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had after Tippoo's flagrant Infraction of the late Treaty of Peace was known at your Presidency, informed Colonel Musgrave that it was to be understood that Bullocks were not to be provided for the Ordnance at Wallaujaubad 'till further orders: And We saw that restriction with the more surprize, as it had been so recently verified by the Military Operations of the late War in the Carnatick, that a Disappointment in that branch of supply would render all other Preparations for active Field Service nearly nugatory and useless. After having thus enumerated the parts of your late Conduct which have appeared to us in a disadvantagious light; We have now to require that you will assign your reasons for withholding the information from the Resident at Travancore, and from the Rajah himself, that We should assist in maintaining & defending the Forts of Cranganore & Jacottah, if it should be proved upon Investigation that those Forts had been independant Dutch possessions before the Country of Cochin became Tributary to the Mysore Government; for continuing to take steps for providing an Investment for Europe, and for delaying to order a sufficient number of Draught & Carriage Bullocks for the purpose of enabling the Troops to act with vigor in the Field, after it was known to you that Tippoo had attacked the Rajah of Travancore's Lines on the 29.th December last: being measures in which you seem to have acted in disregard or contradiction of our repeated Instructions, by which you were directed to look upon Tippoo, if he should commit Hostilities against either of our Allies the Nabob of Arcot

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of the Rajah of Travancore, as at War with the Company.

We have the honor to be
Honorable Sir
Your most obedient humble Servants

Fort William
8.th February 1790

/signed Cornwallis
Chas Stuart
Peter Speke

M.r Holland begs leave to enter the following Minute.

M.r Holland, in explanation of the Conduct of the late Government.

By advices from this Government, his Lordship will be informed of the Resignation of our late President M.r John Holland, who proceeded to England on board the Pigot Indiaman; a particular Explanation therefore cannot be expected to the several enquiries contained in the Letter of 8.th February from His Lordship in Council, which is also in some measure anticipated by the Letter from this Government under date 16.th February. Solicitous, however, from motives of regard & respect to the late President, M.r Edward John Holland takes the Liberty of observing, that he is perfectly well convinced, there was no intention of withholding the information from the Resident at Travancore, or from the Rajah himself, that it was the determination of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council to assist in defending the Forts of Cranganore & Vyacottah;

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but it was probably the wish of the late Governor first to ascertain the independant Right of the Rajah, conformable to His Lordship's instructions, and communications were made accordingly to the Rajah & to the Resident. On Reference to the Records, it will be found, the Rajah was desired on the receipt of His Lordship's Letter of 9th. September, to restore those places to the Dutch, which on the arrival of the letter of 13th. November was countermanded, & Letters were written in consequence to the Rajah, directing him not to evacuate the places 'till he received further orders from this Government, and requiring of him at the same time to furnish all existing written Documents regarding the nature of the tenure of those places by the Dutch, that it might be ascertained if any and what Tribute had at any time been paid for them. A letter was also written to Tippoo Sultaun on the same subject, informing him that there was reason to think, that they had been held independant of Tribute to the Cochin Rajah, & proposing that the subject should be fairly investigated & amicably adjusted. Mr. Edward John Holland begs reference to these Letters under date 6th. December.

He begs leave also to quote the following Paragraphs of the letter from his Lordship in Council, under date 13th. November.

"On the other hand it cannot be pretended that the English
"are bound to protect the Possessions of the Rajah of Travancore
"unless his independant Right to them can be clearly made good"

"Of whatever importance the two places may appear to the
"defence of the Territories of the Rajah of Travancore, it cannot
"be opposed to the serious consequences of a War" —

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In the letter from this Government, under date 16.th Instant, it was observed to His Lordship in Council, that, adverting to the strong Expressions of the above observations, this Government were naturally led to suppose that, the first object of attention recommended by His Lordship in Council was a preservation of Peace, as long as it could be maintained with Honor & Credit; and this Government supposing it to be His Lordship's Inclination, & for the public Good, were anxious to obviate War, and to leave an opening for Negotiating the Settlement of differences. This will also account for their positioning their orders to put the whole army on a Field Establishment of Bullocks & Publick Followers, to which there could be no other possible inducement, than a desire to obviate the heavy Charges incident to a Field Establishment, of such magnitude, at a time when it was considered Premature by this Government, & might eventually have been so considered by his Lordship in Council. There was a degree of responsibility attending the Measure, by which, however, there has been a considerable saving, which was certainly well meant, & it was supposed that a sufficient number of Bullocks and public Followers might be procured for immediate Exigencies on a short notice; considerable preparations were however made, which were probably in the opinion of the late Governor, adequate to the occasion; and no specific Orders on that subject had been received at that time from the Right Honble the Governor General in Council. We Edwards, John.

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John Holland has already in a Letter from this Government expressed his concern that His Lordship in Council should suppose there was any intentional deviation from his Instructions; and if any deviation can at all be imputed to this Government, it has, he is convinced, proceeded entirely from misconception, acting perhaps rather from what was conceived the Spirit, than from the Letter of his Lordship's Instructions; altho' as has before been observed, it was at no time understood, till the last Letters received from his Lordship in Council of 26.th and 27.th January, that his Instructions positively enjoined the defence of Cranganore & Tyacottah; when orders were accordingly immediately sent for that purpose. All the information that Government have been able to procure on the nature of the Tenure of those places, regarding which no written Documents can be obtained, have been forwarded to His Lordship in Council, for his final determination.

It remains only to observe, regarding the Investment, that the orders were in some degree supposed to be discretional. The frequent Injunctions & the solicitude expressed on that subject, as well in Letters from his Lordship in Council, as from the Honble the Court of Directors, were an Inducement to suppose, that it might not be intended, & that of course this Government would not be justified in putting an entire stop to the Investment, excepting in the Event of actual Hostilities; more particularly at the time of an existing Contract between the Honble English Company, & the Phillipine Company, which it

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it might be thought incumbent on this Government, by every possible means to accomplish. The late orders from His Lordship in Council, under date 8th January, directing this Government to invite Money by public Notification for Bills to be granted on the Court of Directors, solely for the purpose of Investment, was an additional reason to suppose that his Lordship did not mean to put an entire stop to it, excepting as an act of absolute necessity; and it was supposed the small advances on this account, during the interval of uncertainty, would not be of any material importance, respecting the resources for War, whereas the total stop to providing of Goods, has always been represented to be of material detriment to the Investment, arising from the difficulties of again restoring it, & prevailing upon the Weavers, after they have been in the habit of working Goods of an inferior assortment, for foreign Markets, to return again to work up Goods of the Company's assortments: On such an Event, also, the Weavers are of course under the necessity of earning their subsistence by entering into Contracts with Individuals, which renders it very difficult, and in many cases, absolutely impossible, to retrieve their Labours. No advances of Money have lately however been made at the Presidency. The small advances that have been made at Cuddalore & other Factories will probably, as it was supposed, be found necessary towards providing the Goods for the Contract with the Phillippine Company; & the advertizements for Contracts are mostly for the same accounts; & in other cases can be attended with no Incon-

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inconvenience, as the Tenders have not been accepted, & it will rest with Government to accept them or not, as may be deemed expedient, which may be totally rejected or accepted only as far as is necessary to fulfill the Engagements entered into by the Court of Directors with the Phillippine Company.—

These arguments Mr. Edward John Holland trusts will prove satisfactory, as he is well convinced that the measures that have been adopted proceeded from no spirit of opposition to the orders from the Governor General in Council, but conciliatory measures, where he has reason to think, conceived to be the Spirit of the Instructions and the Inclination of the Governor General in Council; & specific Military Preparations have not till lately been positively enjoined, & were of course supposed discretional in this Government, & were carried on to the Extent the late Governor in his Judgement thought adequate & expedient. Mr. Edward John Holland can take upon him to assert that the late Governor was most anxiously solicitous for the publick Welfare, & most particularly so during the late Critical situation of affairs. He was certainly very earnest by every means consistent with honor & Credit to avoid impending War; He was solicitous to avoid all expences that were not essentially necessary; which he conceived and was confident was the Spirit of the Instructions from the Right Honble the Governor General in Council

(signed) Edward Jn. Holland

Copy of Mr. Holland's Minute who sent to Bengal

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing be sent to Bengal—

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Read another Letter from the Bengal Government.

The Honorable John Hollond Esq.r

Governor in Council

Fort S.t George

Honble Sir

From Bengal – touching the Disrespect shewn to their Government, in transmitting Letters of Consequence, without a Comment, thro' the Channel of the Secretary – To state on what day the Letter to Tippoo, Copy of which was sent to Bengal on the 9.th December, was dispatched from Fort S.t George, and the Manner & route by which it was conveyed – Also, whether & what time Communication was made to Bombay, and to the Residents at Poona & Hyderabad, respecting Tippoo's attack on the Travancore Lines –

The Secretary of this Government has received from your Secretary Mr. Chamier & laid before us the Copies of two Letters from Tippoo Sultaun dated the 24.th of December & 1.st of January last, addressed to your President, and the Copy of a Letter from Mr. Powney Resident at Travancore dated the 13.th Ultimo, and addressed to your Governor in Council.

We shall forbear at present to take notice of the apparent disrespect which you have shewn to this Government by directing that Letters of such importance as those from Tippoo should be transmitted by your Secretary unaccompanied at this critical Juncture with any Remarks of your Board upon the substance of them, and without communicating the answers that you had given, or that you intended to give to Tippoo; but We trust that in answering those Letters, you have paid equal attention to the National honor & dignity, and to the Spirit of our former instructions on this subject.

Having observed however that Tippoo in his Letters does not acknowledge the receipt of the Letter from your President, a Copy of which, without a date annexed, you transmitted in your Letter to us dated the 9.th December

last,

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last, along with the Copy of the letter to the Rajah of Travancore which was dated on the 6th. of that month; and that it appears by what Mr. Powney says, that the purport of the abovementioned Letter which had been written to Tippoo, in consequence of our Instructions to you dated the 13th. of November last, had only been communicated to him by a Letter from Mr. Chanier dated the 2nd. Ultimo, We think it our Duty to require that you will without loss of time specify to us the day on which the Letter above described was dispatched from Fort S.t George to Tippoo, & the manner & route by which you directed it to be con=
=veyed to him.

We likewise take this opportunity to desire that you will inform us whether & at what time you communicated to the Government of Bombay, & to the Company's Residents at Poona & Hydrabad the accounts that you received from Mr. Powney of Tippoo's having attacked the Rajah of Travancore's Lines on the 29th. December last.

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

Fort William 11th. Febuary 1790

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Chas Stuart
Peter Speke

W. Holland begs leave to enter the following Minute

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Mr. Holland in explanation of the points stated in the above Letter

Mr. Edward John Holland remarks with Concern the apparent dis-satisfaction of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council in their Letter of the 11th. February 1790. The Letters alluded to forwarded by the Secretary of this Government were probably considered by the late Governor as only a Continuation of information on a Subject on which Government had expressed their Sentiments, and waited for final Instructions from the Governor General in Council. Intelligence has usually been forwarded from Government in that Form. Certainly there was not the most distant idea of disrespect to the Right Honble the Governor General in Council. The forwarding all Letters to Country Powers rests solely with the Governor. Those to Tippoo Sultaun have usually been forwarded by Express Hircarrahs, occasionally by Hircarrahs that have brought Letters from Tippoo, & the Letter alluded to appears to have been dated 6th. December, & was forwarded it is supposed by Hircarrahs when it came from the Offia. Tippoo Sultaun does not appear to be very regular either in dating his Letters, or in acknowledging the receipt of Letters by date; but the above Letter appears to have been acknowledged in one received from him, without date the 7th. [illegible] a Copy of which has been transmitted to Bengal. Copies also of Letters from this Government to Tippoo Sultaun, under date 1st. January & 21st. January, have been forwarded, by which it will appear there has been no Concession on the part of this Government, that matters are kept open for Negotiation, & that the points in dispute are referred to the decision of the Governor General in Council. The correspondence with the

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Residents of Poona & Hydrabad has generally been immediately with the Governor; & a letter was written to the Government of Bombay under date 10th. January.

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(signed) Edward Jn.o Holland

Minute of the Board on the above

Agreed that a copy of the foregoing Minute be sent to Bengal; and that the receipt of the above Letters be acknowledged, assuring the Governor General in Council that every effort is making to prepare the army for vigorous operations, whenever the State of Affairs, or their Instructions may require them.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Travancore.—

To the Honorable John Hollond Esq.r

Governor in Council

Fort S.t George

Honorable Sir

From the Resident at Travancore — closing Letter from the Rajah on the subject of a Remittance of Cash — Tippoo, as reports prevail, meditates another attack on the Lines — Great reason to dread a famine

I do myself the honor of transmitting you the enclosed Letter from the Rajah of Travancore. It has been with some difficulty that I brought him to the point of making the Advance you required, nor could I effect it in less time, than he has proposed to do in his Letter. I request your Instructions with respect to the remittance of it when I receive it.

Tippoo's Army continues Encamped in sight of the Lines, and every account which I have been able to obtain from it concurs in saying, that he has received very considerable reinforcements of Troops, and that he is meditating

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another attack on the Lines — The position he has taken with his army causes almost as bad Effects with regard to this Country, as if he were in actual Hostility against it. We begin already to experience a scarcity of Rice, and as the greatest part of the Rajah's army, which he has collected upon the Lines, are the Cultivators of the Earth, and as these have been taken away from their occupation for some Months, We have every reason to dread a famine here.

I have the honor to remain

Honorable Sir

Your most obedient humble servant

(signed) George Pomney

Resident

Parour — 19.th February 1790

The President lays before the Board the following Letter from the Rajah of Travancore, enclosed in the foregoing (entered also in C.C. et.a 45)

From the Rajah of Travancore, to the Honble John Holland Esq.r

dated 6 Jomad ul awal 1204
or — 22.d January 1790
Received 28.th February 1790

From the Rajah of Travancore explains his reason for having held Conferences with Tippoo's Vakeels — States the distress of this Country in consequence of Tippoo's Vicinity — on the subject of commencing attack of Tippoo —

I have received much pleasure from the receipt of your Letter to the following purport — You inform me that my having any intercourse with the Vackeel of Tippoo Sultaun was very improper; that I should not enter into any Negotiation on any subject either respecting my own Country or the English without the knowledge of their Government; that I should take the most particular care not to give him any

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cause of offence either by protecting the dependants or servants of the Sultaun, or by extending my Boundaries; that it was not in your power to send me from the strength of your army the two Battalions of Sepoys and two Companies of Artillery which I had requested, because it was your firm intention by every means to lend me effectual aid, & that should it indeed be the determination of Tippoo to vanquish the Mallawar Country, that you would take such measures as to prevent him; & that this would be the certain cause of Hostilities between the Honble Company and the Sultaun. That, as you had at that time, in consequence of my representations, given positive orders to get the Company's Army in readiness, I should of my own free Will & accord agree to pay a certain stipulated Sum on account of the heavy expenses incident to these preparations; that I should send you as an Advance, for the purpose of getting the army in readiness, one Lac of Pagodas, either in Bills immediately to you, or send the Cash to Mr. Torin Paymaster of Tinnevelly, who would send it to the Army, and this advance should hereafter be settled agreeable to propriety in my accounts; that you had sent positive directions to Mr. Powney for his conduct, in the Event that Tippoo should invest the Fort of Cranganore; that you had also formerly written to me that the purchasing Cranganore & Jacottah would cause trouble & uneasiness to the Neighbouring Powers, as it was without the consent of your Government; that, on that account it was not in your power to give me orders to retain them in my possession. — All this I have well understood. —

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My Friend — A Vackeel from Tippoo was sent to me in the course of last Year, with whom, in consequence of the approbation of Sir A Campbell, I conversed in the presence of Major Bannerman, and when this year his Vackeel was sent to me, reflecting on the intercourse that We had had the year before, I conceived it would have been improper not to have conversed with him at this time, and therefore, in the presence of Mr Powney, admitted him, and the Negociation which then took place you have been fully acquainted with, both from Accounts from Mr Powney and myself. But, as you, my Friend, are my protector & Support, should his Vackeel hereafter come to me, I will not enter into any negociation, on any subject whatever, without making you acquainted with it as you have desired. I purchased the Fort of Cranganore & Dyacotah from the Dutch of Cochin for the protection and welfare of my own Country, and agreeable to the engagements of the Dutch. You sometime since desired that I would send you Copies of the Writings respecting them — I immediately on receipt of your Letter delivered both the originals & Copies to Mr Powney to be sent to you: no doubt you will have well understood every thing regarding them. I have already acquainted you with the circumstance of Tippoo's having attacked my Lines on the 11 of October and January (29th December 1789), of his having been in possession of them for the space of three hours, of his having been driven from them & obliged to fly by the exertions of my People, and the good fortune of the Company — All this will certainly have been clear to you — Moreover, the

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Sultaun, from the day of the attack until this very moment, has been collecting avery large Army, and every kind of War-like Stores, with an intention of committing Hostilities: he is now Encamped within two hours March of my Lines; & there cannot be a doubt that he is prepared for War, & is waiting for a proper opportunity; and it is apparent to both great & small that he will in a short time Commence Hostilities.— His army is easily discovered from my Lines— Notwithstanding this, in consequence of your Letter, I have never passed my own Boundary, nor will I in future.— I have not at any time granted protection to his Servants, nor will I do so. Because as I am the friend of the Company, I have the greatest confidence, that the English Company will consider Tippoo's attack upon me, the same as upon themselves, & that they will rejoice me by sending their victorious Army to revenge what has already happened, & that my Protectors, namely the Honble Company, will, agreeable to the Letter of my Friend, punish him for his Conduct. As I well understood what my Friend wrote me on the subject of my advancing a Lack of Pagodas, for the preparations of the Army for my Assistance, agreeably to your recommendation I will in the course of fifteen days pay the Sum of one Lack of Rupees to Mr. Powney, in part of the Lack of Pagodas for completing the Victorious Army, and the remaining Sum of the Lack of Pagodas, I will also pay in the course of Sixty days to Mr. Powney, and he will send it to Mr. Torin the Paymaster at Tinnevelly, but the extent of my ardent wish is this— that my Friend and the Company's Government will without delay

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Send the Company's Victorious Troops to punish my Enemy, and thereby make me happy, and drive away his Army, which are at present Encamped so near my Lines: That person is a Friend, who in the time of trouble stretches forth his hand to assist his Friend. As I have in Consequence of your directions always paid the amount of the Pay of the two Battalions Stationed here, I keep my Accounts with Mr. Powney; I thought better to keep the account of these Rupees also with him; which I have thought it necessary to acquaint you of.— Considering that my mind is constantly in a state of anxiety, rejoice me with your kind Correspondence, and by quickly replying to this letter, give comfort to my mind— What can I write more? You will be informed of every other Circumstance by Mr. Powney— What more? —

Minute on the above letters from Travancore

Ordered that Copies of the foregoing be transmitted to Bengal; and that Mr. Powney be directed to remit the money expected from the Rajah to Mr. Sorin at Palamcotah, who will be instructed to forward it to Toitchinopoly.

The President lays before the Board the following Draft of a General order, which he recommends should be issued.

G. O. for the march of the 74th Regiment to Wallaujanbad — the Corps of the Centre Division under marching orders to be provided with everything necessary for taking the Field —

G. O.

Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell to march with the 74th. Regiment to Wallaujanbad.

Brigade Major Sir George Leith Bart. to do duty at Wallaujanbad —

The Corps in the Centre Division that are under marching orders to be immediately provided with the necessary Equipment of Coolies, Lascars, Doolies &c., so as to be in readiness to take the Field on the shortest notice. —

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The Board approve the proposed General Order, & it is agreed, that it be published accordingly.

Read the following Letter from Ganjam

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor & Pr. Council at Fort S. George

Honble Sir and Sirs

From Ganjam — in continuation of their differences with Lieutenant Colonel Trent — on the subject of the Mohurry Rents —

We have received Mr. Secretary Chamier's letter of the 27th ultimo, and take leave to explain that We did not mean by our letter of the 16th December to impute any irregularity to the Officer Commanding this Garrison, who acted on that occasion in strict conformity to the 7th Clause of the Regulations of the 1st November 1786, to which you have referred.

Since our last address, We have returned again to Lieutenant Colonel Trent our letter of the 26th ultimo, informing him that We could not conceive that it required reconsideration, and that We had appealed to you from the Contumacy and Insult which our Authority has experienced in such a reference from a Subordinate Officer.

Lieutenant Colonel Trent has applied to us for Extracts from those parts of our Correspondence with you, in which a Consideration of his Conduct might be implicated; but as our address to him under date the 26th and 30th ultimo contained the abstract of our References to you, We considered

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that the purposes of Justice could not require, that such Communication should be made to him, which were in fact but to provoke asperity and to inflame dissension.

Colonel Trent has been informed, that Wedd made Communication to you of his Conduct in punishing and imprisoning the Barrampour Weavers, and of his sending hither Prisoners a Guard of Sibendy Sepoys who had been detached by our Chief to Escort hither on Business the Painter of Moherry; but to these points the Colonel observes a Contemptuous Silence.

He has at Length attended to our repeated requisitions concerning the Criminal he some time since sent in hither, a subject on which We shall have the honor to address you from the Public Department.

He has at Length also acknowledged to us that the Moherry Peons do amount to the Number We had specified /800/ and that they may be advantageously employed under the direction of the Commanding Officer of the Company Troops, to whom We have accordingly committed the application of their Services.

As their Number and the Expence they involve entitles to an Expectation of active Service from them, We suggested to Colonel Trent, that they might be employed in frequent Expeditions to the Hills, or could they Establish a Post at Cavilabudrah or any other Situation favorable for annoying the Coods by occasional Sorties, that it were

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perhaps an Expedient which might divert them from predatory incursions into the Low Lands, or by transferring the Calamities of War into their own Districts, might intimidate them altogether from their Wanton Hostilities.

In our last address We acquainted you that Colonel Trent had proposed a defensive System — he has subsequently deprecated it's Consequences, in application to his responsibility, by a Protest against the Incompetency of his Force, which by late General Orders has been unavoidably reduced; he pledged his Exertions however to render it as efficacious as possible, notwithstanding it's Contraction.

Induced by his representations of it's Expediency We have consented to the retention of an Establishment of Bullocks &c.a for two Companies of Sepoys in Camp at Barrampour, which are consequently prepared for occasional Expeditions, either to repress the predatory incursions of the Insurgents, or carry Hostility to their retreats in the Hills; besides this Establishment, We have authorized occasional Indents for a further Quota when the exigencies of Service may require it, recommending that the Exercise of this discretion be governed by the strictest Economy.

He has more recently confessed himself "much at a loss to form any Plan" of Defence, has avoided every specification of Specification of Post, Circumstances rendering it difficult to ascertain them precisely", and has

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renounced responsibility for Contingencies, because We from a necessary Oconomy have curtailed the Field Expences.. In the same Letter he informed us, that the Insurgents had set fire to a Village within a Mile of his Camp, but were prevented from plundering it by the Rajah's Troops, who drove and repulsed them.

A letter We have received from him of this Date in Ganjam, informs us that he does not conceive the Force now at Barrampour (which is the most aggregate that the present Military Establishment of the District can supply, and has appointments of Carriages &c. applicable to Field Service sufficiently considerable to require his personal superintendence, and that therefore he has removed his Quarters to Ganjam, but has no intention to interfere with the Command of this Garrison; by which you will observe he recedes from all Command.. By the same Address We learn, that having pointed out to Captain Westroppe that "the object of the Troops "stationed at Barrampour and its vicinity is the Reduction of "Sanadeo, and the suppression of his Predatory Excursions," the Colonel had remitted to Captain Westroppe a discretion as to the application of the means in his Power to the Prosecution of the Services depending, suggesting to us that on the occurrence of sudden Emergency, of which however he thinks there is no probability, he will repair in person to Barrampour.

From these instructions to Captain Westroppe the Colonel recognizes the Services depending, and equally knew upon his own recommendation there was a Force upon Field appointments kept in constant readiness for incidental demand. The mildest construction therefore which We could put upon

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upon his abdication of Command, was that he hoped to acquire more leisure for literary discussion with us; to avoid which, and that the publick Service might not be delayed by a circuitous Channel of transmission, We have intimated to him that We have adopted the Confidence he has placed in Captain Westropp, & shall address our requisitions immediately to him or to the Officer Commanding for the time being in Camp; being careful to keep Colonel Trent informed in the manner directed by the 10th. Clause of the Regulations of the 1st. November 1786.

Herewith We have the honor to transmit to you the Copy of the Record of our Proceedings in this Department for the Month of December.

We have also the honor to forward to you the Returns of Stores, of Garrison Ordnance, and of light & heavy field Artillery in this Garrison, together with a general Return of the Troops doing duty in this District for the Month of January.

We have the honor to be

Honorable Sir and Sirs

Your most obedient humble Servants

Morgan Williams

Ganjam
16th. February 1790

(signed)

George Wynch

to desire
Agreed, that the Chief & Council at Ganjam will inform the Board upon what footing the Mohurry Peons are kept up, and at what Expence, as it is of material consequence that all Expences in the Ganjam District, which can be dispensed with, should immediately cease.

Minute thereon

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Read the following Letter from the Board of Revenue.

To the Honble Major General William Medows
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From the Board of Revenue recommending that Grain be stored in the Pagoda at Conjeveram.

We have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Instructions under date the 24.th Instant, for the security of the Grain in the Jaghire, and have taken the necessary measures for carrying them into Execution; but as many saving of Expence in the transportation, which in all Events must be very considerable, is an object of consideration, We beg leave to recommend, if a sufficient defence from flying parties of an Enemy's Horse can be spared for the Pagoda at Conjeveram, that such quantities may be stored therein, as shall from it's vicinity be found expedient; by which means the charge of transporting it to a place perhaps of greater security will be much lessened.

We have the honor to be
Honorable Sir
Your most obedient humble Servants
(Signed) Edw.d Inl. Hollond
Edw.d Saunders
Ja.s Call
Geo.e Moubray

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26.th February 1790

Approved
Government approve the Suggestions of the Board of Revenue relative to the storing Grain in the Pagoda at Conjeveram

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Conjeuenam; & will order an adequate Guard of Sepoys when the situation of Affairs may appear to require it.

Mr. Edward John Hollond begs leave to enter the following Minute.

Mr. Hollond's Minute with Statement of Cash advanced to the King's Paymaster, & to Colonel Floyd from the 25th. April to 31st. December 1789 —

Mr. Hollond begs leave to observe that in the Statement sent into the Board under date 26th. February, which has been forwarded to Bengal, the Receipts by Bills are stated at Pagodas 487,095 and the Issues to the King's Paymaster at Pagodas 413,083. 7. 27 — The Year 1789/90 includes the Advances on the Indents from 24th. April 1789, inclusive of which he finds the Advances of Money issued to the King's Paymaster and to Colonel Floyd for Horses amounts to the Sum of Pagodas 474,023. 7. 27 — Having procured the Account from the Military Pay Office, a Copy of it is laid before the Board. — Mr. Hollond begs further to remark that the advances required on the 24th. February, complete the advances for the Year 1789/90.

Cash Advanced the King's Paymaster

						On account of King's Subsistence	Company's Allowance to the King's Troops
1789	April	25th	To Cash advanced the King's Paymaster				
		27th	To	ditto	ditto		1500 — —
	May	4th	To	ditto	ditto	41,542. 9. 50	8457. 32. 30
	June	25th	To	ditto	ditto		23,656. 3. 50
		28th	To	ditto	ditto	50,188. 36. 9	
	July	8th	To	ditto	ditto		19,811. 6. 71
		13th	To	ditto	ditto		20,144. 36. 9
	August	26th	To	ditto	ditto	1687. 3. 40	363. 26. 9
		29th	To	ditto	ditto	42,035. 22. 52	57,964. 19. 28
	September	3rd	To	ditto	ditto		10000 — —
	October	25th	To	ditto	ditto		13831. 22. 79
	November	4th	To	ditto	ditto	41,623. 30. 25	13576. 11. 55
		30th	To	ditto	ditto		10000 — —
	December	28th	To	ditto	ditto		10700 — —
1790	January	16th	To	ditto	ditto	50000 — —	20000 — —
	February	15th	To	ditto	ditto		15700 — —
		22	To	ditto	ditto		2000 — —
						21,053. 22. 20	33,946. 19. 60
						247,930. 40. 36	226,092. 8. 71
					Subsistence	247,930. 40. 36	
1789	December	31st	Purchase of Horses 19th. Light Dragoons			4440 — —	
					Pagodas	474,023. 7. 27	

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Fort. St. George 2nd. March 1790

Minute thereon

Agreed that a Letter be written to the Accountant General, desiring him to explain the difference which appears between the Account delivered in with his Letter of the 23d. Ultimo, & that now before the Board.

An Advance of Pag.s 12,500 to be made to the Bullock Contractors, & 3750 Pag.s to the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions, by a Bill on Masulipatam.

The President recommends that an Advance of Pagodas 12,500 be made to the Contractors for Draught & Carriage Bullocks; & that the Sum of Pagodas 3750 be advanced to the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions for the provision of Gunny Bags.

Agreed that a Bill on Masulipatam be granted for the above Sums, making Pagodas 16,250 — in favor of Mr. Cakburne.

A Committee appointed to report upon the Gunny Bags to be made up by Mr. Cakburne.

Resolved that a Committee, consisting of Mr. Turin, Lieutenant Colonel Giels, and Captain Comonde, be appointed to examine and report upon the Gunny Bags, when made up by the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions.

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board.

Hospital Board — 26th. February 1790

From the Hospital Board — will take an early opportunity of sub.ting to Government an arrangement for the Medical Expences for Field Service, by which Mr. Brown's Accounts may be regulated — Recommending the purchase of a Set of Instruments from Mr. Johnson Assistant Surgeon; and that Mr. Gobie be permitted to draw Pay from his Arrival in China.

Read a Letter from Mr. Secretary Chanier, enclosing Bills of his Majesty's 72nd. Regiment on account of the Detachment late employed in the Sheringunga Country, to be examined and reported on.

As the Arrangement for the Medical Expences for Field Service has not yet been compleated — the Hospital Board will take the earliest opportunity of submitting

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Submitting a Plan to Government, by which Mr. Brown's Accounts may be regulated.

Mr. Johnson, Assistant Surgeon, having a Sett of Surgical Instruments to dispose of — Value £ 15 — —, and they being much wanted at present, the Hospital Board recommend that they be purchased.

Ye Instruments may be purchased, being recommended by the Hospital Board.

Mr. Goldie, Assistant Surgeon, having represented that he was unavoidably detained for four Months at China, on his passage from England to this Presidency, whereby he incurred a considerable Expence, the Hospital Board recommend that he be indulged in drawing pay from the date of his arrival in China.

Government decline complying with this request, being contrary to the usages of the Service

(signed) { Jas Anderson, Physician General
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
William Duffin, Head Surgeon }

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores —

To the Honble Major General William Medows Governor &c. Council

From the Committee of Stores — the Commissary General of Stores has been desired to report upon the Indents from Ellore Gunpowder ordered Value to be received into Store None to be issued but on Indents

Honble Sir and Sirs

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letter of the 1st Instant, with the proceedings of the Committee of Stores at Masulipatam, and an Indent for

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Stores from Vellore. This letter we ha
to the Commissary General of Stores, t
to report on at our next Committee.

We have received from
Committee of Stores at Vellore, a rep
Proof of Gunpowder made from Mat
were provided some years ago by
-keeper at that Garrison; and which
upon Trial to be above proof. We
therefore ordered it to be received in
Magazines — But as the Materials
in Store are now used agreeably to the
of the Committee which were approv
Government, We have directed that
Gunpowder shall be made at Vell
is of a Quality much inferior to that
is made at the Presidency.

We have the honor to be
Honorable Sir and
Your most obedient humb
J. Cappur
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Approved

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Read the following Letter from Ca
Majesty, commanding at Chunsomaghery, &

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To the Honble Edward John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

at Fort S. George

Honble Sir

From the Commandant at Chandernaghurry – one of the people concerned in the murder of the Tappy Deon has been seized.

I have the honor to acquaint you, Sir, that one of the Villains who lately murdered the Tappy Deon &c. in this neighbourhood, was yesterday brought in to me. I have him properly secured in Irons, and wait the honor of your Commands regarding him. The Party had been traced to Colloore, whence this fellow having returned, he was apprehended by some of Bomrauze's People in his District. He readily acknowledges his Guilt, with all the Circumstances; The Letters, in particular, he says were thrown away in a Jungle towards Colloore. He is one of five who committed the Robberies and Murders. They are Peons in the Service of the Colloore Poligar, and were sent out armed, expressly to Rob, by their immediate Commander the Chirroguar of Muglimapoota, which Village, within a Mile of that of Colloore, he and they, with their families, inhabit. The Chirroguar's Name is Guntie-Yernapauw. The five Robbers are, Yellogau, Mookalooguu, Brothers, Honeegau, Paupigau, and the prisoner Veerapauw. On the party's return, with the plunder of that Excursion, to the Chirroguar he presented the prisoner with a Matchlock & a Turban. The Chirroguar has 8 or 10 more Peons under his direction.

I have the honor to be

Honble Sir your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) Majesy Captain

Chundernaghurry

2nd February 1790

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Minute thereon

Agreed that Captain Mayne be directed to deliver up the Prisoner to the Nabob's Aumil Dayand that the President be requested to address a Letter to the Nabob, mentioning the above Resolution, & desiring that he will direct Punishment to be inflicted upon the Offender -

Read the following Letters (entered in MB. Nos. 5.6.7.8.)

From the Storekeeper at Tiagar

From the Storekeeper at Tiagar - Enclosing Estimates for Repairs to the Storehouses at that place, stating that the Gunpowder is kept in an insecure Building; and recommending that some Caverns in the Rock, which are well adapted, should be fitted up.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Estimates for Repairs to the Storehouses be sent to the Chief Engineer, and that he be directed to report thereon. - Resolved also, that Mr. Andrews, be instructed, in conjunction with Captain Kirt the Commanding Officer, to fix upon such places in the Rock at Tiagar as may be adapted to the reception of the Gunpowder, and prepare them, provided the Expence of so doing be trifling, which, it is conceived, must be the Case.

From Captain Doueton

From Captain Doueton - stating that he has been ordered to join his Corps: & soliciting leave to return to Vizarnamrauze - urging the Services he may be able to render as Commanding the Troops of the principal Rajah in the Circars &c. &c.

Minute thereon

The Board decline departing from the order issued to Captain Doueton to join his Corps. -

From Captain Dunwoody

From Captain Dunwoody at Ongole - Enclosing an Indent for Stores. -

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Ordered that the Indent be referred to the Committee of Stores.

Minute thereon

From Lieutenant Capper Barrack Master

From Lieutenant Capper – Barrack Master – stating that he has made up Doolies for the European Troops in his Division; & requesting to know who is to furnish them when the Army is in the Field.

As it has been usual that Doolies for Field Service should be furnished by the Civil Paymaster General, at the Presidency, it is agreed that the same mode be continued.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from the Secretary at Fort William

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary at Fort S. George

From the Secretary at Fort William – with a Return of Troops &c. Embarked on the Ship Britannia Captain Hardie – Passage Money to be paid at Madras

Sir

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Return of the Detachment of his Majesty's 76th Regiment to be embarked on Board the private Ship Britannia for Madras, that the Governor in Council may be enabled to settle with Captain Hardie for the Sum to be paid for their Passage, which, according to the Regulations, should not exceed three Rupees ℔ Diem for each Offier, including Freight for his Baggage, and Eight Annas ℔ Diem for each of the Non Commissioned Officers & private Soldiers.

Captain Hardie will be furnished with the undermentioned Stores for Victualing the Detachment, Viz.t –

Twenty Maunds of Salt Beef
Sixty Maunds of Biscuit
Three hundred Gallons of Liquor
One hundred & fifty Maunds of Fire Wood

Twenty Leaguers for Water will also be sent on Board the Britannia, which Captain Hardie will be desired to deliver, with any Surplus that may remain of the Provisions beyond the Expenditure of the Mentioning their Passage, to the Storekeeper at Madras, on his arrival at that Presidency –

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

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Return of the Officers – Non Commissioned Officers – and Privates – together with Women and Children of the 76th. Regiment, who are to imbark on board the Brittannia, Commanded by Captain Mackie, for Fort St. George

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Companies – Commanded by		Commissioned Officers	Staff	Non Commissioned Officers	Privates	Women	Children
Captains	Robert Shawe	1	2	1	3	3	2	63	3	1
	Edward Musgrove	1	3		3	4	2	46	3	2
	Charles Mabane		1	1	1	1	2	37	1	
Supernumerary Captain	John Hamilton	1		1						
Total		3	6	2	7	11	6	146	7	3

Total Officers	12
ditto Non Commissioned Officers & Privates	146
ditto Women	7
ditto Children	3
	212

(signed) A. Apsley Town Major

Minuted thereon

Ordered that Captain Mackie be paid agreeably to the Terms fixed at Calcutta; and that an order be issued for landing the unexpended Stores –

Ed. Geo. Auchmuty

P. Dundas

Chas. Stuart

Jno. Taylor

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Diary

3rd Received the following Letters

To the Honble John Holland Esq.

Governor in Council

at Fort S. George

Honorable Sir

From Captain Knox reports the Intelligence received from three European Deserters lately arrived at Ayacottah from Tippoo's Camp.

I have the honor to acquaint you that three Europeans / one Englishman & two Danes / belonging to Lally's party arrived this forenoon at Ayacottah, having effected their Escape from Tippoo's Camp, which they left yesterday morning.

They report that Tippoo's Grand Encampment is two Cos on the North side of the Chougaut River, and about eight Cos from Ayacottah and Cranganore — that for some time past he has been collecting his Troops from all quarters; & that previous to their Departure, the army daily expected orders to move across the River towards Ayacottah & Cranganore.

They confirm the principal particulars of the Action of the 29th December last, viz.t That Tippoo was personally present at the Attack — that he lost his Palankeen &c.a; and that he was very much bruised in effecting his Escape over the Ditche. They further add, that to conceal in some degree the great Slaughter of the 29th December, it had been given out by Tippoo that between two & three thousand Men deserted to the Rajah during the action.

I have the honor to be

Camp — 28th February 1790

&c.a &c.a &c.a (signed) Thomas Knox

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To John Chamier Esq.r

Secretary to the Military Department

Sir

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — With Estimates of articles of Provisions deemed necessary for Palamcotah and Tritchinopoly in the Event of War.

