stated at 10 Lacs of Pagodas, as such a calculation could be confined to the times of profound Peace, little dependence ought to be placed upon it after my Country had been laid waste by the invasion of Hyder Ally — It is well known

borrowed in this Exigency, was superadded to my other Embarrassments; but the account of Interest encreased so heavily upon me, that avery small proportion of the Revenues remained to my share — The very great difficulties which I suffered on this account, were sufficient to have deprived me of all means of satisfying the Company's demands; but I would moreover recal to your Excellency's remembrance the general Drought with which the Country has been afflicted — as your Excellency, in pity of their situation, made remissions to the Company's dumildars it cannot be cause of wonder that I am made similar remissions — I waded through these difficulties by the apistance of Soucars; as their Confidence in me was confirmed, partly by my forestalling the growing Crop, and partly by their own opinion that a remission of my Kists would take place — they afford-ed me much relief. Your Excellency is no stranger to the ruinous consequences which result to the Circar from a system of anticipating the Revenue — as the Soucars also were well aware of the effects inseperable from this ill-advised policy, they, in due regards to their own Interest, refused to advance any sum but upon actual Security — In consequence of my being obliged to expend the produce of the last year, in order to discharge the Balance which was demanded by Mr Petrie

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Petrie

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already receive the Money which I pay on Account of the Nabob's Peishcush: the Nabob has consented to it in a public treaty; if therefore he refuses to make over to the Company in perpetuity his Claim to the Peishcush, such an objection must be merely nominal: the nature of the Fact remains precisely the same.— I am confident that, as the objection is useless and absurd, the Company will never suffer the enmity which the Nabob bears me, to be the boundary of their Mercy and justice.— I am induced by my reliance on the Company's mercy, and on your own virtues to request that without entering into the formality of a new Treaty, your Excellency will be pleased to carry into Execution the Spirit of the late Instructions from home.— If the Company approve, you will have the merit of hastening a good action; if they disapprove, I shall fall a wretched Victim to my hard fortune; but the benevolence of your intention will still find favor in the sight of Heaven.— As your Excellency is well informed upon all subjects, and as you are fully acquainted with my situation, you must be convinced that without such assistance my affairs must be distracted.— I conjure you therefore to take this subject into your immediate and serious consideration: so to widen the limits of your own fame by extending peace and happiness to me and to my subjects.—

I have according to the Company's Instructions

completed

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Company, as was the case in the former Kistbandy. all other information will be communicated to your Excellency by my Vackeel Triumbuck Sombajee. Believe me allways your sincere Friend. To a Friend, why should I invite more?

A true Translation (signed) J. Webbe M.T.

President's recommendation in consequence — approved

The President recommends that Mr. Rumbe directed, for the present, to post pone the Execution of his Instructions, contained in the Letter to him of the 28th. of September last; but that he persevere in his Enquiries relative to the Alienations of Revenue, as noted by the Court of Directors.

Ordered accordingly.

From the Chief Engineer

Read a Letter from the Chief Engineer (entered in MB No. 33) containing an Indent for some Chairs and Tables for the Guard Rooms & Pickets at Walajahbad.

Minute thereon

Ordered that they be supplied in the usual manner.

Intelligence

The President communicates to the Board Intelligence from Carroor and Dindegull.

John Holland

Edwd. Porteus Marten Esqr.

Edwd. Wm. Holland

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From the Officer Commanding at Ravet-Nellore.

From the Officer commanding at Ravet-Nellore reports, that in the morning of the 6th inst. the Villages of Salaswur and Venum were plundered and burnt by Chief Naig's People.

Received the following Letters

To the Honble John Holland Esqre

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Resident at Travancore with Copy of a Letter from Tippoo to the Rajah of Cochin.