I have the honor to send you Estimates of sundry articles of Provisions deemed necessary by the Commanding Officers of the Garrisons of Palamcotah & Tritchinopoly in the Event of War, Viz.t

No.8 Palamcotah Estimate for 1,000 men for 12 months — the Estimate price of the Beef not extended, but inserted in my Abstract accompanying

No.9 Tritchinopoly Estimate for 2,000 Europeans & 8,000 Sepoys for 12 months — I have deducted the amount of Grain in my abstract, as being already ordered.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) Wm. Cockburn

Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

Madras
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Abstract of the Expence of Storing Tritchinopoly and Palamcotah, as p accompanying Estimates

No.8 At Palamcotah	Pr. 5,636.9	
Salt Beef Estimated as the quantity put down in the Estimate but not extended	700	6,336.
No.9 At Tritchinopoly as p Estimate, deducting the price of Paddy	98,067.	15
Pagodas	1,04,403	16

(signed) Wm. Cockburn

Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

Madras — 2.nd March 1790.

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To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at Fort William

My Lord

To Bengal — with Copies of two Minutes delivered in by Mr. Edward Holland on the subject of the late Letters from the Governor General in Council — & of three Letters lately received from Travancore — Every preparation making for War —

We have been honored with the receipt of the Letters addressed by your Lordship in Council to this Government, under date the 8th and 11th Ultimo, from your Secret Department.

We have the honor to enclose two Minutes delivered in Council this day by Mr. Edward Holland, on the subject of the abovementioned Letters from your Lordship in Council to this Government.

We have also the honor to enclose Copies of a Letter from Mr. Powney, of one from the Rajah of Travancore, & of one from Captain Knox Commanding in the Travancore Country — which contain the latest Intelligence from that Quarter.

We are making all possible preparations for War, & shall, We trust, be ready to act with vigor, when the situation of publick Affairs or your Orders may require it.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

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2nd March 1790

signed { William Medows
&c. &c. Council

To Mr. George Powney

Resident at Travancore

To Mr. Powney — to receive what Money may be offered by the Raja, & remit it to the Paymaster at Palamcotah —

Sir

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 19th Ultimo, inclosing

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3rd one from the Rajah of Travancore to the President.

You will be pleased to inform the Rajah that the Board have not any objection to his sending the Money to you, and to it's being brought into your Accounts as suggested. You will be pleased to remit the Money to Mr. Brine, who will receive Directions to send it to Tellicherry.

I am, Sir, Your most obedient Servant

(signed) John Shannon
Secretary

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Substance of a Letter to His Highness the Nabob

Sent Letter to His Highness the Nabob (as entered in C.C. No. 46) advising of the Seizure of a Person concerned in the Murder of a Tappy Peon; and desiring he will send the necessary orders for the Infliction of such Punishment upon the Offender as his Crime deserves.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. Nos. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19.)

To the Commandant at Chandernaghurry

To the Commandant at Chandernaghurry — to deliver over the Man concerned in the Murder of the Tappy Peon, to His Highness the Nabob's Aumildar —

To the Commandant & to the Storekeeper at Tiagar

To the Commandant & to the Storekeeper at Tiagar — to fix upon such places in the Rock at Tiagar, as may be adapted to the reception of the Gunpowder — The Estimate for Repairs will be reported upon by the Chief Engineer —

To the Military Board

To the Military Board — to report upon Estimates of Provisions said to be requisite for certain out Garrisons in the Event of War —

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To the Committee of Stores — To the committee of Stores — their Proceedings of the 23rd. ultimo approved — to report upon an Indent from the Town Major for ten Centry Boxes; and upon an Indent for Military Stores for the use of the Garrison of Angolo.

To the Chief Engineer — To the Chief Engineer — to report upon the Estimates of Expence transmitted by the Storekeeper at Tiagar, for the repairs to the Storerooms and Paddy Godown on the Hill, and to the Store-house on the Rocks —

To Mr. Secretary Hay — To Mr. Secretary Hay — notifying the safe arrival of the Brittannice, with three Companies of the 76th. Regiment —

To Ganjam — To Ganjam — To state upon what footing the Mohurry Peons are kept up, & at what Expence — to be discharged if they are not absolutely necessary.

To the Accountant General — To the Accountant General — to state the cause of the difference in the amount of the Account procured from the Military Paymaster General's Office (of Sums advanced to the King's Paymaster for the year 1789/90. & to Lieutenant Colonel Floyd) & the Statement received from the Accountant General's Office the 23rd. February last.

To the Board of Revenue — To the Board of Revenue — Approving their Suggestion of Storing Grain in the Pagoda of Conjeveram, to which an adequate Guard of Sepoys will be sent, when the situation of affairs may appear to require it —

To the Commanding Officer at Pennacoil — To the Commanding Officer at Pennacoil — Enclosing the Nabob's Dustuck to the Aumildar at Waldaur for the passage of Provisions to Pennacoil, duty free — To state what Articles, & what quantity will be wanted daily or Monthly.

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4th Received the undermentioned Letters (vide in Mr Bar. Pkt 20. 21. 22.)

From the Paymaster to the Southern Army — From the Paymaster to the Southern Divn of the army Has taken the necessary steps for conveying the Southern Division with Doolies – the Dooley-Boys belonging to the Detachment will be retained agreeably to orders.

From Tranquebar — From Tranquebar – Congratulating Col Meadows on his arrival & accession to the Government of Fort St. George.

From Mr Secretary Hay – From Mr Secretary Hay – Enclosing an Invoice of Europe Stores shipped on the Sloop Cornwallis, and consigned to the Governor in Council of Fort St. George.

At a Consultation Present

The Honble Major General William Medows
Governor – President

Edward John Holloway
and
James Taylor } Esqrs

Friday 5th March 1790

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved.

The President lays before the Board the following Letter from Tippoo Sultaun & enclosures also viz

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From Tippoo Sultaun to the Honorable John Hollond Esq.r

Dated 22nd Jumad ul awal 1204, or 7th. February 1790

Received 3rd. March 1790.

From Tippoo Sultaun — acknowledges the receipt of the Governor's Letters dated 2nd. and 9th. January — recapitulates the Contents of his former Letters respecting the Rajah of Travancore; & states his reason for making a thorough knowledge of the Frontiers of the Mysore Country —

2nd. and 9th. January
Your two Letters dated 15th. and 22nd. Jumad ul awal 1204 were received at the same time, & I understood the whole of their Contents. — Five different times, previous to & subsequent to my arrival in this Country, have I written to you on three points of importance, and enclosed you a Representation written by Ram-Rajah Thesildar of Mallawar — possibly you have not well understood, & they were not sufficiently Explained — [he in this place recapitulates his Letter dated 2nd. February — and adds] You wrote me that Commissioners should meet on the Confines, & settle the matter agreeably to propriety and Justice. this I understand. So great is my regard for Justice & Equity, that I attributed the representations of the Phouzdars, Aumildars &c.a to other causes, & thus long have winked at them; but when having examined every part agreeably to Justice and Equity, I has with certainty ascertained them, I wrote to you, and still continue to write, what then have Commissioners to enquire into? You who are a Person high in dignity, every way well informed, and possessed of foresight, examine this matter with particular attention, & on whose side right and wrong lies — Nevertheless if it is your wish, let one or two trusty Persons be sent to the presence, that having arrived in the presence they may settle this business; & let them examine whether the lines are really built in the Cochin Country or not. What more than this, agreeably to the Treaty and the Duties of Friendship subsisting between the English Rajah [King] & the Company, can be done? for I have five several times written to You, or otherwise

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the taking of the lines is a matter that would not require much time, or is it of much difficulty. From this you will consider whether my mind means uprightly, and to strengthen the Basis of Good Will & Friendship or not. You have written me that you had acquainted the Nabob the honored ally Coun- with the Circumstances of the troubles raised by Launy Naik the Poligar; that he had sent the necessary Orders on this matter business; that he had at the same time informed you that m of his Rebellious Subjects had taken protection in the Country belonging to this Circar, & raise disturbances and plunder Ryotts belonging to the Carnatick; that the said Nabob h given as an Example the Rebellion of Chitteroog in the District, and also on the side of Shoringunga & Nadavaty, by Murdu the Slave of Haleety; that the Nabob has informed that my forming a Boundary on my Confines at this ti is contrary to the practise of hundreds of Years; that Hyde -ed with the Execution of this business, praying no attention former Custom, inclose within the Boundary, Land belonging the Carnatic; that it was proper I should post and a Depu -tendant to examine and ascertain the Land belonging to Circar, together with a trusty Man on his part; that he h sent Syed Amaum Ally Cawn to Tritchinopoly, & another to Wainaimbady; that he had sent positive orders to Launy Naick not to give any trouble or Molestation to the Lands forming by this Circar; that Comunant with the Friendship subsisting between us you had paid particular attention hereto; and that I also should particularly attend to it. I understand all this. — You should acquaint the Nabob

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who is a Man of knowledge, experienced in the world, & no doubt will have well considered the propriety and impropriety of this Circumstance & will have well conceived the cause of my making a Boundary in the Country of the Circar, at a very considerable Expence — this is the explanation of it — For a length of time there had been many thieving Poligars in the Circar's Country, who robbed and plundered and distressed the Ryotts on all sides; these having been Chastized & driven from their Habitations, their Country was taken possession of by the Circar; these Thieves having taken refuge in the Nabob's Country, have constantly raised great disturbances in the Country of this Circar — This was often represented to former Governors — If you will examine those Letters, you will see it particularly — As it appeared improper to be continually writing on trifling matters, I there-fore thought it right to make a Boundary at a great Expence for the protection of the Country People from those Thieves — From this account, do you consider and examine in whose Country Chief-Naig, Murtab, and the other Robbers constantly take refuge, and disturb the Circar's Territories — It has long been the practice of the Circar to seize on the Dens of Robbers, to chastize and imprison them: this is so well known that it requires no recital — It is also well known where many of the ungrateful Servants of this Circar have taken protection. So you may then be certain that no Thief who may have taken refuge in the Circar's Country can Escape with his life — In order to examine all these things, and to ascertain & determine the Boundaries, I have sent Mahommed Azeel & Amaum Beg, two trusty People, to Kistnah Ghurry, that having enquired

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into the Circumstances of the Boundary on the Confines, and without including therein a single Span of Ground belonging tothe Carnatic, they may settle and arrange my own Confines & every matter regarding the Robbers - In a word: It is my constant intention that there be not, on the part of this Circar, the excess or Deviation of a single Hair from the Articles of the Treaty of Peace made in the time of Governor Bouchier & the Treaty made in the time of Lord Macartney; and it is proper that you also, referring tothose two Treaties, should act agreeably thereto, and not pay attention tothe reports of Men without knowledge or forethought - Constantly considering me as one of your wellwishers, rejoice me with your Correspondence.

May the days of prosperity continue for Ever -

Copy to Bengal

Agreed that Copy of the above be transmitted to Bengal; and that a Letter be drafted to accompany it, enclosing the latest Intelligence from the Travancore Country.

Read the following Letter from the Sub-Secretary at Calcuttao.

To John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary at Fort S. George

From Bengal - with Bill of Lading of 750 Barrels of Gunpowder shipped on the Sloop Cornwallis, and Copy of Instructions to the Commander - The Sloop to be returned to Bengal immediately

Sir

I am directed to transmit toyou the accompanying Bill of Lading of 750 Barrels of Gunpowder, shipped on board the Company's Sloop Cornwallis, forthe supply of the Madras Government.

A Copy of the Instructions which have been given to Mr. Thomas Dorrington in Charge of the Cornwallis, is herewith transmitted -

You

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You will be pleased to acquaint the Governor in Council, that it is the wish of his Lordship in Council, that the Sloop should be sent back as soon as the Powder has been delivered, unless any particular emergency should require the Board at Madras to detain her.

I have the honor to be

Sir Your most obedient humble Servant

signed D Kinnibelle Sub Secry

Fort William
11.th February 1790

To W.m Thomas Dorrington

The Governor General in Council having thought proper to appoint you to the Command of the Honble Company's Snow Cornwallis, proceeding to the Coast with Seven hundred and Fifty Barrels of the Honble Company's Powder, you are to make the best of your way to Fort S.t George, and having delivered your dispatches to the Government at that Presidency, you will land the Powder under their Orders, or otherwise act as the Governor in Council shall direct.

In order that due Decorum may be preserved on board the Vessel under your Command, during the present Trip, and in order to prevent disputes, I think it necessary to lay down the following Rules for your Guidance, that such disputes may be wholly avoided.

First.- As Commander of the Cornwallis, you are to be obeyed, and your orders attended to by the Crew, with all reasonable precision and exactness.-

Secondly.- You are to advise with the first & second Officers in all cases that respect the people's Provisions, Allowance of Water &.c &.c

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in whatever alterations are made or proposed, so that every thing may be done on Board with unanimity and good order.

Thirdly In case of gross Misbehaviour in any one of your Crew, you are to take the same steps as are mentioned in the preceding Articles, and with propriety of manner, Consult apart your Two Officers as to the proper steps to be taken, as they will assist you with their opinion, and otherwise recommend what is necessary. In small matters of Misbehaviour they are to be equally ready to repair the difference by their wholsome advice, and peaceable Interference betwixt the Parties, and not to widen the Breach. Should an Officer forget himself so far as to Misbehave extremely, he is to be suspended by order of the Commander, who alone is Responsible in this Case, and another Officer is to be appointed by the Captain & remaining Mate. The Officers are to assist the Captain as far as they can in all proper & reasonable Cases, as Emergencies may require.

Fourthly No Consultations or Combinations are to be formed between the Officers & Ship's Company, on the score that they belong to this Service, or that Service.

Fifthly You are to give particular Orders Respecting the Fire and Lights on Board; for as the is Powder Loaded, the Officers and Crew must be on full as possible lest accident should happen. On this Account, you are not to suffer any Fire to be in the Vessel between Sunset and Sunrise.

A Copy of this part of your Instructions is given to the first and second Officers to be Communicated by them to the Europeans belonging to her, that all may have a knowledge of it.

Having landed the Powder agreeable to the

Orders

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Orders of the Governor in Council at Fort St. George, you will request his permission to return to Bengal, and having received it, you will proceed forthwith for this Presidency, observing the same Instructions during the Passage back, that have been laid down for your Guidance in the Passage to the Coast.

I am, Sir, your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) E Thornhill
Master Attendant

Marine Office —
9th February 1790

A true Copy (signed) L Pombelly pro Secry

Minute thereon

Ordered that the Gunpowder shipped on the Cornwallis, be immediately landed, & that the Commander of the Sloop be directed to return without loss of time to Calcutta.

The President delivers in the following Minute.

Affairs are so critically situated, and the last Letters from Bengal seem so strongly to imply that vigorous Measures are necessary, that, averse as I am to incurring unnecessary Expences, I am decidedly of opinion, that the rest of Colonel Musgrave's Plan, should be put in to Immediate Execution, of assembling & Encamping the Corps under marching Orders at Malaunjaubaad, and then joining them perhaps to the Camp at Trichinopoly, with Bullocks and provisions sufficient to move for forty days — Every Exertion being made to supply the different Garrisons with Grain.

The President is also of opinion, as the demands for Money will be great, and the War cannot possibly be made without it, that a respectful, but at the same time a determined

Letter

President's Minute — recommending that the Corps under Marching orders be assembled & Encamped at Malaunjaubaad — that the Rajah be addressed on the subject of his arrears, and that the Board of Revenue be called upon to report the steps necessary to be adopted in the Event of it's being found requisite to take possession of the Rajah's Country.

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Letter should be written to His Highness the Nabob: to say, that as he does not chuse to agree to the Company's proposals, If he does not by the 31st. of this Month, pay up, and give sufficient security for immediately paying up his Kists, Recourse will from absolute necessity be had to the clause of the Treaty, by which Weare authorized to take the Country into our own hands, and which from the bad Management at present attending the Durbar, I firmly believe will be the greatest Blessing that could attend it, if properly administered. And I propose at the same time, that a Letter should be written to the Board of Revenues, to report the properest people for the occasion; that the time, so precious just now, and the advantage of the Crops being gathered, may not be lost.

(signed) William Medows

President's Recommendations approved

The Board entirely approves the President's recommendations respecting the assembling & Encamping the Corps under Marching orders at Willanjaubaad; & on his acquiescing proposal of addressing the Nabob on the subject of his arrears; & of calling upon the Board of Revenues to report the steps that it may be necessary to adopt in regard to the Mode of taking possession of the Country, in the Event of such measure being requisite.

Read the following Letter from the Civil Paymaster General.

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To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Hon^ble Sir

From the Civil Paymaster Genl — a sufficient number of Doolies to complete the Corps under marching orders will be ready in a few days — 2000 Dooley Boys deficient — recommends that a Notice be circulated to the Gentlemen of the Settlement to give up their Peloopeen Boys —

On receipt of the Honble Board's Orders to complete the Corps under marching orders with Doolies, I immediately had the number put in hand by the different Workmen, I have the honor to acquaint you that they will be ready in a few days — In consequence of the General Order directing those Corps to be compleated with Dooley-Boys & Followers, I have done all in my power to procure the Dooley Boys & Bamboo Codies required; but find that after every exertion, there will still be a deficiency of near 2,000 Boys — As there does not appear to me any other way of getting this number at Madras, I submit to the Board the propriety of Circulating a Notice to the Individuals of the Settlement, requesting that until others can be engaged & sent down from the Northern Settlements, which measure I conceive the Board will adopt in consequence of my former recommendation, that they will permit their Boys to be taken for the Service of the publick.

I have the honor to be

Honorable Sir

Your most obedient humble Ser^t

Fort St. George
15th March 1790

signed John Turing
Civil Paymaster General

Agreed that Mr. Turing be desired to procure

Minute thereon if possible the number of Dooley Boys required — If they cannot be obtained, Coolies must be substituted —

Agreed that Letters be written to the

Subordinate

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Subordinate Settlements, desiring that 1000 Dooley Boys may be engaged from Masulipatam District, 500 from Viragapatam, & 500 from Ganjam - The Maistries to receive 2½ Pagodas pr month, and the Boys 2 Pagodas pr month, being the terms upon which they were engaged last War.

Ditto

Agreed also that the Military Board be desired to inform Government whether there cannot be, without injury to the Public Service, a deduction of the number of Doolies, or Dooley Boys attached by the Existing Regulations to Corps in the Field.

Horses Cast in the Regiments of Native Cavalry &c

The Commander in Chief informs the Board, that in consequence of the orders lately issued, 52 Horses have been Cast in the 2nd. and 5th. Regiments of Native Cavalry, & that 46 Horses have been cast from the 1st. 3rd. and 4th. Regiments - he recommends that orders be sent to the Paymasters at Tritchinopoly and Arcot, for the immediate disposal of the Cast Horses by publick Sale

Residents Recommendation in Consequence. -

Ordered accordingly.

Read the following Letter from Captain Torin.

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

&

Commander in Chief

at Fort St. George

From Captain Lieutenant Torin - 92 Horses landed at Anjengo - shall forward his Accounts from Bombay.

Honble Sir

I have the honor to inform you, that one hundred and two Horses, for the Service of the Cavalry, agreeable

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/agreeable to the last Orders received from the Hon.ble Board of Madras/ are landed this day at Anjengo.

Lieutenant Rumley will proceed with them in a few days for Tritchinopoly, where he will have the honor to wait your orders.

I shall return immediately to Bombay, from whence, by the first post after my arrival, I shall transmit to the Hon.ble Board my Accounts, and wait your orders.

Should it be thought proper to continue the Service, of purchasing Horses in the Northward Countries of this Coast, I must request Lieutenant Rumley may be permitted to return, as I am much indebted to his exertions for completing so difficult a Service without any other assistance from the Corps of Cavalry.

I have the honor to remain

Hon.ble Sir

Your most obedient & faithful humble Servant

/Signed/ John Torin

Capt.n Lieut.t Cavalry Madras Establish.t

Anjango
February 23.rd 1790.

Minute thereon

As it appears that there will be wanting rup=
=ees of 1,000 Horses to compleat the Regiments of Native Cavalry, in consequence of the selling the Cast Horses, and the raising additional Men to every Troop of Cavalry, it is Agreed to authorize Captain Torin to engage for the purchase of 200 Horses, to be landed at Anjengo at a price not exceeding S.P.s 110 for each private Horse, & S.P.s 180 for each officer's Horse: expressing at the same time the Board's Expectation that every Exertion will be made to procure them at a Cheaper rate.

Resolved

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Resolved that a Letter be drafted to Bombay, advising that Government of the above Determination, &c. requesting they will make Advances to Captain Toin, and draw upon this Presidency for the Amount.

Substance of a Letter from the Nabob

The President lays before the Board a Letter from the Nabob (as entered in C. C. Nº. 48.) stating that in a short time the President will hear that the Grain for Store is collected every where — desiring a Copy of the Orders sent to the Storekeepers; and proposing sundry things to be attended to in this Business — Mentioning further that the Grain at Ongole & Tomericottah is quite damaged & unfit for Use: stating that he has ordered it nevertheless to be exchanged, expecting that the Loss will be ascertained and the Circar indemnified.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the President be requested to reply to the foregoing, transmitting a Copy of the Orders which were sent to Mr. Cockburne — Assuring His Highness that every Attention will be paid to his Wishes, consistent with Security to the Execution of the Service, relative to the Storing Grain.

Ditto — Ditto

Agreed also that Mr. Cockburn be desired to give the necessary Instructions to Mr. Young, in order that as little Loss as possible may be sustained in selling off the old Grain at Ongole & Tomericottah, which Loss cannot with Justice be charged to the Nabob, as the Grain was not laid in by his Aumildars —

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board.

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Hospital Board 5th March 1790

From the Hospital Board — the greatest part of the Medical Stores shipped for the Northward on the Snow Success has been destroyed by the Neglect of the Commander — Mr John Walker promoted to the Rank of Surgeon. & stationed at Chingleput. —

Read a Letter from Mr. Ruddiman, Apothecary, enclosing advices from Mr. McMahon Medical Storekeeper to the General Hospital at Masulipatam; stating, that the Supplies for that Hospital, the Settlement of Ganjam, & the 27th and 28th Battalions of Native Infantry, which had been sent by the Snow Success, had arrived there, but that the greater part of them were destroyed, owing to the Neglect of the Captain, to whose care they were committed. —

Approved

The Hospital Board have directed the Apothecary to make out an Estimate of the loss, which they will have the honor of laying before Government.

Approved

The Hospital Board recommend that Mr. John Walker, Senior Assistant Surgeon, be promoted to the Rank of Surgeon, & Stationed at Chingleput; Mr. Trotter, who stands appointed having been ordered to Wallaujanbaad

Approved

The Hospital Board having received Official Information that Mr. A. Alexander, Assistant Surgeon to the 23d. Battalion at Trichinopoly, is under Arrest, they have directed Mr. Muir Head Surgeon to take care that the duty of that Battalion be attended to —

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

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An Arrangement of Medical Staff for an Army in the Field to be prepared by the Hospital Board.—

Ordered that the Hospital Board be directed to lay before Government an Arrangement of Medical Staff for an Army in the Field, to be fully Competent to the securing proper Assistance for the Troops, and to the suitable Checks on the Disbursements of the Department

Read the following Letter from Mr. Haliburtone

To the Honble Major General William Medows
Governor in Council
Fort St. George

From the Paymaster at Chandernaghurry requests permission to resign his Employ

Hont'ble Sirs

No orders having as yet been given by Government to Captain Massey, for repairing or building Quarters for me at Chundernaghurry, as intimated to be their intention by Mr. Secretary Chamier's letter to me of the 15th. December last, when I was at the same time permitted to absent myself as far as Arcot, until Quarters were provided for me at my proper Station, I take the Liberty to inform your honor, that my occasional attendance at Chandernaghurry subjects me to great inconvenience, and an expence no ways provided for in the Disbursements of that Garrison, the whole amount of which does not exceed 150 Pagodas p.month, including my Pay and Allowances as Paymaster; And that I am therefore willing to resign the Office of Paymaster to that Garrison, if leave is granted me for that purpose.

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

Arcot 1st March 1790.

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Agreed that Mr. Halibunton be permitted to resign his Employ of Paymaster at Chandernagherry, agreeably to his request; and that Mr. Taner be directed to pay the Troops at that Station, as practised before Mr. Halibunton's appointment.

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Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Trent.

To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Lieutenant Colonel Trent. Encloses his Correspondence with the Chief & Council at Ganjam; and applies to the Board for protection & Redress.

I am once more compelled to appeal to your superior Authority for Protection & Redress, against the unmerited indignity thrown on me by the Chief & Council of Ganjam, whenever they have occasion to address me in their public Character; under the protection of which they write to me in a Stile that no one would venture to do in a private Station. As a proof, I now take the Liberty to enclose Copy of a Letter from them of the 18th. Instant, in which they tell me in plain terms, that I am unworthy the confidence Government has thought proper to honor me with. Whatever may be my Demerits, I hope you will think the Stile and Language of this Letter, as well as one I had the honor to enclose you dated the 26th. January, highly unbecoming Men in public Station, and rendered more Galling from my Subordinate Situation enforcing Submission to it. — I have also enclosed two Letters from me to the Band of Ganjam,

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leading to that from them of which I complain.

I have the honor to be

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

Ganjam – February 28th. 1790 –

(signed) Thomas Trent

To Morgan Williams Esq.r

Chief, & C.t Council of Ganjam

Gentlemen

The Force now at Barrampour being no more than five Subidars, four Jemedars, Seventeen Havildars, fourteen Naicks, and two hundred & thirty nine Sepoys, and being Cantoned upon a Peace Establishment, the actual Management of which not requiring my immediate presence, it is my intention to fix my Head quarters at Ganjam; from which place, should any sudden Emergency demand Exertion from me, which I do not think probable, I can repair to Barrampour in less than five hours. – I do not mean to interfere with the internal Command of the Garrison. – I have also the honor to enclose you Copy of the Instructions I have left with Captain Westropp, for Your approbation – and have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most obedient humble Servant

Ganjam – February 10th. 1790

(signed) Thomas Trent

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To Morgan Williams Esqr.

Chief &c.a Council at Ganjam

Gentlemen

I have received your letter of the 16th. Instant. You inform me that it is your intention to address your Requisitions in the first Instance to Captain Westropp; that the Service may not be obstructed by delays induced by their Circuitous transmission; but that regular communication will be made to me of every such requisition. The orders of the 1st. November 1786 expressly directs in the 6th. Paragraph – "Officers Commanding the Troops in Subordinate Districts where there is a Chief and Council or Resident, shall issue all orders to the Troops in their respective Districts"; and as it must be obvious that no delay can accrue to the Service from these orders being literally obeyed, whilst I am at Ganjam, I must suppose that some other cause has induced that Resolution, which you have not thought proper to communicate.

As you inform me however that my Conduct is before Government, the motives which have respectively influenced us in our Public Departments, and their Effects, will undoubtedly be scrutinized into: I have a perfect reliance on their Justice, and am impatient for the Event.

You must excuse me, if I do not assent that every necessary information has been conveyed to me by the Letters either of the Chief & Council, or the Secretary, to enable me to vindicate my Conduct to Government. It was not for vague Information of the heads of accusations alledged against me, that I applied: It was for Copies of everything you have wrote tending to censure

or

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or criminate me, and which only can enable me to undertake such vindication; and I do again request that I may be furnished with them, not only as consonant to the usage of the Service, but as due to common Justice.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient humble Servant
/signed/ Thomas Trent

Ganjam - Febuary 12th. 1790

To Lieutenant Colonel Trent
Commanding Officer of the Troops in the Ganjam District
at Ganjam

Sir

I am directed by the Chief & Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 12th. Instant, and to furnish for your information the transcripts of a Letter & its Enclosures addressed by them to Captain Westroppe. I am directed to remark, that in their Conception, it is by much less obvious that the Channel of Correspondence through you to Captain Westroppe will not obstruct the public Service, than palpable that the apoption of another will preclude superfluous dilatation of literary discussion with you; and that they will adhere to their resolution of the 10th. Instant, so long as you may persist in your present secession from your proper Station, and in your abdication of a Military Command, for which it should seem a misplaced confidence has eluded your Talents and Zeal in especial adaptations. I am further directed

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directed to intimate to you, that the Board sees no reason to alter it's resolution of not furnishing you with particular Abstracts from it's Correspondence with Government in application to your late Conduct.

I have the honor to be
Sr, your most obedient humble Servant

Ganjam 18th February 1790

(signed) Thomas Snodgrass
Secretary

A true Copy (signed) Thomas Trent

To lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the Table

From the King's Deputy Paymaster General.

Read a Letter (entered in Mn. B. Nº. 23) from Mr. Robert Mitford, Deputy Paymaster to the King's Troops - Stating that the Paymaster of the 36th. Regiment refuses to receive the Dry Batta for his Regiment in the usual Form; and requesting that he may be authorized to desire him to conform to the Regulations of the Company's Service, in the payment of the Company's Allowances to the King's Troops

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Mr. Mitford that no Deviation from the established Custom of the Service is to be admitted in making the payments of the Company's Allowances to the King's Troops; & that it is expected that the King's Regimental Paymasters do distribute the Batta and all other Company's allowances, in consideration of the Extra Monthly pay of Pay. 10, which was granted to them for their Extraordinary trouble in this business. -

Ed. Geo. Jul. Harton Esq.

F. Hudson
Edwd. Fr. Holland
Simon Taylor

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Diary

5th. Received Letters (as entered in C.C. N.os 49. 50)

From the Rajah of Tanjore

From the Rajah of Tanjore - Congratulating the President on his arrival and accession to the Government, & Requesting his favor.

From the Jaghiredar of Arnee

From the Jaghiredar of Arnee - on the same Subject -

Sent the following Letters -

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at Fort William

My Lord

To Bengal - with Copy of a Letter from Tippoo - and Observations thereon -

We have the honor to enclose Copy of a Letter received from Tippoo Sultaun.

You Lordship will observe, that nothing new is brought forward in this Letter, but that Tippoo in noticing that part of Mr. Holland's Letter which relates to the appointment of Commissaries, mentions "that they should come to his Durbar" We submit to your Lordship, whether, if such appointment were to take place, it would not be highly improper, & tend to lessen the consequence of the Company's Government in the Eyes of the princes of the Country.

Our President has not replied to the two last letters from Tippoo, being desirous of being more acquainted with your ideas as to the manner in which the subjects contained in all Tippoo's late Letters are to be treated. The Answers will then be conformable to the Instructions We may receive from your Lordship in Council for the arrangement

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5th Arrangement of this delicate Business.—

Tippoo's Army is Encamped as before Reported—

The Rajah of Travancore appears fully impressed with the idea that a second attack will shortly Ensnake.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

(signed) William Medows

&c. Council

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To the Honble Colonel Abercrombie

Governor in Council
at Bombay

Honorable Sir

To Bombay — Stating that Captain Lieutenant Torin has been directed to make further purchase of 200 Horses; and requesting the aid of that Government in

Having instructed Captain Lieutenant Torin to enter into New Engagements for the purchase of 200 Horses, We are to request the continuation to him of your support, and that you will be pleased to make him such occasional Advances of Cash as may be necessary, drawing upon this Government for the Amount, as before practised.

We have the honor to be
Honble Sir
your most obedient humble Servants

Fort S. George
5th March 1790.

(signed) William Medows
&c. Council

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters (as entered in Ltr B. Nos. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41 42.)

To Captain Lieutenant Torin

To Captain Lieutenant Torin — with authority to procure a further supply of 200 Horses, to be Landed at Anjengo, at a price not exceeding 110 Pagodas for each private Horse, & Rs. 180 for each Officer's Horse — to forward his accounts without loss of time.

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To the King's Deputy Paymaster General

5th. To the King's Deputy Paymaster General — His Claim for issuing the Batta to the different Regiments, in the usual mode prescribed by Government, is well founded: — To notify in consequence to the different Paymasters of His Majesty's Regiments that no deviation from the Established Custom will be authorized or permitted.

To Masulipatam Vizagapatam and Ganjam

6th. To the Northern Subordinates — at Masulipatam 1000 Dooley Boys are to be entertained and sent to the Presidency — at Ganjam 500 — and at Vizagapatam 500 — 2 Pagodas pr mensem for each Boy will be allowed, & 2½ for a Maistry, & paid in the same manner as the Troops in the Field

To the Accountant General

To the Accountant General — To send in without loss of time, a Rist bundy account Current with the Field made up to this day, agreably to the Terms of the Treaty, in which is to be included the amount of Arrears due for Charges Collection, Revenue Battalions, & Extra Charges for Expeditions against Anjengo Poligars &c. &c.

To the Hospital Board

To the Hospital Board — to send in an Arrangement of Medical Staff for an Army to take the Field.

To Mr Dighton Collector in Ganjam

To Mr. Richard Dighton, Collector in the Province of Ganjam — to pay over to all Persons Goods belonging to the Nabob or his family on Receipt of His Highness's Notification that the same are for the use of himself or Family. — Free of all Duties.

To the Committee of Stores

To the Committee of Stores — to report upon two Indents for Stores wanting at Ellore.

To the Military Board

To the Military Board — to State, whether there cannot be, without Injury to the public Service, a Reduction of the number of Doolies or Dooley Boys attached by the existing Regulations to Corps in the Field.

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To Meps.rs Turing, Gells, and Gomond

6th To Meps.rs Turing, Gells, and Gomond – to Examine, when finished, the 15,000 Gunny Bags ordered to be made up by the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions, & report thereon to the Board.

To W.m Cockburn

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions – advising him of the above.

To W.m Haliburton

To W.m Haliburton – the Board accept his resignation of the Office of Paymaster at Chandernagherry – to deliver over the charge to the Paymaster at Wallaujaubaad.

The Commandant at Chandernagherry

To the Commandant at Chandernagherry – with advice thereof.

To the Paymaster at Wallaujaubaad

To the Paymaster at Wallaujaubaad – to pay the Troops at Chandernagherry, in the same manner as before the Appointment of W.m Haliburton.

To W.m Cockburn

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions – To give Instructions to the Paymaster at Ongole, regarding the Sale of the old Grain in Store at Ongole & Tenericottah – The loss that may fall thereon, must be borne by the Company.

To the Paymaster at Wallaujaubaad

To the Paymaster at Wallaujaubaad – To sell by Public Auction on or before the 12.th March, 33 Cast Horses that will be sent to him by Major Tonyn at Arnee; and 13 Horses that will be sent to him by Major Young at Arcot.

To the Paymaster at Tritchinopoly

To the Paymaster at Tritchinopoly – with similar Orders for the disposal of 42 Horses cast in the 2.nd and 5.th Regiments.

To the Civil Paymaster Gen.l

To the Civil Paymaster General – to procure if possible, the number of Dooley Boys required, & if that cannot be done, Coolies must be substituted – Application has been made to the Northward for 2000 Dooley Boys –

To the Paymaster at Palamcotah

To the Paymaster at Palamcotah – when the Money arrives which the Resident at Travancore has been directed to send him,

&c

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6th he is to forward it under proper Escorts to the Paymaster at Tritchinopoly, reserving such Sums as may be immediately necessary for the Current Disbursements at Palamcotah.

To Mr Secretary Hay.

To Mr Secretary Hay — The Sloop Cornwallis now returns to Bengal.

Substance of a Letter to His Highness the Nabob

7th Dispatched Letter to His Highness the Nabob (as entered in C. C. of 7th Inst.) advising of the augmentation in the different Corps in the Army, requesting His Highness will permit the dismounted Troopers under his orders, to enter again into the Company's Service — Enclosing Copy of the orders lately sent to Mr. Cockburn relative to the storing of Grain — the difference that may arise in the Sale of the Old Grain at Ongole & Tymericottah will be carried to His Highness Credit.

Received the following Letter from the Resident at Travancore

To the Honble Edward John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir

6th from the Resident at Travancore — Deserters from Tippoo's Camp report that he is making Preparations for a General Attack. Between 20 and 30 Vessels taken with Provisions at anchor near Cunganore

Since my address of the 19th Instant, three European Deserters have come in from Tippoo's Camp — The report they make Corroborates every account which I have been able to obtain. They say that Tippoo was daily receiving considerable reinforcements of troops; but they could form no Idea of the amount of his Army — that 12 Battering Cannon, 18 Pounders, had arrived in Camp a few days before they left it — that they had orders to hold themselves in readiness at a Moments warning,

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7th — I has ammunition served out to them; and it was univer-
-sally said that Tippoo intended very shortly to make a
general assault on the Lines.

The Rajah has this moment informed me that
he has just received accounts from the lines that the Enemy
appeared in motion, and there was reason to expect an im-
-mediate attack. From a Concurrence of Circumstances,
I make no doubt Tippoo will in a few days put his plan
into execution. — I have received undoubted Accounts that
there are lying on the Coast between Paniany & Cranganore
River between 20 and 30 of Tippoo's Vessels Laden with
Provisions & Stores. —

I have the honor to be
Honble Sir
Your most obedient humble Servant
(Signed) George Powney
Resident

Parour — 26th. February 1790

9th Received the undermentioned Letters (as entered in W.B. etc
43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49.)

From the Commandant at Angole — From the Commandant at Angole — With Estimate of the probable Expence (Pag.e 70) attending the Repair of the Bastions. —

From Masulipatam — From Masulipatam — Mr Roger Darvall, Paymaster of the Revenue Troops, applies for Leave to visit the Presidency.

From the Commandant at Permacoil — From the Commandant at Permacoil — States that he has in Confinement a Polligar belonging to the District of Allatoor, for the Murder of Moodoo Reddy, the principal Inhabitant of the Village of Perimdapsum.

From the Paymaster at Wellanjaubaad — From the Paymaster at Wellanjaubaad — States the great difficulty of procuring a sufficient number of Bamboo Coolies & Dooley-Boys, and transmits a General Indent of the number wanted, & of Lascars. —

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From Captain Lieut.t Toriin 8th

From Captain Lieutenant Torin – in consequence of the assistance he has received from the Chief of anjengo, the Horses will immediately proceed to Tritchinopoly.

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions – two Letters –

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions – with Copy of a Letter to him from the Storekeeper at Vellore – respecting the difficulty of procuring Grain unless it is purchased from the Inhabitants by ready Money; & Indent for the Garce of Rice for the Troops.

At a Consultation Present

The Honble Major General William Medows

Governor – President

Edward John Hollond

and

James Taylor

} Esq.res

Tuesday 9th March 1790

Minutes of last Consultation Read and approved

Read the following Nett Cundy Account Current, delivered in by the Accountant General.

Dr.

Nabob's account current with the Company in conformity to the existing treaty

Dr. { His Highness the Nabob Mahommed Alley Cawn — His account Current with the Honorable Company — in conformity to the Existing Treaty } Cr.