I have just been informed that Tippoo has written Letters to the Rajahs of Travancore and Cochin, also to the Governor of Cochin. The Contents of the Letter to the Rajah of Travancore, I do not yet know, as the Chubdar, who has it in Charge have been directed to deliver it to the Rajah himself: he will proceed to Trevandaporam for that purpose. as soon as the Rajah receives it, he will send it to the Minister here, when I shall not fail to let you know the substance of it. I have the honor to transmit Translation of Tippoo's Letter to the Cochin Rajah, which was sent to the Minister. The Letter to the Governor of Cochin, I understand, contains strong assurances of pacification, and acquaints him that he was going to Cannanore with his army. the Minister is of opinion that this Letter must have been written for the purpose of putting the Dutch off their Guard, for it was totally unnecessary that such a Letter

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11th your most intelligent Servants.

I understand likewise the contents of your last letter – as you are faithful to me, you need not be afraid to put every confidence in me. I have written to Abdul Cauder to conduct to my presence whoever you have thought proper to send. I trust you have not failed to comply with my Requisition on this Subject.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqre

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

From the Board of Revenue – The Collector of the Tripasore District prefers a complaint against the Commandant for interfering in matters relating to his Department.

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We are, therefore, induced to recommend to your honor that, the Commanding Officer be ordered to desist from interposing his Authority in future.

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

(signed) Edw.d Jno.s Hollond
Edw.d Saunders
Ja.s Taylor
Geo.: Moubray

Fort St. George
5th November 1789

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11th your most intelligent Servants.

I understand likewise the contents of your last letter – as you are faithful to me, you need not be afraid to put every confidence in me. I have written to Abdul Cawder to conduct to my presence whoever you have thought proper to send. I trust you have not failed to comply with my requisition on this Subject.

To the Honble John Hollond Esqre

Governor in Council

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Sent the following Letter to Bengal

To the Right Honorable

Charles Earl Cornwallis, K.G.

Governor General in Council

at Fort William

My Lord

To Bengal — enclosing Copy of the last Letter from the Rajah of Travancore —

We had the honor of addressing your Lordship under date the 19th Ultimo, enclosing Copies of the last Letters received from Tippoo Sultaun & the Rajah of Travancore, relative to the late acquisitions of the Rajah — We have now the honor to forward Copy of the Letter addressed to our President by the Rajah, in consequence of his being directed to restore to the Dutch the places lately purchased from them —

We wait your Instructions on this Subject which was fully stated in our Letter of the 18th Ultimo; and have the honor to be

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15th November 1789

Yr. a. Yr. a. Yr. a.

(signed) Jno. Holland

Yr. a. Council

Substance of a Letter to His Highness the Nabob

Sent Letter to His Highness the Nabob (as entered in C.C. No. 102.) informing him that orders will be given to Colonel Stone to evacuate the Pagoda of Jumba-Kistnah and to report the injury sustained by the Demolition of the

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11th. Chairs, Tables, and Matts indented for at Walajahbad to be supplied — to communicate his Sentiments upon the subject of securing the Stores at Innicondah from the Effects of any such Invasion; and suggest the best mode of effecting the purpose at the least possible delay — Papers from Majr. Johnstone and Captain Dawes enclosed. —

To the Hospital Board. 12th To the Hospital Board — Mr. Boiswell, assistant Surgeon promoted to the Rank of Hospital Mate, vice Laird deceased — Francis Lupton pensioned on 10 Pagodas pr month; and David Tomasfield appointed Apothecary in his room — Mr. Ruddiman appointed to succeed Mr. Bulman as Apothecary at the Presidency.

To Mr. Job Bulman. To Mr. Job Bulman — accepting his resignation of the Office of Medical Storekeeper at the Presidency — Mr. William Ruddiman, who has been appointed thereto, will be directed to purchase at a fair Appraisement the Stock of Country Medicines now on hand, together with such other necessary Medical Articles expected from China.

To Mr. Ruddiman. To Mr. William Ruddiman — with advice of the same.