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1790	To Balance on 30th November 1789, as per his last Currency account Current		860,245.	12.43
January	31st To his Rent due this day, agreable to the 4th article of said Treaty		500,000.	--
	To the amount of arrears due by his Highness from the Surrender of the Assignment in June 1785, to this time, for Charges Collections Revenue Troops and the Extra-Charges of Expeditions against Rajah Polligars &c. p.s. to be discharged by him in conformity to the 4th Article of said Treaty, including Rag.s 40,419. 29.65, for the Extra-charges of the late Expedition against Sherigungah, is estimated to amount in all to the Sum of		185,000.	--
		Pagodas	15,30,245.	12.43

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Errors

(signed)

			Pagodas	Fs.
1789 December	31st By Treasury Journal		99,434.	--
1790 January	31st By Ditto Ditto		52,241.	32.8
February	28th By Ditto Ditto		48,087.	--
			199,762.	32.8
March	6th By Balance due by His Highness to this Date		13,30,482.	16.35
		Pagodas	15,30,245.	12.43

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Excepted
Geo.e Moubray
Assistant General

Deposit in different Coins .. Pags 10783 --

N.B. Not having received reports of any payments made by His Highness's People at the Southern Garrisons since the 30th November, it is presumed that none such have actually been made.

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Minute thereon

The Board are of opinion that the 5 Lacs inserted in the above account Current should not be included in the Balance, of which the payment is to be required on or before the 31st. Inst.t; because that Sum, according to Sir Archibald Campbell's Treaty, appears to be included in the Kist due the 31st. March, and therefore not claimable until after that period.

Ditto Ditto

The Board are also of opinion, that the Sum of Pagodas 180000, on account of Charges Collection &c. &c., for which the Nabob is Debited in the Account Current, should be demanded of him seperately, & not included with the other part of the Balance which is made liable to the penalties of the Treaty.

Ditto Ditto

Agreeably to the foregoing Opinions, it is Resolved that the Balance to be at present claimed by the President on the part of the Company, shall be Pagodas 6,60,482.16.35.

The following Letter to the Nabob is in Consequence ordered to be dispatched (which is also entered in C.C. N.o 62)

To His Highness the Nabob Wallaujah Bahauder

&c.t &c.t the Carnatic &c.t &c.t &c.t &c.t

May it please your Highness

To the Nabob Calling upon His Highness for the payment, on or before the 31st. Instant, of the Arrears due by him; & stating that Recourse will be had to the Penalties of the Treaty, if this Highness puts longer the Payment beyond the period above Stated — The Accounts inclosed —

Having been constantly employed ever since my arrival in ascertaining the Situation of the Affairs of this Government, and in making myself acquainted with them as much as possible, I have hitherto deferred an Address to your Highness relative to your Engagements with the Honble Company until

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until I could make it with a proper knowledge of the Subject.

Having directed the proper Officers of this Government to lay before me in Council a Statement of the Arrears of Kists &c.a due from your Highness, I find that on this day there is due the Sum of Pag.s 6,50,482.16.35 as appears by the accompanying Statement.

I find also upon Examination of the Records, that frequent application has been made to your Highness to discharge the Kists due, and that of a Teep for a Lack of Pagodas, sent in by your Highness on the 7.th January (of which 50,000 Pagodas were payable the 26.th of the same Month, and the other half on the 15.th ultimo) no more than 49,600 have been paid — the Teep is therefore returned.

By a Reference also to the Records, I observe that your Highness has not intimated your Assent to the Terms proposed by the Court of Directors, for forming a New Arrangement, by which Your Highness would be much relieved, and your Payments to the Company diminished.

Your Highness is sensible that the very critical Situation of Public Affairs, renders it an indispensable duty on the part of this Government to make every Provision for War, & your Highness cannot impute any blame to me, as the Company's Representative, if I avail myself of the Resources of this Government, arranged by Treaty, & absolutely necessary for the safety of the Trust with which I am invested.

Conformably therefore to the Terms of the Treaty existing between your Highness & the Honble Company, I have now the honor to urge in the strongest Manner the discharge of the Arrears due, as mentioned in the first part

of

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of this Letter, which I trust will be fully liquidated on or before the last day of the present Month, or such Security given, as may be deemed by this Government sufficient to justify a suspension of the article of the Treaty which provides for the Event of failure of Engagement on the part of Your Highness —

3 I sincerely hope that this formal demand upon your Highness for the performance of your Engagements will have due effect, and that you will pay in the sums due — And I am the more anxious in expressing this wish, because it will be absolutely necessary to have recourse to the provision made in the Treaty, which must be enforced at the Expiration of this Month.

4 I shall issue the necessary orders for the Operation of the fifth and sixth articles of the Treaty on the 1st of April next: at the same time, I shall entertain a sanguine hope that Your Highness, by making the necessary payments, will enable me to Countermand them.

1 Your Highness has stated that you have in your possession Receipts from the Company's Paymasters, amounting to Pag.s 67,332. 10. 56. which I request of You to send me, when proper Credit shall be given in your Highness's Accounts, if it has not been done already.

2 I take this opportunity of reminding Your Highness, that there is due the Sum of Pag.s 180000 from your Highness, being the Arrears for Charges Collection &c. as mentioned in the accompanying Statement furnished to me by the Company's Accountant — I trust this Sum will

Dr. His Highness the Nabob Mahomed ally Cawn
His account Current with the Honorable Company Cr.

To Balance on 30th November 1789 as per his Kistbundy Account Current	850,245.12.43	1789 Decemr. 31st	By Treasury Journal	99,434.-.-
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		February 28	By Ditto Ditto	48,087.-.-
				199,762.32.8
		March 6th	By Balance due by his Highness to this date	650,482.16.35
Pagodas	850,245.12.43		Pagodas	850,245.12.43

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Deposit in different Coin ---- 10,783.-.-

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(Signed) Wm. Medows

Lieut. Colonel Kennaway Paymaster

will be immediately discharged

From the honorable

Your Highness's

Lieutenant Paymaster

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Statement of a Sum due by His Highness the Nabob
6.th March 1790.

To the amount of arrears due by His Highness from the surrender of the Assignment, in June 1785, to this time, for Charges Collections, Revenue Troops, and the Extra-Charges of Expeditions against Rajahs, Poligars &c.a, to be discharged by him in Conformity to the 14.th Article of the said Treaty, including Pagodas 40,619.29.65. for the Extra Charges of the late Expedition to Shevigungah - is Estimated to amount in all to the Sum of ---- Pagodas 180000--

A true Copy / signed / W.m G. Jackson
Dep.y

The following Letter to the Board of Revenue is approved, & ordered to be sent.-

To Edward John Hollond Esq.r
President &c.a Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

To the Board of Revenue - to select from the Countries belonging to the Nabob, mentioned in an accompanying Schedule, such Districts as may be best adapted for securing the Payment of His Highness's Arrears.

As Government may find it expedient to procure to the Treaty entered into between them and the Nabob, for the purpose of securing the payment of £50,482.16.35, they desire you will select from the Countries mentioned in the accompanying Schedule, such Districts as you may deem best adapted to that purpose, & report the same to Government, who will, conformably to the Articles of the Treaty, fix upon proper Persons to take Charge of the same if judged necessary.

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a (signed) John Chamier
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Read the following Letter from Captain Knox

To the Honble Edward John Holland Esqr

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Captain Knox - Notes the Embarrassment of his situation in consequence of the scanty supplies of Provisions & the want of Boats for the transportation of the Troops &c. across the River

I was honored with Instructions from Government of the 15th. Instant, marking out the line of conduct I am to pursue in the Event of the Rajah's newly acquired possessions being attacked. As it is extremely probable that the acquisition of these will be one of the first objects with the Enemy, I shall take such Measures to support them as appear to be most expedient. At the same time, I shall not lose sight of the practicability of Retreat, when that step may be dictated by necessity.

It is as much my Duty, as it may be essential to my Character, to submit to the Honble Board some Circumstances of Embarrassment attending my situation, & such I am afraid as cannot be easily removed, but must necessarily encrease with approaching Danger. Government have already been apprized through my official letters, that the Detachment of the Honble Company's Troops, as well as the Rajah's Forces, solely depend upon daily supplies of Provisions from the Southward, & that these Supplies so obtained are scanty and precarious. The improvident Policy of the Rajah has never suggested the necessity of establishing Granaries upon his Northern Frontier; & such is the immense demand & consequent scarcity at present, that numbers subsist on a preparation of the Cocoanut, & upon other substitutes. Cranganore & Cyacottah are not excepted from the danger of want, no Stock of Provisions being laid up in either of these posts.

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Another Matter of difficulty in fulfilling my Plans, consists in the insufficiency of Water Carriage. I have represented to the Rajah, without Effect, that without the requisite number of Boats, to transport the Detachment across the Rivers, and convey the Guns & Stores, that no effectual Assistance can be expected from the Honble Company's Troops. Fifty Canoes are all I have been able to obtain, and Fifty two Boatmen were allotted to work them: These and three fourths of the Coolies originally sent me have deserted, in consequence of their allowance of Rice having been stopped; so that when it becomes necessary to move, a great deal will depend upon the Rajah's Exertions.

The Rajah's Forts including Cranganore & Ayacottah are extremely deficient in Artillery, the Guns of light Metal, and many of them unfit for Service. There are not in either of the Posts of Ayacottah & Cranganore any Bomb Proofs for the security of ammunition, or safety of Troops; but the post of Ayacottah has an advantage in this respect, having extent of Grounds in the rear of it's Works, where Ammunition might be deposited, & the Troops secured.

The Enemy's Encampment is still in sight of the Lines, and has considerably extended towards the hills, running parallel to the Lines.

I have the honor to be

Camp. 27th. February 1790 — &c. &c. &c.

(signed) Thomas Knox

Agreed that the President be requested to address a Letter to the Rajah of Travancore, recommending to him in strong terms, a proper attention to the objects mentioned in

Captain

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Captain Knox's Letter.

Read the following Letter from Masulipatam -
(with Enclosures entered in M.B. Nos. 50. 51. 52.)

To the Honble Major General William Medows
Governor &c. Council
Fort S. George

Honble Sir and Sirs

From Masulipatam -
Enclosing Copy of their Correspondence with Colonel Brathwaite - the orders of Government of the 23rd ultimo will be implicitly obeyed. -

We have been honored with the Receipt of your orders communicated to us in Mr. Secretary Chamier's letter of the 23rd. ultimo, a Copy of which We forwarded to Colonel Brathwaite without delay, in order that what you directed might be carried into Effect. We think it proper to enclose Copies of our Letter to Colonel Brathwaite & his answer; by which you will be informed of the arrangement about to take place, & which, so far as depended upon us, might have taken place when the G.O. of the 11th January were first received, having had no other object in view from the beginning, than that the Revenue Sepoys employed in the Collections, might continue on that Duty, until they could be with-drawn without pre-judice to the Revenue, which your Honor &c. have thought proper to approve. The orders We have from first to last received on this Subject, have been clear and simple, had they not been involved in obscurity by the latitude taken by Colonel Brathwaite in construing them. We trust however that We shall not have occasion to trouble you with similar references, in future, and that Colonel Brathwaite will be induced

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to act with that harmony which your honor &c.a recommends, and which it has been our Constant wish to have seen established.

We have the honor to be

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

Masulipatam
3.rd March 1790

(signed) { Anth.o Sadleir
W.m Dobbyn
Sam.l Statham

Read the following Letter from the Military Board

To the Honble. Major General William Medows
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Military Board — with their opinion of the proper Articles of Provisions necessary to be laid up in the different Garrisons in the Ceast of Cor.

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of M.r Secretary Chamier's Letter of the 2.nd Instant; also another of this days date.

Having examined the several Estimates referred to our Consideration, We beg leave to submit our Opinion, that the Provision necessary to be laid up in every Garrison, should be confined to the absolute Necessaries of Life: Viz.t, Rice, Ghee, Salt, Firewood, and Arrack, with perhaps, in some of the principal Garrisons, a small quantity of Salt Provisions for Europeans — But all other Articles, inserted in these Estimates, We conceive may easily be procured in most of the considerable Towns, and at least might be obtained from the Inhabitants of the adjacent Villages, before the Enemy can surround the place and cut off the Communication from the Country. — Moreover that the original Expence of providing so many Articles, with the Waste

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and Breakage, will involve the Company in a very heavy & unnecessary Expence. We therefore, take the liberty to recommend that the abovementioned Articles, and those only, be purchased and laid up in Store at the respective Garrisons; And that the Commanding Officers be directed to report to Your Honble Board the State of the public Bazars at each Station, together with the usual Monthly supply, and the probable Supplies of Oil Batta Rice &c., mentioned in the several Estimates, which may be obtained from the adjacent Country in times of Emergency.

Amongst these Estimates of Provisions, We observe, there are some proposed for Garrisons of no strength — But, We are of opinion that little or no Expence should be incurred on account of Provisions for places not capable of Defence, excepting when they occasionally serve as temporary Deposites in a line of Posts.—

It has likewise occurred to us to suggest, whether it will not prevent confusion in the public Accounts, if the Commissary of Supply and the Subordinate Officers of his Department, are desired to Establish one general Weight and measure, both for their Receipts & Issues; as also to send in to this Board Regular Returns in the form prescribed in the Book of Regulations for the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — And, in order to an Examination into the State of the Company's Provisions, lodged in the different Garrisons, We further take the Liberty to request your Honor in Council will be pleased to order a General Return of Grain & Provisions at present in the different Garrisons, and agreeable to the above forms, to be laid before the Military Board as soon as Convenient.

We

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

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Signed
" J. Cupper
" Patrick Ross
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" Ja.s Campbell
" I Moorhouse

Government entirely approve the different Recommendations of the Military Board, & it is accordingly Agreed, that the necessary Orders be issued. The small Articles of Provisions for the Garrisons need not however for the present be laid up in Store.

Read the following Letter from the Secretary at Fort William.

To John Chamier Esq.r
Secretary at Fort S.t George

Sir

From the Bengal Secretary with Bill of lading of 750 Barrels of Gunpowder taken on the Sloop Juno: & Copy of Instructions to the Commander of the Sloop, to be returned as soon as possible.

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Bill of lading of 750 Barrels of Gunpowder, shipped on Board the Company's Sloop Juno, for the supply of the Madras Government.

A Copy of the Instructions which have been given to Mr. John Jones, in charge of the Juno, is herewith transmitted.

You will be pleased to acquaint the Governor in Council, that it is the wish of his Lordship in Council, that

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that the Sloop should be sent back, as soon as the powder has been delivered, unless any particular Emergency should require the Board at Madras to detain her.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient humble Servant
signed J. Fombelle
Sub Jury

Fort William
10th. February 1790

To. W. John Jones

The Governor General in Council having thought proper to appoint you to the Command of the Honble Company's Sloop Juno proceeding to the Coast with Seven hundred and fifty Barrels of the Honble Company's Powder, You are to make the best of your way to Fort St. George, and having delivered your Dispatches to the Government at that Presidency, you will land the powder under their orders, or otherwise act as the Governor in Council shall direct

In order that due Decorum may be preserved on board the Vessel under your Command during the present Trip, and in order to prevent Disputes, I think it necessary to lay down the following Rules for your Guidance, that such disputes may be wholly avoided.

First - As Commander of the Juno, you are to be obeyed, and your Orders attended to by the Crew with all reasonable precision and exactness.

Secondly - You are to advise with the first and second Officers in all cases that respect the People's Provisions, allowance of Water &c. &c. in whatever alterations are made or proposed, so that every thing may be done on Board with Unanimity & good order.

Thirdly

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Thirdly ... Incase of gross Misbehaviour in any one of your Crew, you are to take the same Steps as are mentioned in the preceding Articles, and with propriety of manner, Consult apart with your two Officers as to the proper Steps to be taken, as they will assist you with their Opinion, and otherwise recommend what is necessary. In small matters of Misbehaviour, they are to be equally ready to repair the difference by their wholesome advice, & peaceable Interference between the Parties, and not to widen the Breach. Should an Officer forget himself so far as to Misbehave extremely, he is to be suspended by order of the Commander, who alone is responsible in this case, and another Officer is to be appointed by the Captain and remaining Mate. The Officers are to assist the Captain as far as they can in all reasonable Cases, as Emergencies may require.

Fourthly ... No Combinations or Consultations are to be formed between the Officers and Ship's Company, on the score that they belong to this Service or that Service.

Fifthly ... You are to give particular orders Respecting the Fire and Lights on Board, for as she is Powder-loaded, the Officers and Crew must be as careful as possible, lest Accident should happen: On this account, you are not to suffer any Fire to be in the Hold between Sunset and Sunrise.

A Copy of this part of your Instructions is given to the first & Second Officers, to be Communicated by them to the Europeans belonging to her, that all may have a knowledge of it.

Having landed the Powder agreeable to the orders of the Governor in Council at Fort S. George, you will request his permission to return to Bengal, and having received it

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it, you will proceed forthwith for this Presidency, observing the same Instructions during the Passage back, that have been laid down for Your Guidance in the Passage to the Coast.

I am, Sir, your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) C. Thornhill
Master Attendant

Marine-Office
9th February 1790

A true Copy (signed) J. Tombs
Sub Secretary

The Guns to be returned immediately

Ordered that the Company's Hoop Guns be dispatched to Bengal, as soon as the Gunpowder be landed.

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores (with Enclosure entered in M.B. No. 55.)

To the Honble Major General William Medows
Governor &c. Council
Fort S. George

From the Committee of Stores - Lists of Stores received

Honble Sir and Sirs

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Chamier's letter of the 28th. ultimo

Approved. Enclosed We transmit you Copy of a List of Stores received from the Military Storekeeper last Month, Musters of which We examined and approved.

Approved We received from the Gun Carriage Contractor six 6 Pounder field Carriages with Limbers - four 3 Pounder field Carriages with Tools - 25 Cart Carts - 50 Platform Carts, & 500 double Yokes; which We examined, & finding them well made, We ordered them to be received on the Company's Books.

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

Signed J. Capper
Fr. Sind
Patrick Ross
Thomas Giles
J. Moorhouse

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Read the following Letter from Messrs. Garrow Webb & Landon

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

From the Committee for investigating the Debts of His Highness the Nabob stating, that no answer has been received from His Highness's Agent regarding the unconsolidated Claims already referred - & enclosing a list thereof

We have the honor to enclose a particular Statement of Claims on the Nabob, that have been referred to his Highness, and to which he has not hitherto replied.

The last application for his sentiments on the subject of these Claims, was made by the Committee through the Channel of Mr. Binny his Highness's Agent, so far back as the 23rd. December 1788 - his continued silence on the subject affords reasonable cause to presume that, as they have been in his possession for some Years, he means to take no further Notice of them through the medium of his Agent.

The frequent applications that formerly were made to the Committee by the different Individuals interested, made it necessary for us to address the Honble the President in Council - In reply We were informed on the 15th. October 1788, and again on the 7th. March 1789 - that application would be made to the Nabob himself, to require his final sentiments on the subject of the Claims before him

The Committee with submission beg leave to represent the above to your Honor in Council, as, from the total disregard that has attended their repeated solicitations to have these Claims returned, they apprehend the Nabob will take no further notice of them, unless Government will be pleased to address his Highness on the subject.

We have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. signed { Edward Garrow
William Webb
James Landon

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A List of Claims referred to the Nabob through his Agents — which are not yet returned.

When referred		
1786 January 21.	An Account Current delivered in by Captain Bowles, stating a Balance due to him for Pay and Batta	1172.23.44
October 27.	A Peruvanna granted to Mr. Gardiner for Pay	2520.10.40
December 5th.	An account Current delivered in by Ensign Fenwick, stating a Balance due for Pay	223.26.16
23	Two Bonds granted to Captain Buggin, delivered in by Messrs. Leathom & Co. with an account Current stating a Balance due of	3555.27.—
30th	An Account Current delivered in by Mr. Apothecary Casimiroe, stating a Balance due for House-Rent of	1518.27.—
	A Bond granted to Mr. Brodie, delivered in by Messrs. Spalding & Tulloh with an Account Current stating a Balance due upon it of	670.41.4
	An Account Current with the late Revd. Mr. Bainbrigge, delivered in by Mr. Caspin, stating a Balance due on a Bond of	35,551.16.44
	An Account Current with Lieutenant Dean, delivered in by Mr. Tulloh, stating a Balance due for Pay and Batta of	10,995.14.—
	Sundry Vouchers for a Balance due to the late Colonel Brown, for Money lent	262.21.—
	An Account Current delivered in by Mr. Menzies, stating a Balance due of	3757.8.60
1787 February 9th.	A Bond to Lieutenant James Graham, delivered in by Mr. James Wooley	89,566.—
	A Bond to Mr. J. Dott, delivered in by Doctor Bilman	10000.—
	An Account Current with Lieutenant Latulippe Debtor to the Estate of Major Galway, delivered in by Mr. DeRuy	5,839.—
	An Account Current with Ditto — Ditto — Ditto — Ditto — Ditto	723.2.12
	An Account Pay &c. due to Major Galway	1778.35.40
	An Account of Arrears of Pay due to Major Galway	3,287.4.45
	A Bond and Account Current to Doctor Wm. Duffin	11,673.27.32
	An Account Current delivered in by Captain Hobbs	2700.—
	An Account with Captain Gibbings, delivered in by Messrs. Wm. Balfour & Tulloh	21,778.22.72
	An Account Current with Messrs. Thomas Penney, & J. Douglas, delivered in by Messrs. Porcher & Bromley	56,166.29.24
	An Account Current with Lieutenant Joseph Couffmann, delivered in by Mr. Kingsote for Captain Hammond	24,660.17.27
	An Account of Pay & Batta delivered in by Ditto — Ditto — Ditto	645.13.10
	Ditto to Captain Hammond, delivered in by Mr. Kingsote	229.4.16
	A Bond to Sir Robert Barker, delivered in by Mr. Henry Price	695.8.32
		2,503.16.62
		6000.—
	Carried forward	3,02,832.—.50

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Brought forward ——— Pagodas 302,832.— 50

1787
February 9th A Letter from Mr James Wooley, dated 30th December 1786, claiming a Balance of Interest Money ——— 25,165. 8—

March 25th A Claim preferred by Mr. Crawford, on behalf of Mrs Grant Widow, for ——— 3,500—

September 16th An Account of arrears of Pay claimed by Lieutenant Freeman ——— 1786.40.48

An Account of Salary due to the late Mr. Bromley, claimed by his Widow Mrs. Bromley 23,253 14—

November 24 Bills for Pay & Batta claimed by Lieutenant Jarvis, delivered in by Captain Abre ——— 503. 5.48

December 31st A Claim preferred by Major F. Johnson in the Nabob's Service, on account of the Estate of the late Lieutenant Leech, formerly Paymaster to the Nabob's 3rd Regiment of Cavalry - for ——— 6316.32.1

1788 -
January 15th Mr James Anderson claims the amount of a Bond with Interest ——— 4529.20.16

February 16 Mrs Bromley claims the amount of a Certificate to her Brother Captain John Stuart, for arrears of Pay with Interest ——— 4,600—

March 22nd A Bond to Mr. John Stuart dated 2nd March 1785, with Interest ——— 30,000—

July - 15th An Account of the Estate of the late Mr. George Burrowes Clark, delivered in by Mr. James West ——— 1612—

December 23rd An Account of arrears due to Lieutenant Alexander Mac Donald, delivered in by Mr. Tulloh ——— 594.36.32

An Account Pay, Batta & Stationary, due to Cornet Callander, delivered in by Mr. Tulloh ——— 313.31.55

An Account Arrears due to Cornet & Adjutant Livingston Callander, delivered in by Mr. Tulloh ——— 313.31.55

1789
February 24th An Account of arrears due to the late Captain Pickarts, delivered in by his Executor the Reverend Mr. Swartz - on Account of two Children of Captain Pickarts? ——— to be summoned

October 13th A Certificate of Prize Money due to the late Mr. Cummings - delivered in by Lieutenant Kenny ——— to be summoned

An Obligation to Mr. Bird, referred to the Nabob, by order from England for 50000 Arcots

a Bond to p Mr. Willis) for ——— Pagodas 30000—

Pagodas 435,149.31.65

(signed) C. Landon for the Committee

Agreed that the President be requested to address the Nabob on the subject of the foregoing, desiring to give his Instructions to his Agent, relative to the Claims upon which a decision has not yet been transmitted on the part of His Highness.

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Deputy Accountant.

M.r John Chamier

Military Secretary

Sir

From the Deputy accountant - stating the cause of the difference between the Military Paymasters account & the account delivered in by the Accountant of the amount issued to the King's Paymaster since the 1st. May 1789.

I am honored with your Letter of the 3d. Instant, desiring me to explain the cause of a difference between the Military Paymaster's account, and the account delivered by me on the 23d. Ultimo, of the amount issued to the King's Paymaster since the 1st. May 1789. The Sum stated by me is taken from an official Paper furnished by M.r Mitford Deputy King's Paymaster, and is the amount actually issued to him from 1st May 1789 to 24th. February 1790 - By an Account in the Military Paymasters Office, I find a Statement of the Sums which compose the amount mentioned in your Letter, of ~~£~~ Pagodas 474,023. 7. 27 -, wherein are included three Sums, amounting to 51,500 Pagodas, issued to the King's Paymaster in the Month of April previous to the Commencement of the Account delivered by me, being from 1st. May 1789 - This I believe will sufficiently explain the cause of the difference, and with the addition of the Sum of 4,440 Pagodas issued for the purchase of Horses for the 19th. Regiment, will make Our Account agree exactly as to the Sum actually issued from 1st. May 1789. The Sums issued in the Month of April might be an account of Subsistence for the Month of May but they were inserted in our Statements for the preceding Year from 1st. May 1788, to 30th. April 1789, and the Amount accordingly drawn for by Bills on the Right Honble the Governor General in Council.

I am, Sir, Your most obedient humble Servant

Accountant Generals Office
5th. March 1790

Signed / Robert Woog
by Accountant

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Cash advanced to the Kings Paymaster from 1st April 1788, to 31st August 1789

from the Treasury.

1788					
April	22d	To	Cash advanced (the payments being made from 25th April)	50,000	- -
June	6th	To	Ditto Ditto	4397.41.66	
	24th	To	Ditto Ditto	38,032. 3. 60	42,430. 3. 26
July	6th	To	Ditto Ditto	25000 -	
	16th	To	Ditto Ditto	2000 - -	27,000 - -
Augt.	6th	To	Ditto Ditto	1000 - -	
	25th	To	Ditto Ditto	50,000 - -	
	30th	To	Ditto Ditto	10,000 - -	61000 - -
Septemr.	1st	To	Ditto Ditto		6,000 - -
October	25th	To	Ditto Ditto	2500 - -	
	"	To	Ditto Ditto	50000 - -	
	27	To	Ditto Ditto	40330 - -	93,030 - -
December	15th	To	Ditto Ditto	33500 - -	
	"	To	Ditto Ditto	33,268.30.19	
	23d	To	Ditto Ditto	50,000 - -	
	31st	To	Ditto Ditto	28,000 - -	144,768.30.19
1789					
February	26th	To	Ditto Ditto	31774. 4.10	
	"	To	Ditto Ditto	18225.37.70	50000 - -
March	18th	To	Ditto Ditto		12057 - -
					436,285 - -
April	25th	To	Ditto Ditto	1500 - -	
	27th	To	Ditto Ditto	21607.10.50	
	"	To	Ditto Ditto	28392.31.30	51500 - -
May	15th	To	Ditto Ditto		23,656. 3. 50
June	25th	To	Ditto Ditto	27,734.24.34	
	"	To	Ditto Ditto	22,454.11.55	
	28th	To	Ditto Ditto	19811. 5.71	70,000 - -
July	8th	To	Ditto Ditto	20164.36.9	
	15th	To	Ditto Ditto	1687. 3.40	
	"	To	Ditto Ditto	363.25.9	22,195.22.58
August	26th	To	Ditto Ditto	21802.32.36	
	"	To	Ditto Ditto	20,232.32.16	
	"	To	Ditto Ditto	10,000 - -	
	"	To	Ditto Ditto	7964.19.28	60,000 - -
				Pagodas	2,27,351.26.28

Errors Excepted

From 21st April, as above	227,351.26.28
Paid this day (29th August)	10,000 - -
	237,351.26.28
From April 88 to April 89	486,285.33.43
Pagodas	7,23,637.17.71

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Copy

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Copy of a letter from Mr. Woolf

The amount issued to the Kings Paymaster, from
1st. May 1788, to 30th. April 1789, was Pagodas 487,785.37.53 We
have drawn during that period 346,040.18.55 The Balance
to be drawn for Pagodas 141,745.18.78 But if the amount
received from Bengal in Bullion, Pagodas 91,544.34.74 be
deducted from this, there will remain on 30th April, to be
drawn for Pag.s 50,200.20.16

Fort 15th. May 1789.

(signd) Robert Woolf

Copy of a Letter from Mr. J. Garrow

Agreeably to your desire, I send you an Account
of the Advances to the Kings Paymaster, with the dates
when advanced. The first payment was made in April, but
is for the payment of two Months, commencing the 24th
of that Month, & is of course a part of the advance for the
Year from 1st. May 1788, to May 89. 90

Office - 29th. August 1789.

(signed) Joseph Garrow

Mr Holland's remarks on the foregoing -

Mr. Holland begs reference to the above
Copy of an Account of Advances for the year 1788/89, extended
in part of the Current year 1789/90 - received from the Military
Pay-Office; together with Copies of Notes from the Deputy
accountant & Deputy Military Paymaster, being Official
Communication from which he of course conceived that all
the advances from 24th April was for the Current year 1789/90,
for which Bills were to be drawn on Bengal, conformable to
the Estimate of that Year.

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(signed) Edward Jno. Holland

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Read the following Letters from the Chief Engineer

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Commander in Chief & Governor in Council

Fort S.t George

Honble Sir

From the Chief Engineer — on the subject of the Repairs to the Fort of Angola

I have attentively considered the Extract you favored me with from Captain Dunwoody's letter, respecting Angola.

The Batteries he proposes will no doubt add to it's Security against any hostile incursion; but the place is not defensible against Cannon of any Consequence. the Bastions of the Fort being too small to admit Guns being wrought on them to advantage, and the Curtains so narrow as not to allow of a Communication between the Bastions; at the same time, that the whole is overlooked by a Hill within about Seven hundred Yards.

This Garrison has never been considered in any of the Military arrangements as a place from whence Defence was to be expected. The two 24 Pounders mentioned, make part of the Statement for Innacondah, and have been recommended to be sent thither.

I have the honor to be

Honble Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

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(signed) Patrick Ross

Lieutenant Colonel & Chief Engineer

To

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To the Honble Major General William Medows

Commander in Chief & Govenor in Council

Fort S. George

Honorable Sir

From the Chief Engineer respecting Repairs wanting at Tiagar

I have attentively considered the Extract you favored me with from the Storekeeper's Letter at Tiagar, & the Estimates that accompanied it, and concur with him in the expediency of Repairing the Buildings on the Rock; But I cannot, from the Estimates, form any Judgement of the Buildings he intends, no Dimension whatever being expressed. All I learn is, that they are proposed with Tiled Roofs, a Style of Building by no means adapted to that exposed situation; I would therefore recommend that all the Buildings to be made on the Hill should be covered with light arched Roofs, as a security against Fire & other Accidents.

The price of most of the Materials agrees with those I established there. But the number of People required in proportion to the quantity of Materials that are to be used, considerably exceeds those I had occasion to employ.

The most expeditious manner of accomplishing the wishes of Government is, by directing Mr. Balfour, who has superintended all the Buildings hitherto carried on there, to proceed thither with the People he formerly employed, they being well acquainted with the Customs of the Country, & in the habit of providing what is wanted for Building;

The greatest part of the Stores requisite for conducting the Work, and a considerable Quantity of Bricks

which

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with respect to the Native Cavalry, that half that number will suffice, as there is no reason why they should be on a different footing from a Corps of Native Infantry.

Approved

The number of Doolies for the Artillery, mentioned in the Regulations, is evidently a typographical Mistake, as, at the rate of 10 for 100 Men, it ought to be 37 instead of 45 — for the same reasons as are above stated for reducing the Number of Doolies to other Corps. We are of opinion that, the number may be reduced in the same proportion, & consequently 6 for 100 Men be sufficient for that Corps.

Approved

The regulations have not fixed any number for the Sepoy-Corps — But We are of opinion there should be at least 3 allowed to two Battalions for the use of the European Sergeants. The Sepoys & other Natives when sick, are carried by their Friends & Comrades; and however much it may be desired to accommodate them with Doolies, it cannot possibly be done without augmenting the public Followers beyond what can be borne without intolerable Expence, & even great Embarassment to the Service.

Approved

In respect of the Waggons mentioned in the former part of this Address, the Commissary General of Stores has reported to us, that he is preparing a Cart for transporting the Sick, which he hopes will be ready for our Examination in the course of a few days.

Lieutenant Colonel Gil having been prevented from a personal Attendance at our Meeting this day, he has addressed us a Letter on the

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the subject of Doolies, a Copy of which We take leave to enclose.

We are very respectfully

Honorable Sir

Your very faithful Servants

Signed { J. Capper, Patrick Ross, Henry Malcolm, J. Moorhouse }

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Resolved that the Reduction of Doolies, as recommended by the Military Board, be published in General Orders; & that it be also notified to the Civil Paymaster General.

Minute thereon

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

To John Chamier Esq.r
Secretary to the Military Department

Sir

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions - respecting the Old Grain at Ongole & Tsmeriottah

I have the honor to acknowledge your Letter of the 6th. Instant, on the subject of the Exchange of Grain to take place at Ongole & Tsmeriottah.

To avoid the delay which must arise in fixing the value of the Grain now in Store in those Garrisons, so as to meet the Wishes of His Highness the Nabob's Managers, I would recommend that the Storekeeper should be directed to sell it off on Account of the Company, by whom it was laid up; and to receive from the Nabob the New Grain as a part Store, subject to the same Arrangement as the Stores laid in by him at

other

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other Garrisons.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

Madras 7.th March 1790

signed Tho.s Cockburn

Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

Minute thereon

The Board approve the recommendation of Mr. Cockburn respecting the Old Grain at Ongole & Temmiattah; & it is accordingly agreed, that if be sold off.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Travancore.

To the Honble Edward John Hollond Esq.r

Governor in Council

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From the Resident at Travancore. States the situation of the Rajahs Possessions — The Enemy's Encampment seen from the Lines

Honble Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Chamier's letter of the 18.th Instant.

In reply I have to inform you that almost the whole of the Possessions belonging to the Rajah of Travancore are situated within the Lines that intersect the Island of Vypeen — This Island runs along the Coast almost North & South — at the Northern Extremity of it, Jacottah is situated. A broad River, which runs into the Sea, seperates it from Country belonging to Tippoo Sultaun. At the Southern Boundary the Cochin River disembogues into the Sea, upon the opposite bank of which the Fort of Cochin is erected — From which, both to the South and East, there is a Tract of Country of 20 Miles in Circumference belonging to the Cochin Rajah, but intermixed with Villages belonging to the Travancore Rajah. The Travancore Possessions then

Commence,

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commence again, and extend without interruption to Cape Comorin. and the Aramally Gate in the Tinnevelly Country. By this Account, which is as accurate as I possibly can obtain, you will observe that there is Territory belonging to the Cochin Rajah in the Heart of the Travancore Country; and that the whole of the Possessions of the Rajah of Travancore, excepting Jaettah, lie within the Lines that intersect the Island of Vipeen, as do also a great part of the Cochin Country.

Since I had the honor of addressing you last, nothing material worthy your notice has occurred. An Encampment of the Enemy is now seen from the Lines near the Hills, nearly opposite to the place where the attack on the 29th December was made.

I have the honor to be
Honorable Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
signed George Powney
President

Parrur - 28th February 1790

Read the following Letter from the Nabob
(entered also in C.C. No. 53.)

From the Nabob Wallaujah
to the Honble Major General William Medows
Governor of Madras.

Dated 21st Jemad ul sanee 1204. or 8th March 1790.
Received 9th March 1790

From the Nabob - Enclosing an Indent of Stores wanted for the Ship Success Galley, which he requests may be supplied by the Company

The Stores mentioned in the Enclosed Indent being required for the use of my Ship the Success Galley, which

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which is going to Mecca. If you will be so kind as direct the Company's Storekeeper to deliver them to Captain Burns who Commands the Vessel, I shall consider myself obliged.

What can I write more?

Indent of Stores wanting for the Ship Success Galley belonging to His Highness the Nabob

4 Brass 6 Pounder Guns, with Carriages, Sponge staffs, Worms, Ladles, Priming-Wires, & Powder Horns - for each.
100 Six lb Shot
500 Musket Cartridges
6 Barrels Gun Powder
1 Powder Measures
1 Drum, & Six spare Heads
1 Fife

Madras 8th March 1790 - Robert Burns

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Nabob's Indent of Guns &c. for the use of his Ship the Success Galley, be complied with, & that the necessary orders be issued.

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board (with Enclosures entered in M.B. 4th 66. 56.)

From the Hospital Board with a Medical Arrangement for an Army in the Field - enclosing an Application from Mr. Smart of the Bombay Establishment, to be employed as Assistant, and a List of Medicines ordered in consequence of the Application of the Commander of the Bombay Troops.

Hospital Board 8th March 1790

In obedience to the orders of Government, the Hospital Board have the honor to lay before them a Medical Arrangement for an Army in the Field.

W. Lucas, Member of the Hospital Boards, having offered his Services to act as Surgeon

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Surgeon General to the Army, the Hospital Board conceiving it meritorious in him to come forwards at this Exigency, recommend he be appointed; with the following Staff. Viz.t

Approved

Mr. Morris Fitzgerald, Assistant Surgeon, Secretary; and Mr. Andrew Gonton, Assistant Surgeon, Medical Storekeeper.

Approved

——— Field arrangement ———

Doolies ——— The Number of Doolies being already arranged in General Orders, for every Corps according to its strength, it is unnecessary to remark on them, further than that, Waggons, agreeable to the Model in the Arsenal, should likewise be got ready without delay, as great difficulty is often experienced in procuring Bearers.

When a Surgeon has received his complement, he is to give in a Weekly Return of his Sick to the Surgeon-General, with the Number of Doolies and Bearers — They are to serve as Vouchers to the Paymaster, by whom only they are to be paid: this will prevent Fraud, and no more will be charged to Government than are actually employed. If the Surgeon is to be made responsible, he ought to have them entirely under his Direction, Subject only to the orders of the Surgeon-General, who may find it necessary, on particularly Exigencies, to distribute them where they may be most wanted.

Resolved that the whole of this Field Arrangement be referred to the Military Board, and that they be desired to report their Sentiments thereon

In a fixed Camp, a Field Hospital to be established where the Surgeon General may think most eligible, and where the Sick & Wounded are to be sent; except Slight Cases that the Regimental Surgeons think

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think unnecessary to send.

Every Man to be sent in his Cooley; which is to serve as a bett; and no Expence will be incurred for Hospital Cloathing, Cotts, &c.

Victualling —— The Commissary of Stores & Provisions to furnish each patient with his Ratio of Mutton, Rice, Salt &c. on an Indent by the prescribing Surgeon, or Surgeon General. But as none but the worst cases will be sent into the Field Hospital, and it will be necessary to procure Fowls, Chickens, Sago, Spices, Curry-Stuff, &c.; and which only the Surgeon can judge of, 3 fanams pr day for each man to be allowed for every Contingent Charge whatever.

No Charge to be made for Victualling Sepoys; but 2½ fanams pr day for Dressings &c attendance; and that in the Field Hospital only.

Wine and Spirits —— Madeira Wine to be allowed at the rate of 6 Dozen for every twenty Men pr mensem, substituting Port on particular occasions, when necessary.

No Spirits to be allowed but for external use, and at an average one Dozen of Brandy pr mensem for every Twenty Men.

Servants —— One Cooley to every Six Men; and an Extra Cooley to Fluxed & Wounded Patients, the same as in the General Hospitals, with the like proportions of Fomentations, Injection, and

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and Dressing Coolies, Tenties, Sweepers, &c. as have been established by the Hospital Boards; and likewise a similar Arrangement in the apothecary's Department.

A proportion for 100 Men to serve in readiness with the Field Hospital; a Cart with 12 Bullocks for the Medicine Chest, and 50 Coolies for the Conveyance of Wine, & Buzar Medicines.

Oil for Lamps - as served by the Barrack Master

Candles at the rate of One for every night for each Hospital Tent, or every twenty Men; and One for the Dispensary.

Buzar Medicines —

The Charges of Buzar Medicines, including Fire Wood, Milk, Bread & Flour for Poultices, Oil, Vinegar, Sugar-Candy, Bandage Cloth, Lint, Quick Silver, Opium, Nitre, Gum-arabic, Sprogle-Seeds, Limes, Aloes, Allum, Asafatida, Camphire, Liquorice-Root, Cinnamon, Nutmegs, Cloves, and whatever comes under the Head of Buzar Medicines, should not exceed, in any Case, more than 30/- Pagodas p month for every twenty Men.

Regimental Surgeons —

Regimental Surgeons, when they can send their Sick to the Field Hospital, will have less occasion for carrying or expending Medicines; But as there must always be a number of slight cases which require the attention of the Surgeon, it is supposed 60 Pagodas p month will be enough for

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for the purchase of every Bazar Medicine, Wine, Spirits, &c. as specified for the General Hospital. But, no Victualling Account to be allowed.

Eight Collies, with a Maistry, to be allowed Regimental Surgeons for the Conveyance of Europe Medicines, and Instruments; and 12, with a Maistry for Wine, Spirits & Bazar Medicines, for each of his Majesty's Regiments, supposing them 800 Strong; so in proportion to the Company's Regiments.

Assistant Surgeons to Native Corps —

Each Assistant Surgeon to be allowed 20 Pagodas a month in lieu of Wine, Spirits, and every contingent Charge for Bazar Medicines.

Mr Stuart should return to the Presidency to which he belongs —

Read a Letter from Mr. Robert Stuart, a Copy of which they have the honor to forward to Government.

They also have the honor to enclose an account of the Medicines &c. which were lost, thro' Inattention, by Captain Jeffries of the Snow Success.

The Hospital Board recommend Mr. George Baillie, Assistant Surgeon, be promoted to the Rank of Hospital Mate, vice Mr. Walker promoted

approved

signed

Jas. Anderson
Physician General

Colley L. Lucas
Chief Surgeon —

William Duffin
Head Surgeon

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Read Letters (entered in M.B. Nos 57. 58) from the Chief Engineer, & from Colonel Capper — The former enclosing his Wallanjaubaad Accounts — The latter, giving Cover to an Application from Captain Lieutenant Boudenell to be allowed full Pay from the time of his being Directed by the Court of Directors to return to his Station.

From the Chief Engineer

From Colonel Capper

Ordered that Colonel Ross's accounts be referred to the Comptroller General of army accounts; & that Colonel Capper be informed that Captain Boudenell's request is inadmissible.

Minute thereon

Ca. Geo. Stubbert Secy.

F. D. Ross

Edwd. Fr. Holland

James Taylor

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Diary

9.th Sent Letter to His Highness the Nabob (as entered in C.C. N.o 51) requesting that His Highness will give necessary orders to his Agent M.r Binny to enable him to reply to claims submitted to His Highness as far back as December 1788 — and to close the amount of Consolidated Claims; that the same may be transmitted to the Court of Directors. Enclosing a Statement of Claims upon which His Highness's Decision is necessary. Advising of having ordered the Officer at Pormacoil, to deliver up the Peon who committed the Murder to His Highness's Annildar. Orders have been issued to supply the Captain of the Sheys Galley with Guns &c.a agreeable to his Highness Letter of the 8.th Instant —

Substance of a letter to the Nabob

Substance of letter to the Rajah of Travancore

Sent a Letter to the Rajah of Travancore (as entered in C.C. N.o 55.) The Board are sorry to find that his Country is not in sufficient preparation for War. — Advising him to collect a Quantity of Grain; and to have a sufficient number of Boats on the River. Assurances of Friendship on the part of the Company.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters (as entered in C.C. N.os 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69)

To the Commandant at Travancore

To the Commandant at Travancore — Advising of the receipt of his Letter of the 27.th Ultimo — The Board will write to the Rajah recommending his attention to the Objects mentioned therein

To the Military Board

To the Military Board — Enclosing an Arrangement submitted to Government by the Hospital Board, and requesting their opinion thereon — The different recommendations contained in their Letters

of

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9.th of the 5.th and 8.th Instant, are Approved, Ordered to be carried into Execution.

To the Chief Engineer

To the Chief Engineer – Acknowledging the receipt of his Letters of the 4.th and 6.th Instant. The dimensions of the Buildings proposed to be repaired at Tiagar, and other necessary Information, will be furnished by M.r Andrews. – When received, to lay before Government an Estimate agreeable to the Suggestion in his Letter of the 4.th Instant.

To the Committee of Stores

To the Committee of Stores – Enclosing an Indent of Shot, Brass-Guns &.c for his Highness the Nabob: ordering the same to be delivered, and receipt taken. Approving the proceedings of the 2.nd Instant.

To Lieutenant Brunton Commanding at Permacoil

To the Commandant of Permacoil – To re-deliver the Poligar Peon, confined for Murder, to the Nabob's aumildar.

To the Civil Paymaster General

To the Civil Paymaster General – Enclosing Regulations from the Military Board; & ordering him to conform thereto in the future provision of Dooley Boys & Doolies for an army in the Field.

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions. – his recommendation of selling off the old Grain at Angole & Temericottah to be put into Execution. Enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Military Board in answer to his Letters of 19.th Ultimo and 3.d Instant: to conform to the Recommendations therein contained. The Provisions not to be laid in Store yet.

To the Paymaster and Storekeeper at Tiagar

To the Paymaster at Tiagar – To furnish the Chief Engineer with Dimensions of the Buildings proposed to be repaired in his Letter of 22.nd Ultimo.

To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts.

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9th To report upon an application from Lieutenant Colonel Floyd, for an Extra allowance for feeding Horses. To audit Bills sent in by the Chief Engineer for Work done at Wallanjanbaad.— Captain Brudenell's Claim, mentioned in his Letter of 8th Instant, cannot be admitted

To the Resident at Travancore — To the Resident at Travancore. Enclosing a Letter to be delivered immediately to the Rajah of Travancore: likewise Copy of the same for his Information.

To Masulipatam — To Masulipatam — Mr. Roger Darwall permitted to visit the Presidency.

10th Received the undermentioned Letters (as entered in Mil. Cons. 70. 71)

From the Military Paymaster General — From the Military Paymaster General — Requesting the Sanction of the Board in regard to the payment of 2 Pagodas p month to the Bamboo Coolies.

Minute thereon — Ordered to be referred to the Military Board.—

From Lieut Col Floyd — From Lieutenant Colonel Floyd — Requesting that the allowance of 2 Pagodas a Horse, (formerly Customary) for the Carriage of Grain in the Field, may be again granted, in addition to the 6 Pagodas for Subsistence.

Minute thereon — Referred to the Comptroller General of army Accounts.—

At a Consultation Present

The Honble Major General William Medows
Governor — President
Edward John Hollond
and
James Taylor
} Esqrs

Friday
12th March 1790

Minutes of last Consultation Read and

Approved.

Read

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Read the following Letters from Bengal

To the Honble John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council at Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From Bengal Troops sent to the Coast, and Eight Lacs of Rupees

In our Letter dated 26th of last month, We acquainted you that, should We hear of your having been forced into an absolute Rupture with Tippoo, you might depend upon our utmost support; and in that of the 27th, written immediately after our knowledge of the Hostilities actually committed by him, We informed you that We should dispatch to your Assistance the part of His Majesty's 76th Regiment then in Bengal, and a strong Detachment of Artillery, with a large proportion of Artillery Lascars.

The Detachment of His Majesty's 76th Regiment has proceeded to Madras on the Britannia, Captain Hardie, according to a Return sent to your Secretary on the 3rd Instant.

The Detachment of Artillery, consisting of our 2nd Battalion, with 12 Companies of Gun-Lascars, and 2 Sirdars, with 50 Magazine Men, are embarking on the Honble Company's Ships Houghton & Chesterfield, and the private Ship Lucknow, according to Lists and Returns which you will be furnished with from the Military Department.

We are now to acquaint you that We have formed a Detachment of six Battalions of Native Infantry to proceed by Land to the Southward, under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell, with a Proportion of Artillery & Lascars adequate to the Service of 6 Six Pounders, to be taken from the 2nd Battalion of Artillery, and from the 12 Companies of Lascars ordered

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ordered to Embark on the Company's Ships. You will receive hereafter a Copy of our Instructions to the Commanding Officer. A Part of the Detachment has already moved from Cantonments, and We expect that the whole will be ready to proceed by the End of this Month.

We request that orders may be sent to your Subor=dinates of Ganjam, Vizagapatam, & Masulipatam, to afford every assistance to the Detachment that it may stand in need of, in respect to Provisions &c.a upon passing those Places.

You will be supplied by the Houghton and Chesterfield, with a Remittance of eight Lacs of Rupees in Gold; and We shall take the best means that may offer for providing you with Funds, to the utmost of your Wants, which We request you will advise us of by as near an Estimate as you can form of them, allowing in it for such Sums as you think you may be able to procure by Drafts upon this Government.

We have the honor to be

Honble Sir

Your most obedient humble Servants

Fort William
17.th February 1790

. Cornwallis
signed . Chas. Stuart
. Peter Speke

To the Honble John Hollond Esq.r
Governor in Council
Fort S.t George

From Bengal Respecting Provisions & Pay to the Troops sent to the Coast - Enclosing Comparative Table of Pay & Batta; & Statement of Pay, Batta & allowances to the Bengal Establishment on full Batta

Honble Sir

You have been advised from the Political Department that a Department of Artillery in proceeding to Fort S.t George in the Houghton & Chesterfield Indiamen, and private

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private Ship Lucknow, consisting of our 2nd Battalion, 12 Companies of Gun Lascars, and 50 Magazine Men, excepting a small proportion of Artillery & Lascars adequate to the Service of 8 Six Pounders, intended to accompany the 6 Battalions of Native Infantry proceeding to the Southward under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell.

Mr. Chamier will receive from our Secretary a Return of the Troops embarked on each Ship, and an Invoice of Ordnance and Ordnance Stores dispatched in the two Indiamen to your Presidency.

The Detachment of Artillery proceeding by Sea to the Coast will be victualled during the Passage by the Commanders of the Ships in which they Embark, and after their arrival at Fort St. George, the Contractor for Victualling the Bengal Army is to furnish them with Provisions according to the terms of his Contract, a Copy of which We enclose; but the Cattle to be provided for the Detachment will be furnished by, and under the orders of your Presidency. Mr. Edward King, the Contractor's Agent, ~~is~~ proceeds to Madras on the Houghton.

The Allowance to be paid at Fort St. George, for the Diet and Passage Money of the Detachment embarked on the Houghton & Chesterfield is three and a half Rupees p Diem for each Officer, and 8 Annas p Diem for each private & Lascar.

We have agreed with the owner of the Lucknow that he shall be paid for the passage &c.a of the Officers and Lascars proceeding in his Vessel at the rates & according to the terms of the Regulations in force at Madras.

We are now to acquaint you with our Wishes

relative

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relative to the Pay of the Bengal Troops ordered to the Coast

It is clearly our opinion that, while any of the Troops of this Presidency continue to act independently of those of another Establishment, the Bengal rates of Pay and allowances should be the standard adhered to; but that from the time they join to begin to act in conjunction with the Troops belonging to your Establishment the rate of Pay to the Bengal Troops should be regulated by the rate of Pay to the Troops of Madras, unless they return again within our Dominions.

Upon this principle, the Pay and allowances of all descriptions of People attached to the 2nd. Battalion of Artillery, except the European Staff and Commissioned Officers, must be regulated by the Pay and allowances at your Presidency, from the date of the disembarkation of that Battalion at Fort St. George; and in order to introduce greater regularity in the Accounts, and facilitate as well as strengthen the Controul over them, We request that the Detachment of Artillery may be paid, and the Accounts of it audited by the proper Officers at Fort St. George, according to the Existing Regulations of your Establishment.

With respect to the European Staff & Commissioned Officers, the payments to them should be regulated by the Table of Pay, full Batta & allowances which We have the honor to enclose; observing that Gratuity, which is a part of the allowances of an Officer on full Batta, is not to be received by them, because the Extra-full Batta payable to them in Bengal precludes them from any right to receive Gratuity by the Regulations of this Establishment.

The Artillery Bills & Abstracts are to be drawn in Pagodas, & the Grand Totals converted into Current Rupees at a fixed rate of Exchange to be settled by your Government; but We request you will give the necessary orders that, instead of writing off these Amounts to the Military Charges of your Presidency, ours may be debited for the amount after the Charges have been Audited: care being taken to forward to us authenticated Statements thereof Monthly, with the Vouchers of the same in Duplicate, to enable our Accountant General to credit Fort St. George in the proper Sum, & include it in the Monthly Account of Advances

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Advances to the Military Department in Bengal

All Charges for the supply of Stores, for Repairs of Artillery Carriages, for Cattle, & for any other Contingent supplies for the use of the Bengal Artillery, are to be paid & controuled by the proper Officers at Fort St. George, and brought to Account in the same manner.

We request that the Hospital Charges for the Bengal Artillery may be regulated by the system in use at your Presidency, and that the amount of them may be brought to Account in the same manner, should it be found practicable and convenient to seperate & ascertain them. The Allowance which We have given to the Surgeon proceeding with the Detachment of Artillery, provides only for the care of the Sick until they arrive at Madras.

In case the Bengal Artillery and artillery Lascars should wish that any portion of their pay should be issued here for the support of their Families, so much of course is to be deducted from the Pay Abstracts by the Commanding Officers, who are to receive so much short of their amount; and the Paymaster who discharges them, must make up an account Monthly of the Sum short drawn for this purpose, which Account We desire may be transmitted to us, specifying from what Months abstracts the deductions are made.

We enclose a Copy of a Comparative Table, received from the late Sir Eyre Coote in the year 1782, of the Pay & Batta of certain Descriptions of People on the Bengal & Fort St. George Establishments, and request that you will be pleased to direct the proper Officer at Madras to prepare from the Statement referred to in the 9th Paragraph of this Letter a similar Comparative Table of the present Pay & Batta of the corresponding Classes on your Establishment with those of Bengal, shewing the differences between them at a fixed rate of Exchange to be settled by your directions. We are further to request that you transmit a Copy of this Statement to us, as soon as convenient after it has been laid before you.

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

Cornwallis
Chas. Stuart
Peter Speke

Fort St. George
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Pay and Batta of the Artificers and Coolies

	Full Batta p month	Pay p month	Total p month
Maistry Armourer	5 "	10 "	15 "
Mate ... Ditto	2 8	6 "	8 8
Armourer	2 "	5 "	7 "
Brass Man	2 "	5 "	7 "
Sickledar ... (Polisher)	2 "	5 8	10 "
Maistry Smith	3 "	7 "	10 "
Mate Ditto	2 8	6 8	9 "
Fireman	2 "	5 "	7 "
Fileman	2 "	5 "	7 "
Hammerman	2 "	3 "	5 "
Maistry Carpenter	6 "	10 "	16 "
Mate ... Ditto	3 "	7 8	10 8 "
Carpenter	2 "	5 "	7 "
Maistry Sail Maker	3 "	7 "	10 "
Mate ... Ditto	2 8	6 "	8 8
Sailmaker	2 "	5 "	7 "
Chuckler (Worker in Leather)	2 "	4 8	6 8
Maistry Wheelty	3 "	10 "	13 "
Mate ... Ditto	3 "	9 8	12 8 "
Bullock Ditto (Puckallie)	" "	" "	12 "
Hand ... Ditto	2 "	7 8	9 8
Sweeper	2 "	3 1	5 1 "
Mate Beldar	2 "	4 "	6 "
Beldar	2 "	3 "	5 "
Mate Coley	2 "	4 "	6 "
Cooley	2 "	3 "	5 "
Gurryman	2 "	4 "	6 "
Sirdar Sawyer	4 "	4 "	8 "
Workman Ditto	2 "	3 "	5 "
Hackery	" "	" "	30 "
Laboratorge Man	" "	10 "	10 "

(signed) John Murray

Military Auditor General

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A Table of the Pay and Full Batta of all Ranks of the Army under the Establishment of Bengal

	Pay p.r day	Pay p.r month	additional allowances p.r day	Gratuity p.r month	Full-Batta p.r day	Full Batta p.r month	Tentallowance p.r month	Contingent Allowance p.r month	Table-Allowance p.r day	Total of each for 31 days	Remarks
Infantry											
Colonel	10				26			145	40	2970	
Lieutenant Colonel	8				20		150		40	1058	
Major	6				15		120			771	
Captain	4			36	6		75	150		571	
Lieutenant	2		1	24	4		50			291	
Ensign	1	10	1	12	3		50			236	
Cadet		20			2					82	
Serjeant		16				10				26	
Corporal		11				10				21	
Drummer or Fife (Lascars)		11				10				21	
Private (ditto)		8				10				18	
Artillery											
Lieutenant Colonel	8				20			40		903	
Major	6				15					651	
Captain		160		36	6		60			422	
Lieutenant		70	1	24	4					269	
Lieutenant Fire Worker		60	1	12	3					146	
Cadet		20			2					82	
Serjeant		20				10				30	
Corporal		17				10				27	
Gunner		15				10				25	
Drummer or Fifer		15				10				25	
Matross		10				10				20	
Native Infantry											
Subidar		52				30				82	
Jemidar		13				15				28	
Havildar		9				10				19	
Naick		7				10				17	
Drummer or Fifer		6				10				16	
Private		5.8				3				8.8	
Serang		11				5				16	
First Tindal		7.8				4				11.8	
Second Tindal		5.8				4				9.8	
Lascar		4.12				2				6.12	
Commissary of Ordnance		324			6					534	
Deputy Commissary of Ordnance		62			4			150		276	
Conductor of Ordnance		50			2			70		112	

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A Table of Staff Allowances - over and above the Pay and Full-Batta of the Officers Ranks.

	Staff Allowance
Surgeon	
Assistant Surgeon	
Brigade Major	294 " "
Aid-de-Camp to Colonels	204 " "
Adjutant & Quarter Master to a Brigade	187 " "
Adjutant to an European Battalion	167 " "
Quarter Master to an European Battalion	157 " "
Adjutant to a Battalion of Native Infantry	102 " "
Serjeant Major	20 " "
Quarter Master Serjeant	14 " "
Drill Serjeant	14 " "
Pay Serjeant	7 " "
Drill Corporal	7 " "
Drum & Fife Major	5 " "
Drill Havildar	5 " "
Drill Naick	2 8 "
Sircar Pay 10 " " Full Batta 10 " " p month	Total 20 " "
Black Doctor Pay 10 " " Full Batta 10 " " p month	Total 20 " "

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Checked by (signed) James Lockart. A true Copy

(signed) J. Tombelle Sub Secretary

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Comparative Table of the Pay and Batta of certain Descriptions of Persons belonging to the Bengal and Fort St. George Establishments received from Sir Eyre Coote in 1782

		Madras Establishment			Bengal Establishment			
		Pay pr month in Pagodas	Batta pr month in Pagodas	Total in Sicca Rupees	Pay pr month in S. Rupees	Batta pr month S. Rupees	Total Servants Pay	Difference
		A. f. c	A. f. c	A. A. P.	A. A. P.	A. A. P.	A. A. P.	A. A. P.
Artificers and Coolies								
Smith	Maistry	4 22 .	2 . .	23 12 .	10 . .	5 . .	15 . .	8 12 .
	Mate (or 2nd)	2 17 .	1 20 .	14 . .	7 . .	3 . .	10 . .	4 . .
	Fireman	2 13 .	1 15 .	12 8 .	6 . .	2 . .	7 . .	5 8 .
	Fileman	2 13 .	1 15 .	12 8 .	6 . .	2 . .	7 . .	5 8 .
	Hammerman	2 13 .	1 15 .	12 8 .	3 . .	2 . .	5 . .	7 8 .
Carpenter	Maistry	4 22 .	2 . .	23 12 .	10 . .	6 . .	16 . .	7 12 .
	Mate (or 2nd)	2 2 20	1 20 .	12 8 .	7 8 .	3 . .	10 8 .	2 . .
	Turners	2 2 20	1 20 .	12 8 .	6 8 .	3 . .	9 8 .	3 . .
	Burmadans	2 2 20	1 20 .	12 8 .	6 8 .	3 . .	9 8 .	3 . .
	Carpenter	1 18 .	1 15 .	10 . .	5 . .	2 . .	7 . .	3 . .
Gun Stock Maker	Maistry	2 21 .	2 . .	16 4 .	8 . .	3 . .	11 . .	5 4 .
	Workmen	2 13 .	1 15 .	12 8 .	6 . .	2 . .	7 . .	5 8 .
Sawyers	Mate (or 2nd)	1 24 .	1 15 .	10 5 6	6 . .	3 . .	9 . .	1 5 6
	Workmen	. 37 60	1 15 .	7 7 8	4 . .	2 . .	6 . .	1 7 8
Painters	Mate (or 2nd)	2 21 .	2 . .	16 4 .	4 12 .	3 . .	7 12 .	8 8 .
	Workmen	2 13 .	1 15 .	12 8 .	4 4 .	2 . .	6 4 .	6 4 .
*	Workmen	4 22 .	2 . .	23 12 .	7 . .	4 . .	11 . .	12 12 .
Armourers	Maistry	3 37 .	1 20 .	19 9 .	5 . .	2 . .	7 . .	12 9 .
	Workmen	4 22 .	2 . .	23 12 .	6 . .	3 . .	9 . .	14 12 .
Brass-allen	Mate (or 2nd)	2 13 .	1 15 .	12 8 .	5 . .	2 . .	7 . .	5 8 .
	Workmen	2 21 .	2 . .	16 4 .	7 . .	3 . .	10 . .	6 4 .
Sickleguers	Maistry	2 13 .	1 15 .	12 8 .	5 8 .	2 . .	7 8 .	5 . .
	Workmen	2 21 .	2 . .	16 4 .	6 . .	3 . .	9 . .	7 4 .
Caulkers	Maistry	2 13 .	1 15 .	12 8 .	5 . .	2 . .	7 . .	5 8 .
	Workmen	1 15 .	. 30 .	7 8 .	4 . .	2 . .	6 . .	1 8 .
Bilders	Mate (or 2nd)	1 15 .	. 30 .	7 8 .	3 . .	2 . .	5 . .	2 8 .
	Bilders	1 15 .	. 30 .	7 8 .	4 . .	2 . .	6 . .	1 8 .
Coolies	Mate (or 2nd)	1 15 .	. 30 .	7 8 .	3 . .	2 . .	5 . .	2 8 .
	Coolies	1 15 .	. 30 .	7 8 .	8 . .	3 . .	11 . .	8 9 6
Beasties	Mate Bullock	3 38 32	1 18 .	19 9 6	8 . .	3 . .	11 . .	6 19
	Bullock	3 8 32	1 13 .	17 1 9	8 . .	3 . .	11 . .	22 .
	Hand	1 29 40	1 13 .	11 2 .	6 . .	3 . .	9 . .	2 . .
Sail Maker	Maistry	2 21 .	2 . .	16 4 .	7 . .	3 . .	10 . .	6 4 .
	Mate	2 17 .	1 20 .	14 . .	6 . .	2 8 .	8 8 .	5 8 .
	Sail maker	2 13 .	1 15 .	12 8 .	5 . .	2 . .	7 . .	5 8 .
* Coastlers	Mate (or 2nd)	2 21 .	2 . .	16 4 .	5 . .	3 . .	8 . .	8 4 .
	Workmen	2 13 .	1 15 .	12 8 .	4 . .	2 . .	6 . .	6 8 .

Comparative Table &c. &c. Carried forward

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Comparative Table — Brought forward —

Non Commissioned and Private Europeans —	Madras Establishment pay each p Month		Bengal Establishment Pay each p Month		Difference Each p Month		Madras Establishment Batta p Month		Bengal Establishment Batta p Month		Difference Each p Month	
	P.	Fs	Rs	As	Rs	As	Rs	As	Rs	As	Rs	As
Artillery												
1 Serjeant	6	28	10	20	1	10	6	22	3	20	2	3
1 Corporal	5	23	1	17		12	5	18	4	17	1	8
1 Drummer, 1 Fifer, 1 Gunner — each			15						15			
1 Matross	3		10	5	10			10	5	3	11	9
Infantry												
1 Serjeant	5		3	12	1	6	5		3	8	1	8
1 Corporal												
1 Drummer, 1 Fifer — each	3	14	1	13	5	11	3	13	5	3	1	5
1 Private	2	21	8	14	8			14	2	21	9	4

Difference of Pay p Month

Madras Establishment — Batta p Month — Bengal Establishment — Batta p Month — Difference of Batta p Month

Artillery Lascars

	Pay p Month	Batta p Month	Pay p Month	Batta p Month	Difference of Pay p Month	Difference of Batta p Month
	Rs.	Fs	Rs	As	Rs	As
1 Serang Commandant	14	26	5	4	9	22
1 Serang	6	26	4	8	2	18
1 Lascar	1	34	1	15		19

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To John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir

From Bengal - with a Return of Troops Embarked on the Chesterfield & Houghton

I am instructed to forward to you the accompanying Copy of a Return of the Division of the 2nd. Battalion of Artillery, Followers, &c. embarked on board the Honble Company's Ships Chesterfield & Houghton for Madras.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

signed J. Sombelle Sub Secry

Fort William
6th. February 1790.

A Return of the Division of the 2nd Battalion of Artillery, Officers Servants, Followers, &c. to Embark on board the Chesterfield Indiaman

Fort William 16th Feby. 1790

1 Major		1
1 Quartermaster		1
1 Assistant Surgeon		1
2 Captains		2
9 Subalterns		9
166 Non Commissioned Officers and Rank & File		166
4 Companies of Lascars Compleat		224
½ the Quartermaster's Establishment		36
½ the Magazine Establishment		26
Followers and Servants		
Major	Servants	4
Quarter Master	Ditto	2
Assistant Surgeon	Ditto	2
2 Captains 2 Servants each	Ditto	4
9 Subalterns 1 Ditto each	Ditto	9
2 Companies ½ a 8 followers each Compy.	Followers	18
Total		505

A true Copy

signed J. Sombelle Sub Secry

A Return of the Division of the 2nd. Battalion of Artillery, Officers Servants, Followers &c. to Embark on Board the Houghton Indiaman

Fort William 16th Feby 1790

1 Lieutenant Colonel		1
1 Adjutant		1
1 Surgeon		1
2 Captains		2
9 Subalterns		9
167 Non commissioned Officers, and Rank & File		167
4 Companies of Lascars Complete		224
½ the Quarter Master's Establishment		36
½ the Magazine Establishment		26
Followers and Servants		
Lieutenant Colonel	Servants	4
Adjutant	Ditto	2
Surgeon	Ditto	2
2 Captains 2 Servants each	Ditto	4
9 Subalterns 1 Ditto each	Ditto	9
2 Companies ½ a 8 Followers to each Company	Followers	18
Total		506

A true Copy

(signed) J. Sombelle Sub Secry

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To John Chamier Esq.r

Secretary at Fort S.t George

Sir

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Copy of a List of Ordnance, Ordnance Stores &c.a Shipped on board the Honble Company's Ships Houghton & Chesterfield for the Madras Presidency.

I have the honor to be

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

(signed) J. Tombelle Jun.r Secry.

Fort William
18.th February 1790

From Bengal with Invoice of Ordnance Ordnance Stores &c.a shipped on Board the Houghton & Chesterfield for Madras —

Invoice of Ordnance, Ordnance Stores &c.a dispatched for Fort S.t George, on board the Honble Company's Ships Houghton and Chesterfield — Fort William 16.th Feby 1790.

					per Houghton	per Chesterfield	Total amt
Aprons	Lead				6	6	12
Caps	Canvas for Spunges				12	12	24
Carriages	Field Guns and Limbers		6 Pounder		9	9	18
Carts	artificers		ditto		1	1	2
Chains	draft				1	1	2
"	"		12 Pounder		29	29	58
Drag Ropes	Gun		6 ditto		6	6	12
"	Tumbril		ditto	Setts	21	21	42
Handspikes	Traversing				18	18	36
Ladles	Copper Gun & Wadhooks		6 Pounder		6	6	12
Locks	Pad. Iron		ditto		49	49	98
Mamootties					250	250	500
Ordnance	Brass Guns English Cwt.	6 7 2 2	6 Pounder		6	6	12
"	" "	6 — 16	3 ditto		1	1	2
Screws	Iron Elevating		6 ditto		6	6	12
Spades					100	100	200
Spirits Wine	Europe			Gallons	20	"	20
Spunges with	Rammers		6 Pounder		12	12	24
"	Worms Patent		12 ditto		"	50	50
"	"		6 ditto		"	200	200
Tompions	with Collars		ditto		6	6	12
Tumbrils	Ammunition				20	20	40
Yokes unfit	for Chains				122	122	244
Perpendiculars	Spirit				"	2	2
Tents	Marquees Field officers dining				1	"	1
"	" "	"	Sleeping		3	2	5
"	"		Common		9	9	18
"	Private				26	32	58
"	Bell				"	5	5
"	Necessary				4	4	8
Package							
Bags	Gunny						75
Gunny	Chatters						283
Rope	Jute — lashing						65
Twine	Bengal			Skeins.			15
				Bears			

A true Copy (signed) J. Tombelle Jun.r Secry

(signed) C. R. Deare Commissary of Stores

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To John Chamier Esq.r
Secretary at Fort S.t George

Sir

From Bengal – Enclosing Copy of the Contract for Victualling the Troops

A Copy of the Contract for Victualling the European Troops under this Presidency not being ready to be forwarded with the Dispatches from this Presidency by the Houghton & Chesterfield, I now transmit one in obedience to the orders of the Governor General in Council.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient humble servant
(signed) J. Tombelle
Sub Secry

Fort William
25th February 1790.

Articles of Agreement Indented, had, made, concluded and fully Agreed upon, this first day of December in the year of our Lord One thousand, seven hundred and Eighty Eight, Between the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies of the one part, and Robert Biddulph of Calcutta Fort William of the other part.

The said Robert Biddulph for & in Consideration of the several Sums of Money, Covenants, and Agreements herein-after contained, on the part and behalf of the said United, to be paid, done, and performed, Doth, for himself his Heirs, Executors, Administrators, & Assigns, Covenant, promise and Agree to, and with the said United Company, their Successors and Assigns, that he the said Robert Biddulph, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns, shall & will at his and their own proper Costs and Charges, from the day of the date of these Presents, for and during and until the full End and term of three years from thence next ensuing, and fully to be completed and ended, well and truly find for supply and furnish to all the European Troops, either of his Majesty or of the said United

Company

Company belonging to or forming a part of the Bengal Estab=
=ment, or which at any time during the Continuance of the
Presents shall or may belong to or form a part of the Bengal
Establishment wherever such European Troops shall happ=
be Stationed or employed, the Meat Liquors, Provisions, Victu=
& Necessaries hereinafter specified, at the several rates and Pro=
hereinafter for that purpose set forth: That is to say - T=
he the said Robert Biddulph, his Executors, Administrators,
Assigns, shall and will, during such Term of three Years
aforesaid, find and provide, and well and truly deliver
European Soldier employed on Service in the Field, for each
provision and necessaries during the said Term of three Ye=
Pound of Good Beef or Mutton, & one pound of Bread, or
of such Bread one Seer of Rice, and Two Drams of Good Ba=
Arrack, or Bengal Rum of equal Strength with such Ar=
of the quantity of Forty Drams to the Gallon; and one Cho=
Salt, and Two Seers of Fire Wood when on Full Batta; an=
well and truly deliver Two Earthen Pots every
March to every Mess of five Men, and one
Company; but no such Allowance of Pots,
be made when the Troops are in Quarters, excepting
their first landing, and then to be delivered in
=mentioned. & But whereas the said
shall be in Cantonments or Garrison, and
the Field, then, that he, the said Robert Bi=
Administrators or Assigns, shall only find
to them to them alternately on one day, the
=ons Salt and Firewood before expressed, with
Liquor beforementioned, and on the ensuing
the Provisions Salt & Firewood, and so on al=
and Provisions Salt & Firewood on every oth=

Pints.
Seers
R. Deare
Comptroller of Sta=

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time the Troops shall continue in Cantonments or Garrison as aforesaid, save and except as to the Troops in Garrison at the Presidency of Fort William hereinafter more particularly mentioned and provided for: and also that the said Provisions & Liquor to be provided and supplied by him the said Robert Biddulph his Executors administrators or Assigns aforesaid shall be of the best sorts and quality that can possibly be obtained, and such as shall be approved of by the Commanding Officers & Surgeons belonging to such Troops respectively for the time being before that the said Provisions and Necessaries are delivered — Provided always and it is hereby Agreed by and between the said Parties to these Presents that in case at any time during the said Space of three Years, the several sorts of Provisions hereinbefore specified or any or either of them shall not be procurable or to be had or obtained by reason of the said Troops being in any places where the same Provisions & Liquors cannot be procured: then and in such case the said Robert Biddulph, his Executors, Administrators or Assigns shall well and truly pay to each of such Men at the rate of one third part of the Monthly Sum or Allowance of Ten Sonaut Rupees hereinafter mentioned and agreed to be paid for each Man's allowance by the said United Company, and so on in that manner and after that proportion, in case of the failure of Bread or Rice, and in like proportion in case of the failure of Arrack — And for the purposes of properly fulfilling and performing the Covenants & Agreements herein before Contained on the part of the said Robert Biddulph his Executors Administrators or Assigns to be done and performed, he the said Robert Biddulph for himself, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assigns Doth further promise and agree with the said United Company their Successors and assigns, that he the said Robert Biddulph his Executors, Administrators or Assigns, shall

and —

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and will at his and their own proper Costs and Charges at all times during the continuance of these Presents well and truly keep and maintain a Capable and sufficient Deputy with every Detachment of the said Troops to answer and comply with the Demands & Orders of the Commanding Officers of such Detachments for the time being, and to perform all the Conditions and Agreements herein before mentioned, on the part and behalf of the said Robert Biddulph, his Executors, Administrators and Assigns, to be observed, fulfilled, and kept.

And, the said United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, for the consideration aforesaid, do hereby for themselves their Successors and Assigns, Covenant and Agree with the said Robert Biddulph, his Executors, Administrators and Assigns, by these Presents, that they the said United Company their Successors and Assigns shall and will for and during such Term of three Years from the day of the date of these Presents next ensuing well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said Robert Biddulph his Executors Administrators and Assigns, within one Month at furthest after the Bills of the said Robert Biddulph shall be presented duly attested and allowed by the Commissary General for the time being as justly due in virtue of these Presents, the several Sums of Money hereinafter mentioned — That is to say, the Sum of Ten Sonaut Rupees (at the rate of Eleven Sonat Batta more than the Current Rupees) for Victualling of each and every Man of the Troops aforesaid for each and every Month of the Term of three Years aforesaid, when such Men shall be on Duty in the Field, and in the room of the allowance called Full-Batta; and the Sum of Five Sonaut Rupees for each of such Men for every Month of the Term aforesaid when such Men shall be in Garison, and shall receive Provisions & Drams only alternately, as herein before for that purpose is provided.

And, also, that they the said United Company, their Successors and

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and Assigns shall and will well and truly pay or cause to be paid to the said Robert Biddulph his Executors and Administrators the several Sums of Money so to be due as aforesaid, either at the place where the said Troops or Army of them shall happen to be, or at the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal at the option of the said Robert Biddulph his Executors or Administrators, provided that the same Bills be so certified and Allowed as aforesaid. And also, that they the said United Company their Successors & Assigns shall and will at the request of the said Robert Biddulph his Executors and Administrators from time to time, and at all times during the Continuance of such Term of three Years as aforesaid, as Occa=sion shall require, well and truly furnish and provide for the said Robert Biddulph his Executors and Administrators all and every such Escorts and Guards as shall be necessary and wanting for the conveying of his Stores and Provisions to the said Troops in safety; and afterwards such a Guard or Guards to protect and to take care of the same Stores and Provisions as shall be thought necessary for that purpose, or number of such Troops at such or any particular place will admit of. And, it is hereby further Declared and Agreed by and between the Parties to those Presents, and the said Robert Biddulph for himself his Heirs Executors & Administrators, Doth hereby promise and Agree to and with the said United Company their Successors and Assigns, that he the said Robert Biddulph his Executors or Administrators shall not nor will during such Space of three Years as aforesaid Vend or Distribute or cause or suffer to be Vended or Distributed any Extra-Arrack or other Spiritu=ous Liquor whatsoever to the Troops aforesaid, or any or either of them either in Garrisons or Cantonments or in the Field, save and except such Liquor as is to be distributed in virtue of those Presents and the Covenant hereinbefore for that purpose contained, and save and except any such further or other quantities or quantity

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of Arrack or other Spirituous Liquors as the Commanding Officer of such Garrisons or Cantonments, or of any other Station of the Troops for the time being, shall direct or Appoint. — And, it is hereby declared and Agreed by and between the said Parties to these Presents that all and every such of the same Troops who during such Term of three Years as aforesaid, shall be on Service at the Presidency of Fort William aforesaid shall and may have and receive, and it is hereby declared and Agreed, that such Troops so in Garrison at the said Presidency shall have and receive from the said Robert Biddulph his Executors Administrators or Assigns during the said term good Mutton & Beef Provisions at the different & respective days or times hereinafter mentioned: That is to say; that they the said Troops for and during the several Months of April, May, June, July, August, & September shall have & receive good Mutton Meat on such alternate days as they the said Troops shall be entitled to receive Meat Provisions as hereinbefore is for that purpose provided; and on the other days such other Allowances as hereinbefore is for that purpose mentioned; and during the remaining six Months in each Year of the said Term, Good Mutton & Beef Provisions shall be provided and allowed to them: That is to say, on One day Mutton, and the ensuing third day Beef; and so on alternately for each and every days of such last mentioned six Months on which they shall be entitled to receive Meat Provisions as hereinbefore is for that purpose Expressed. — And the said United Company on their part, for themselves their Successors and Assigns, Do hereby Covenant promise and Agree with the said Robert Biddulph his Executors Administrators and Assigns that for all and every the Men to be supplied with Meat Provisions at the said Presidency of Fort William aforesaid in manner abovementioned, they the said United Company their Successors and Assigns shall and will well and truly pay or cause to be paid to the said Robert Biddulph his Executors Administrators and Assigns during

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the Term aforesaid at and after the rate of five Sonaut Rupees
pmonth for each and every Man who shall be so found and
provided with Provisions in manner aforesaid; provided never-
-theless that such Troops at the said Presidency shall during
the terms of such Provisions as last aforesaid being allowed to them,
be in the receipt of the Pay & Allowances called Half-Batta; and
in case such Troops shall ever during such Term of three Years
as aforesaid be at the said Presidency in the receipt of the said
additional Pay and Allowances called Full-Batta, then and in
that case they the said United Company their Successors or Assigns
shall and will well and truly Pay or Cause to be paid to the
said Robert Biddulph, his Executors Administrators or Assigns
at and after the rate of Ten Sonaut Rupees pmonth for every
Man who shall be so found and provided with Provision at
the said Presidency in manner abouementioned, when such
Troops shall be on Full Batta as aforesaid -- Provided always
that it shall be in the power of any Commanding Officer of the
said Army of the United Company, or any Detachment thereof
in Garrison or otherways, to order the payment of the said
Batta of the European Troops to be withheld from the said
Robert Biddulph for any period not exceeding Six Months, in
which case he the said Robert Biddulph his Executors, Admi-
-nistrators or Assigns shall be entitled to and receive an
Interest of Eight pCentum pannum on the amount of the Batta
so kept back and withheld for the period of Six Months aforesaid,
or any lesser time, during which the payment of such Batta shall
be withheld ——— Witness whereof, Charles Earl Cornwallis
Knight of the most Noble Order of the Garter, Governor General
in Council; and the Honorable Charles Stuart & John Shore
Esqrs. Counsellors of the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal
aforesaid, acting for and on the part and behalf of the said
United Company, have to one part hereof, remaining with

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the said Robert Biddulph, set their Hands, and affixed the Common Seal of the said United Company; and the said Robert Biddulph to one other part hereof, remaining with the said United Company, hath set his hand and Seal the day and year first above Written.