To the Agent for Spirituous Liquors. To the Agent for Spirituous Liquors — a General Order has been issued, directing that a Distribution of the Profits on the Sales of Arrack will be made by him out of this Month's receipts from the 1st. Instant, at the respective Stations. —

To Ganjam. To the Chief and Council at Ganjam — Approving the manner in which they have disposed of the Condemned Stores

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To Colonel Musgrave

Commanding the army on the Coast

Sir

To Colonel Musgrave — Communicating the Resolutions of the Board upon his late Letter.

The Board have received your Letters dated the 1st. 2nd. 4th. 5th. 7th. 8th. and 10th. Instant, & direct me to notify their several resolutions upon their contents.

They will take into early consideration the state of the different Posts in the Guntoor Circar, and make such arrangements as may be necessary for the protection of the Stores in that District. They acquiesce in the request of the Officers to be allowed House Rent while not possessing any Quarters at Guntoor.

An order has been issued for repairing Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell's Quarters at Ponamallee, and for admitting the Cavalry at Connatoor into such portions of the Barracks &c. as are finished at that Station.

Having taken into consideration the Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Gils, they desire you will inform that Officer that, the Gun Lascars are to be paid according to the existing Regulations, in which no mention is made of the Article he quotes in the last Paragraph of his Letter.

The Board observe in the Account sent in by Lieutenant Colonel Floyd, that he has inserted the former

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At a Consultation

Present

The Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor President

Friday 13th. November 1789

James Henry Casamajor

and

Edward John Holland

Read the following Letter from Bombay

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in in Council at

Fort St. George

Hon'ble Sir

From Bombay - desiring information on the subject of their Letter dated 28th April last - 15,000 Rupees advanced Lieutenant John Torin - requesting to know if Sergeant Harkes of the 103d Regiment, received Batta for the period of his Captivity. -

We have the pleasure to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of the 7th Ultimo. and beg leave to forward a Copy of one We had the honor to address you under the 1st. April requesting to be favored with the information We then solicited.

On application a few days since from Captain Torin of your Cavalry Establishment, We gave him a Draft on the Chief & Council at Surat for fifteen thousand (15,000) rupees. for which We shall Debit your Presidency.

We are to request you will inform us whether

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Investigation of a Military Tribunal, particularly as no positive proof can be produced against him, altho the corroborated Evidence already set forth in the accompanying Proceedings leave no room to doubt of his having been certainly convicted at a former period, of a similar charge. – I beg leave to recommend on that account, as well as the opinion of the present Court of Enquiry, that he may be dismissed from the service, as more eligible than scandalizing the Regiment, by ordering a public Trial for Crimes of so disgraceful a nature.

I have the honor to be

Madras 12th November 1789 – &c. &c. &c. Tho.s Musgrave

The Board approve the Recommendations of Colonel Musgrave, and it is in consequence Agreed, that Jemidar Shaik Muckhtomme be dismissed the service.

Read the following Letter from Captain Kennaway

To John Chanier Esq.r

Military Secretary

Sir

From Captain Kennaway – the Nizam will take measures for securing the person of the Jemidar of Chintrapilla.

I am favored with your letter of the 26th Ultimo, and having stated the grievance complained of by Lieutenant Beale, to the Nizam, His Highness has informed me that the Depredations committed by the Freebooters with the countenance and under the protection of the

Zemindar

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I am sorry that the particular Predicament in which those people stand, puts it out of my power at this late period (even allowing their Claims to be just) to carry into effect the pleasure of the Board, however well I am disposed to fulfil their Intentions, unless Government shall be pleased to enable me so to do.—

The Honorable Company having been pleased to order that the Booty taken at Pulicat should be given to the Troops employed on that Service, the Distribution was made among the different Classes by a Board of Officers, of which Colonel Floyd was President, according to the Returns of the Detachment made to me on the spot the day the place fell, by the officers Commanding the different Corps, the only true and just Documents upon which such a Distribution could be formed.