Sealed and delivered, where no Stamps are in use, or can be had, in the presence of

(signed) Robert Biddulph
by his Attorney
Anthony Lambert

J. William Jackson
(signed) Jn°. Sclare.

A true Copy (signed) J. Stonhewer Sec.ry

Resolutions of the Board on the preceding letters from Bengal &a

Agreed that the Receipt of the above Letters be immediately acknowledged; and that orders be sent to the subordinate Settlements, directing that every assistance be given to Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell for the facilitating the March of the Detachment under his Command.

With regard to the Exchange which the Bengal Government desire may be fixed by the Board, between the Rupee and the Pagoda, it is Agreed, that it be fixed at 3 3/5 Arcot Rupees p°. Pagoda; being the rate at which Rupees issued from the Treasury for the army, were brought to account last War.

Resolved - that all the papers relating to the paying and Victualling the Bengal Troops be sent to the Military Board, & that they be desired to take the whole into particular Consideration, and suggest such Measures and such Orders as may be necessary to carry into Execution the Instructions of the Bengal Government.

Read the following Letters from the Resident at Travancore.

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The Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

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Honble Sir

From the Resident at Travancore - Advising of a Skirmish between Tippoo's & the Rajah's People.

I have the honor to inform you, that yesterday a Body of the Rajah's Troops issued from the Lines for the purpose of clearing some thick Jungle which grew about five hundred Yards in front of them, where it was apprehended the Enemy designed to erect a Battery. a party of the latter were concealed in the Jungle, and upon the approach of the Rajah's Troops they fired; in consequence a sharp Conflict ensued which lasted above an hour. The Rajah's People say that the Enemy were beat off; but upon the appearance of a considerable reinforcement of Tippoo's Troops, they retreated into the Lines. - Between 15 and 20 of the Rajah's Troops were killed and wounded; those of the Enemy could not be known. The above is the Account of the Affair, as related to me by the Rajah. Tippoo's Encampment is nearer to the Lines than it has been yet; and there is every appearance he meditates another attack.

I have the honor to remain

&c. &c. &c.

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(signed) George Powney

Resident

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort S. George

From the Resident at Travancore Enclosing letters from the Rajah - The Enemy preparing for a Renewal of Hostilities -

Honble Sir

I do myself the honor of transmitting you the accompanying letters from the Rajah of Travancore.

I have this Instant a Letter from the Minister upon

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upon the Lines, acquainting me that he has certain Accounts the Enemy are preparing Materials to erect Batteries against them.

I have the honor to remain

Parrour 3d. March 1790 — &c. &c. &c. (signed) George Powney

Resident

The President lays before the Board two Letters received from the Rajah of Travancore: (entered in C.C. Nos. 56, 57) The former expressing his satisfaction in hearing of the President's Appointment to this Government — The latter relating at large all that has passed since Tippoo's approach to his Country; requesting that a large Force may be sent to his Relief; and declaring his Confidence in the Company's Protection. Adding, also, an Account of a late Skirmish between some of his Troops, & those of Tippoo Sultaun.

Substance of two letters from the Rajah of Travancore.

Minute thereon.

Resolved that Copies of the above Letters from Mr. Powney and the Rajah be sent to Bengal; and that it be remarked that the Skirmish mentioned in the Letters does not appear to have proceeded from a regular renewal of Hostilities on the part of Tippoo.

Read the following Letter from Ganjam.

To the Honble Edward John Hollond Esqr.

Governor in Council

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From Ganjam — advising of an attack on the Village of Anhaspour — claiming reference to several of Colonel Frank's Letters — a third Company of the 5th. Battalion arrived from Vizagapatam — Mr. Munro's Minute, & the Chiefs reply.

Honble Sir and Sirs

Herewith We have the honor to transmit to you a Copy of the Record of our Proceedings in this Department for the Month of January.

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We beg leave to refer you to Page 10, to a recommen=
-dation from Colonel Trent, that the 18th. Battalion of Native
Infantry should be Cantoned at various Stations in the Mahurry
Zemindary; in which We acquiesced, and by consequence directed,
that all Field appointments should cease; subsequently, however,
he solicited and obtained from us a reduced Establishment of
Carriage, Lascars, &c., and more recently, We have been induced
by the representations of Captain Westropp, with whom he left
the Command, to admit of a Charge of Batta, which, while
active Service is expected from the Troops, We are convinced is
both Customary and reasonable.

On the 11th. Instant, a large Party of Peons and
Coods attacked the Village of Ankaspour, and burnt a few Houses,
but were repulsed by the Rannee's Peons, losing one killed, and
leaving one a Prisoner.

In our last address We informed you, that as
Colonel Trent had relinquished the Command of the Troops in
the Field, We had intimated to him, that We should address
our Requisitions immediately to the Officer on whom that Charge
had devolved, against the propriety of which the Colonel
contended; but We adhered to our resolution, as consonant with
the spirit of the Regulations of the 1st. November 1786.

The Colonel also reiterated his request for Extracts
from such parts of our proceedings as implicated a Consideration
of his Conduct, which We continued to withhold from him, upon
the principles stated in our last Address.

Sanadeo has lately addressed a Letter to the Chiefs of
Rajah, reminding him of the ancient Connexion of their
Families, and invoking his Assistance, by the Claims of
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former Friendship. The letter requiried a loan of /1000/ One thousand Rupees; announced an accepion of /300/ Two hundred New Leons to the cause of Sanadee; and denounced Vengeance on the Chiguitty Rajah, were this application slighted. He however secured the Messenger, and sent the letter to our Chief.

We apprized Captain Westropp of this transaction, and cautioned him strictly to watch the Motions of Sanadee, whether directed towards the Havailly, Moherry, or Chiguitty Districts.

We also repeated our Recommendation that the Rannee's Peons with small Parties of Sepoys should be employed to harrass Sanadee in the Hills, and if possible to establish a Post at Cavilabudrah or some other Centrical position.

At this Crisis Colonel Trent informed us, that Field allowances being restored to the Troops in the Moherry Zemindary, he should again resume the Command; accordingly he left Ganjam some days since.

In the same Letter he complained, that We availd ourselves of adventitious publick Station, to heap such Indignities and provocations upon him as could not be suffered between private Characters; An allusion which, in it's publick Application to a Collective Body, was least Calculated to vindicate the Feelings he wished to assert

We observe that his letters to your Board of the 2nd. and 20th. Instant, contain different Modifications of the same Idea.

We have declined pursuing such an Idea in our Correspondence with him, and have only on his return to the Field, intimated an Expectation that he will remain there until the object of the present Service is determined; that he will

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will be parsimonious of public Expenditure; and that he will abstain from all Draughts for Secret Intelligence.

The Manager of our Havailly having only a Naigue's Guard of Regulars allotted him, and wishing that it should move about with him for the protection of his Person, has applied to us for a Naigue's Guard of Silendy to continue at such seasons over his Cash Chests at Mundurcotah; which We have granted.

A third Company of the 5th. Revenue Battalion has arrived here from Viragapatam, agreeably to your General Orders of the 11th. Ultimo.

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

Ganjam - 26th. Februay 1790

signed { Morgan Williams
R.t Dr. Munro
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Postscript At the request of Mr. Munro, I have herewith the honor to transmit to you a transcript of a Minute which he has entered on our Proceedings of this date, together with our Chief's Remark upon it

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signed { Morgan Williams
R.d Munro
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Mr. Munro's Minute

Having been absent at Aska for the good of my health at the origin and during the Continuance of the late Correspondence with Colonel Trent, I have only to remark, on the perusal of it, that as it had not my previous Concurrence,

so

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do it has not my subsequent approval. My having borne no part in it precludes my saying more; and I have not thought I could say less for the vindication of my own Principles from eventual implication in it's Consequences. I particularly request that this Minute may accompany the Dispatch to Madras.

Ganjam 26th Febr.y 1790 (signed) Robert Duncan Munro

A true Copy (signed) Thomas Snodgrass Secry

Chiefs Minute

Altho' Mr. Munro's Opinion, on Measures that passed in his absence, was not required or even expected, I have no objection to the transmission of his Minute to the Presidency.

(signed) Morgan Williams

A true Copy (signed) Thomas Snodgrass Secry

To lie on the Table —

Ordered to lie on the Table

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Mackie

To The Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Lieutenant Mackie requesting a further supply of Cash for the purchase of Horses — stating that there are 20 Horses now in the Market, and 20 more expected

A Lot of Twenty good Horses having arrived in this Market, and being in daily Expectation of the arrival of another Lot of an equal Number, I am induced to make application to Your Honble Board for a further Supply of Cash to enable the Agency to purchase such of them as may be found fit for the Native Cavalry. The Lot already arrived, are, in every respect, unexceptionable. The

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The last supply of Cash granted to the Agency was made in Bonds, to the amount of 4000 Pagodas, which disposed of, at the Discount of the day, produced 3480 Pagodas ... From this Sum, there has been purchased 22 Horses; & there is still a Balance in hand of about 1470 Pagodas.

When Government were pleased to grant this last supply, they indicated an Expectation that it would be sufficient to purchase 150 Horses; and, from the above Statement, you will observe that these instructions have been complied with as nearly as possible ... I must, however, beg leave to remark that such an Average Price does not admit of our purchasing such Horses as We could wish for the Native Cavalry; and the Agency now beg the Indulgence of your Honble Board to authorize a less limitted rate of purchase. The very considerable Number of Horses required to complete the Native Cavalry renders it necessary to give more encouragement to the Dealers; & the prospect of a War may cast them to expect a Price more proportionate to the Risk which may attend bringing their Horses to this Market. We are willing to hope that the consideration of these Circumstances may have some Weight with your Honble Board.

The principle upon which the Agency is Established, renders it unnecessary to point out any particular Sum which We deem sufficient for our future rate of Purchases; and We rest assured that your Honble Board will do us the Justice to believe that, that principle must ever dictate an equal attention to the Interest of the Company, and to the good of the Service.

I have the pleasure to inform your Honble Board, that I have accounts of several Lots now moving from the Northward to this Market. The same Dealers that formerly supplied the Agency are bringing these Horses hither; & the whole, to the amount of above

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300, may be expected here in the course of two Months.

In the absence of Major Yeunge, & by his Directions, I now address Your Honble Board, & I have the honor to be, with the greatest respect.

Honble Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) John Macfie

Deputy Agent

Madras
9.th March 1790

Minute thereon

Resolved that Bonds to the amount of Pagodas 10000 be issued, and delivered to Lieutenant MacFie on account of the Agency for the purchase of Horses.

Resolved also that Lieutenant MacFie be informed, that it is expected the Discount upon the Bonds will not be greater than upon the late advance of Pagodas 4000 — If there should be any material difference, he must report it to the Board, and wait their orders before he Discounts the Bonds now to be issued.

Read the following Letters addressed to the Commander in Chief (with Enclosure entered in MB No. 72)

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor and Commander in Chief Fort S.t George

Honorable Sir

From Major Hynch — Stating the Repairs &c.a wanting to the Forts in the Guntoor Circar —

Herewith I have the honor to transmit you a letter received from Lieutenant James Forbes Commanding the Fort of Bellumcondah. — I addressed a Letter to Government through the Commanding Officer on the Coast, dated the 27.th October 1789 — representing the state of the different forts in the Guntoor Circar, and received in answer from Colonel Musgrave as follows — "Extract of

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"of a Letter from Government to me under date 11th. November 1789,
"— They /Government/ 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"
Since which time no steps have been taken. — Bellumcondah most
certainly merits the attention of the Board — The Breach in the
N.E. face of the Fort, about thirty feet in length, with an easy
ascent for a division of Men to march up abreast, requires an imme-
diate repair, more particularly as there are no Guns for it's defence.
The Forts of Innacondah are in very great want of Repairs. —
The East Gateway of the lower Fort 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 in the Parapet Wall of the upper Fort remain unrepaired.
There are no Gates to the Pettah Wall, 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 deposite them. The Six Pounders are on the New Work on
the East Gateway: The two Eighteens & Six Nine Pounders in the
Middle Fort. No Guns have as yet been got up to the Upper
Fort — for altho' there are places at present to mount them on, it
might be necessary to have them there in readiness. — Government
have already been informed of the Impracticability of getting
the Guns to the upper Fort without proper Ropes, Blocks & Gin. —
I must beg leave, Sir, to represent to you the insufficiency of the
present Garrison for it's defence; which from it's vicinity to Tippoo's
Frontiers, which are not above thirty Miles, render it liable to a
Sudden Attack, and it's distance from any Company's Garrison
prevents it from receiving any immediate relief. Sir Archibald
Campbell in a Letter to the Commanding Officer of this District,
observes

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observes that Innacondah is certainly to be considered as a post of the utmost Consequence, and Nothing less than a Battalion of Native Infantry ought to occupy it. — I am sorry to observe that upon an Examination into the state of the Grain laid in fifteen months ago, by order of Government, that it is in so very bad a state as to be hardly serviceable, owing entirely to the want of proper Granaries to depasite it.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) A. Wynch
Major Commanding

Innacondah
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To the Honble Major General William Medows
Governor and Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.

Honorable Sir

From Colonel Bruce at Vellore — stating the Condition of the Fortifications at Vellore; and his Recommendations

Having lately had an opportunity of particularly inspecting the Works of the Hill Forts, belonging to this place, the security of which is so essential to the preservation of this Garrison, It is incumbent on me to make you acquainted with their situation.

The Violence of the last Monsoon has occasioned two small Breaches in the old Works of the large Fort, and the South East Bastion, being much damaged by Hyder Ally's Batteries in the last Siege, remaining so at present, both want to be repaired immediately.

The Works planned and ordered by Sir Archibald Campbell were not, I am apprehensive executed as He intended, as they appear to be imperfect & unfinished, and evidently want considerable additions to complete them.

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The Centre and small Hill-Forts have for a long time past been miserably neglected; The Storehouses on both are in perfect ruins, and the Guns on them have been suffered to sink to the Ground thro' rotten Carriages. — The Centre Hill wants two heavier Guns than are on it at present: Had such been mounted on it last War, Hyder could, with the Ease he did, Erect his Batteries against the great Fort; as, that Ground is Commanded by the Centre Hill, and the distance not above 800 Yards. The Works of the Centre and small Forts want but little Repair; And I can with propriety assure you Sir, that the Repairs of the whole can only be attended with an Inconsiderable Expence.

I must also, Sir, beg your attention to a Work formerly erected before the South East Bastion of this place, commonly called Pitt's Work, which having never been finished, is now of exceeding detriment to the place, as it would furnish Cover for a Number of Men, and ought to be levelled.

The Horn-Work before the Gate being in Ruins, should be repaired or entirely destroyed.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

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signed/ Thomas Bruce

P.S. His Highness the Nabob has long neglected the Pettah of the place, the Walls of which are in Ruins. —

Minute on Major Wynch's letter

The Board cannot at present send any reinforcement into the Guntoor Circar, nor authorize Buildings or Repairs in that quarter, which, according to Major Wynch's representations, would involve very considerable Expence.

Agreed

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Minute on Colonel Bruce's Letter

Agreed that Colonel Bruce's Letter be referred to the Military Board, & that they be desired to report thereon: In the mean time, Colonel Bruce to be directed to transmit an Estimate of such Repairs as are absolutely necessary;

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.

To
The Honble Major General William Medows
Governor in Council

From the Military Board — Recommending that Pr. Fo Cash 1. 31. 40 p month be allowed to the Bamboo-Coolies, and 2 p month to Maistries in Camp

Honorable Sir

We have the honor to receive Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letter of yesterday's date, respecting the Pay necessary for Bamboo Coolies —

We could not take upon ourselves to fix the rate of Wages to Bamboo Coolies in the Book of Regulations, because the rate of their Wages differs in every part of the Country — however, after a due consideration of all Circumstances, We beg leave to submit it as our Opinion, that the Coolies who are to carry the Bamboos, should be paid at the rate of Pagda Fo Cash 1. 31. 40. p Month in Camp, and that the Maistries should be paid 2 Pagodas p month.

We have the honor to be
Sr. Sr. Sr.
J. Capper
Patrick Ross
Henry Malcolm
J. Moorhouse

Fort S. George
12th March 1790 —

signed

Government confirm the above Recommendation,

Minute thereon

and it is accordingly Agreed that Mr. Turing be informed of it.

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore.

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

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Honorable Sir

From the Resident at Tanjore — Enclosing an Abstract of the Rajah's Account Current from November 1788 to the End of March 1790 — requesting to be informed of the manner in which the Account has been settled at Madras.

Having transmitted my Accounts for February to the respective Offices, I thought it might be proper to enclose a General Abstract of the Rajah's Account Current with the Company from November 1788 to the End of last Month, as it Stands on the Accounts of this Office; by which a Balance of Pagodas ₹ 81,515. 11. 4 appears to be due from his Excellency to the Company. I have began from that period, because the Balance then due from his Excellency to the Company, as settled by Mr. Petrie, was acknowledged to be Pagodas 1,18,993. 21. 69 — agreeable to the Treaty made by Sir Archibald Campbell.

The Debits since that time are according to the Treaty before mentioned. The Payments at Tanjour, for which the Rajah is Credited, agree with the Accounts of the Palace, and the whole Corresponds with the Accounts at the Presidency as far as I have had Official Information from the Deputy Accountant: (making allowance for the small difference pointed out by me in my Letter to the Board of 12th. October last, Extract of which I sent to the Deputy Accountant 30th. November, which however only affect the Balance established by Mr. Petrie.) — But from Copy of a Letter from the late Governor to His Excellency the Rajah, dated 7th. January 1790, received by me 6th. ultimo, it should appear that an Abatement had been made by the Orders of the Honble the Court of Directors in the Sum to be annually paid by his Excellency towards the Military Peace Establishment, and on other Accounts; and likewise that it was expected that the Sum of Pagodas 104,138, and

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the further Sum of Pags.as 11,521. would be received at Madras on the Rajah's Account: that then the greatest part of this Arrears would be compleated.

Having received no intimation in what manner the Account Current of his Excellency has been settled at Madras, which appears to differ so essentially from that at this Office for what Sums have been received, I request I may be favored with this Information, that the Accounts of this Office may in future be so carried on as to Correspond with those at the Presidency.

I had the honor to deliver the President's Letter of the 20th. to his Excellency, while at Combiconum, who requested me to make his Compliments of Congratulation on his Accession to the Government of Madras, and to express the high opinion his Excellency entertained of his Character.

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

Tanjour
5th. March 1790

The President delivers in the following Minute

President's Minute in Council 12th. March 1790

The President submits to the Board the uniformity of conduct, with the Propriety & Dignity of a Letter's being wrote to the Rajah of Tanjore, of the same Nature and Tendency, as that lately wrote to His Highness the Nabob, upon the subject of his Balance being paid in a given Time, & the consequences of the Treaty being enforced. The Balance, as regulated by the late Resident, being upwards of Two Lacks, and by the end of next Month above Four, exclusive of Extra-Charges, which are little less than One.

(signed) William Medows

President's Minute —
Recommending that a Letter be written to the Rajah of Tanjore, calling upon him for the payment of his Arrears, & to inform him that the Treaty will be Enforced in Default of Payment at the Given Time —

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The Board entirely acquiesce in the President's Recommendation, respecting the Claims to be made upon the Rajah of Tanjore. Agreed accordingly that the Accountant General be directed to lay before the Board the Rajah's Kistbundy Account Current made up to the present day, agreeably to the Existing Arrangements, together with a seperate account, shewing what is due from the Rajah on account of Revenue Charges.

Colonel Musgrave appointed to the Command of Tritchinopoly & the Southern Division of the Army — To proceed to Wallaujanbad to take the Command of the Army until further Orders —

The President recommends that Colonel Musgrave be appointed to the Command of Tritchinopoly & the Southern Division of the Army, but to proceed to Wallaujanbad to take the Command of the Army & Cantonments there until further Orders. —

Approved. & ordered accordingly

Substance of a Letter from the Nizam

Read a Letter from the Nizam (entered in C.C. No. 58) mentioning that he had given orders for the purchase of Elephants at Porto Novo, & desiring that his Agents may be protected and supported in making the purchases.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Chief & Council at Cuddalore be instructed to give support & Assistance to the Nizam's Agents.

From the Deputy Paymaster to the King's Troops —

Read a Letter from the Deputy Paymaster to the King's Troops (as entered in MB No. 73) offering his Service in the Field in the absence of Mr. Burke.

Minute thereon

The Board are of opinion that it is not necessary to order Mr. Mitford to join the army in the Field.

Ed. Gerald Harlow

J. Mitford

Edwd. Holland

Simon Taylor

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Diary

13.th Sent the following Letters to Bengal.

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at Fort William

To Bengal – Enclosing Two Letters from Mr. Powney and Two from the Rajah of Travancore

My Lord

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We have the honor to be,

My Lord,

Your most obedient humble Servants

Fort S.t George
12.th March 1790.

{Signed} { Wm. Medows
&c.a Council

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council at Fort William

To Bengal – The Sloops Cornwallis & Jane have delivered their Consignments & sailed for Bengal – The Houghton & Chesterfield will be dispatched agreeable to the orders received – Due attention will be paid to the Instructions concerning the victualling & payment of the Bengal Detachment

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Detachment, & the Victualling of the Troops under Colonel Cockerell

13th. Sailed for Bengal; and the Indiamen will be dispatched agreeably to your Instructions transmitted from the Publick Department.

We shall pay due attention to the Instructions from your Lordship in Council respecting the Victualling & payment of the Bengal Detachment; & We shall dispatch the necessary orders to the Northern Subordinates, for supplying the Detachment under Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell with Provisions, and such things as may be requisite.

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My Lord,

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Fort S. George
12th. March 1790

(signed) Wm. Medows
Pr. Council

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To the Chief at Cuddalore — To the Chief at Cuddalore — to assist the Nizam's Agents in the purchase of Elephants.

To Lieutenant Mc. Lie — To Lieutenant Mc. Lie — The Board have ordered 10,000 Pagodas to be advanced for the purpose of purchasing a further supply of Horses

To the Accountant General — To the Accountant General — To lay before the Board immediately the

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Diary

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13th. Rajah of Tanjore's Kist Cundy Account Current.— Enclosing papers specifying some Remissions granted to the Rajah.— An Account of Revenue Charges due from the Rajah to be made out seperately.

To the Military Board — To the Military Board — to report what Day should be given to the Bamboo Coolies.—

To Bitts — To the Military Board — Enclosing a Letter & Papers relative to the Victualling and payment of the Bengal Troops — the Exchange to be at 375 A.B.s p.c Pagodas.— Desiring them to report immediately upon a Letter Enclosed (from Colonel Bruce) relative to Repairs wanting to the Fortifications at Vellore, & to those on the Neighbouring Hills.

To Ganjam — To Ganjam — To furnish the 6 Battalions of Native Infantry (expected by Land from Bengal) with Provisions; and to facilitate the March of those Troops by every means in their power.

Vizagapatam & Masulipatam — A.B. — The same to Vizagapatam & to Masulipatam.

To the Military Paymaster General — 16th. To the Military Paymaster General — (as entered in A.B. Master A between Pp.s 81 and 82) ordering him to lay before the Board an Account of the Expences of the Army, on a Field Establishment, for one month, including the Detachment of artillery arrived from Bengal, together with a Detachment of Six Battalions of Bengal Sepoys, shortly to arrive within the Districts of this Government.—

Receive the following Letters from Travancore

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council at Fort S.t George

From Mr Powney with Intelligence that the Enemy have erected 2 or 3 Batteries against the Lines.— Honble Sir

Accounts have come in from the Lines, that the Enemy have erected Batteries in two or three different places against them —

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15th them. They have not during the course of this day, begun to fire from them: it is thought they will open to morrow. On account of the Jungle which grows very thick, they were not discovered, till they were nearly compleated. As soon as any thing occurs, I shall not fail immediately acquainting you of it.

I have the honor to remain

Sir &c. &c. &c. (signed) George Ronney
Resident

Parrour.
5th March 1790

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council &c.
Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From Mr. Ronney — The Enemy have been seen to day busily employed at the Batteries — It is expected that to morrow the Enemy will open their Guns against the Lines —

I did myself the honor of addressing you Yesterday, since when the the apprehended attack has not taken place — The Enemy have been seen the whole day busily Employed at the Batteries they are Erecting — I understand they are placed behind large Trees, and in so thick a Jungle, that the Shot from the Lines have little Effect upon them. The principal Battery is erected against the Bastion where the Enemy's progress was stopped on the 29th December — There is every reason to expect that either to night or tomorrow morning, the Enemy will open their Guns against the Lines.

I have the honor to remain

Sir &c. &c. &c. (signed) George Ronney
Resident

Parrour —
6th March 1790 —

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council
Fort St. George

From Mr. Ronney — Enclosing a letter from the Rajah of Travancore — Tippoo renews his attack upon the Travancore Lines —

Honble Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of
Your

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15th Your Letter for the Rajah of Travancore, transmitted to me by Mr. Secretary Chamier on the 28th Ultimo. I immediately delivered the Letter to the Rajah, and have now the honor to inclose you his Answer.

The Enemy opened from 4 twelve Pounders this morning, and continued firing about an hour: they are still employed in constructing very extensive Batteries, and many Europeans are seen working in them. The firing this morning appears to have been only to engage the attention of the Rajah's Troops until the whole of the Enemy's Batteries are completed. From the accounts I have, his preparations are formidable, and I very much fear the Rajah's Troops will not withstand his attacks, and that the Lines will be carried.

The Company's Troops are Encamped on the Banks of the Chinnamgalum River. The Rajah has been very urgent with me to call upon Captain Knox to proceed to the Lines with his Detachment to co-operate with his Troops, which I accordingly complied with some time ago, but Captain Knox did not deem it expedient to attend to the Rajah's Requisitions.

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

Parour
6th March 1790.

To the Hon'ble Major General William Medows.
Governor in Council & Commander in Chief

From Captain Knox with his observations on the position of affairs in the Travancore Country &c. stating that the Enemy have opened from 4 twelve Pounders on one of the Rajah's Guns emplacements

Honorable Sir

I beg to have the honor of submitting to your consideration observations on the present posture of affairs in the Travancore Country, which may throw some light upon subsequent transactions.

I have

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11th I have the way to an Explanation of the views upon which I have acted.

Long ago suggested to the Rajah, that in the Event of his Lines being carried by the Enemy, some certain and decisive system of Defence should be formed to check or retard the Enemy's progress to the Southward. It was not the smallest objection I had to lead the Honble Company's Detachment to the Lines, that the idea of a retreat from them formed no part of the Rajah's Plan, that overlooking the Natural Advantages of his Country, the strength of the Rivers, and the difficulty of the Roads, he considered his Lines as his last and only stake, and his Troops if unfortunate were with his Country given up as lost. To impress my opinion more forcibly, & as the most likely means of effecting something beneficial, I sent to him this Morning two Officers who are in my Confidence, to urge my former advice, & to concert with him some mode of co-operation, should the fortune of War give the Enemy an advantage by getting possession of the Lines. I am sorry to understand that the Rajah still remains in his former Sentiments, & that nothing farther can be done.

By keeping my present position, I was hopeful of performing an Eminent Service to the Rajah in the Event of Defeat, by covering the Embarkation of his Troops, and rallying them on the Southern Bank of the River. Upon this hope I have still some reliance, but if I find that they take another route, I must endeavor to form a Junction with them, and oppose the Enemy, or fall back to Tryacottah, as it is from the Southward that Supplies are obtained.

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I have the honor to be
Sr. &c. &c. &c.
(signed) Thomas Knox
P.S.

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14th P.S. I had yesterday the honor to transmit to you a Duplicate of a Letter to the Officer Commanding the Southern Division of the Army. I have this moment an account from the Lines, that four Guns opened at 8 o'Clock this morning from the Enemy's Battery opposite to Mellore: The firing was kept up for an hour, when that from the Enemy ceased. I am led to imagine that the work was incompleat; and that the fire will commence again to morrow. One of the Rajah's Guns was dismounted, and two of his Gunners were wounded

I have &c.
(signed) Tho.s Knox

Received the following Letters (as entered in M.S. Nos. 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91.)

From Mr. Mayne — From Mr. Mayne (late a Captain in the Company's Service) with a Memorial addressed to the Commander in Chief, praying to be pensioned.

From the Paymaster at Wallaujanbad — From the Paymaster at Wallaujanbad — stating the great want of Bamboo Coolies in the Field — advising that the Nabob be requested to supply Two hundred from Arcot

From the Commandant at Tritchinopoly — From the Commandant at Tritchinopoly — advising of Tippoo's attack upon Mellore in the Travancore Country — 18000 Horse are on the March for Dindegall. The Six Companies of the 22nd Battalion at Madura, he has directed to be in readiness to join the Army, but shall not give any further orders until he receives Advices from the Presidency. — 60,000 Cullums of Grain are brought to the Fort of Tritchinopoly; and 45,000 Cullums remain of the old Stock.

From Lieutenant Francis Cappur — From Lieutenant Francis Cappur, Barrack Master of the Centre Division — Requesting that the Paymaster General may be ordered to receive from him 100 Doolies which he has collected in consequence of Orders from Colonel Musgrave.

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From the Commandant at Tritchinopoly — From the Commandant at Tritchinopoly — Reporting the particulars of some Intelligence he has received of Tippoo's Hostilities against the Lines of Travancore

From the Commandant at Tritchinopoly — From the Commandant at Tritchinopoly — The Nabob is making every exertion to collect Grain for the Fort. There is reason to hope that the whole Quota ordered will be soon accumulated.

From Mr W Gordon — From Mr. W. Gordon — Petitioning to be employed as Field Hospital Surgeon; or any other Appointment on actual Service.

From Tritchinopoly — From Tritchinopoly — Enclosing a Letter from Tippoo Expres.

From Madura — From the Commandant at Madura — With Information of Tippoo's having moved towards Dindegull with 18,000 Horse — The Nabob has sent a new Renter to the Maduran District — He expects soon to have 40,000 Cullums of Paddy in the Stores.

From the Commandant at Chandernagherry — From the Commandant at Chandernagherry — has delivered over the Murderer of the Tappy Reon to the Nabob's Aumildar.

15th. The Draft of Letters to the Rajah & Resident at Tanjore, — sent in Circulation, having been approved by the President, Mr. Holland waited upon him and expressed some objections to both; in consequence of which the President sent in Circulation the following Minute.

President's Minute in Circulation 15th March 1790 —

President's Minute — approving of the Letters being sent to the Rajah of Tanjore & Mr. Ram; and stating his reasons why, — with observations upon the Rajah's Balance to the Company

Mr. Holland wishes to soften the demand upon the Rajah of Tanjore, both as to Time and Balance; Whereas, I conceive the Time to the fifteenth, or at any rate to the last of April, fully Sufficient. He thinks also that Mr. Ram is invested with too much power, in being authorized at the Expiration of the Term,

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15th to put the penalty into Execution, by taking possession of the Country; but should only be allowed at that time to report the properest Country to take possession of, when I conceive the time to do it would be lost. And, I conceive also, that the Balance of the Rajah of Tanjore's Account, as regulated by the late President Mr. Holland, is founded upon a wrong principle; and not according to the orders of the Court of Directors, as it supposes His Highness the Nabob to have Agreed to the Company's Proposals, which is not the case; and therefore the Rajah's Balance is too little, and instead of two Lacks ought to be five.— I therefore propose that two Lacks should not be stated in the Letter to him, as his Balance, but so much towards it: Least the Letter should be construed to be a sanction to a former Regulation of Government, which I take to be erroneous. I therefore approve of the Letter being sent —

(sign'd) William Medows

Mr. Holland Enters the following Minute.

Mr. Holland's Minute upon the Draught of Letters to the Rajah & Resident stating his objections to them.

The Letters to Tanjore being Circulated leaving Blanks to fill the Balance, I am unacquainted what Sum is meant to be claimed of the Rajah: I conceive only his Bills of 31st January and 28th February can be claimed of him; and I understand he calculates his Months twelve days later than ours. I therefore took the liberty of suggesting that, in writing to the Rajah, he should be peremptorily informed that recourse would be had to the Treaty if he did not discharge his Balance by the time prescribed, and that the Resident in the mean time should be called upon to report the Countries adequate to the Failure.

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N.B. I wish to know the Balance to be claimed.

(sign'd) E. J. Holland

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Mr. Taylor enters the following Minute.

Mr. Taylor's Minute —
In opinion with the President —
thinks the Demand upon
the Rajah should be made
in the manner proposed by
the Governor —

I am clearly of opinion that the Terms of the Treaty ought to be strictly adhered to, and in the Event of a non-compliance on the part of the Rajah, that the penalty should be enforced.

If the Remission lately granted to the Rajah is in Reference to the Court of Directors, I am of opinion the Demand should be stated in the manner proposed by the President.

(signed) J. Taylor

Sent the following letter to the Resident at Tanjore.

To George Andrew Ram Esqr.
Resident at Tanjore

Sir

To the Resident at Tanjore —
Enclosing a letter for the Rajah
& Copy of the same for his
information — To demand
the full payment of the sum
therein specified; and in case
the payment is not made
within the time limited, to
put into Execution the fourth
article of the Treaty — If
Troops are wanted for that
Service, to apply to Lieutenant
Colonel Stuart — Authorizing
him to receive at Tanjore
such sums as the Rajah
may pay — And to apply
such Money towards the
Payment of the Southern
Army —

I enclose by order of the Board a letter to the Rajah of Tanjore, which you are immediately to deliver — A Copy of it is forwarded for your Information.

You are without loss of time to demand from His Excellency the full payment of what is specified in the abovementioned Letter, and you are to urge to him in the strongest terms the necessity of compliance, stating to him the inevitable Consequence which will result, if his payments are not completed within the time prescribed

In the Event of the Rajah's failing in the performance of what is now required of him, you are to put into Execution the fourth article of the Existing Treaty, between this Government, & His Excellency, to the extent that the failure may render necessary.

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15th " If Troops are wanted for the Exemptions of this Service, you will make a Requisition to Lieutenant Colonel Stuart, for such as may be necessary.

You are to take an early opportunity of recommending to the Rajah in the strongest manner, and in the most forcible Language the punctual discharge of his Engagements in future, assuring him that, after the great remissions allowed to him by the late Government, a most steady performance of the Existing Engagements will be required — You will remind him that large Payments fall due in the course of the Ensuing two months, & that it will be home him to provide for the discharge of them.

As Money will be wanting for payment to the Southern army, you are authorized to receive at Tanjore, such Sums as the Rajah may be desirous of paying to you, in liquidation of the Demands now made upon him.

The Board have received your Letter of the 5.th Inst. with the Enclosure.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant

Fort S.t George
19th March 1790

(Signed) J Chamier Secy.

At a Consultation Present

The Honble Major General William Medows

Governor - President

Tuesday
16th March 1790

Edward John Holland } Esqrs.
and
James Taylor ——— }

Minutes of last Consultation Read & approved

The

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The President informs the Board that upon the receipt, late last night, of the letters from Mr. Powney and Captain Knox, he directed the Secretary to give a Notification of their Contents to Mr. Secretary Hay, which was accordingly done.

Read the following Letters from Mr. Powney & Captain Knox.

The President informs the Board of his having directed Mr. Secretary Chamier to transmit, last night, to Bengal, the Intelligence from Mr. Powney & Captain Knox.

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Hble Sir

From Mr. Powney - Reporting the continuance of Tippoo's Hostilities against the Lines.

The Enemy this morning opened a few Guns, and continued firing as they did yesterday for about an hour - I am informed another Battery has been erected - nothing further has occurred.

I have the honor to be

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&c &c &c

(signd) George Powney Resident

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council and Commander in Chief

From Captain Knox - with same subject, & detailing the particulars of Tippoo's attack on the 6th March.

Hble Sir

The accounts I had yesterday the honor to transmit you of the Enemy's operations against Mellore, is further corroborated by the Artillery Officer of the Detachment, who had my permission to go to the Lines, with the view of obtaining intelligence information, relative to the Nature of the Works erecting by the Enemy: Yesterday morning about 8 o'Clock three heavy Guns were opened from the Enemy's Battery, in which nine Embrasures were distinctly to be seen; and in the course of the preceding

Night

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Night, another Battery had been raised about 700 yards to the Westward of Mellore, and 360 from the lines. The Enemy's Fire was levelled at and meant to silence the Rajah's Guns, which had annoyed them two days previous to this; and it pains me to add that the superiority of Metal & superiority of Fire displayed upon that occasion, compleatly effected the intention — One of the Rajah's Guns was dismounted; one of the Gunners was wounded; in the same instant the Bastion was deserted; & it was with the utmost difficulty that the Artillery Men were prevailed on to return to their Post. The alarm spread among the Rajah's People, and they shewed the greatest reluctance in standing to their Guns.

I have frequently had occasion to observe that, their want of Subordination, & Tactical adroitness go hand in hand. Their rejection of every thing new & foreign to their System, is what I have regretted without being able to amend; but I shall persevere in acting up to my Duty, and support the cause in which I am engaged with all my power and abilities.

I have several Deserters upon the Lines, but none of them have come in to day. I have heard in the course of this day only about 30 Guns; and am persuaded the Enemy waits untile all his Batteries are in readiness.

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

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[signed] Thomas Knox

The President lays before the Board the following

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following Letter received from Tippoo Sultaun (also Entered in C.C. N° 59.)

From Tippoo Sultaun to the Honble John Holland Esq. Governor of Madras

Dated 7th Jumad ul Sanee 1204, or 22nd Febuary 1790

Received 16th March 1790

From Tippoo - Complaining of the Conduct of the Rajah of Travancore - Inclosing Extracts from his two last Treaties with the English

I have repeatedly written to you before this on the subject of the improper Conduct of Ram Rajah the Talookdar of Allalawar, and his evasive Correspondence. Afterwards in reply to your Letters of the 15th and 22nd Rubby ul Sanee 1204, explained the whole Circumstance, and of the examination of the Confines according to Justice and Equity. No doubt you have received these Accounts, and have from them understood the whole matter; and without doubt, you have agreeably to the Treaty, and for the purpose of strengthening the Friendship between us, have given particular orders that the Thieves & Robbers should be given up to the Servants of the Circar, that the Fort of Cranganore should be restored to the Dutch, and to destroy the Lines which are in the Cochin Country. As I have waited the receipt of your Answer, and the arrival of the Commissioners from you for the purpose of examining in the Presence the Circumstances regarding the Confines, respecting which you frequently wrote me. As it is my constant wish to act according to justice and equity agreeably to the Treaty, and to encrease the Goodwill with the English & the Company; I have therefore, to discriminate and determine between right and wrong; which Kings and Sirdars of forethought and knowledge have ever considered as necessary and proper, sent you a Compleat Copy of the Articles of the two Treaties, the one made formerly, the other of the late Treaty: the originals of these you no doubt

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doubt, have. From these you will observe that what has been written and agreed upon in the present business, and you should act accordingly, and should strengthen Bonds of Friendship and Goodwill. The Intention of this Letter is this — that other Sirdars should not have an opportunity of complaining of our Justice & Equity, or otherwise the taking possession of the Lines would not require much time, or be a matter of much difficulty. Forasmuch as I have constantly in my wish the Ease and Tranquillity of Mankind, and the settling ill founded Disputes; I have therefore written a clear account of to you. Do you then particularly examine this, and see whether it is consonant with prosperity and Justice, or otherwise. Always rejoice me with accounts of your Welfare.

May your Prosperity continue for Ever!

Copies of the foregoing to be sent to Bengal, with a letter from this Government —

Ordered that Copies of the foregoing be immediately sent to Bengal, and that a Letter be drafted to accompany them.

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Works.

To the Honble. Major General William Medows
Governor in Council

From the Committee of Works — recommending the promotion of some Pindals & old Lascars upon condition of their recruiting a certain number of Lascars —

Honble Sir

Having hitherto found every Exertion on our part, to raise the number of Lascars wanted for the public service prove ineffectual, We take the liberty to recommend that a power be given us to promote such Pindals and old Lascars as may raise

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raise a certain Number for the Service; and We trust by holding out such Encouragement, We may be able to complete the Indents now before us.

We would propose that a Tindal raising One hundred Lascars be promoted to a Serang, and an old Lascar raising 25 to be a Tindal.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

" Edw.d Fn.o Holland
" J. Capper
" Patrick Ross.

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Signed

The Board approve the recommendations of the Committee of Works, it is accordingly Agreed that they be authorized to carry it into Execution.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from the Committee of Stores.—

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor &.c. Council

Honorable Sir and Sirs

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of M.r Secretary Chamier's letters of the 2.nd and 5.th Instant, & have resolved to comply with the Vellore Indents, agreeably to the remarks made on each by the Commissary General of Stores.

From the Committee of Stores reporting their resolutions to comply with the Vellore Indent, agreeable to the Commissary General of Stores' remarks — and Approving of the Engineer's Indent for Entry Boxes, which in common is referred to the Committee of Works.

Approved

The Indent referred to your Hon.ble Board by the Chief Engineer for 10 Entry Boxes, for the use of the Garrison of Fort S.t George, We think may be complied with, but the consideration of this matter used formerly be referred to the Committee of Works.

Approved —

We have the honor to be &c.

(signed) J. Capper
Fr.s Lind
Patrick Ross
Tho.s Gelly
J. Moorhouse

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Read the following Letter from the Sub Secretary at Bengal.

To John Chamier Esq.r

Secretary at Fort S.t George

Sir

From Bengal Enclosing Copy of Regulations established there, for Detachments serving beyond the Line of the Company's Provinces

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Copy of Regulations which have been Established by the Governor General in Council for Detachments of the Bengal Army serving beyond the Line of the Company's Provinces; his Lordship conceiving that the Governor in Council at Fort S.t George may probably judge it expedient to pass corresponding orders relative to Detachments of Troops in the Company's Service at that Presidency.

I have the honor to be
S.r &.c &.c &.c
(signed) J. Tombelle Sub.t Sec.y

Council Chamber
17.th February 1790

General and Standing Regulations applicable to Detachments of the Bengal army serving beyond the Line of the Honble Company's or Vizier's Provinces, Copies of which are to be furnished, by the Secretary to the Government, to Paymasters of foreign Detachments, and to all Commanding Officers of Detachments, when not serving under a Superior Officer of another Establishment.

1.st That it shall be the Commanding Officer's particular Duty to enforce the regular Monthly transmission of all Accounts of Disbursements and Vouchers from the Paymaster's Office, to the proper Officers of the Presidency where they are to undergo Audit, and to require that Duplicates of them should be

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be kept with the Detachment, lest any accident should happen to the originals.

2ndly That wherever any discretionary power is vested, by an Express act of Government, in the Commanding Officer of a Detachment employed on foreign Service, for authorizing Contingent Charges, the Amount of all such Disbursements shall be carried to his Debit by the Paymaster of the Detachment, to whom he is to give a Receipt, in Duplicate, at the end of every Month, for the amount of all Contingcies disbursed by his authority; and that he shall consider himself responsible for the Disbursements until they shall have received the Sanction & Approval of Government; but that the Paymaster shall be answerable for discharging any Bill of a Contingent Nature, to which the Commanding Officer's Signature shall not be affixed.

3rdly That as the prices in the Bengal Book of Rates cannot be expected to apply to a foreign Service, it shall be the duty of the Commanding Officer to inspect the Rates at which all Bills for the supply of Stores are charged, and to certify upon the Bills themselves, that the rates charged are, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the Current prices at the Places where the Supplies may happen to be made: the Paymaster, acting as Commissary of Supplies, to be apprized that, no Bill will be attended to, to which such a certificate is not annexed.

4thly That no verbal order for incurring any Extra-Expence will ever be admitted as an authority; but that it will be required from any Officer Commanding a Detachment or Army, to whom authority to warrant any Contingent Charges may have been confided, to transmit to the proper Officer of Controul, at the beginning of

every

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every Month, a Copy, signed by himself, of all Orders & Instructions of Expence that shall have been issued during the preceding month.

5thly That authenticated Copies of Bills for all Charges on account of Secret Services shall be sent Monthly to the Secret Department of this Government by the Commanding Officer, accompanied by the most particular Information relative to the application of every Sum charged for Secret Services, of whatever Nature; and unless such Information be very full and satisfactory, the Commanding Officers may be assured that the Charges will not be admitted. And, as Detachments of this nature must necessarily be attended with a degree of Confidence on the part of Government, which every Officer should feel himself anxious to prove has not been misplaced, and which Government should have the means of satisfying themselves has not in any instance been abused, every Commanding Officer shall be held liable at the end of a Campaign, and on the conclusion of a War, to be questioned upon oath, relative to the fidelity of his accounts for Secret Services.

A true Copy

/signed/ E. Tombelle Secy

Agreed that the Regulations for Detachments on Foreign Service, which have been adopted in Bengal, be extended to this Establishment, and that the above Papers be sent to the Military Board, in order that they may be annexed to the Book of Regulations.

Minute thereon

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board.

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From the Hospital Board stating the deficiency of Assistant Surgeons; and recommending the appointment of such Gentlemen as can be found qualified now in India — also that Purveyors Stores for 300 Sick be sent to the Hospitals of Vellore and Tritchinopoly — That their Secretary be allowed to draw for Oil &c. — Reporting Mr. Bingham's return from China

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The Hospital Board, notwithstanding they made out a Return of the state of the Medical Department by the last Dispatch, think it necessary at this Juncture to represent to Government, that there are 10 Native Corps without Assistant Surgeons, as well as deficiencies in the General Hospitals, and European Regiments.

The Hospital Board to specify the number deficient; and to report what number of proper People can be procured. If admitted, they can only be appointed to act until the pleasure of the Court of Directors shall be known.

The Hospital Board have no doubt but there are Gentlemen on the Coast qualified to act as Assistant Surgeons, and who would willingly come forward, provided their Rank was established from the date of their admission into the Service.

Approved

The Hospital Board recommend that Purveyors Stores for 300 Sick be sent to each of the General Hospitals of Vellore, & Tritchinopoly.

Consideration deferred

Received an Application from the Secretary, requesting that he be permitted to draw the usual allowance of Oil, Candles, &c. as in other public offices — which the Hospital Board hope will be complied with.

Approved

The Hospital Board have the pleasure to inform Government that Mr. Bingham, Assistant Surgeon, is returned from China, where he had been on leave of Absence for the recovery of his health.

Signed { James Anderson Physician General
Colley L. Lucas — Chief Surgeon
William Duffin — Head Surgeon

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Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Ross

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Commander in Chief & Governor in Council

Fort St. George

From Colonel Ross. Enclosing a proposed form for Receipts to be given to the Engineers by the Barrack Masters for Quarters -

Honble Sir

There having been differences in opinion of the proper Receipt to be given the Engineers by the Barrack Masters, for quarters delivered to their Charge, I take the liberty of submitting a form for your approbation; which, if judged proper, I hope you will be pleased to make General by directing all Receipts for quarters to be made out conformably thereto -

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

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(Signed) Patrick Ross
Lieutenant Colonel & Chief Engineer

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Receipt, as proposed by the Chief Engineer, be referred to the consideration of the Military Board.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Capper

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

From Colonel Capper reporting upon Colonel Floyd's application to be allowed Carriage for Guns; & upon the Chief Engineer's Bills for Work done at Wallajanabad -

Honble Sir

I have been honored with Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letter of the 9th. Instant, directing me to report upon an application from Lieutenant Colonel Floyd; and likewise to audit Bills sent in by the Chief Engineer for Work done at Wallajanabad -

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I have carefully examined the Company's Records, & cannot discover from what authority Colonel Floyd makes that distinction, mentioned in his Letter to Captain Dirom Deputy adjutant General, of 6 Pagodas pmonth for a Horse, for his Subsistence only, in time of peace; and Provision to be made for the Carriage of Gram, when in the Field. His Majesty's 19th Regiment of light Dragoons came out at the end of the Year 1782; and were allowed 8 pagodas a Month for feeding of their Horses, until the 20th of August 1785, long after the Peace was made; when it was reduced by an order of Government to 6 pagodas pmonth each Horse, & half a Pagoda a Month each for the Repair of the Accoutrements.

During the last War, whilst the Army was in the Field, I find 7 Pagodas pmonth was charged by Lieutenant Colonel Dugald Campbell, Commanding the 1st Regiment of Native Cavalry, for Feeding the Horses, as p Enclosed Voucher: hence it appears that, 8 Pagodas, 7, and 6 Pagodas have been drawn at different times for the Feeding of Horses; nor can I explain the reason of this variety of Charges, for I was not officiating as Commissary General when the Nabob's Cavalry was taken into the Company's Service, nor when any of the Subsequent Regulations took place.

With respect to the Bills of the Chief Engineer, for Work done at Wallaujaubad; I do not know either by what authority these Works were undertaken, or for what reason these Articles, many of which appear to be furniture for the Barracks, were furnished by the Chief Engineer. The Buildings in particular, ought not to have been undertaken, until an Estimate of the Expence had been laid before the Honble the Governor in Council, & approved of by him, agreeable to General Orders of 11th January 1789.

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

(signed) S. Capper
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greatest part of the Government Share of the Crops have for some time past been made over to different Inhabitants, for Money paid in by them long ago; and what small part of the Revenue remains not anticipated is disbursed as collected to answer the current Expences of the Circar; so that the Intentions of Government will be in a great Measure frustrated on emergency in the Mode of Payment, as what Grain could be taken from the Inhabitants, they have already paid in Money to the Circar for; therefore nothing but ready Cash could be an equivalent to the Inhabitants for the seizure of his Grain, who without it would be deprived of the means of carrying on any further Cultivation or his business with the Circar. — Under these Circumstances, I have refrained from employing any Troops Troops, as nothing but the most urgent necessity could justify me in causing the distress which would fall upon the Inhabitants by the seizure of the Grain in the Country: little or no part being the Circar property, unless immediate payment was made. —

I am now making Estimates of the Expence for covering a further quantity of Grain, and shall be forwarded with as little delay as possible.

I am Sir,

your most obedient Servant

(signed) R. Andrews

Nagar
9th March 1790

A true Copy Signed Thos. Cockburn
Asst

To John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary to the Military Department

Sir

I have the honor to enclose a Letter from Mr. Soriano Storekeeper at Ambore & Vellore.

From the Circumstances therein stated I trust Government will

Mr. Cockburn - Enclosing a letter from Mr Soriano; and requesting Government will order by the payment of 1000 Pags. the Inhabitants of the Pottah part of the Grain or as much as he has of it.

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will be induced to aid him with a supply of Four thousand Pagodas, about a fourth part of the price of the Grain ordered to be laid up.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(signed) Tho.s Cockburn
C.G.G. Provisions

Madras
13.th March 1790

To Thomas Cockburn Esq.r
C.G. of G.t Provisions

Sir

I am very glad you have ordered that a hundred and fifty five Carriage Bullocks should be detained here. The Bags are much wanted. I have desired Captain Read at Amboor to keep a hundred of them there to bring in the purchased Grain, which is the first object.

The Inhabitants of this District with the Sumildar came to me this morning, and argued with me concerning the impossibility of their carrying on their business, if I gave them Paper payable in two Months, unaccompanied with any Money. - They declared they were willing to do all they could towards supplying Grain; but as they were all of them very poor, and very greatly in debt, and as the Circar took from them half the Paddy in trust, Notwithstanding they had already paid more than the Circar share came to, - & besides seized on far the greater part of the remainder without some present payment, it would not be in their power to cut the Grain now Ripe, and to carry on the Cultivation of what is growing. - I told them the Business must go on, and that I would consider of the matter. If Sir, or you could supply me with between Three or Four thousand Pagodas, I could manage the Business with them,

and

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and they would not be discouraged, otherwise what they threaten, if drove, as they say, to their Wits End, may happen: They may become tumultuous, and neglect cutting the Crop, and occasion such a delay as the greatest exertion may afterwards not be able to redeem. I write not this to start difficulties, but in hopes that you may be able to send me a supply of Cash for the present, that I may not experience any but such as absolute necessity may reduce me to. — Be so good to represent this matter to the Governor.

Accompanying this is an Estimate of the Grain in this District, made on a survey of it. — It may not be quite so Exact as it might be, could more time have been spaid, but it will give a tolerable good Idea of what may be expected. — This Estimate includes Circar & Inhabitants Share, and the Cumbatam Country, the produce of which is said to be allotted for the Nabob's Family and Dependants, and which is managed by a Man especially appointed by his Highness. The Paddy on which has been Estimated at Seventy five Garce — The Manager I am told has made a Complaint to his Highness that I have placed Sepoys over this part of the District — To me he has said nothing. In order to prevent difficulties and delays, I wish you could procure an Order to this Manager, instead of making Complaints that he do assist me all in his power, and without hesitation make over all the Cumbatam Grain to the Company.

I am, Sir, Your most obedient Servant

Vellore 18.th March 1790.

[signed] W.m H.y Torriano Jun.r

A true Copy [signed] Tho.s Cockburn

P.S

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B. I had an offer yesterday of Two thousand Pagodas worth of Paddy from a Man at Courepauk, & One thousand Pagodas worth from a Man at Arnee, if I would pay ready money for it.

The Name of the Manager of the Coimbatum Country, mentioned above, is Abasallee Cawn Saib

(signed) W. H. Torriano

Minute thereon

As it is impossible at present to supply Mr. Cockburn with Cash for the purchase of Grain, it is agreed that he be desired to carry into Execution the Instructions with which he has already been furnished on this Account

The following Account of Articles for Mr. Cockburn's Department has been submitted by him to the President

Memorandum of Mr. Cockburn's, of Articles wanted in the Victualling & Grain Departments.

In the Event of an Army being ordered into the Field, many small Articles are required which take time to provide, and which it is recommended should be kept in readiness Viz.t

For the Victualling Department		For the Grain Department	
Wooden Dram Cups	540	Tarpaulins of 8 feet Square for Saving Rice upon	12
Bamboo Measures	540	Tarpaulins of 12 by 6 for covering Rice	100
Gunneys	540	Copper Marcalls	40
Gallon Potts	3	Copper Seers	40
half Gallon Potts	4	Needles	1000
Pint Gallon Potts	5		
Quarter Gallon Potts	5		
Potts	2		
Copper Funnels	4	Victualling Department continued	
Brass Cocks	24	* Wood Cutters Tools	30
Gimblets	15	Lanthorns	6
Scales	3	Copper Marcalls	4
Hatchets &c.a to kill Cattle	6	Copper Measures	4
Europe Ropes Roll	1	Tarpaulins	10
Country Ditto for the Arrack Carts Ditto	30		
Arrack Keggs for small Detachments	30		

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The Expence of providing the above may amount to from 1,000 to 1,200 Pagodas –

A Stock of Slaughter Cattle & Sheep for feeding the Europeans should likewise be collected near Wallajaubad. 100 Men require about 1/2 of a Bullock p Diem if Northern Cattle, or 1/2 if Southern Cattle; or 12 Sheep – The Average Price of Bullocks for Slaughter, may be Estimated at 3 Pag.s p Bullock – The Sheep may be estimated from 3 to 4 Pag.s p.

The Number to be provided will depend upon the Number of Europeans to be with the Army, and the Stock considered necessary to march with it. A considerable time will however be required to collect any large Number of Cattle or Sheep.

As all the Grain in Store is Paddy, sometime will be required to beat it into Rice – To beat two Parra of Paddy into one of Rice (a Provision for 4800 Men for one day) requires about 833 Men p diem, or 200 Women.

In order that a sufficient Stock of Arrack may be placed in all the Garrisons, & Extra Stores in those in the direction the Army is likely to move, Government should give the necessary instruction to the Agent for Spirituous Liquors as early as possible, directing the quantity to be stored in each.

A quantity of Biscuit has usually been carried with the Army, and is I believe deemed absolutely necessary: A Dram and Biscuit is generally issued to the Men after a forced March, or an Engagement, and when it sometimes happens they have not time to prepare their Provisions – The quantity necessary for 4314 Men for 2 Months, allowing a Biscuit to

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to each four times in the Month, is about 16 ½ Candy, and the price about 22 ½ Pagodas ℔ Candy, is Pagodas 371 ½ ~

(signed) Tho.s Cockburn
Com.y G.l Provisions

Minute thereon

Agreed that a Copy of the foregoing be sent to the Military Boards, & that they be desired to report thereon.

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Stuart.

To the Honble Major General William Medows
Governor in Council

Hon.ble Sir

From Lieutenant Colonel Stuart — requesting Permission to serve in the Field in the Event of War

From the present preparations, and the orders for the army's Encamping &c.a, it is probable a War may soon be expected to take place. Should this prove to be the case, as my Services may be more useful in the Field than in Garrison, I request, in that Event, Permission from the Hon.ble Board to serve in the Field, and to give over the temporary Charge & Command of the Garrison of Tanjore to the Senior Officer present.

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

Tanjore — 10th. March 1790

(signed) J. Stuart
Lieutenant Colonel Commanding

The President recommends that Lieutenant Colonel Stuart's request be granted.

Colonel Stuart's request granted

Approved & ordered accordingly.

The President recommends that Mr. Thomas Kingscote be appointed Commissary of Grain & Provisions to the army.

Mr. Kingscote appointed Commissary of Grain & Provisions to the army.

Approved and Ordered accordingly.

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Read a Letter from Mr. Gordon Surgeon (entered in

From Mr. Surgeon Gordon

MB No. 88) requesting to be employed in the Field.

Agreed that Mr. Gordon's application be referred

Minute thereon

to the Hospital Board, and that they be desired to report in what manner Mr. Gordon can be employed in the Field, with advantage to the public Service.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Mowbray.

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Mr. Mowbray - reporting the Rajah's Kist Bundy Account current - & stating his reasons for not having made the enquiries ordered from England, in the first Accounts sent in - & giving the Reasons why he could not communicate the subject - reporting the Sum due by the Rajah to the Coy of the Carnatic, by the Military Paymaster's Accounts - the reason why he did not charge the Coy of these Troops to the Rajah's Account.

Agreeable to your orders of the 12th. Instant, to make up the Rajahs of Tanjore's Kist Bundy Account Current & referring me to several Papers, and the Records of the Board said to specify some Remissions granted to the Rajah, & directing that the Accounts may be drawn out in conformity to these Arrangements, & the Existing Treaty.

On a perusal of what has passed upon the subject, there does not appear any specific Resolution of the Board, authorizing the particular Sums or the aggregate Amount thereof to be carried to the Credit of his Excellency the Rajah's Account as Remissions; neither has any such intimation been communicated to me or to Mr. Ram the Resident at Tanjore, as appears by his Letter to your Honor under date the 5th. Instant.

I have further to observe that, no alteration of the dates of Sums of the growing Kists appear specifically to

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to have been ordered.

Under such Circumstances, I cannot presume officially to state the Rajah's account; I have however, from what seems to have been the meaning and Intention of the Governor, as appears by M.r Holland's Letter to the Rajah of the 7th January last, inserted in the accompanying Draft of the Account, Remissions to the Amount of two Lacs & Sixty thousand Pagodas. If I have misunderstood the subject, M.r Edw.d Fr.s Holland, the only remaining Member of the late Administration, will I presume explain it.

I am the more cautious of committing myself officially on the subject of this Account, because on a reference to the Company's orders & Instructions, under date 20th August 1788, received p Swallow in the Month of February last Year, on the authority of which the remissions in question are said by the Rajah and M.r Holland to have been granted, no such measure is by our Honble Employers authorized, as it clearly appears, that it was only in case his Highness the Nabob should voluntarily accede to the alterations proposed, that any remissions should be granted to the Rajah. The 30.th Paragraph of their Letter is explicit on this point.

"After you shall have made this proposition to
"the Nabob, & endeavored to convince him how much it will be
"for his Interest to accede thereto; and after you shall have explained
"to him the Construction we have put upon the 16.th article of the
"late Treaty with him relative to Tanjore, he is to be left at full Liberty
"either to agree to the whole of the Arrangement, as now proposed, or to
"reject it; in which latter case, The Treaty, already concluded, must
"be considered as binding, until you receive our further Directions."

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Such being the Honble Company's orders, and the proposed remissions being under Reference to them, I conceive it would be improper at this time to pass them to the Credit of the Rajah's Account; more Especially, when it seems probable that the Carnatic will very soon be involved in War; in which case, by the 8th and 9th Articles of the Existing Treaty with the Rajah, Four-fifths of the Revenues of the Tanjore Country are to be received by the Company for defraying his Quota of the Expence for the General defence of the Dominions of the Contracting Powers, which of course ought, as the Estimated Annual Revenue of the Tanjore Country, entitle the Company to receive Eight Lacs of Pagodas pannum instead of four Lacs, which is the Result of the proposed arrangement by the late Government.

Your Honor has also desired me to state on a seperate Paper an account of what is due from the Rajah for the Pay of the Sibendy Battalions employed in his Collections the estimated amount thereof to this time is reckoned by the Military Paymaster General at 65,000 Pagodas — But I have not been able to find any Order or Resolution on your Records for charging the Pay of these Troops to the Rajah's account, altho' in the annual Statements & Estimates, the first of which are signed by the Governor in Council, this Article of Charge against the Rajah is noticed; and it seems to be founded on the 13th Article of the Treaty.

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c (signed) George Mowbray
Accountant General

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Dr. His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore his Kist bundy Account Current with the Honble Company Cr.

1790 February 25th	To Balance - as p Account Current	376,850. 6. 37	1790 March 12th	By a Remission for the Seishaush payable according to Treaty for the year ended July last; for which, by the late President Mr. Holland's letter to the Rajah of the 7th January last, appears to have been granted to him under a Reference to the Honble the Court of Directors	220,000.-.-
28th	To the Kist for this month, as p Treaty	100,000.-.-		By ditto - for four Kists of 10,000 Pagodas each for the four last Months, which it appears also intended to Remit	40,000.-.-
				By Cash received by Mr. Ram at Tanjore last Month	9,089.19.45
			March 12th	By Bal. Balance due by the Rajah	207,760.22.72
	Pagodas	476,850. 6. 37		Pagodas	476,850. 6. 37

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Errors Excepted

signed George Mowbray

Accountant General

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Minute thereon

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The arrangement of this business deferred — The letters in circulation to be dispatched to the Rajah of Tanjore & Mr. Ram.

Agreed to defer the final arrangement of this business until a future Meeting. In the mean time it is Resolved, that the following Letters, which have been sent in Circulation, shall be dispatched to the Rajah of Tanjore, & to Mr. Ram the Resident. In the letter to the Rajah, the Demand, to which the Penalties of the Treaty are annexed, is confined to one Lack of Pagodas — (also Entered in C.C. No. 60)

To the Rajah of Tanjore

To the Rajah of Tanjore — Calling upon him to fulfill his Engagements by the punctual payment of his Debts: otherwise the Treaty to be resorted to — Reminding him that on the 30th April, he will owe to the Company for his March & April Visits.

Having called upon the proper Officers of this Government to report to me the State of your Excellency's Engagement with the Honble Company, I find that there are arrears due this day amounting to about Pagodas 100,000

Upon a Reference to the Records of this Government, I observe that a very short time before my arrival, your Excellency was indulged with a Remission of your annual Payments to a large amount, and that this Measure is in reference to the Court of Directors.

It might have been expected that your Excellency, who has received so many favors from the Company, who has so lately obtained so great a Remission from their Representatives, would do not

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not have subjected me to the Necessity of calling upon you to fulfill your Engagements, which, from every Account I have received from your Country, cannot be attended with Circumstances any ways inconvenient to you.

As the Company have immediate occasion for all Payments which are due to them, it is necessary that your Excellency should compleat the Payment of your Kists; and I have accordingly directed Mr. Ram the Resident at Tanjore to deliver this Letter to you, and to receive from your Excellency, on or before the 30th. of April, a full liquidation of the Arrears due.

I trust your Excellency will, by your punctuality, render it unnecessary for me to have recourse to any disagreable measure; but it is proper I should tell your Excellency that, I have considered it my Duty to order Mr. Ram to recur to the Treaty in the event of any failure on the part of your Excellency in the Payments abovementioned; and I have Instructed him, in such case, to take possession of your Country in the manner prescribed by Treaty.

I must further bring to your Excellency's Notice, that besides the Sums above Claimed, you will on the 30th. April owe to the Honble Company, for Your March & April Kists, which I expect you will discharge with strict punctuality.

I have the honor to be

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Your Excellency's most obedient
& most faithful humble Servant

(signed) William Medows

To

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Fort St. George
12th March 1790

Your Excellency's most obedient
& most faithful humble Servant
William Medows
signed

To

No 6

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To George Andrew Ram Esqr.

Resident at Tanjore

Sir

To the Resident at Tanjore
Enclosing Copy of the foregoing Letter — and giving him full Instructions on the Subject

I enclose by order of the Board a Letter to the Rajah of Tanjore, which you are immediately to deliver. A Copy of it is forwarded for your Information.

You are without loss of time to demand from his Excellency the full payment of what is specified in the annexed Letter; and you are to urge him in the strongest Terms the necessity of Compliance: stating to him the inevitable Consequence which will result if his Payments are not completed within the time prescribed.

In the event of the Rajah's failing in the performance of what is now required of him, you are to put into Execution the Fourth article of the existing Treaty between this Government, & his Excellency, to the extent that the failure may render necessary.

If Troops are wanted for the execution of this Service, you will make a requisition to Lieutenant Colonel Stuart, for such as may be necessary.

You are to take an early opportunity of recommending to the Rajah in the strongest manner, and in the most forcible Language, the punctual discharge of his Payments in future; Assuring him, that after the great Remissions allowed to him by the late Government, a most steady performance of the Existing Engagements will be required. You will remind him that large Payments fall due in the course of the ensuing two months, & that it will behove him to provide for the discharge of them.

As

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As Money will be wanting for Payment to the Southern Army, you are authorized to receive at Tanjore, such Sums as the Rajah may be desirous of paying to you, in liquidation of the Demands now made upon him.

The Board have received your Letter of the 5th. Instant, with the Enclosure.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(signed) J. Chamier
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Read the following Letter from some Ensigns on the Establishment, addressed to the President in his Character of Commander in Chief.

To the Honble. Major General William Medows
Commander in Chief

From some Ensigns on the Establishment, requesting to be promoted to Lieutenants whenever the Case at Bengal.

Sir

Strongly impressed with a just sense of your established Character for Equity, We beg leave to represent a Circumstance which the various occupations of your high Station may have hitherto prevented you from observing, in the same light that it has appeared to us.

We are informed that the Sepoy Corps on the Bengal & Bombay Establishments have no Commissioned Officers under the Rank of Lieutenants; and We trust that our Commander in Chief will admit of the propriety of our wishing at all times to be placed on a footing with them in Regard to Rank, and more particularly at this important Crisis, when there is a probability that the Troops of the three Establishments will soon act together in the Field, against the Common Enemy.

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We trust these Considerations will be accepted as our Apology for Representing our Case at this busy time; and, as there can be no dissimilarity of opinion among the rest of the Officers interested in the success of this address, We are encouraged to hope it will be indulgently received in its present form, in behalf of ourselves and other Designs of Infantry on this Establishment.

We are confident that every attention will be paid to our Interests that is admissible — and beg leave to subscribe ourselves with the highest Respect

Hon'ble Sir

Your most obedient humble Servants

Fort St. George
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Signed

Robert N. Wynne Ensign
Edward Blount Ensign
Alex.r Bryce Ensign
John Brookbank Ensign
Ja.s Gordon Ensign
Robert W.m Cully Ensign
J. Whitlie Ensign
Rob.t Bradshaw Ensign
Jn.o Weston Woolf Ensign
J. Burton Ensign
Robert Shawe Ensign
Andrew Macpherson Ensign
Wm. Heitland Ensign
Joseph Dickson Ensign

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Minute thereon

The Board are of opinion that the request contained in the foregoing is inadmissible. But it is agreed however to refer the Subject to Bengal.

From Captain Burgess

Read the undermentioned Letter (entered in Mis. No. 92) from Captain Burgess of the Chesterfield — Enclosing Bills for Victualling the Detachment sent on his Ship from Bengal.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Bills be audited by the proper Officer, and if right, be discharged.

Bills &c. —

With respect to the Bill for making a Cook-Room &c. for the Bengal Lascars, & for hiring a Sloop to bring the Provisions from Calcutta to the Chesterfield at Diamond Point, it is agreed that it be referred to the Governor General in Council, as it is not provided for in any Instructions to this Government.

Ens. Gerard Harton

J. H. Lee

Edwd. Fr. Holland

James Taylor

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Diary

Substance of a Letter from the Amd at ul omrah.

16th Received a Card from the Amdat ul omrah (as entered in C.C. No. 61) Enclosing orders to the Nabob's Renters for furnishing Grain, Bullocks, and Bamboo Coolies; and complaining that the Contractors take the Circar Bullocks.

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. Nos. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98.—

From Mr. Fombelle — From the Sub Secretary at Bengal — Enclosing a Copy of a List of Ordnance and Ordnance Stores &c. shipped on board the Honble Company's Ships Houghton and Chesterfield for this Presidency;

From Ditto — From the same — Enclosing Duplicate Invoices of the Gunpowder, & Sulphur sent on the Pigot, Cornwallis and Juno.

From Ditto — From the same — Reporting that the supplies to be furnished the Detachment marching from Bengal, are not to be supplied at the Company's Charge, but that they will be paid for, when received by the Detachment — Also, that the respective Chiefs have been desired to make the necessary advances, and to Regulate the Charge of the Wholesale rates of the Articles to be provided — likewise to lay in Firewood and Straw near the different daily Marches.

From Ditto — From the same — Desiring that Commodore Cornwallis may be furnished with a Copy of the Cypher No. 11.

From Mr. King — From Mr. King — Advising Government of his appointment as Agent to the Contractor for Victualling the Bengal Troops — and requesting that the Monthly Returns may be audited, and paid here, at the Current Exchange, agreeable to the Terms of the Contract.

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From the Committee of Works at Vellore

From the Committee of Works at Vellore - Enclosing an Estimate of Repairs requisite to the Hill Forts.

Sent the undermentioned Letters, as entered in Mss. Nos. 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108. -

To Lieut. Vaughan
" Johnstone
" Willis
& Walter Balfour

To the Paymasters on leave at the Presidency - directing them to proceed immediately to their respective Stations.

To the Hospital Board

To the Hospital Board - Enclosing Copy of a Letter from Mr. Surgeon Gordon; and desiring they will point out in what manner he can best be employed in the Field.

To Colonel Capper

To Colonel Capper - directing him to audit Colonel Ross's Accounts, & examine the Vouchers he will produce - Those Charges for which the Vouchers are insufficient, are of course to be Rejected. To report to the Board the Checks Established in the Muster-Master's Department for the mustering and paying the Bullocks with the Army: with his Opinion thereon.

To Mr. Secretary Hay

To Mr. Secretary Hay - Submitting to the Decision of the Supreme Board, a Bill delivered in by the Commander of the Chesterfield, which this Government have declined admitting, as it was not provided for in the Regulations receiving from Bengal; and reporting that the other Bills delivered in by Captain Burgess, for Victualling the Troops, have been admitted and discharged.

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions - Informing him that advances of Cash cannot, at this moment, be made for the purchase of Grain - Must therefore Execute such Orders as he has already received.

To Mr. Kingsote

To Mr. Thomas Kingsote - Appointed Commissary of Grain & Provisions to the Army in the Field.

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To Mr. Young — To the Joint Paymaster General — Enclosing Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Capper, and recommending that the 100 Doolies made up by him, be taken off his hands, if upon Inspection, they be found fit for the Service.

To the Committee of Stores — To the Committee of Stores — directing them to report upon an Enclosed Indent for 5 new Centry Boxes for Fort St. George.

To the Committee of Works — To the Committee of Works — Approving their Recommendation for raising Lascars, which is to be carried into Execution.

To the Military Board — To the Military Board — Enclosing a Set of Regulations adopted in Bengal, for Detachments sent from thence, to be made applicable to Detachments from this Coast, Ordered to the Book of Regulations.

To report upon the following Papers — Colonel Floyd's Application for an Allowance for carrying Guns — a List of Sentries necessary for the Army, in the Commissary of Grain's Department — And, proposed Receipt to be given to the Engineers for Quarters delivered over to the Barrack Masters —

Dispatched the following Letters to Bengal, to Captain Kennaway, & to Colombo —

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council
at Fort William

To Bengal — Reporting Tippoo's removal of Hostilities, and the Government's Intention to wait until an Answer is received from Lord Cornwallis respecting the best Mode of carrying on the War — And Enclosing Copies of the last Letters received from Mr. Swiney, Captain Kennaway & Tippoo —

My Lord,

Information was given to your Lordship in Council, in a Letter written Last night to Mr. Secretary Kay, that Tippoo Sultaun had on the 6th Instant, opened from his twelves pounders, upon the Lines of the Travancore Country;

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This act of Tippoo renders of course all further deliberation unnecessary, and it remains only to adopt and to carry into Execution the most vigorous operations against the Enemy.

On this subject, our President informs us that he has written fully to his Lordship the Governor General, and has transmitted his ideas as to the best mode of carrying on the War. We shall wait for the reply to this Letter, which may very shortly be expected. In the meantime, every Exertion shall be made to enable the Army to take the Field with all possible Expedition.

We have the honor to enclose Copies of Letters received from Mr. Powney and Captain Knox, giving the particulars of the renewal of Hostilities - We also enclose Copy of a Letter just received from Tippoo Sultaun.

We have the honor to be

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&c. &c. &c.

(signed) William Medows
&c. Council

To Captain Kennaway
Resident at Hydrabad

Captain Kennaway -
Advising of Tippoo having renewed his Hostilities against the Rajah of Travancore - requesting he will expedite the Conclusion of the Treaty entrusted to his Management,

Sir

The Board direct me to acquaint you that Intelligence has been received of Tippoo's renewal of Hostilities against the Rajah of Travancore, by opening Batteries upon the Lines, on the 5th. Instant.

Nothing now remains but to adopt and carry into Execution the most vigorous operations against the Enemy; It is therefore hoped that no time will be lost on your part, in the concluding

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16th. concluding the Negociation Entrusted to your Management.

I am Sir,
your most obedient Servant

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(signed) J. Chamier
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N.B. a Letter to the above effect has been also written to Mr. W. C. Malet. Resident at Poona

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To the Honble W. S. Vande Graaff Esqr.
President and Governor. &c. Council
at Columbo

Honble Sir and Sirs

To Columbo - Inclining the Answer to their Letter sent to Bengal - Advising of Tippoo's Renewal of Hostilities, and of our preparations to revenge the Insult - Assuring them that the Instructions from Bengal shall be strictly adhered to - and promising to address them again soon.

We had the honor to address you under date the 6th Ultimo, & have now the pleasure to enclose the answer of the Governor General & Council to the Letter which We forwarded to Bengal, at your desire.

You will have heard before this Letter reaches you, that Tippoo Sultaun has recommenced Hostilities upon the Lines of the Rajah of Travancore.

We are preparing to revenge this Insult offered to our Ally, and We are forming an Army which will, We trust, obtain full reparation for this wanton infraction of the Treaty of Peace on the part of Tippoo Sultaun.

The Governor General & Council having explained to your Honor &c. their Sentiments on the late Conduct of Tippoo, We shall not dwell upon the Subject - it will be sufficient to add that We shall strictly adhere to their Instructions, as far

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17th. far as relates to communications with your Government respecting the operations which will shortly be undertaken by our Army. We shall therefore do ourselves the honor to address you again very soon on this subject.