In none of these Returns is there any mention of Lascars, so that they could not be included in the Distribution; but least any men might have been omitted, it appears that, on the Agents application, G.O. were issued, desiring that all Claims for Pulicat prizemoney should be sent in to him on or before the 15th. April, at the Expiration of which period, the Agent commenced the payment to the Troops, according to the Distribution made by the Board of Officers.

From that time to the 6th. ultimo, no Claim was made on the part of the Lascars, 6 months after the time stipulated, when the greatest part of the Detachment had

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in 1768, the Pishcush for the Northern Circars will becom
due.—

His Highness's Vackeel, Meer Abul Cosim, a
having finally adjusted the Accounts &c. between th
two Governments, has taken leave, and as a testimony
our intention to discharge this Highness's Claim
Pishcush for the present year, and for the future
are, has requested this Letter to your address.—We have
granted it without hesitation, in order to satisfy
Nabob that the Adjustment We have made with
Vackeel will be strictly attended to, and that the Pishcu
will be paid at the periods settled in the Treaty.

You have already been apprized of the
amount adjusted for the arrears, and been requested
to prepare for the payment thereof, when the Bills drawn
on this account shall become due.—

We have the honor to be
Sr. Sr. Sr.

Fort William
15th. July 1789.

signed { Cornwallis
Chas. Stuart
J. Shore

The above Letter delivered
the Nizam's Vackeel

The President informs the Board that the ab
Letter was brought to the Presidency by the Nizam
Vackeel, who is lately arrived, and is to deliver his
Credentials to morrow in the usual form.

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by requesting Tippoo Sultaun, in the name of the King, to send to Pondicherry all the English whose names are comprized in the list which I addressed to him; whether they are detained by him as Prisoners, or were included amongst the fifty or sixty Europeans now in his Service.

I cannot, Sir, venture to promise, from this first step, all the success I wish — When I shall have received Tippoo Sultaun's answer, I will renew my Endeavors, if it be necessary, to fulfil the intentions of the King, and the orders of the Comte De Conway, and to prove to you how much satisfaction I should feel in contributing to restore liberty to many brave Officers who are so justly to be pitied.

Pondicherry 10th. November 1789 —

I have the honor to be
Yr. &c. &c. &c. (signed) De Fresne

A true Translation (signed) J. Chase Interpr. &c.

Intelligence

The President Communicates to the Board Intelligence from Bangalore. —

Mr. Halliburton to proceed to his Station ...

Mr. Halliburton not having yet proceeded to his Station agreeably to his Appointment of the 30th. September, it is ordered that he be directed to Repair thither without delay.

Dd. Josiah Hoarton Esq.

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18th. From the Commandant at Tanjore — enclosing the Proceedings of the Committee appointed to inspect the materials provided in August 1787, for the Repairs to be made to the East and North Gates of the great Fort.

From Mr. Wm. Ruddiman — From Mr. William Ruddiman — will pay attention to the orders of Government respecting the purchase of the Medicines &c. from Mr. Bulman —

From Bengal — From the Sub Secretary at Bengal — Five hundred Maunds of Sulphur will be sent by the first opportunity: a larger supply cannot at present be spared —

Sent the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.S. Nos. 66 + 67 — 68 + 69 — 70 + 71 — 72 — 73.)

To Colonel Musgrave — To Colonel Musgrave — His recommendation of dismissing Jemidar Shaick a Muctome from the Service, Approved.

To Mr. David Haliburton — To Mr. David Haliburton — to proceed immediately to his Station at Chandernagherry.

To Lieutenant Colonel Explinston — To Lieutenant Colonel Explinston — to report upon a Petition from the Nabob's Body Guard, claiming a share of the Prize money arising from the capture of Pulicat.

To the Chief Engineer — To the Chief Engineer — to report whether the Building offered by Mr. Popham is in such a state as not to require Repairs, and what number of Men it will accommodate.