We have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signd) William Medows
&c. Council

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18th. Sent Letter to the Paymaster at Wallaujaubaad (as entered in M.B. No. 109) Enclosing the Nabob's Order to his Manager to furnish 300 Bamboo Coolies; and cautioning him against preying any of the Husbandmen of the District.

To W. Taner

19th. Received the following Letters (as entered in M.B. Nos. 110. 111. 112. 113

From Lieutenant William Monriff

From Lieutenant William Monriff of the Bengal Establishment requesting an Order to be received on Board the Houghton as Passenger for Bengal.

From W. K. Adams

From W. Knightly Adams, late Lieutenant in the Service requesting a Copy of his Court Martial.

From Colonel Stuart

From Colonel Stuart - Enclosing Copy of the Advertizement for Repairing Granaries at Tanjore And of two Proposals which were in consequence, given in, One of which is approved by the Committee of Works at Tanjore

From Captain Macintyre

From Captain Macintyre of the Bengal Establishment - requesting an order to be received on Board the Houghton as Passenger for Bengal.

Received the following Letters -

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To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort S.t George

Honble Sir

From Mr Ponney — advises of Tippoo's having opened his Batteries with a smart firing upon the Rajah's Lines; Also, of some artillery men having been sent by the Dutch to the Rajah's support.

The Enemy yesterday morning opened their Batteries, and kept up an incessant Fire for near three hours. One of the Bastions upon the Rajah's Lines was nearly Demolished, and two of his Guns disabled. The Rajah's People have thickened the Parapet, and have got their Guns upon the Rampart again. I understand the Governor of Cochin has assisted the Rajah of Travancore with 60 Artillery men, 30 of whom are Europeans. They are gone to the Lines, and will prove very serviceable to the Rajah.

It is impossible in any other manner to account for Tippoo's Conduct, than that he has not yet Cannon sufficient to serve in his Batteries: for he opens them only occasionally, and then allows the Rajah's Troops to repair the damages they have occasioned unmolested. Today there has been very little firing from his Batteries.

I have the honor to remain

Sir

Your most obed.t & most humble Servt

Parrur 12th March 1790.

(signed) George Ponney

Resident

His Excellency Major General William Medows

Governor in Council & Commander in Chief

Lieut.t Colonel Nixon — with Intelligence of Tippoo.

Sir

I take the liberty to acquaint you that Damoi dradoss, a Soucar here, has informed me of his having received Intelligence from his Gomastah at Palamcotah, of Tippoo's having issued Orders to his Army & Garrisons, to treat the English as Enemies wherever they shall meet them.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obed.t & most humble Servt

Head Quarters Tritchinopoly Plain. 16th March 1790

(signed) E. Nixon

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To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor of Fort St George, and Commander in Chief of His Britannic Majesty's Forces on the Coast of Coromandel.

From Pondicherry - Complaining of some Recruiting Parties in the English Service, who have been discovered recruiting in the French Districts.

Sir

Permit me to make my Complaints to you against several Sepoys in the Service of the Honble English East India Company, who in disguise have introduced themselves into this City, to raise Recruits in the most improper manner - I had the less reason to expect being obliged to make Complaints to you on this Subject, having twice stopped Recruiting Parties of the above Description, and was content to order them outside the Gates, with Positive Injunctions never again to come within them.

This abuse has now become so public & offensive, that I have imprisoned two of these Sepoys who were arrested this Morning. It is true that they told me that the Officers by whom they were employed, expressly recommended to them not to enter the Territories of his most Christian Majesty.

I am too well persuaded of your Justice not to hope that you will give orders to prevent in future an abuse so insulting to the Nation I have the honor to represent.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
/signed/ De Fresne

Pondicherry
7th. March 1790

A true translation /signed/ T. Chase
Fort

John Chanier Esq.
Secretary to the Governor in Council
Fort St. George

From Captain Kennaway - Enclosing a letter from the Nizam, which accompanies a Present for General Medows

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 20th. ultimo, enclosing a Letter for the Nizam which

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19.th which was delivered, and I have now the honor to enclose his answer.

On the 26.th I had the honor to forward to the Persian Translator a Letter from His Highness to General Medows, congratulating him on his arrival, accompanied with the Helaut Customary on such occasions.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant

Hydrabad
13.th March 1790.

signed John Kennaway.

At a Consultation Present

The Honble. Major General William Medows
Governor President
Edward John Holland
and
James Taylor
} Esqrs

Friday
19.th March 1790

Minutes of last Consultation Read & Approved

The President informs the Board, that he Yesterday received the Nizam's Vackeel with the usual Ceremonies; and that a Letter of Compliment (entered in C.C. Nos. 62 and 63) was delivered to him, from the Nizam, together with a Dress, & Jewell, which he has directed the Secretary to deposit in the Cash Chest.

The President informs the Board of his having received the Nizam's Vackeel's Complimentary Presents, which are lodged in the Cash Chest

Read the following Letters from Bengal.—

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

at Fort S.t George

Honble Sir

from Bengal – respecting the Payment of Bills due to the Nizam – directing the most particular attention to the fulfillment of the Sums due to them; and granted unlimitted Credit to draw on Bengal.

We have received, with a late Letter from Captain Kennaway the Resident at Hydrabad, an Extract of one written to him by Mr. Holland on the 24th. of last Month, in which it is mentioned that "the great difficulty of procuring Money for Bills on Bengal, renders it impossible at present to discharge the Current Peishcush" to the Nizam.

The Faith of this Government, strongly pledged for the regular Payment of the Peishcush, would, at all times, render it necessary that you should attend to the punctual discharge of it; but, in the present state of affairs, it is peculiarly important that the Company should not be liable to any Complaint on this account: We, therefore direct, that you consider the liquidation of the Arrears due, & of the Current Peishcush, as an indispensable Service, demanding your immediate Attention above all others. – We repeat the full authority which We have given you to draw upon us on this account: that authority is granted without limit.

We have the honor to be

Honble Sir

Your most obedient humble Servants

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signed
" Cornwallis
" Cha.s Stuart
" Peter Speke.

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To the Honble John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council

Fort S.t George

Hon.ble Sir

From Bengal - Enclosing a Letter to Columbo which requests their Assistance to attack upon Tippoo; & promises the support of the English in Consequence - Directions to the Governmt with Supposition of the acquiescence of the Dutch:

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Our Secretary has laid before us a Letter dated the 5th Instant, which he has received from Mr. Secretary Chamier, enclosing Translations of two Letters which had been written to you by the Governor & Council of Columbo, and the Governor seperately.

The subject of these Dispatches being of Importance, We have thought proper to Communicate our Sentiments upon it to the Dutch Government in the enclosed Letter, which We request may be forwarded by a safe Conveyance, on it's arrival at Your Presidency. We have the Pleasure to transmit a Copy of it for your Information.

On a supposition that the Dutch may be inclined to assist the Rajah of Travancore against Tippoo, We think it of Consequence that you should inform them of the Nature of the Operations that will be undertaken for the protection of the Rajah's Country by the Troops of your Presidency, and point out from time to time to the Dutch Government the Mode in which, according to the best of your Judgement, the Aid, that it may be in their power to grant from Cochin or Ceylon, may be applied most efficaciously for promoting the Success of the common Cause.

You will observe, in our Letter to Columbo, that We have engaged in the case of Tippoo's proceeding so far as to attack Cochin, in Resentment for the proofs which the Dutch may give of their Friendship for us or for our Ally the Rajah of Travancore, to exert our utmost endeavors to force him to desist

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from the Enterprize, promising also to obtain for them, at a Negociation for Peace, a full reparation for any Injuries that they may have Sustained.

We have the honor to be
Hon.ble Sir
Your most obedient humble Servants

Fort William
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signed " Cornwallis
" Ch.s Stuart
" Peter Speke

The Hon.ble W.m Van de Graaff
Governor and Director of the Island of Ceylon, and
all it's Dependencies &.c &.c &.c &.c &.c
Columbo

Hon.ble Sir

The Governor & Council of Madras have transmitted to us Copies of your Letters addressed to them dated the 9.th & 12.th ult.o, and We think it incumbent on us to assure you that We entertain a proper Sense of the concern which you have Expressed about the Interests of the English East India Company, and of it's ally the Rajah of Travancore.—

Although the 6.th article of the late Treaty of alliance which has been entered into by the Crown of Great Britain & the States General of the United Provinces, only contains specifically a mutual defensive Stipulation against the hostile attempts of any other European Power in India, yet We are so much convinced of it's being our mutual Interest that the strictest Cordiality should subsist between us, that We shall be happy to embrace every opportunity that offers to manifest our earnest Inclination

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to promote an Interchange of good offices, and to cultivate and Cement the ancient Friendship which has been so happily restored between our respective Nations.

We think ourselves much obliged to you for the clear and satisfactory information with which you furnished the Government of Madras of the nature of the Tenure by which the Dutch East India Company held the Fort of Cranganore, previous to it's being ceded to the Rajah of Travancore; and, as We agree entirely in opinion with you that, the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun had no right whatever to interfere in the Transaction by which the Rajah obtained possession of that Fort from your Nation, We should not have looked on with indifference, even if he had confined himself solely to an attempt of wresting Cranganore from the Rajah by force of Arms.

The violent and ambitious spirit of that Prince seems however to have much more important objects in view; and his total disregard of the Faith of Treaties, and his designs upon the Country of Travancore, having appeared in the most unequivocal shape by his daring attack of the Rajah's Lines on the 29th. December last, We consider ourselves as bound in honor not to abandon an Ally in such emminent danger, and have accordingly determined to give him our decided support, as well as to resent the outrage that has been committed upon him in the same manner as if it had been offered to ourselves.

It gave us particular satisfaction to learn that you also take a warm Concern about the Rajah; and upon a supposition that you may be inclined to assist him upon this occasion, We shall direct the Government of Madras to inform you of the Nature of the Operations which will be undertaken for the protection -

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protection of Travancore by the Troops of that Presidency, and to take the liberty of pointing out to you from time to time the mode in which, according to the best of their Judgement, the aid which it may be in your Power to grant from Cochin or Ceylon may be applied most efficaciously for promoting the success of the Common Cause.

We have been informed of some late instances of Tippoo's insulting Behaviour to the Governor of Cochin, and of the designs which he seems to entertain against that Fort and Settlement; and should he proceed so far as to attack that Fortress, in resentment for the proofs which you may give of your Friendship for us, or for our Ally the Rajah, We will engage to exert our utmost endeavors to force him to desist from this Enterprize, and also to obtain for you, at a Negociation for Peace, a full reparation for any injuries that you may have sustained.

As Tippoo has become the Aggressor, by the most wanton Violation of the late Treaty of Peace, he has forfeited all Claim upon the French for Assistance; and We trust that it will be as little the inclination, as it would be irreconcileable to every principle of Justice and good Faith in that Nation to interfere in the present Contest.

Sensible however of it's being our public Duty to take every precaution in our power to render any attempt abortive that, contrary to our Expectations, may be made from that Quarter, We shall request of Commodore Cornwallis, the Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships in these Seas, to keep a watchful Eye upon all the Motions of the French. We shall likewise esteem it as a particular Mark of your Friendship, if you will be equally vigilant on your part to endeavor to discover and to Counteract any designs of that Nature that may be in Agitation; And should

you

you acquire any information upon that subject, which it may appear to you of consequence for us to know, We shall esteem it as a particular obligation if you will convey it to us, or to the commodore, or to any of our other Settlements, which it may particularly concern, with all possible dispatch.

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We have the honor to be
Sir &c. &c. &c. (signed) Cornwallis
for Council

A true Copy (signed) E. Hay
Secy to the Govt.

Minute with the former Letter

Agreed that the Bengal Government be informed of the Measures which the Board have taken for procuring Rupees for the liquidation of the Balance due to the Nizam, and of the earnest desire they have of completing the Engagements contracted by the Governor General in Council.

Notes on the Letter Letter

Agreed also that the necessary Communications be made to the Government at Columbo, respecting the operations of the army, when the final arrangements are made.

The Letter from the Governor General to the Government at Columbo was immediately forwarded, accompanied by a Letter from the Board - as entered in the diary to this day's Consultation.

The Letter to Columbo dispatched

Read the following Letter from Bombay

To the Honble Major General William Medows
Governor in Council
Fort St. George

From Bombay - Communicating the Instructions which they have received from Bengal, in consequence of Tippoo's Hostile Letter - and requesting to be regularly informed of the Steps taken by the Army against that Prince. &c

Honble Sir

Webeg leave to congratulate Mr. Taylor on his accession to a Seat at your Board, as advised us in a Letter from the late Governor in Council

We had yesterday the honor to receive from His Lordship the Governor General in Council his Sentiments respecting Tippoo's

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Tippoo's Attack on the Travancore Lines, which his Lordship Considers as a declaration of War, and has instructed us in Conse-quence to make a powerful diversion against his Country from this Coast, and to excite his Malabar Tributaries to Revolt.

While We are taking Measures preparatory to the End proposed by his Lordship, We are to request you will impart to us the Plan of Operations which you have projected for the Army under your Commands; since, until We are ap-prized of it's having taken the Field, a Diversion with the Slender Force that would be detached from this Presidency might be exposed to considerable Hazard.

We have the honor to be
Yr. Yr. Yr.
Robert Abercromby
D. Carnegie

Bombay Castle
25th February 1790

Minute thereon

The Board will take the earliest opportunity of communicating to the Bombay Government the Plan of Operations, as soon as they shall be finally arranged.

Read the following Letters from the Military Board.

To the Honble Major General William Medows
Governor in Council -

From the Military Board respecting the Roy. Corps Bengal Detachment - Recommending that an Engineer do examine & report circumstantially on the State of the Pettah Fortifications; also that Colonel Gills be called upon to explain why Gills Work at Palaw was originally Contracted.

Honble Sir

We had the honor to receive Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letter of the 12th Instant, with it's several Enclosures.

Having duly considered the several Paragraphs contained in the Letter from the Superior Government, We beg leave to submit such measures as have occurred to us immedi-
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immediately necessary to execute it's Instructions.

Remarking that the 7th. Para: directs that, the Bengal Troops, while acting independantly of those of another Establishment, are to receive the Bengal Pay and allowances; and, when acting in Conjunction with the Troops belonging to this Establishment, the rate of Pay received by the Troops at Madras, until they again Return into the Bengal Dominions. We take the liberty to submit, whether it will not be proper to issue a General Order to this Effect, clearly explaining the period at which this Distinction is to commence, and the Circumstances under which it is to continue.

With respect to the subsequent Paragraphs, they do not appear to us necessary to be inserted in General Orders, but that it will be be sufficient to send Copies of the Letter and Tables to the Chiefs & Councils at Tanjam, Masulipatam, and Viragapatam, the Officer Commanding the Northern Division, the Commanding Officer of the Army in the Field, the Paymaster General, Quarter Master General, Commissary General of Stores, Commissary General of Grain & Provisions, Contractors for Bullocks, & Officer Commanding the Bengal Detachment, desiring all of them to make the necessary Communications to the Subordinate Officers, according as the Orders relate to their several Departments ... Also, that the latter do notify to the Europeans and Lascars, that, part of their Pay will be stopt, if they wish it, & issued to their Families in Bengal.

Your Honble Board having been pleased to fix the Exchange at 375 Arcot Rupees p^r. Star Pagodas, and the 10th. Para: of the Letter from Bengal recommending that the Grand Totals shall be converted into Current Rupees at a fixed Rate of Exchange to be settled by your Government, We humbly conceive it has escaped your Honor's observation, that the converting the Totals into Arcot, instead of Current Rupees, is inconsistent with the recommendation

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of the Supreme Government.

We beg leave to recommend, in consequence of the requisition in the 14th. Para:, that the Paymaster General be directed to draw out the Comparative Tables, to be Certified by the Accountant General & Commissary General.

The Account transmitted by Colonel Bruce of the State of the Fortifications at Vellore, not appearing to be sufficiently explicit to enable us to determine what repairs are necessary, We request leave to submit whether it will not be proper to direct Colonel Bruce to order the Engineer at Vellore to make a circumstantial report of the Works out of repair, and other Works, as mentioned in Colonel Bruce's Letter, accompanied with a Plan & Estimate of the Expence, and alterations he may deem necessary. — With respect to Geils's Work, We believe that it was undertaken by Lieutenant Colonel Geils; and, before it is destroyed, We are of opinion he should be written to on the subject, and requested to inform the Honble Board for what purpose it was originally designed. —

We have the honor to be

Honble Sir

Your very obedient humble Servants

(signed) „ J. Capper
„ Patrick Ross
„ Henry Malcolm
„ J. Moorhouse

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To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Hble Sir

From the Military Board - Tendering proposed Regulations for the Management of the Sick in the Field, with their reasons for differing from those drawn up by the Hospital Board accompanied by a Minute of Colonel Malcolm on the subject

We have the honor to lay before you Regulations for the Management of the Sick in the Field. Your Honor will observe that We have differed in some respects from those under our consideration from the Hospital Board, and will take the liberty of explaining our Reasons for so doing.

The first is only a mere nominal distinction: The Hospital Board have called Mr. Ponton Medical Storekeeper, but in the 16th Para: of the Hospital Regulations, published on the 8th July 1786, and now in force, the Name of Medical Storekeeper at the Presidency, was changed to Apothecary. We are, therefore, of opinion Mr. Ponton should be called Apothecary in the Field; and likewise, all Gentlemen acting in the same Line should be called Apothecary and not Medical Storekeeper. The difference of Name in the same Office is likely to occasion Mistakes and confusion in public Orders and Accounts.

Under the head of Victualling, We have also struck off 3 fanams, which the Hospital Board recommend should be allowed in the Field Hospital - In lieu of this, We have substituted 2 fanams Each. 40. to be stopped out of the Pay of each Man, which, added to the Dry Batta, We think will be sufficient for the maintenance of a Man when sick, & at the same time prevent his being tempted to remain in the Hospital, in hopes of saving Money out of his Pay.

The Hospital Board have likewise recommended that not more than 30 Pagodas p month shall be allowed to the Surgeons of each European Corps - As an ample provision has already been made for Wine, and the Company furnish a large

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Proportion of Medicines, We do not think this Charge should exceed 10 Pagodas pmonth, for every 20 Men.

In like manner the Hospital Board have recommended 20 Pagodas pmonth be allowed to each of the Assistant Surgeons of Native Corps; but as they have only Charge of 8 Serjeants, and are allowed 2 fanams 60 Cash for every Sick or wounded Sepoy, We think this Charge may be reduced to 10 Pagodas pmonth.

In the present hurry of business, being the first time We have had the subject under discussion, We cannot hope We have succeeded in forming a Complete Set of Regulations for the Sick in the Field; but We shall take the earliest opportunity of suggesting any improvements that may occur to us, and in the mean time, We trust that what We have now laid before you, will prevent any material Confusion or Disorder in this Department.

Lieutenant Colonel Malcolm having entered a Minute respecting these Regulations, We beg leave to enclose a Copy of it.

We have the honor to be

Honble Sir

Your very obedient humble Servants

. J. Capper
. Patrick Ross
(Signed) . Henry Malcolm
. J. Moorhouse

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Regulations for a General Field Hospital

A Field Hospital to be established, to
[illegible] under the Charge of a Surgeon General, with the
following Staff, viz.

1 Assistant Surgeon — Secretary
1 Ditto — Ditto — Field Hospital Apothecary

who is to Report, thro' the Apothecary at Madras, to the Hospital Board, all receipts & Issues of Medicines. All his Indents for Medicines and Stores are to be Countersigned by the Surgeon General.

Doolies

In order to obviate the difficulties frequently experienced in procuring Dooley Boys, the Military Storekeeper will be ordered to Construct Carts upon a certain Model, to be approved by the Military Board —

The Doolies to be under the care of the Regimental Surgeons, who are to give in a Weekly Return of their Sick to the Surgeon General, to whom he is likewise to report any Deficiency in the Number of Dooley Boys, and the Repairs necessary to the Doolies. The Repairs of the Doolies to be made by the Artificers belonging to the Corps, assisted when necessary by the Lascars of the Commissary General or Commissary of Stores — All Orders of the Surgeon General to the Regimental Surgeons respecting Doolies, to be strictly obeyed.

Whilst the army continues Marching, it will seldom happen that the Sick must be removed from their own Tents; but when the army is distant from any Garrison, & Considered in a fixed Camp or Cantonment, if Choultries or other public Buildings

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of that kind cannot be found in the Neighbourhood of the Camp, proper for the reception of the Sick, Marquees must be pitched to accommodate the Sick, who must be sent to the Temporary Field Hospital.

The Surgeon General, by authority of the Commander in Chief, to fix upon a proper place to establish this Field Hospital, where those who are dangerously ill or badly wounded, are to be collected together. And, it is considered his Duty to take care that the Regimental Surgeons and their Assistants duly attend the Sick of their respective Corps.

Victualling

When a Man is sent from the Regimental to the Field Hospital, he is no longer to be included in the daily Indents for Provisions; but Dry Batta, at the rate of 3 Fanams 30 Cash, is to be drawn for all the Patients sent to the Field Hospital, agreeable to the following Form, and likewise 2 Fanams 40 Cash are to be stopped out of each Man's pay by the Captains or Officers Commanding Companies, who are to pay the same into the hands of the Surgeon General, and he is to Victual the Sick in the General Hospital for this Money, amounting to the Sum of 5 Fanams 70 Cash, without subjecting the Company to any Extra or Contingent Charge whatever.

Form of Indent for Provisions and Batta.

Sir Please to order Field Allowance to Eighty Seven Men of Captain F— 's Company.

Arrack & Provisions for Eighty Men
Dry Batta ——— for Seven Men
Total

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Balance of about Five Thousand Pagodas was due on his Kists, to the 1st. January 1790, arising from his having Mistaken their Amount. — At the time of General Medows' arrival, he was in daily Expectation of a Remittance for the Kist of the 31st January, which he understands was received on the 10th Instant, which has not been stated by the Accountant General. He conceives therefore that the Kist falling due on the 28th February, can only be claimed of the Rajah, excepting a small difference arising, as has been observed, from his mistaking the amount of his Kists, exclusive of 1/3 of the Remission abovementioned due in 1791 — It has already been observed that the Rajah considers his Kists growing due according to the Country, Months, or Twelve or fifteen days after the Expiration of the English Month. — Mr. Holland cannot omit remarking the wide Range & Spirit of obtrusion, bordering on disrespect, apparent in the Accountant's Letter, which Government have had occasion to remark in other Instances, & which he is clearly of opinion ought ever to be strongly discouraged.

(signed) Edwd. Jno. Holland.

Minute thereon

Agreed that a Letter be written to the Accountant General to the Purport of the above Minute, and directing him to deliver in a Corrected Account Current, agreeably to Mr. Holland's Remarks.

Read the following Letter from the Committee for Reporting upon the Bengal Regulations

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To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Committee for Reporting upon the Bengal Regulations - Enclosing Copies of their Proceedings, & recommending that in the present state of Affairs the Bengal Regulations be postponed

We have the honor to lay before you our last Proceedings, with the Paymaster General Mr. Turing's Minute and Forms; by which your Honble Board will perceive, that we are prepared to carry your Orders into Execution; but we beg leave to submit to your Consideration whether, in the present state of Affairs, the adoption of the Bengal Regulations had not better be postponed until the next year.

We are with the greatest Respect

Sir &c. &c. &c.

(signed) J. Capper
John Turing
Jno. Cockburn

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The Board are sensible that so material a Change in the mode of keeping the Accounts of this Presidency, as recommended from Bengal, would, at this Critical Juncture, be attended with great Inconvenience; and resolve in consequence, that it be submitted to the Consideration of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council, whether it would not be proper to postpone for one year any alteration in the present System.

Minute thereon

Ordered that the Papers accompanying the Letter from the Committee, be lodged in the Office.

The accompanying Papers to be lodged in the Office

The President lays before the Board the following Plan

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Plan for procuring Bamboo Coolies for the use of the Troops encamped near Wallaujanbaad.

Plan proposed to the Collector for procuring Bamboo Coolies for the Troops Encamped near Ullacotah.

Districts	distance from Camp	Computed Number of Villages	Number of Coolies
Conjeveram	9	260	260
Couentiendalum	7	180	180
Chingleput	13	330	330
Salavauk	10	40	40
Outramalore	15	80	80
Cavangoly	20	250	250
	A Jaghire at One Cooly a Village is		1140

Minute thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the Plan be sent to the Collectors in the Jaghire, with directions to carry the same into immediate Execution.

An order to be sent to the Bullock Contractors to provide Bullocks for the Carriage of 40 days Provisions

Resolved that an order be issued to the Contractors for Bullocks to prepare with all possible Expedition Draught & Carriage Bullocks sufficient for the Carriage of 40 days Provisions for the Troops encamped at Wallaujanbaad & Trichinopoly.

Letter to be written to the Rajah of Travancore to encourage the Revolt of the Malabar Nairs.

Resolved also, that a Letter be written to the Rajah of Travancore, recommending that he use every means to encourage the Moplas and Nairs to revolt from the Authority of Tippoo, assuring them of the Company's Protection, and of their Safety being provided for at the Conclusion of the War.

Engineer Officers suspended & the President to recommend to join the army

The President, in his Character of Commander in Chief, recommends, that the following Officers of the Engineer Corps be ordered to hold themselves in Readiness to join the Army in the Field.

Major Maule
Captains Trapaud
Kirkpatrick
Lieutenant

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Lieutenants Ryland
Bong
Mackenzie

Ensigns — Cree
Barclay
Johnstone

Ordered accordingly

Colonel Moorhouse to join the army — Captain Hall to take Charge of his Employ.

Resolved also, that Lieutenant Colonel Moorhouse be directed to join the army in the Field, as Commissary General of Stores; and that Captain George Hall take Charge of that Department at the Presidency until further orders.

Proposed Establishment of Guides

The President lays before the Board the following proposed Establishment of Guides, to which he has annexed the Numbers and Pay of the Guides formerly established.

Proposed Establishment of Guides, with a Statement of their Pay & Batta for a Month of 30 Days

		Pay p month	Batta p day	Batta p month	Total
		Pag. Fs. C.		Pag. Fs. C.	
1 Head Guide	a 6 Pagodas p month	6 — —	6 fanams	4 12 —	10 12 —
1 Second Guide	a 4 Do	4 — —	3. 0 Cash	2 6 —	6 6 —
48 Guides	a 2 Do each p ditto	96 — —	1. 30 Cash	47 6 —	143 6 —
	Pags	106 — —	Pags	53 24 —	Pags 159 24 —

Former Establishment

		Pay p months	Batta p day	Batta p month	Total
		Pag. Fs. C.		Pag. Fs. Cas	
1 Head Guide	a 10 Pagodas p month	10 — —	18 fanams	12. 30 —	22. 36 —
2 Second Guides	a 8 Do each p Do	16 — —	8 Ditto	11. 18 —	27. 18 —
2 Third Guides	a 6 Do each p Do	12 — —	6 Ditto	8. 24 —	20. 24 —
50 Guides	a 2 Do each p Do	100 — —	2 Ditto	71. 18 —	171. 18 —
	Pags	138 — —	Pags	104. 12 —	Pags 242. 12 —

Remarks thereon

The Board entirely approve the Establishment of Guides proposed by the President. Resolved, in Consequence, that Captain Boatson be directed to Compleat it as soon as possible; & that the Guides in future are not to be employed in procuring Intelligence

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Read the following Letters from the Resident at Travancore.

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

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Letter to Govr. inclosing a Letter from the Rajah, advising of Tippoo's having erected 6 Batteries: also the Intelligence he has collected from an European Deserter

Honble Sir

I do myself the honor of transmitting you the accompanying Letter from the Rajah of Travancore.

The Enemy have been the whole day employed in working at their Batteries - to every appearance there are four very extensive ones completed, and We have every reason to expect they will open them to morrow - Only a few Guns were fired to day. The Rajah's Troops cannot shew themselves upon the Ramparts of the Lines - they have taken away the Guns, and their Plan is to wait the Assault.

An European Deserter / a Dutchman / came in four days ago from the Lines, but only arrived this morning at Parour - He says, he belonged to Mons.r Lally's Party / which consists now of only 150 Europeans; but that there were several others in Tippoo's Camp, who were attached to the Guns; that five or six French Officers were superintending the construction of the Batteries, that they were called Engineers, & had joined Tippoo when he was at Coimbetour about four Months ago, and that they had been sent from Pondicherry - That a Major of Lally's Party had, about ten days ago, been sent to Madé for the purpose of Collecting Guns and ammunition; that he was daily expected in Camp when he left it, and it was said, he was bringing with him a Reinforcement of four or five hundred Europeans. -

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c. Signed George Powney

Assistant

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To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

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Honble Sir

From Mr. Bonney – with further Intelligence

Nothing material has occurred since Yesterday – The Enemy are carrying on their Works at the Batteries, but have only fired during the course of the day, when they saw any of the Rajah's Troops upon the Ramparts.

I have the honor to remain

&c. &c. &c.

Parrur – 9th. March 1790

(signed) George Bonney

Resident

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort S. George

Honble Sir

From Mr. Bonney – Tippoo has completed 5 Batteries, & is beginning an Advanced Work – thinks he meditates a regular Attack to the Ditch.

By Accounts from the Lines today, it appears, that the Enemy have completed five Batteries, and that they were beginning an advanced Work; so that it would seem, they mean to make their approaches to the Ditch. This Evening there was some smart firing from that Direction. I have not yet received any Intelligence of what has occurred.

I have the honor to remain

&c. &c. &c.

Parrur; 10th. March 1790 – 9 P.M.

(signed) George Bonney

Resident

Ordered that Copies of the foregoing Letters

Copies to be sent to Bengal.

be immediately transmitted to Bengal

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Substance of two Letters from the Rajah of Travancore

Read two Letters from the Rajah of Travancore (a sentence in C. Nos 64 and 65) — The former stating, that Tippoo is collecting a very large and Powerful Army, & is erecting Batteries close to the Lines. begging that Assistance may be sent to him with all possible Expedition; and that Orders may be issued to M. Bowney and to the Commandant of the Battalions to assist him in Battle Array Council without delay. — The latter advising, that Tippoo has strengthened his Batteries, collected his Ammunition, and began firing from the Lines — Again requesting that every possible Assistance may be sent to him without delay;

Substance of a Letter from His Highness the Nabob

Read Letter from his Highness the Nabob (a sentence in C. No. 66.) stating that there are in the Shevigungah Country about 200 Dismounted Troopers, and that he has given orders for their being entertained in the Company's Service during the War.

Minute thereon

Agreed that Colonel Musgrave be advised of the above, & desired to give Instructions to Captain White, Commanding in the Shevagangah Country, to entertain the Men in the Company's Service during the War.

Read the following Letter from Capt.n Kennaway

To The Honble John Hollond Esq.r
Governor &c.a Fort St. George

Hon.ble Sir

From Captain Kennaway requesting the Assistance of Government to recover some Debts due to American Rivière, an Officer in the Nizam's Service —

In consequence of an application from His Highness the Nizam, I have the honor to represent to you that Monsieur Rivière a French Officer in his Highness's Service, has a demand for certain sums of Money, upon Bond, from some of the Zemindars & Weavers of Guntoor, arising from concerns wherein he was engaged

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engaged with them during several years that he resided at that place, the recovery of which is now the object of his Journey thither. This Gentleman will first repair to Madras, charged with a Letter to you from his Highness on the subject, who has desired me to request you, on the receipt of that Letter, to direct the Collector of Guntoor to use his authority for the recovery of such Sums as by Bonds or other Proofs shall appear to be due.

I have the honor to be

Hydrabad — December 28th. 1789 —

&c. &c. &c.

(signed) John Kennaway

Minute thereon

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing Letter be transmitted to the Collector in the Guntoor Circar, with directions to afford Monsieur Riviere every Assistance towards the recovery of the Money due to him upon Bond from some of the Zemindars & Weavers of that Circar.

Read the following Letter from His Highness the Nabob (entered also in C.C. No. 67.)

From the Nabob Wallaujah — to the Honble. Major General Medows —

Dated 1st. of Rajeb 1204 — or 18th. March 1790 —

Received 19th. March 1790

From his Highness the Nabob requesting some Relief in the payment of his Arrears; and proposing a New Arrangement fully setting forth the distress of his Country & of his present situation.

I have received your Letter of the 7th. Instant 1204 or 20th. Jwabul Saney; and have understood its Contents. —

You inform me that you find, on examining the Accounts of Arrears of Kists &c. that to the day on which you wrote me, there was agreeable to the Account which was sent enclosed, the sum of Pagodas 6,50,482.16.35. due from me; also that, on examination of the Records, you perceived that the demand of the Payment of

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of the amount of the former Skitts had repeatedly been made;
that of the Tuppon Jaggernaut Tanker the Sum of Pag.s 49,600
having only been paid; that upon had therefore returned me the
Teep.s I conceive that my Friend had not been particularly
acquainted with the cause of their including the Treaty of February
1787, nor of the Circumstances which induced me to sign and
affix my Seal to a Paper which has caused equal distress
to me & my Country, as that caused by the War. When the
orders of 1784, which were formed upon the supposition that
the Revenue of my Country was much greater than in fact it was,
and on an [illegible] idea that that in the Treaty which I had
sent to Bengal, I had agreed to pay twelve Lacs of Pagodas,
independant of the Expences of the army; When these orders were
received, I agreed to pay the Sum of Sixteen Lacs of Pagodas yearly, as appears
by the Agreement entered into with Mr Davidson & the Council.
My reason for so doing was, that I was acquainted, unless I
agreed thereto, my Country would not be restored. I was
sensible at the time, that this was a greater load than I was
able to bear, and made the same known to the Governor and
Council, and requested that they would write to the Company
on the subject, and obtain their orders for a diminution of it. —
At the same time that I was in expectation of it's being
decreased, at that time Sir Archibald Campbell arrived, and
acquainted me that it was the wish of the Company that a
Treaty of mutual Advantage and protection should be formed.
This I willingly agreed to, and entertained a well grounded
hope that from a Treaty, the apparent intention of which
was a mutual [illegible] and benefit, my Affairs would
constantly flourish on a proper foundation. but When I found
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that the weight laid on me was increased from Sixteen to Twenty one Lacs of Pagodas, I saw that after Ruin must attend my Country, me, and the unfortunate People of my Country. In the most forcible manner I explained to Sir A. Campbell my inability to perform such weighty Engagements, and many were the Arguments made use of with him by my Son, who is deceased, and who had the conducting the Negociation. Nevertheless, as I was made to hope that Tanjore, my real and Lawful Right, would be returned to me, and as Governor Campbell agreed to receive Pagodas 220,000 yearly from Tanjore on account of the arrears of the Peishcush as a part of my share of the Expences; and also, that he would include the Sum of two Lacs in my account with the Company, provided the Company should not agree to open the yearly amount to be paid to my Creditors. He also made the most positive verbal promises that the situation of my Revenues should be represented home, in such a manner that there would be no doubt I should be relieved from my Burden: trusting to all these things, I at length signed and Sealed the Treaty. I relied upon it that the Gentlemen in Europe, who are Men of Justice, would perceive that the Amount to be paid by me was more than my Country would bear, and would send their orders to make a proper Abatement; because they had declared that it was their fixed determination that I should not be required to pay more than the Carnatic in it's present State would bear.