To the Military Paymaster General — To the Military Paymaster General — to furnish without delay, the Information required from Bombay. —

To Colonel Kelly — To Colonel Kelly — His Correspondence with the Nabob's eldest Son returned — such correspondence being contrary to the orders of the Company, cannot without irregularity be placed upon the Records of Government.

To

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small Box Sealed, said to contain the Jewels mentioned in one of the above Letters; and informs the Board that Meer Mahadi Cawn was received on Saturday the 13th Instant with the usual Compliment of a Salute on his delivering the above Letters and present from the Nizam — Having applied for Information regarding the payment of the Pishcush of Seven Lacs of Rupees, and the Bills that fall due on the 31st December for three Lacs of Rupees, conformable to the Arrangements made by the Governor General in Council, he was informed that measures were taking to prepare the Money for the purpose of liquidating the above Demands —

The small Box mentioned above being opened, is found to contain a Jewel for a Turban —

Ordered that it be lodged in the Cash Chest —

The present to be lodged in the Cash Chest —

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore —

To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

I had yesterday Evening a Conference with the Rajah for the first time since the Removal of Serfojee — His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would consider what might be a proper Establishment for Serfojee, & let me know —

With respect to giving orders to the Cuttakdars to pay to me the Money due on Account of the Carr-Corp, the Rajah was very earnest with me to wait 8 days longer; by which time he

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the Resident at Tanjore — Rajah declares his Intention making a proper Establishment for Serfojee — and has requested the Resident to wait 8 days longer ere he calls for the payment of the Money due on account of the Bar-Corps —

3006 Fort St. George 6th November 1789

The President lays before the Board the following Letter from Colonel De Fresne:—

Pondicherry 6th November 1789—

Sir

From Colonel De Fresne — Captain Froment has been appointed to take charge of the French Factory at Masulipatam — requesting that attention might be shewn him

I take the liberty to recommend to your Excellency M. Froment an old Officer of the Corps of Royal Artillery who M. Conway has put in charge of the French factory at Masulipatam — I shall beg of you, Sir, to shew this Officer attention, and to give such orders as will prevent his experiencing any Difficulty at his Establishment at the Factory. I am more anxious to obtain this favor from your Excellency, as M. Conway and myself are particularly interested in M. Froments welfare —

I have the honor to be

Yr. a. Yr. a. Yr. (signed) De Fresne

A true Translation /signed/ T. Chase
French Translator

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Read the following Letter from the Resident at Travancore:—

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Resident at Travancore — with Extract of a letter to him from the Commandant of Tellichery;

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To the Honble John Hollond Esqr

Governor & Council

Capt Peter Pater of the Cavalry
requests that he may have a demand on
Nabob for 950 Pagodas and
desires that it may be referred
to Court of Directors

Honble Sirs

Understanding that the Honble the Court of Directors in their late Dispatch p. Houghton, have been pleased to direct that the claims of the following Gentlemen; viz. Messrs. Burrowes, Macalister, Stephenson, Redhead, Davidson, and Martin, on his Highness the Nabob should be arranged in such a manner as to be put in a train of Payment in consequence of their being deemed unexceptionable, and in a public point of view, highly meritorious; and that I am so unfortunate to be precluded from the like advantage, by my small demand of 950 Pagodas, arrears of Pay (agreeable to the Bond given into the committee which commenced sitting the latter end of 1785 at Fort St George by order of the President and Council, for the purpose of investigating the Nabobs Debts.) not being noticed, induces me now to be thus troublesome in soliciting (as the unpaid hire of a soldier is doubtless as unexceptionable a Debt, and possesses as much public Merit for its foundation, as any other of whatever denomination possibly can do) that you will be pleased to favor me by taking the nature of the above Claim, which fully answers to that discription, into consideration; and if it's found consistent with Justice, and no way inimical to propriety, that you will still further extend your Indulgence by making this my representation a Number in one of your earliest Europe dispatches, under the protection of your Countenance.

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accurate and candid Judgement, and the equitable decision of the Honble the Court of Directors, I implicitly remain most respectfully,

Honble Sir, Your most obedient and very humble Servant

Tritchinopoly 5th November 1759 (signed) J. Pater

Minute thereon

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing be sent to the Court of Directors as a number in the Packet by the next Dispatch, as requested by Captain Pater ...

Read the following Letters from Mr. Haliburton.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

Mr. Haliburton to be may be permitted in at the Presidency middle of next month.

I was honored yesterday Evening with the receipt of Mr. Secretary Chamier's letter dated the 13th instant, communicating to me your Commands that I should immediately repair to my Station at Chandernagore.

In the various Stations wherein I have served the Honble Company, I trust no neglect has ever been found on my part in discharging the Duties of them ... It was solely with a view to arrange my affairs before my Departure from the Presidency, that I solicited your Honble Board's Indulgence; but at the same time have taken every necessary Step to prevent the public Service from being in any respect impeded by my

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To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary

Sir

From W. Haliburton — set out for his Station —

I yesterday addressed a Letter to the Honble Board, but not having been honored with their Commands, I am-ous to prevent incurring the least idea of inattention in complying with the orders of Government. I now have the honor to report to you that at 8 o Clock this morning I shall proceed, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, to Chandernaghery, by way of Tripassore where I expect to reach this Evening —

I have the honor to be
Sir &c. &c. &c.
(signed) David Haliburton

Poultry Plain
16th. November 1789

Minute thereon

W. Haliburton having set out for his Station, no orders on the above appear necessary —

From W. Haliburton

Read a Letter (entered in M.B. No. 74.) from W. Haliburton to the Secretary, advising of his arrival at Tripassore —

From the Garrison Storekeeper

Read a Letter (entered in M.B. No. 75) from the Garrison Storekeeper, reporting the State of the Salt Provisions in Store, & recommending that the Damaged be sold off.

Ordered accordingly —

Read the following Letter from Colonel Capper —

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.
Governor in Council

From Colonel Capper — on Captain White's Charges for Forage Rent & Garrison Charges for Commanding Calcutta —

Honble Sir

Enclosed I have the honor to lay before

your

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The Spirit of Cruelty and oppression, which almost universally actuates the Mupelman Princes in the Management of their respective Countries, is no less lamentable than it is notorious; But, tho' it is difficult, and perhaps often impossible, for us to restrain even those princes with whom We are closely connected from exercising their power in the most arbitrary and unjustifiable manner, upon their own Subjects, yet it is of peculiar importance, from motives of humanity as well as from a due Regard to our National Character, that We should take the utmost care, in all Cases whatever, not to suffer ourselves to be made use of as Instruments to commit acts which are shocking in themselves, and totally repugnant to our own principles; therefore direct, that the Governor shall, on all occasions when the Nabob shall apply for the Assistance of Company's Troops to support his authority, or to enforce a compliance with his Demands upon any of his Subjects or Tributaries, request that His Highness will communicate to him the particulars of the Grounds on which his Complaints or Demands are founded; and should those Complaints or Demands, after making every other enquiry in Your Power, appear to the Board to be unjust or unreasonable, We desire that the Governor will, in the first instance, interpose his Mediation to compromise the differences by prevailing upon the Nabob to act with more moderation, and to desist from improper exactions, but should those endeavors prove unsuccessful, You are to [illegible] compliance with His Highness's requisition.

In order likewise that We may be perfectly informed of [illegible] intimation [illegible] points in which

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As Your Lordship declares that you do not entertain any Doubt of the Nabob's right to expect that the Government will readily employ such part of its Military force as may at any time be necessary for supporting His Highness's lawful authority over his own Subjects & Tributaries as well as for protecting his Territories against foreign Enemies it is unnecessary to dwell upon this part of the subject contained in your Lordship's Letter to which We now reply.