The Gentlemen in Europe were convinced that the load that was placed upon me was greater than I was able to bear, and in consequence sent their orders by the Swallow to lighten the burden, but, unfortunately, from the manner in which it was explained to me, I conceived that instead of decreasing the Load that after

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after the Expiration of three years, the weight would be encreased; because if the Company for two Years admitted a Reduction of one Lac Yearly, I should afterwards be obliged to pay Eleven Lacs yearly, being two Lacs more than Stipulated by treaty. Independant of this they require that I should give up Rup.s 120000 — on account of the Tanjore Pishcush, together with all the Arrears, which amount to a large Sum, one Lieu of the debt which they say is due from me on account of the Expenses of the late War, and for ever Relinquishing my Claim to the Pishcush & Arrears. They have not furnished me with any account, nor do they give me any by which I can learn what Sum they have charged to me on account of the War, or whether my share is greater than it should be, altho' I have repeatedly and most particularly for these four Years past requested an Account of it. — It was the constant practice, and consonant with the Treaty, to send me every three Months an Account of the Current Contingent-many Expences, and at the End of the year to give me a particular Account; but since the Commencement of last War, this has not been done. — This Circumstance I have mentioned in my Letter to Lord Cornwallis dated 6th July 1789, a Copy of which is enclosed. — My Friend, these are the causes which have made me delay entering into the fresh Treaty, agreeably to the wish of the Court of Directors; and these Causes are fully explained in the Paper which, on the 23rd July, I wrote to Governor Holland, and I am convinced that if my Friend will but examine these causes with attention, he will think that they are sufficient. I have written a particular Account of the Troubles and Distresses to England, &c

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am certain that the Gentlemen at home, having turned their attention seriously to the consideration of my Affairs, will send their orders to relieve me from my Burdens, and render me justice in my rights - I, in consequence, most earnestly request of my Friend, that without making any alteration in the present Treaty, you will admit of some diminution of the oppressive Weight of my Kists. But should you conceive that you have not the power of so doing, I am ready, in that Event, to accede to the New Treaty, on condition that my Claim to Tanjore remains firm; and by way of establishing it, I only require that a part of the Tanjore Peishcush, namely 20,000 Pagodas, shall be paid to me until the intentions of the People at home are known - If my Friend should not think proper to comply with either of the above Propositions, viz, making some immediate diminution in the heavy load of the Kists, without any alteration of the present Treaty, or to ratify the New Treaty in the manner I have above written; In that Event I trust that you will shew so much attention to my Affairs, as to receive my Kists by degrees, according to what my Country is able to bear. I also hope that you will give me Credit in my Kist-Account for the remaining one sixth on account of the Revenues under the Company's Management, which Mr. Davidson, in his Publick Letter dated the 2nd February 1786, wrote me should be included in the Kist, and respecting which Governor Campbell also wrote me. (Copies of these two Letters are Enclosed for your Information) And likewise that you will include the Amount of the Deposit in the Company's Treasury on account of Tanjore which belongs to me. On account of the preparations of War

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the idea of which has caused me much uneasiness & alarmed the Inhabitants of the Country / I have been under the necessity of writing so much. I am well convinced that the situation of public Affairs at present is such as to require that every Exertion should be made for the protection of them; and to my Friend may be assured that I will not be wanting in lending every assistance in my power for the benefit of the public concerns. I beg leave to assure my Friend, that I will pay the whole amount of the Revenues of the Country, after deducting some necessary Expences, to the Company — I beg you to consider this Circumstance, that I should not have been so far behind hand but for the following reason: that my orders have been for some time past circulated through every part of the Country to deliver Grain & Cattle to the Company's Servants, by which the Aumildars have been prevented selling the Grain, and transmitting the Money which I pay to the Company — I have constantly represented the inability of my Country to pay the amount stipulated by Treaty, on account of its Magnitude — In the late War my Country was totally desolated, and afterwards every District remained in a very bad situation, owing to the failure of Rain, more particularly in the season last year which was exceedingly bad. If my Friend will inspect the Accounts of the Company's Jaghire, which was managed by Company's Servants, and immediately under the Eye of the Government, you will find that the Aumildars have not paid the amount due from them according to their Agreement, altho' the Rent they were to pay was much less than the Rent at which I

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I agreed for the Jaghire ... My Friend, if then the Jaghire of the Company, which did not suffer so considerably from the devastations of the War, was so much reduced in its Revenue, do but consider what must be the situation of my Revenues, whose Country was become the Station of the Enemy, when Arcott, Wallanjaw, Nagpoor &.c were destroyed and laid waste by the Enemy, and the Inhabitants led away into Captivity ... I have been a good deal surprized that my Friend should have returned the Teep abovementioned, for at the time that I sent the Teep to Governor Hollond, I informed him that in case the Sowcar failed in the payment of it, I was answerable for the amount; and by Gott's Favour, I shall pay the Balance due on the Teep with all expedition. With regard to the Receipts of the Pay=-master, amounting to Pag.s 6/, 332.10.56 - which the Company's People have not included in my account, I have given orders to the Clerks of my Treasury, that, when=-ever you may require them, they shall wait upon you with the original Receipts. You sent me an Account of Pagodas 180,000 for the Expences of collecting the Revenue, & you desired that I should immediately pay the Amount. My Friend, I do not understand this Account - It is proper that the Batta of Troops who are employed in the Business of the Circar, should be charged to my account; but with respect to the Sibendies, it is certain I have always understood that not to be the Case: Tho' Troops under the Care of the Company, who have been replaced by me, & whose Pay I Pay, are intended for the protection of the Country, &

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collecting the Revenues of it, and these Men only are the Carnatic Sibendy. however I request that you will order a particular and separate Account of each to be made out & sent me, for it is difficult to examine and comprehend such abstract accounts. — When two honorable and upright Persons like Earl Cornwallis and General Medows have the Management of affairs in India, it is by no means necessary that I should conceal my sentiments; I am therefore open my heart without disguise, viz.ᵗ I do not see under what idea of Necessity my Friend should at this time incline to a War which must cause amost enormous Expence. No doubt this has been determined upon after the greatest deliberation & consideration, and with every attention towards our future Welfare and Protection. As the Consequences of War to my Country, and the Inhabitants, who have not yet recovered from the distresses of the last War, must be much distress; I therefore hope that the War will not be prolonged; and as every great share of the Expences will fall upon my Shoulders, I trust that agreeable to Justice, you will admit me to a participitation of whatever advantages, by the favour of the Almighty, may accrue therefrom, in an equal proportion; and that you will particularly provide that the Districts of Cuddapah, Barramphat, Salim, Coimbetoor, &c.ᵃ Provinces below the Ghauts, which belong to the Carnatic, and are part of my right & Dominion, but are at present in the hands of that Tyrant Tippoo, shall be again restored to me. My Friend, I have in this Paper presented to your view an account of my difficulties, and I trust I shall

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experience both Justice and Aid from You. Be so kind as to consider these matters well; also that, independant of the amount of the Rists which I pay the Company, I have many other heavy Expences, namely, that the Country may not be entirely desolated, I am under the necessity of repairing Tanks, Nullahs &c.a and to make advances to the poor Ryots for the purpose of Cultivation. I am also called by my religious Faith and my Custom, to bestow Alms &c.a to provide for the maintenance of the dependants and families of the Poor, and to support my old Servants and Dependants - I am also obliged to preserve a dignity and State as the Prince & Lord of the Country, and to provide for a large Family - I have sent three Papers enclosed for your Perusal, viz.t my letter to Lord Cornwallis, my letter to General Campbell, & Copy of an Extract from a letter which my Son (deceased), by my order, wrote to General Campbell: all three of them regarding Tanjore.

May God almighty, My Friend, bestow on you every Blessing! What can I write more?-

P.S. My Friend - In the time of Mr. Holland, I sent my account to him: if you examine it, you will understand it well. Mr. Holland sent me my Last Cundy Account, & it was examined with the Circar Accounts. The Writers informed me that the Sum of Pagodas 67,332.10.56, which my Servants had paid at the different Garrisons and got Receipts for, was not included in the Company's Accounts; I therefore sent a particular account of it with my Letter. I acquainted the late Governor that the amount of my four Years Rists,

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agreeable to the Arrangements of the Court of Directors, was Pags. 71,20,000. That, out of that I has paid into the Company's Treasury to their Paymasters at the different Garrisons, the Sum of Pagodas 70,27,025.3.72. That after including Pagodas 40,000 on account of the Revenue of Arnee, and the amount of the Deposite with the Company, there would be a trifling Balance due from me, which I have also paid. - My Friend will observe that if the abovemen-tioned Sum, together with the amount paid to the Compa-ny, agreeable to the orders of the Court of Directors, and the amount of the Deposit in the Treasury be included in the Amount, there remains a small Balance due from me on account of the November Kists - In the abovemen-tioned Account, is included Pagodas 60,000 on account of the Army, and Creditors, paid according to the Company's orders by the Swallow, with the 2,20,000 Pagodas on account of the Tanjore Peishcush, making in all Pags. 18,20,000 - I have paid on account of the November Kist Pagodas 60,000, in Specie, one Lac has been and is delivering at the different Forts in Paddy: the Balance, Pags. 40,000, by the favor of the Almighty, I will pay by the End of March, after which I will pay the Sum of 70,000 Pagodas, being the March Kist, from the beginning of May to the end of July, being three Months, provided no Hostilities from my Country; and will afterwards, provided as above, pay the 60,000 Pagodas on account of the July Kist; If, which God forbid there should be any trouble in my Country, after deducting one fifth, I will pay the whole Revenue

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of my Country into the Company's Treasury, except the Sagbire of my Family, until the end of the War - This you may depend on.

A true Translation from the Persian

(signed) Joseph Garrow
Persian Translator

Ordered that the above Letter be sent in Circulation for the further Consideration of the Members of the Board.

To be circulated for further Consideration

J.n R. Low

Edwd Ste Hollond

Thomas Graham

E. Geo. Jul. Maunten Esqr

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Substance of letter from the Nizam

19th Received Letter from His Highness the Nizam, (as entered in C.C. N.o 68) requesting that a Sum due to Mons.r Neddy (a Rajaalbadar of Sepoys) from the Zemindars and Ryotts of the Burgunnah of Mirtizah Nagger (Guntoor) may be collected from the Zemindars & Country People, and paid to him.

Received the following Letter from Bombay:

To The Honble Major General William Medows
Governor in Council at Fort S.t George

From Bombay - advising of the death of Mr Green, and the appointment of Mr. G. Dick to Council

Honble Sir

It is with concern We have to advise you of the decease of George Green Esq.r Junior Member of this Board, which Event took place this morning; in consequence whereof the Council being reduced to two Members, George Dick Esq.r the Senior Civil Servant was called up to Council, at the President's Nomination, and has taken his Seat accordingly.

We have the honor to be
Honble Sir
Your most obedient humble Servants
signed { Robt. Abercromby
D. Carnegie
George Dick

Bombay Castle
26th. February 1790

Sent Letters (as entered in C.C. N.os 69. 70.)

To the Soubahdar of the Decan - Returning thanks for his Present. - orders are issued to all the Settlements to collect Rupees, and send them

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10.th Them to Masulipatam for the purpose of liquidating as soon as possible the Balance due to his Highness. His Agents for the purchase of Elephants at Cuddalore and Porto Novo, will receive every assistance possible.

To the Rajah of Travancore

To the Rajah of Travancore - requesting he will exert himself in the present Crisis of affairs, and Consult with Captain Knox on the best mode of defending his Country. To use every endeavor to detach from Tippoo's Interests his Mopla & Nair Subjects and Tributaries on the Malabar Coast.

Sent the following Letters

To M.r George Powney

Resident at Travancore

To the Resident at Travancore - Inclosing Letter to the Rajah - To endeavor to detach from Tippoo's Interests - his Mopla & Nair Subjects & Tributaries - Authorizing him to engage to render them independant of the Mysore Chief, if they will unite with the English. -

Sir

The Board have received your several Letters, the last dated the 10.th Instant.

The Sword being now drawn between the Company and Tippoo, every exertion must in all Quarters be made to bring the War to a speedy and honorable issue. - In this view, it is considered an object of importance to detach from Tippoos Cause his Mopla & Nair Subjects & Tributaries, which has been recommended to the Rajah of Travancore in the Letter now enclosed, which you will deliver to him.

You must consult with him, as to the best mode of executing this; and you are authorized to engage that the Company will render these People independant of the Mysore Chief, provided they act vigorously against him in the present Contest.

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19th. You are desired to pay particular attention to this object, and to report as soon as possible upon the feasibility of it, as far as depends upon yourself & the Rajah.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

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(signed) John Chamier
Secy.

To Colonel De Fiesne

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

To Colonel De Fiesne at Pondicherry - Requesting him to release the Sepoys who were recruiting upon their Error being guarded against in future.

Sir

I am this Instant favored with yours, and am as incapable of offering any thing insulting, as of submitting to it - I shall give the strongest orders against the practices of which, if well founded, you do justly complain. - I am too well persuaded of your Justice, to doubt a Moment your releasing the Sepoys, upon their Error being Guarded against in future.

I have the honor to be,

Sr,

Your most obedient, and
most humble Servant

(signed) William Medows
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To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at Fort William

My Lord

To Bengal - Their Letter to Columbo has been forwarded - informing them fully of the Steps taken for the discharge of the Nizam's Balance - Enclosing Copies of Mr. Downay's Letters.

We have been honored with two Letters from your Lordship in Council in your Political Department, dated the 26th. ultimo, and have dispatched to Columbo the Letter addressed to the Governor & Council of that Settlement.

We have written to Governor Van de Graaff & his Council, announcing the recommencement of Hostelities on the part of Tippoo, and communicating the preparations We are making to revenge the Insult.

We shall strictly adhere to your Lordship's Instructions, respecting further Communications with the Government at Columbo.

In answer to your Lordship's Letter relative to Payments to the Nizam, We have the honor to inform you that our President took an early opportunity of bringing the subject under Consideration - Prior to the Receipt of your Letter, it had been Resolved, that one Lack of Rupees should be sent to Masulipatam from Ganjam, & two Lacks from Vizagapatam, towards the discharge of the Bisheuth, and in order to provide for the entire liquidation of the Balance.

We have published an Advertizement for Proposals to be delivered in, until the 22nd. Instant, for Paying in Sums of Money, in Arcot, or other Rupees, and such purchases as are made, are to be paid for in Pagodas, or by Bills on Your Government.

We have had recourse to these Measures, from the

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19th the Niram's Vackeel having declined receiving Pagodas in payment of the Balance, amounting to Rupees 66665, for Current Peishcush and Arrears.

We beg leave to assure your Lordship in Council, that We are perfectly sensible of the good policy of attending to the performance of the Engagements concluded by your Government with the Niram, and are aware that a strict punctuality is particularly necessary at this juncture.- We shall therefore exert ourselves as much as possible to compleat with all expedition the Payments due.

We have the honor to Enclose Copies of Letters just received from Mr. Powney.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

Wm. Medows
signed { &c. Council

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To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

Fort William

To Bengal Recommending that the Regulations in the Letter from thence of the 15th May regarding the Mode of keeping the Accounts be postponed for one Year.

My Lord

Upon the Receipt of the Letter from your Lordship in Council, under date the 2nd. October last, We directed the proper Officers to proceed to the adoption of the several Regulations recommended by your Lordship in Council in your Letter to us of the 15th. May.

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We beg leave to submit to the Consideration of your Lordship in Council, whether, in the present situation of affairs, it might not be proper to post pone for one Year the Execution of the Plan, as has been recommended to us by the Committee employed, in order to avoid the Confusion that must attend such a Change at this Crisis; more especially as We are well persuaded, that no Inconvenience to the Service can possibly attend a Continuance of the present System for another Year.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c. (signed) Wm. Medows

&c. Council

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20th. Dispatched the undermentioned Letters (as entered in MB. Nos. 114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120. 121. 122. 123. 124. 125. 126. 127.)

To the Commandant at Vellore

To the Commandant at Vellore — To instruct the Engineer to make a Circumstantial Report of the Works out of Repair, and other Works mentioned in his Letter, and to forward it together with a Plan & Estimate of the Expence.

To Colonel Brathwaite Commanding the Northern Division of the Army

To Colonel Brathwaite — to muster such Bullocks as may be presented by the Contractors at any of the Posts under his authority, and mention in the Certificate whether Draught or Carriage — Not fewer than 100 Bullocks to be presented by the Bullocks at one time — To grant such Guards to the Contractors Agents, as may be deemed necessary to secure the Cattle on the March, to the place of their Destination.

To Captain Grimond

To the Town Major — Informing him that the Seamen belonging to the Vestal Frigate are to Embark on Board the Houghton for Bengal.

To

To the Commander of the Houghton	20th. To Captain Munro – with orders to receive on Board the above Seamen for Bengal; & to receive on board, and convey to Bengal Captain Macintyre & his Servant.
To the Accountant General	To the Accountant General – With remarks on his Statement of the Rajah of Tanjore's Balance – To draw out a Corrected Account agreeably thereto.
To the Contractors for Draught & Carriage Bullocks	To the Contractors for Bullocks – to procure with all possible Expedition Draught & Carriage Bullocks sufficient for the Carriage of 10 Days Provision for the Troops Encamped at Wallaujanbaad & Tritchinopoly.
To the Hospital Board	To the Hospital Board – Enclosing Copy of a General Order, containing the Decision of Government upon the Medical Arrangement submitted with their Proceedings of the 8th Instant. Mr Robert Stuart to proceed to the Presidency to which he belongs. Mr Baillies Appointment Approved of.
To the Military Paymaster General	To the Military Paymaster General – Enclosing Extract of a Letter received from Bengal, and two Statements – To draw out the Comparative Statement required, and lay them before Government – the Exchange to be at 375 Arkt. Pgs Pagodas: 8 P Cent Batta between the Arcot & Current Rupees.
To the Officers Commanding the Western & Southern Divisions of the Army	To the Officers Commanding the Western and Southern Divisions of the Army. – Stating that the Contractors for Bullocks have been directed to procure Draught & Carriage Bullocks sufficient for the Carriage of 10 days Provisions for the Troops Encamped at Wallaujanbaad & Tritchinopoly.
To Colonel Musgrave	To Colonel Musgrave – Enclosing the Nabob's Order to Colonel Martins

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Martinz and Motabar Cawn for delivering up two hundred dis=
=mounted Troopers — To send the order to Captain White, who
will obtain Execution thereof.

To the Collectors in the Jaghire — To the Collectors in the Jaghire — Enclosing Plan for procuring Bamboo Coolies for the use of the Troops Encamped at Uttacottah — to be put into immediate Execution.

To Captain Munro Commander of the Ship Houghton — To Captain Munro — with orders to receive on Board and convey to Bengal the Honble Lieutenant Turnour of his Majesty's 73rd Regiment, together with his Baggage and two Servants.

To the Adjutant General — To the Adjutant General — desiring him to furnish Mr. Cockburn with an Exact Return of the Troops Encamped at Wallaujaubaad & Tritchinopoly, to enable the Contractors to judge of the number of Bullocks necessary for the Carriage of 10 Days Provision

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — Inclosing the Nabob's orders to his Servants at Tritchinopoly, Arcot & Trivatoor, respecting the Provision of Grain, Bullocks, & Bamboo-Cookes. — To prevent in future, his Agents seizing any Bullocks be=longing to the Circar, that are employed in carrying Grain into Arnee.

To the Board of Revenue — To the Board of Revenue — Inclosing Copy of the Plan sent to the Collectors in the Jaghire for procuring Bamboo-Coolies for the use of the Troops encamped at Uttacottah.

To Captain Kennaway at Hydrabad — To Captain Kennaway at Hydrabad — Enclosing Letter for the Nizam, & Copy thereof for his Information.

Sent the following Letter to Bombay —

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To the Honble Colonel Abercromby

Governor in Council

at Bombay

Honorable Sir

To Bombay — advising of Tippoo's Recommencement of Hostilities, and of the Preparations making on this Coast in Consequence

We had the honor to address you under date the 10th. January last, acquainting you with the attack upon the Lines of the Rajah of Travancore by the army of Tippoo Sultaun on the 29th. December last, and that We had in consequence ordered considerable reinforcements to our Southern Army

We have now to inform you that Tippoo Sultaun has Recommenced Hostilities upon the Rajah of Travancore, by opening Batteries on the Lines on the 6th. Instant.

The Sword being thus drawn, it remains only to adopt and carry into Execution the most vigorous Operations against the Enemy; for which purpose, We are making every Exertion, and hope shortly to be enabled to send a very powerful Army into the Enemy's Country.

Our President has informed us of his having acquainted Colonel Abercromby with the Plans which he has submitted to Lord Cornwallis — In the Event of their being approved by his Lordship, they will be carried into Execution with as little delay as possible.

We shall be glad to be made acquainted with the Plans of your Government for the prosecution of the common Cause, and shall have the honor to address you again, as

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Soon as We receive Instructions from Bengal, relative to the operations of the Army serving on this Coast.

We have the honor to be

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&c. &c. &c.

(signed) William Medows
& Council

Received the undermentioned Letters presented in M.B. viz.
131. 132. 133. 134.)

From Lieutenant Brunton Commanding at Permacoil

From the Commandant at Permacoil – with advice of a Ship's having landed 20 Pieces of Cannon, & 2,000 Stand of Arms at Pondicherry – Intelligence of Tippoo's Proceedings. Colonel Deveine has prohibited our People recruiting within the Precincts of Pondicherry, and has now four of our Sepoys in Confinement in his Cutwall's Custody.

From Ensign Tatem of the 52nd Regiment –

From Ensign Tatem of His Majesty's 52nd Regiment – requesting that he may be allowed Passage Money for his Outward bound Voyage, & Gratuity, according to the Rate regulated by Lord Cornwallis.

To be referred to the Military Board –

From Colonel Nixon

From Colonel Nixon – Enclosing a Letter received from the Nabob respecting Grain – advice of the Batteries erected near Arnellore; & Tippoo's fresh attack upon the Rajah's Lines.

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions – desiring to be furnished with an exact Return of the Number of Europeans & Natives at Wallanjaubad & Soitchiens poly.

At

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At a Consultation Present

The Honble Major General William Medows

Governor President

Edward John Holland
and
James Taylor
} Esqrs

Tuesday
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Minutes of last Consultation Read & Approved

Read the following Letter & Enclosures from the Board of Revenues.

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From the Board of Revenue stating the annual Values of the Districts mentioned in the Schedule lately sent to them by Government — are unable to afford any information on this point to state. — With an Account showing the produce of the Countries while under the Control and Management of the late Committee of Appeal Revenues.

We have to acknowledge the receipt of your Orders conveyed in Mr Secretary Chamiers Letter of the 9th Instant, with a Schedule of Districts annexed to the Treaty existing between this Government and His Highness the Nabob, and direct-ing us to select such Countries as we may deem best adapt-ed to Answer the purpose in view.

Uninformed as We are of the present State of these Districts mentioned in the Schedule, or how far the Current Revenue of the present year may already have been anticipated by

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by his Highness the Nabob, particularly at this advanced Season of the Year, when the Crops are mostly gathered in, the only means We have in our Power of shewing our attention to your Instructions is by submitting to you the only authentic Information We have of the value of these Countries, taken from the Records of the Committee of Assigned Revenue for Phazely 1194, or from 11.th July 1784. to 12.th July 1785, towards the close of which Revenue Year, the Assignment was cancelled, and the Countries restored to the Nabob.

For this purpose We have the honor to enclose you a Statement containing the Rents of the different Districts for Phazely 1194; and also the Gross Collections, Charges, and Balances on the 20.th June 1785, on which day the Re-assignment took place, together with a Calculate of the Nett Collection which the District of the Arcot Province, mentioned in the Schedule, ought to produce in one complete Revenue Year, supposing them to be in as good a State as they were during the last Year of the Assignment; and as by the Schedule it appears that, a considerable part of that Province is reserved at the disposal of the Nabob, We have thought proper to add a List of such Countries as are not included in that Document, with the Rents at which they were let out, in order that you may have the Value of the

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whole Province before you in case circumstances should require it's being appropriated to the use of the Company.

From the Statement We have the honor to enclose you, as abovementioned, it will appear that, from the Accounts taken from the Records of the Committee of Assigned Revenue, the annual Rent, Gross Collections, Charges, Nett Receipts, and Balances, for Phazely 1194 stand as follows:

	Annual Rent	Gross Collections	Charges	Nett Receipts	Balances
Districts of Arcot included in the Schedule	538,330.	256,389.	96,325.	160,067.	149,139
Madura & Mellore	70,000.	79,652.	18,303.	61,439.	
Tritchinopoly with Saghire	285,714.	229,403.	36,548.	192,855.	96,886
Palnaud	53,500.	47,137.	10,400.	36,737.	15,524.
Ongole	66,000.	69,514.	—	69,514.	36,008.
Worriar Pollam	39,130.	27,110.	—	27,110.	12,020.
Sreyalore	30435.	19,797.	—	19,797.	10,640.

It is necessary here to remark that altho' the Assigned Countries were rented out, it appears on a Reference to the authority before named, that the amount of the Rents was no Criterion of the Ultimate Settlement which was adjusted by the actual Produce, and this

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this Circumstance will account for the difference between the Rents and the Collections made from the different Districts.

It must likewise be observed that this Statement shews the Produce of the Countries while under the Sole Controul and Management of the Committee of Assigned Revenue, the interference of the Nabob having been expressly provided against, in the Deed of Assignment.

Messrs. Saunders and Monbray understanding that, by the Treaty subsisting between the Honble Company and the Nabob, the Countries to be delivered over are to remain under the entire Management and Collection of the Nabobs Amildars, and other Revenue Officers, the probable Effect of which Essential Difference of System, they deem of consequence to submit to the Consideration of your Honble Board - We have in compliance with the request of these Gentlemen communicated their observation on this Subject; and We have also enclosed the Proceedings of this Board on the 11th Instant, on a Motion made by Mr. Monbray.

Vide - Report of the Committee of Assigned Revenue dated 27th May 1782, and their last report of 31st December 1785 -

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

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signed
Edw.d Fr.s Holland
Edw.d Saunders
Ja.s Call
Geo.e Monbray

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Extract from the Minutes of Revenue Consultation of 11.th March 1790.

"Read a Letter from M.r Secretary Chamier, with
"Copy of a Schedule annexed to the Treaty entered into between
"Government and His Highness the Nabob."

"Ordered that a Statement be prepared from the
"Records of the Committee of Assigned Revenue, of the Rent, Gross
"Collections, Charges and Balances in the different Districts
"mentioned in the Schedule, to be laid before Government,
"with such observations as may occur to the Board on taking
"that Document under their Consideration."

"M.r Moubray, conceiving that in order to fulfill
"the Intention of Government, it is necessary for the Board to be
"Acquainted with the Stipulations inserted in the Treaty, moves
"that application be made to Government for a Copy thereof."

"M.r Saunders seconds M.r Moubray's Motion."

"M.r Holland is against the Motion, as Govern-
"ment have referred to the Board specifick Articles to be
"reported upon, the discussion of which does not in his
"Opinion require a knowledge of the Treaty at large."

"M.r Call concurs in opinion with M.r Holland"

"Carried against M.r Moubray's Motion."

"M.r Moubray begs leave to state that, the Rea-
"sons for requesting to have a Copy of the Treaty, are founded
"upon the supposition, that it's not having accompanied
"the Letter from Government is owing to an official oversight;
"but finding that M.r Holland objects to the Motion, he con-
"cludes that he is mistaken in his Conjecture."

A true Extract signed W.m Balfour Secry.

If 89,598 Pagodas – Rent of the Arcot Province, produce Nett Revenue 265,108 Pagodas – the Rent of the Districts included in the Schedule, amounting to Pagodas 538,330, ought in the same Rate to produce Nett Revenue Pagodas 160,067. ———

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(signed) Wm. Balfour
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To His Highness the Nabob Wallaujah Bahauder - of Arcot and the Carnatic &c. &c. &c. &c. &c.

May it please your Highness

I have received your Highness's Letter of the 18th. Instant, with all its Enclosures, I have perused the whole with the greatest attention.

To the Nabob - The Board cannot acquiesce in the Reasoning contained in his Highness's Letter of the 18th Instant, or accede to the different proposals in it - Refering to the Letter sent to him on the 7th Instant, and stating that the principles therein contained will not be departed from.

I am exceedingly concerned that I find it impossible to acquiesce in the reasoning contained in your Highness's Letter, or to accede to the different proposals in it. It is absolutely necessary at this Juncture, that all Sums due to the Company should be realized, and I should not do my duty, were I to neglect any just means of effecting it.

I must again earnestly Repeat the requests contained in my Letter of the 7th. Instant, & I hope your Highness will attend to them, as I wish much to avoid any Interference in the Collection of the Revenues of your Country. I trust therefore your Highness will discharge the Balance due at the stipulated time, namely the 31st. of this month, which will enable me to rescind the resolutions formed, & render further Arrangements unnecessary.

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It is not possible for me to accept your Highness's offer of subscribing to the Terms proposed by the Court of Directors, in their Letter by the Swallow, for a New Arrangement, because you have annexed to it, one which militates entirely with the principles they have laid down

It is not necessary for me to reply to those parts of your Highness's Letter which relate to the Deposit Money; to the Balance of the one sixth part of the Revenues during the Assignment, or to your Claim on account of the arrear Collections: these Subjects having been fully discussed by my predecessors.

The Account particulars of the sum of £180,000, for Charges Collections &c. shall be laid before Your Highness, and Credit given for the Grain which your Aumildars have delivered, as soon as the proper Vouchers are produced. I am ready to receive myself the Receipts of the Paymasters for Pagodas 67,332. 10. 56, & will appoint any day & hour agreeable to your Highness for that purpose.

Your Highness does Lord Cornwallis the justice in supposing that We would not precipitate the Company into War, if there were any honorable means of avoiding it. What may be determined upon, will certainly be the result of deliberation; but our measures will have justice for their support, it is hoped they will be crowned with Success: every attention will of course be paid to your Highness's Claims respecting some Countries now in Tippoo's Possession.

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Before I conclude, I must again beg to call your Highness's attention to the contents of my Letter of the 7th Instant, as it will not be possible for me to depart from the principles therein laid down, and from the Claims therein made on account of the Company.

I have the honor to be

Your Highness's

Most obedient, and most

faithful humble Servant

Signed/ Wm. Medows

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Read the following Letter from Bengal

John Shaw Esqr.

Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir

I have orders from the Governor General in Council to transmit to you, for the Information of the Hon'ble the Governor in Council at Fort St. George, a Copy of the Instructions that have been given to Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell Commanding the Detachment of Native Troops proceeding to the Southward.

His Lordship in Council having been pleased to make an arrangement, by which the Sepoys of this Detachment and the Artillery Men and Lascars, who have gone by Sea to your Presidency, under the Commands of Lieutenant Colonel Deare, should be enabled to make some Provision for their Families during their absence from this Country, I am directed to communicate the enclosed Note of it, as far as Regards the

From Bengal advising of an Arrangement made to enable the Sepoys, Artillery Men, and Lascars, under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Deare, to make Provision for their Families during their Absence with Copy of the same, and of Orders given to Lieutenant Colonel Cockerells

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the artillery and Lascars, and to request that this Government may be advised, from Time to Time, of the Amount of the Deductions made monthly from the Artillery Abstracts on the above Account.

I have the honor to be

Sir &c. &c. &c.

(Signed) J. Stables Sub Secy

Fort William
23d March 1790

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell

Sir

You have been duly informed that We have thought proper to appoint you to the Command of a Detachment of Native Infantry, consisting of Six Battalions, under Orders to proceed, by Land, to the Southward.

These Corps being severally ready to commence their March, and the Ordnance and Stores, to accompany them, being embarked in Sloops for Balasore, where the Battalions are to rendezvous, a Supply of Treasure, amounting to Rupees 360000, being also provided at Midnapore, to be placed under the charge of the Paymaster at that Station, on his arrival; We direct that you proceed with the Troops under your Command, without delay, to Balasore, and thence to the Southward, via Cuttack; the Officers of the Berar Government having been written to by the Governor General, and requested to forward your Passage through the Districts belonging to it.

We enclose a Translation of a Letter which the Governor General has received from Sadasheo Row, the principal Officer at Cuttack in the absence of Rajah Ram Pundit, proposing

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a delay in the March of the Detachment on account of the Scarcity of Grain in the District; but as this delay is inadmissible, We have directed Mr. Forster, who is going to Vizagapore, to stop at Cuttack, and satisfy the Officers of the Berar Government of the necessity of your proceeding, leaving it to them to receive Payment in money for any Grain that may be supplied there for your Detachment, or Payment, in an equal Quantity of the articles provided, on your Certificate, shewing what that Quantity amounts to.— You are not to allow the March of the Troops to be retarded by any objections from the People at Cuttack, but make the best of your way to the Southward. Mr. Forster will remain at Cuttack until the Detachment shall have passed the Southern Frontier of that Province, and communicate to you whatever he may judge deserving of your Notice.

On your arrival within the Countries immediately subject to the Presidency of Fort St. George, You will send notice thereof to the Governor in Council, and obey all orders that he may send to you, or that may be sent to you by the Commander in Chief of the Forces at that Presidency, for your future Guidance; and in case none should be received, you will continue your March to Masulipatam, and onwards, unless interdicted by any Directions from us.

We are persuaded that you will uniformly and Carefully observe the strictest attention to the safety of the Inhabitants, and their Property, during the march, whether thro' the Company's Country or any other, inflicting Exemplary Punishment on all Persons detected in Marauding, or in Acts of Personal Violence to the People.

We have requested the Governor in Council at Fort

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Fort St. George to send Instructions to the Subordinates of that Presidency to supply the wants of the Detachment in Provisions &c., on their passing these Places; and, to prevent delay, We have directed our Secretary to write to them upon the subject, as you will observe in the enclosed Copies of his Letters. A further supply of Cash, to the amount of Rupees 350,000, will be sent from hence, at the End of March, to meet you at Masulipatam; and you have a general authority to draw on us, on the best Terms you can, for any Aids you may require.

We enclose a Copy of the Cypher, at. H, now in use between the Presidencies of the Company, and their Public Ministers, and desire that particular Care may be taken that it should not fall into improper hands.

You are entirely at liberty to correspond with Captain Kennaway, whenever the wants of the Detachment may be assisted by orders to the Nizam's Officers; and We have no doubt of the Resident's obtaining them.

The Secretary has already furnished you with a Copy of the Orders that We passed on the Seventeenth Instant, in respect to disbursements for Secret Services.

We herewith transmit to you an authenticated Copy of the Establishment which has been fixed for your Detachment, strongly recommending and enjoining your strictest attention to the Expences of the Corps under your Command; and at the same time, that We think it expedient to confide to you the power of Authorizing such Contingent Disbursements as you may find absolutely necessary for the Service on which you are sent, We think it proper to apprize you that you will be held responsible for

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forthem until they receive the Sanction of Government. We rely, however, as much upon your attention to Oeconomy, as upon your approved fidelity in such Disbursements, that no Expences will be incurred by you which will not meet with our approbation.

Whatever Money may be advanced to the Troops, including the Expenditure of the Supply that the Paymaster takes from Midnapore, is to be advanced in the Specie in which you receive it, at such rate of Expence, with respect to Sonaut Rupees, as you may determine to be an equitable rate, considering the Current Exchange at the Places where the Specie may be issued; and you will be pleased, from Time to Time, to inform us of whatever Orders you may give upon this subject.

You will exercise your discretion in procuring and keeping up the Supplies of Provisions, as well as with respect to the Carriage Cattle purchased for the Bazars of the Detachment, and the Cattle engaged on monthly Hire.

You will receive from the adjutant General Copies of all General Orders that have been, or that may be, issued in respect to the Detachment under your Command, and Correspond with the Commander in Chief upon all points necessary for his information.

We are, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servants

Fort William
28th. February 1790—

(signed) { Cornwallis
Chas. Stuart
Peter Speke

A true Copy (signed) J. Tombelle Sub Secry.

Note

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Note of the arrangement referred to in a Letter to the Secretary at Fort S. George, dated 3rd March 1790.

Lieutenant Colonel Charles Deare has been instructed to make deductions from the Artillery abstracts before they are presented for Payment on the Coast, of the amount receivable in Bengal, and to transmit a Certificate thereof in the following form.

This is to Certify, that the amount of the Pay & Batta due to the Europeans and Lascars of the Bengal Artillery on the 1st. of —— was Sonaut Rupees ——, the amount of which may be paid in Bengal to the Person authorized to receive it, having been deducted from the amount of the abstracts, for the purpose of being applied to the use and support of the Families of Men engaged on Service at Madras.

/signed/ C. R. Deare
Commanding the Bengal Artillery

The Commandant of the Brigade of Artillery is to sign a Monthly Bill for the amount specified in the Certificates, which is to be paid, after audit, by the Paymaster of Artillery and Garrisons, the Distribution of which is to be made by the Commandant of Artillery, agreeable to Lists now in his Possession, or according to the occasional Correction of those Lists which he will receive from Lieutenant Colonel Deare.

A true Copy /signed/ J. Fombelle
Sub Secy

Minute thereon

Resolved, that the necessary Information be given, from Time to Time, to the Right Honble the Governor General

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in Council, of the Deductions made monthly from the Bengal Artillery Abstracts, as required in the foregoing Letter.

Read the following Letter from the Hospital Board

Hospital Board
22nd March 1790

The Hospital Board have the honor to transmit a List of Vacancies in the Medical Department, according to the orders of Government. Viz.

2nd. Battalion of Native Infantry
5th ... ditto ... ditto
6th ... ditto ... ditto
9th ... ditto ... ditto
21st ... ditto ... ditto
24th ... ditto ... ditto
25th ... ditto ... ditto
26th ... ditto ... ditto
30th ... ditto ... ditto
5th Regiment of Native Cavalry
3rd Regiment of European Infantry
1st ... Ditto ... ditto
The Chiefship of Vizagapatam
of Maddepollam & Ingeram
The General Hospital of Vellore 3 Vacancies
Tritchinopoly 2 ditto
Masulipatam 1 ditto
The Assistant to the 1st. Battalion of Native Infantry is unfit for Duty, from ill health, which makes the number of Deficiencies amount to 21

The Hospital Board can only recommend Mr. James Baxter, and Mr Edward Mackey to be appointed Assistant Surgeons, and Mr Jaffet Atkinson, Sub-Assistant

Appointed, until the pleasure of the Court of Directors be known.

Should

...the Hospital Board containing a list of vacancies in the Medical Department... Recommending that Mr. James Baxter & Mr. Edward Mackey be appointed Assistant Surgeons, and Mr Atkinson Sub-Assistant. Cannot recommend Mr Gordon to be employed as Field Hospital Surgeon proposed that he be appointed Field Apothecary General recommending that 60 Ounces of Bark (belonging to Mr. Baillie) be brought

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Should those Gentlemen be approved by Government, the Hospital Board recommend that Mr. Baxter be appointed to the 9th. Battalion of Native Infantry, Mr. Mackay to the 1st. Battalion, and Mr. Atkinson to be under the immediate direction of the Surgeon General.

Approved

Read a Letter from Mr. Secretary Chamier, enclosing Copy of a Letter from Mr. William Gordon to Government.

The Hospital Board, though they cannot Recommend Mr. Gordon to be employed as Field Hospital Surgeon, yet they approve the Zeal he has always shewn for the Service, & recommend he be appointed Field apothecary General; and Mr. Robert Trotter attached to the Field Hospital.

Government do not approve of establishing the office of Apothecary General — Mr. Gordon's Zeal approved; & attention will be paid to him when it may be practicable. Mr. Trotter to be stationed at some Garrison to which he will attend the Garrison Company.

Mr. Baillie having 60 Bunds of Peruvian Bark to dispose of, the Hospital Board recommend that it be purchased, as the quantity remaining in Store is very inconsiderable.

Approved

Signed { Jn.r Anderson Physician General
Colley. L. Lucas Surgeon General
William Duffin Head Surgeon.

Read the following Letter from the Surgeon General of the army.

To Major General Medows

Governor in Council, & Commander in Chief

From the Surgeon General — requesting that his Allowance of Pay & Rations may be settled before his Departure for the Field — and that the Fees

Sir

Permit me thus to render my best thanks for the honor you have conferred on me in the appointment of Surgeon General

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the Effects he must leave
behind

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Surgeon General deserve your attention & approbation.

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It is necessary I make some arrangement in
my departure for the Field, which shall be as
e necessary Supplies &c. for the Detachment are provided
I can be accountable these Instructions

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me this will away my Say and Batta may
be ascertained, in the which I humbly conceive no precedent can
be drawn; as I believe a similar Circumstance never can occur of
of one of my age and standing, coming forward, not to count
ease and advantages, but to promote Good order, with Economy,
in the Medical Field Department. Tho' perhaps unnecessary
to mention, I will hope that my Salary, as a Member of the
Medical Board, will not be considered as connected with that
of Surgeon-General.

The arduous task I have undertaken demands
all around me should be active and obedient to orders; to promote
which, and create an Emulation to excell, 'tis always the Custom
of his Majesty's Service, the Field Hospital Surgeons & Assistants
have an additional Salary to those of Regiments, as they can
derive no Emoluments from their Stations; I shall be happy to
boast being the Instrument tho' which they derived that addition,
which I most respectfully submit to your discretion, humbly
offering that the Plan of Economy in the Field arrangement will
admit this distinction.

Mr. Ponton's indisposition, and the Nature of his
renders him incapable of doing the duty of Medical Storekeeper;
Permit me to recommend Mr. Bingham to that Station; and

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I must unavoidably leave behind me.

In which I have the honor to subscribe myself,

Sir,

Your most obedient and
Most devoted humble Servant

Fort St. George
19th. March 1790

signed/ Colley Lyons Lucas
Surgeon General to the Army

Minute thereon

Resolved, that the full Batta of a Colonel, which is Six Pagodas p Diem, be annexed to Mr. Lucas's allowances as Second Member of the Hospital Board, during the period of his Services in the Field.

Resolved also, that such Allowances be given to the Field Hospital Surgeons and Assistants, as are conformable to the Regulations.

ditto ditto

With respect to Mr. Lucas's Request to have the Nomination of Surgeons, and Assistant Surgeons for Field Service, it is Agreed to inform him, that it cannot be complied with.

ditto ditto

Read the following Letter from Colonel Musgrave.

To