Having acknowledged the right of the Nabob to claim the assistance of the Company's Troops when [illegible] support of his authority may require it, your Lordship [illegible] pleased to direct that His Highness be requested [illegible] shall make such Claim to communicate the [illegible] on which his Complaints or Demands may be [illegible] should those Complaints or Demands, after making [illegible] -ry in our power, appear unjust or unreasonable, [illegible] -rection of your Lordship that Our President shall, in the first instance, interpose his Mediation to compromise the differences by prevailing upon the Nabob to act with more moderation, and in the Event of those Endeavors being unsuccessful, We are to decline complying with His Highness's requisition.

With all due deference to the Sentiments expressed by your Lordships and the Supreme Council, We beg leave to give our opinion, that such Enquiry, to the extent recommended, must in most cases be impracticable. In the Instances which have occurred since the Nabob's army has been disbanded, he has [illegible] in he applied for the use of the Company's Troops, agreeably to the 14th Article of the Treaty, assigned the purposes for which they were wanted, and his Statement of the Case has been thought sufficient to justify a Compliance with his requisition, notwithstanding

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continuing in the quiet management, and drawing a Revenue from it till the breaking out of the late War — At this time the Country of Shevigunga or the little Marrawar was entirely under the Control and management of His Highness the Nabob, and the Rents were Collected under His Highness's authority, thro' the medium of Amildars or of Renters of his own appointing, and immediately dependant on his Will and pleasure.

The two Mursoos are represented to have been Servants of the Poligars, when they were in a state of Rebellion and prior to their being expelled on the invasion of Hyder ally these men were selected by him & put in the Management of the Shevigunga Districts; and during the course of the War the Revenues of the Carnatic being assigned over to the Company they came under Engagements to pay a Stipulated Rent for these Districts, and were afterwards continued by His Highness the Nabob, when his Country was restored to him but having, from successful intrigue, made themselves very strong, it appears from the representations of His Highness the Nabob, that they refused obedience to his orders, and setting his authority at Defiance, were acting in a state of open rebellion, committing Depredations and pillaging the Districts and Villages of Madurah, Ramnad and Tondiman, to the great scandal of Government ment of the Revenues, and Injury of the Inhabitants were kept in continual alarms and danger of their lives and property.

These Men evidently possessed no Independent Rights: they were mere Renters, and their resistance the strong Party fitted out against them at the Commanding Officer, and rendered strong orders from Colonel Stuart, approved by the Board

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occur to us, of specially representing to Your Lordship [illegible] the application from His Highness the Nabob for assistance to enable him to preserve his own immediate Territories in peace and quiet.

Upon a reference to the Records on the occasion of a recent application from His Highness the Nabob, during the Administration of Sir Archibald Campbell, when he was assisted with a considerable Force to quell a refractory disposition in the Rajah of Calastry. We do not find that any reference was made from this Government to your Lordships information in this instance, in which the Rights of a Tributary were concerned, who was supposed to be possessed of Hereditary Claims, which is by no means the case respecting the Managers of the Shevigunga Country.

We have mentioned this (the only material one that has lately occurred) to shew that the delays which are occasioned by minute Enquiries into the cause, fruitless as to obtaining the proofs required.

For the information required on the subject of application from His Highness the Nabob respecting the Disturbances in the Shevigangah Countries, We beg leave to refer your Lordships to his Letter under date the 10th inst.

In that Letter, His Highness has fully detailed the disaffection and Rebellion of the two Murdoos, and the Depredations committed by them in the Districts & Villages of Shevigungah, Madura, and Ramnaud proper. It was evident from the [illegible]formations received by His Highness & Communicated [illegible] to our President, as well as [illegible] private accounts [illegible]ts of the State of those Districts some immediate [illegible]sures were necessary to check the progress of Rebellious Depredations, dangerous in